



MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY 5:30 pm

SUNDAY 9 am & 11:30 am

Weekday Mass @ 8:00 am
Wednesday-Friday in the Church

FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

Most Sacred Heart Devotion
@ 6:00pm

Christian Initiation:

**Sacraments of Baptism,
Confirmation and Holy Communion**

Preparation of each Sacrament is required. Baptisms are celebrated quarterly usually at 11:30 am Mass.

Adults seeking to receive the sacraments for the first time should contact the Pastor for further information.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Registration and participation prior to your wedding date is required. Arrangements should be made with the Priest before the wedding date is set; Instructions to begin at least four months before the wedding.

Parish Covid-19 safety guidelines:

1. For your protection and for the safety of others, masks are highly recommended at Mass.
2. Sanitizer is available for use at the entrance of the church. There is also a sanitizer bottle in each pew.
3. There is social distancing seating arrangement. Please it is critical that you follow the directions of the Ushers.

WELCOME TO HISTORIC
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July 4, 2021

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Times, Year B

They are a rebellious house but shall know that a prophet has been among them. *First Reading*

I shall be very happy to make my weakness my special boast, so that the power of Christ may stay over me. *Second Reading*

The Lord has sent me to bring the good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives. *Gospel Acclamation*

Rev. Romanus Obiora Ezeugwu, MSP, Pastor
Sharon Carson, Supt. of Religious Education
Dianne Williams, Parish Council Chairperson
Carl Hayes, Finance Chairperson
Shirley West, Administrative Secretary
Bea Betworth, Accounts Secretary
Jerome Grayson, Bldg/Maintenance

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

We gather together today before the Lord and beside each other to listen to God's word and to share in this Eucharistic meal. In remembrance of Jesus' wonderful gift of his very self, we join in communion with the Church around the world. This weekend, we come together on the anniversary of our country's founding, appreciative of our freedom to worship as we desire, while continually aspiring to build a more perfect union. In places of worship across this country, we gather to give praise to God.

Today's Readings are found in the Word & Eucharist Catholic Mass Book beginning on Page 488-489.

FEASTS & SAINTS OF THE WEEK

June Calendar

4 Sun. Independence Day
 5 Mon. Memorial of St. Anthony Zaccaria;
 Memorial of St. Elizabeth of Portugal;
 Independence Day (observed)
 6 Tue. Memorial of St. Maria Goretti
 9 Fri. Memorial of St. Augustine Zhao Rong and
 Companions
 10 Sat. Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Parish Giving June 27, 2021

Offertory	\$ 5431.00
Deanery School	\$ 5.00
Peter's Pence	\$ 210.00

"Thank You for Your Generosity"

Second Collection: Peter's Pence

Today is the Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the activities of the Holy See through which Pope Francis governs the Church and exercises his charitable works. When used for charitable outreach, funds from this collection help those most in need.



"A **VIRTUS** class training is required for Safe Environment Compliance for any adult who will come into contact with youth as part of their ministry (a listing of those ministries can be found at <http://bit.ly/1yU4Yk6>) and must be completed before they begin ministry.

MASS INTENTIONS

ALL MASSES:

Ruth Bellamy is thanking God for the gift of her life and praying to God for her special intentions.

5:30PM: In loving memory and the repose of the soul of Kimberly Ann Chappell Stevens on the first anniversary (07/01/20) of her passing. *Ann C. Chappell & Franklin Stevens.

9:00AM: In loving memory and the repose of the soul of Kimberly Ann Chappell Stevens on the first anniversary (07/01/20) of her passing. *Ann C. Chappell & Franklin Stevens.

In loving memory of Dennis Clarence Bailey, Jr. on the anniversary of his passing (07/01). *Mariah Bailey & Family.

THE DEFINITION OF "ACTIVE CATHOLIC" for parish verification, required for Baptisms, Marriages, Catholic School attendance, etc., requires that a person must be registered, attend Mass regularly and involved in Time, Talent & Treasure (Stewardship.) Participation through parish offertory envelopes is one means of verification. To be considered an active, participating member of the parish, St. Benedict the Moor Catholic Church takes into account a family's or individual's Mass attendance and ministry involvement. Attendance at Mass is the most meaningful way we model and live our Catholic faith. We will then be aware of your continued participation and you will not be moved to inactive status.

LECTORS' SCHEDULE

July 3-4

5:30pm Adriene Perry Yvonne Williams
9:00am Dianne Williams Georgene Jones
11:30am Sharon Carson Monesha Gallishaw

July 10-11

5:30pm Dominique Jackson Rachel Hooper
9:00am Melanie White Torrance Garvin
11:30am Juliette Tolbert Adrian Broxton

ANNOUNCERS' SCHEDULE

JUNE 2021

26-27	5:30pm	9:00am	11:30am
	Monesha Gallishaw	Emily Williams	Rick Lugo



Please Pray for our Sick & Homebound

Michael Allen, Joe Battle, Henry Blount, M. Marie Blue, Carmen Broussard, William & Odessa Bryant, James Cain, Anne Chappell, Josefa Citizen, Ida Cruse, Lillian Dilworth, Morris Elliott, Juanita Fields, Anthony Hall, Laura Harris, Jessica Jackson, Charlotte Jenkins, Vera Jennings, Clevon Johnson, Allie Bell Jones, Juanita Larry, Anne Lipsey, Bobby Locke, Michelle Lovewine, Barbara McGhee, Dawud Patterson, Evelyn Porter, Elizabeth Robinson, Janice Quinn, Marilee Short, Lucille Singleton, Cornelius St. Mark, Inez Walthour, Frankie Washington, Jeanette Westley, Margaret Weston,, Louise Wiggins, Nathaniel Wiggins, Arlene Wiley, Ellen Williams, Tambra Williams, Crystal Williams, Narvia Williams, Julie Porter-Winfrey.

