



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

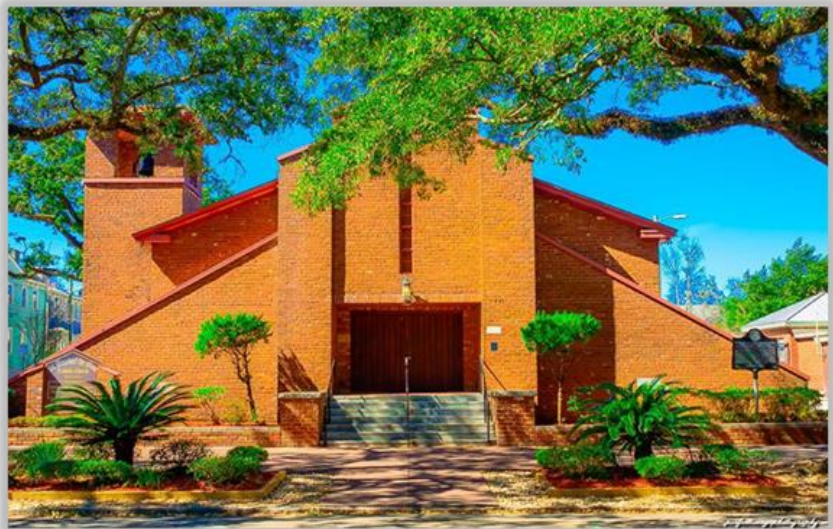
**Christian Initiation:
Sacraments of Baptism,
Confirmation and Holy Communion**
Preparation of each Sacrament is required. Baptisms are celebrated quarterly usually at 11:30 am Mass. Adults seeking to receive the sacraments for the first time should contact the Pastor for further information.

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, face masks are mandatory 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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August 8, 2021
Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Times, Year B



WE ARE CHURCH

We take great pride in the quality and spirit of our liturgy, which is achieved through careful planning as well as a high level of active and enthusiastic participation on the part of each and every person. While acknowledging our individual and communal needs, we are primarily here to give thanks and praise to God, who continues to accomplish great things in our lives!

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

Sunday after Sunday we are drawn here to worship God, to listen to God's word, and to receive Christ in the Eucharist. Jesus reminds us in the Gospel that like all good things, this unconscious prompt that draws us together each Sunday comes from the Father. As we celebrate together today, let us thank God for the wonderful gift of faith, which animates our lives and drives us to undertake Christ's mission.

Today's Readings are found in the Word & Eucharist Catholic Mass Book beginning on Page 500.

FEASTS & SAINTS OF THE WEEK

August Calendar

9 Mon. Memorial of St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross
 10 Tue. Feast of St. Lawrence
 11 Wed. Memorial of St. Clare
 12 Thu. Memorial of St. Jane Frances de Chantal
 13 Fri. Memorial of Ss. Pontian and Hippolytus
 14 Sat. Memorial of St. Maximilian Kolb

Parish Giving

August 1, 2021

Offertory	\$	6673.00
Deanery School	\$	196.00
Parish Bus	\$	173.00
Second Collection	\$	20.00
Assumption	\$	10.00

"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.

Prayer to Saint Joseph

Blessed Joseph, husband of Mary, be with us this day. You protected and cherished the Virgin; loving the Child Jesus as your son, you rescued Him from Danger of death, Defend the Church, the Household Of God, purchased by the Blood of Christ. Guardian of the Holy Family, be with us in our trials. May your prayers obtain for us the strength to flee From error and wrestle with the powers of corruption So that in life we may grow in holiness and in death Rejoice in the crown of victory.

MASS INTENTIONS:

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 repose of soul of Howard K. Bailey on the anniversary of his birthday (08/09).

*Mariah Bailey.

For the repose of the soul of Marcus Marcellinus Chaney on the 2nd anniversary of his passing. (08/06/19).

*Michael & Michaela Chaney & 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

August 7/8

5:30pm	Edna Mason	Adriene Perry
9:00am	Joyce Jones	Teresa Udowana
11:30am	Juliette Tolbert	Donald Perry

August 14/15

5:30pm	Sharon Carson	Yvonne Williams
9:00am	Melanie White	Teresa Udowana
11:30am	"Faith Formation"	

ANNOUNCERS' SCHEDULE

AUGUST 2021

7/8 5:30pm	9:00am	11:30am
Edna Mason	Theresa Garvin	Emily Williams
14/15		
Edna Mason	Gregory Milton	Faith Formation
21/22		
Emily Williams	Joyce Jones	Monesha Gallishaw



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.

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

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> or contact Joan Altmeyer, Events Manager jbaltmeyer@diosav.org (912) 201-4074.

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.**

“Believers may come from different cultures, countries, or customs, but we serve one God who unites us all”.

-Dillon Burroughs

YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH

The Diocese of Savannah invites you to commemorate the Year of St. Joseph by participating in nine weeks of prayer and pilgrimage from August 15 to October 9, 2021.

How can you participate?

- Visit one of the parishes that will host our Traveling St. Joseph*
- Attending a special Mass that will be celebrated by Bishop, Most Reverend Stephen Parkes, on October 9, 2021, at 10am at the Cathedral Basilica of St. John the Baptist.

*In Savannah, Sacred Heart will host the Traveling St. Joseph during the weekend of August 14 – 15.

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 (507-7553) or Sharon Carson (656-0286) for information or to register your child.



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 August 11th

. Rally held at the Savannah Medical Clinic, 120 E. 34th St., Savannah, GA. All local ordinances for public gathering will be observed. Questions? Contact Jayne Stefanic at 912-201-4068 or 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.

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.

PASTOR'S REFLECTIONS

The Food That Makes Us Live Forever:

God offers his people abundant life, but we can miss it. What is the bread of life which Jesus offers? It is first of all the life of God himself - life which sustains us not only now in this earthly life, but also in the eternal life to come. God sustained the Israelites in the wilderness with manna from heaven. This bread foreshadowed the true heavenly bread which Jesus would offer his followers.

Jesus tells us that he is the true bread from heaven that will make us live forever if we accept and believe in him. The manna in the wilderness sustained the Israelites on their journey to the Promised Land. It could not produce eternal life for the Israelites. But the bread which Jesus offers those who believe in him sustains us not only on our journey to the heavenly paradise, it also gives us the abundant supernatural life of God which sustains us for all eternity.

When we receive the Eucharist from the Lord's Table, we unite ourselves to Jesus Christ, who makes us sharers in his divine life. Saint Ignatius of Antioch calls it the "one bread that provides the medicine of immortality, the antidote for death, and the food that makes us live forever in Jesus Christ". This supernatural food is healing for both body and soul and strength for our journey heavenward.

When we approach the Table of the Lord, we expect to receive healing, pardon, comfort, and rest for our soul. The Lord has much more for us, more than we can ask for or imagine. The primary fruit of receiving the Eucharist at the Lord's Table is for an intimate union with Jesus Christ, our Divine Healer and Savior. As bodily nourishment restores lost strength, so the Eucharist strengthens us in charity and enables us to break with disordered worldly attachments and become more firmly rooted in the love of Christ. Do you hunger for the Bread of Life?

Your Pineapple for the week:

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world". (John 6:51).