



**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.

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**July 18, 2021**

**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Times, Year B**

I will gather the remnant of my flock  
and appoint shepherds for them. *First Reading*

Christ is our peace who made both one. *Second Reading*

They were like sheep without a shepherd. *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

In today's Gospel, people from towns all over Galilee hurried to see and hear Jesus. His heart was moved, for they appeared to be "sheep without a shepherd." Jesus is that shepherd. Jesus is our shepherd. He has drawn us here today, from different households, from different families, perhaps even from different towns. We come today to celebrate the Eucharist, this wonderful sacrament that Jesus established to be celebrated in his name until the end of time, this sacrament in which we receive our Lord, our redeemer, our shepherd.

Today's Readings are found in the Word & Eucharist Catholic Mass Book beginning on Page 493.

### FEASTS & SAINTS OF THE WEEK

#### July Calendar

20 Tue. Memorial of St. Apollinaris  
 21 Wed. Memorial of St. Lawrence of Brindisi  
 22 Thu. Feast of St. Mary Magdalene  
 23 Fri. Memorial of St. Bridget  
 24 Sat. Memorial of St. Sharbel Makhlūf ;  
 Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary

#### Parish Giving

July 11, 2021

Offertory	\$ 3734.00
Deanery School	\$ 115.00
Parish Bus	\$ 85.00

"Thank You for Your Generosity"



"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:

**5:30pm:** For the repose of the souls of William C. Jackson, Arthur Jackson, and Olga Jackson Bailey on the anniversary of their passing. \*Prince A. Jackson, III.

**9:00am:** For Fr. Romanus and all of the MSP Priests as they continue their work in the Lord's vineyard. \*offered by the AMSP.

For the peaceful repose of the soul of Christopher Williams, Jr. on the anniversary of his passing (07/11). \*Willetta Williams.

**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 17-18

**5:30pm** Edna Mason Taylor Walden  
**9:00am** Teresa Udowana Joyce Jones  
**11:30am** "Faith Formation"

### July 24-25

**5:30pm** Dominique Jackson Yvonne Williams  
**9:00am** Dianne Williams Georgene Jones  
**11:30am** Donald Perry Matthew Jenkins

## ANNOUNCERS' SCHEDULE

### JULY 2021

	Theresa Garvin	Torrance Garvin	Edna Mason
17/18	Edna Mason	Joyce Jones	Faith Formation
24/25	Emily Williams	Edna Mason	Theresa Garvin



## 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, Lillian Dilworth, Morris Elliott, Juanita Fields, Anthony Hall, Laura Harris, Jessica Jackson, Charlotte Jenkins, Vera Jennings, Clewon Johnson, Bobby Locke, Michelle Lovewine, Dawud Patterson, Evelyn Porter, Elizabeth Robinson, Janice Quinn, Marilee Short, 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.

## 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.

## PARISH SYMPATHY

Parish condolences to:

Mr. Joseph Singleton on the loss of his mother,  
Mrs. Lucille Davis Singleton who passed away  
Sunday, July 11, 2021. A Graveside service was held  
Saturday July 17, 2021, at Greenwich Cemetery,  
Savannah, Ga.

Mrs. Willetta Williams, on the loss of her brother,  
Mr. Roy Bradham of Detroit Michigan who passed  
away Saturday July 10, 2021. Funeral services are  
to be held Monday July 19, 2021, in Michigan. who  
passed away Sunday, July 11, 2021.

Mrs. Vivian Johnson & Family on the loss of her  
mother, Mrs. Allie Bell Jones who passed on  
Wednesday, July 14, 2021. Mrs. Allie Bell is the  
grandmother of Torrance Garvin & Jamal &  
Jaidana Chisholm. Funeral arrangements were  
incomplete at the time of printing.  
Our thoughts and prayers are with the families.

## 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. 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.

## INFANT BAPTISM

The next infant baptism will take place on Sunday,  
August 15, 2021, at the 11:30am Mass. Please contact  
Theresa Garvin (5-7-7553) or Sharon Carson (656-  
0286) for information or to register your child.  
Thank you.

**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](http://www.diosav.org/reflect-renew-rejoice)

## CAMP VILLA MARIE



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](mailto:jbaltmeyer@diosav.org) (912) 201-4074.

*God is not calling us to go to church;  
He is calling us to be His church,  
the hope of the world.  
-unknown*

## LET US COOK YOUR SUNDAY DINNER

St. Benedict the Moor Knights of Columbus Council  
10274 will sell dinners on Sunday August 1,  
2021, from 10:00 AM to 2:30 PM in the parish hall.  
Chicken or fish dinners are \$10. Rib dinners are  
\$12. See any member of the Knights of Columbus  
for tickets. Contact Fred Jones (912) 695-4371 for  
details.

## Rosary Rally for the Unborn

(From the Diocese Office of Marriage, Family & Respect Life)  
Every Wednesday of the month at 8:30 AM. The next  
one is July 14th. Rally held at the Savannah Medical  
Clinic, 120 E. 34th St., Savannah, GA. Questions?  
Contact Jayne Stefanic at 912-201-4068 or  
[jstefanic@diosav.org](mailto:jstefanic@diosav.org).

### **Nicene Creed**

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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### **STEADFAST IN FAITH – ACA APPEAL**

Annual Catholic Appeal Update Just a reminder! If you haven't yet made your pledge to the Annual Catholic Appeal, please consider doing it this week. Our support of diocesan agencies and ministries is one way that we respond to God for all we have received. As good stewards, each of us has a responsibility to share our great gifts that come from God.

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### ***PASTOR'S REFLECTIONS***

#### **God himself leads us like a good shepherd:**

Sheep who strayed from the flock had to be sought out and brought back to the sheep fold by the shepherd. Since wild animals were common and prey on sheep, the shepherds often had to fight with these wild and dangerous animals. A shepherd literally had to put his life on the line in defending his sheep. Shepherds took turns watching the sheep at night to ward off any attackers. The sheep and their shepherds continually lived

together. Their life was so intimately bound together that individual sheep, even when mixed with other flocks, could recognize the voice of their own shepherd and would come immediately when called by its own shepherd.

In the first reading, God spoke through the prophet Jeremiah against the disloyalty of the leaders of Israel. Kings, Priests, and people were much interested in politics than in their God. Abuses in the temple and in the city reached an alarming point. God declared serious threats against the shepherds, the leaders of the people of Judah. Their neglect of God was bringing on their people exile. God would avenge his people – they will go on exile, after which some of them will return. God will then set trustworthy shepherds over them. God promised that days were coming when he would raise up for David a righteous shepherd who will rule his flock with compassion and justice.

Jesus is the fulfilment of this promise. In the Gospel, we see our compassionate Lord – the Good Shepherd feeling for the people who were following him because he saw them like stray sheep who needed someone to care for them – someone to teach them about God's love for them and his interest in their eternal welfare. Jesus told his disciples that he was the Good Shepherd who was willing to lay down his life for his sheep (Matthew 18:12). When he saw the multitude of people in need of protection and care, he was moved to respond with compassionate concern. His love is a personal love for each and every person who comes to him in need. Do you feel Christ's love in your life?

#### **Your Pineapple for the week:**

*"The Lord is my Shepherd, there is nothing I shall want"* (Psalm 23:1)