CHRISTIAN - The word Christian is used only three times in the Bible. The first mention is in Acts 11:26. Christian was the name given to the Greeks and Romans who believed in Christ at Antioch. The meaning of the word is, “belonging to the party of”. The group at Antioch belonged to the party of Christ and were followers of his doctrine. This identity is one that all Christians share.

A CALL FOR ALTAR SERVERS

Calling all 4th-12th graders who want to become an Altar Server at St. Benedict the Moor Masses! The Altar Server's Ministry is a unique one in the Catholic Church. Other than priests, deacons, and the sacristan, no one else is allowed to so closely play a part in the preparation of the Eucharist. Your participation as an Altar Server is special. When you serve the priests and deacons, you serve the people of God, and above all, you serve Christ. Please contact William Wright for further information.

ROSARY RALLY ..

For the unborn:

- Every second Wednesday of the month @ 8:30am. The next one is July 14th.
- The Savannah Medical Clinic, 120 E. 34th St., Savannah, Ga.

Questions?

Contact Jayne Stefanic @ 912.201.4068 or jstefanic@diosav.org

Office of Marriage, Family & Respect Life/Diocese of Savannah

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS



O God, hear our prayer
And let our cry come unto You.
Bless our Diocese of Savannah
With many vocations to the Priesthood,
Diaconate, and Religious Life.

Give the men and women You call
The light to understand Your gift
And the love to follow always
In the footsteps of Your Priestly Son.
Amen.

CAMP VILLA MARIE



Re-Opening July 1, 2021, Situated on picturesque Isle of Hope, the Villa Marie Center offers an ideal venue for your next party, reunion, wedding or corporate event. Reservations are now being accepted. Find more information at: <https://diosav.org/offices/event-rentals> For a personal tour or to reserve a date, please contact Joan Altmeyer, Events Manager jbaltmeyer@diosav.org (912) 201-4074.

THANK YOU

Thank you so much Fr. Romanus and our St. Benedict the Moor family for the comfort you have given us and the beautiful cards or words following the recent passing of our loved one, Mrs. Jackie Simmons Scott. Funeral Services were held Thursday July 1, 2021, at Mosaic United Methodist Church. The comfort you have given us during a difficult time knows no bounds. – The Rivers & Simmons Family.

DIOCESE OF SAVANNAH— Reflect, Renew and Rejoice Bishop Parkes issued a pastoral letter on Pentecost Sunday introducing the planning process designed to help the Diocese. Reflect, Renew and Rejoice can be found by going to the Diocesan website: www.diosav.org/reflect-renew-rejoice

*Lord, today, bless those who have served and continue to give their lives for my freedom. With favor and bounty, meet their needs and watch over their families.
In your name, we pray.
Amen.*

“Happy 4th of July!!!”

PASTOR’S REFLECTIONS

God Can Make Use of Anyone at Any Time:

What happened in Nazareth was a foretaste of the later reaction of the scribes and the Pharisees to Christ’s claim to be the promised Messiah. The people of Israel, especially their leaders expected the Messiah to be an extraordinarily divinely super Being who would come, perhaps from a noble and warrior-like family. Unfortunately for them, Jesus came in a very ordinary and humble way. Not only that He came from a poor and unknown family, but He also came from Nazareth, a town that people labeled “Good for nothing”. It was not surprising why Nathanael responded to Philip, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth”? (John 1:46), when Philip told him that they have found the Messiah.

In today’s Gospel, Jesus went back to His poor hometown where there was no prominent person and His own people heard Him teach with authority. They were so astonished at His wisdom and knowledge. Of course, they should be because it came to them by surprise; they never heard that Jesus went to school other than that He was assisting His poor father, Joseph in his carpentry workshop. He just appeared to

them out of the blue with such incredible knowledge and wisdom.

The problem here is not that they were surprised; the problem is that not only they refused to believe in Him, but they also took offense at Him simply because they knew Him so well, and they knew where He came from – they judged the book by its cover!

What we do not realize in our relationship with one another is that God can make use of anyone at any time to accomplish His purpose. How often do we disregard and disrespect people simply because we know them? How often do we travel miles and miles away looking for the solution to our problems when our next-door neighbor has the solution? Our brothers and sisters that are using the gifts that God has given them to serve in our church family, how do we see them? Do we appreciate and respect them and thank God for what they do, or do we regard them simply as “that one”? Christ is in each and every one of us, and unless we listen to each other and respect each other, we will continue to miss the opportunity of God’s marvelous deeds among us.

Your Pineapple of the week:

“A prophet is not without honor except in his own town, among his relatives and in his own home”. (Mark 6:4).

***The Parish office will be closed Monday, July 5, 2021.**