



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.


"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.

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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October 10, 2021
Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time,
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
Ruth Simmons, Parish Council Chairperson
Shirley West, Administrative Secretary
Bea Betworth, Accounts Secretary
Jerome Grayson, Bldg/Maintenance

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Carl Hayes	Chairman	912-655-7153
Melanie White	Secretary	912-439-1488
Clarence Davis	Member	912-308-4677
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Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

Living as a disciple is a daunting task. Jesus challenges us and the way we live our lives. In today's Gospel, Jesus explains that keeping the commandments is not enough to inherit eternal life; a disciple must give what they have to the poor and follow him. The man who asked the question walked away sad. Even his disciples couldn't believe how difficult it was to get to heaven. Only then did Jesus comfort them. Though we cannot save ourselves, with God all things are possible. Let us give thanks to God today for enabling us to achieve what we cannot do ourselves.

Today's Readings are found in the Word & Eucharist Catholic Mass Book beginning on Page 523.

Parish Giving October 3, 2021

Offertory	\$ 6613.00
School Support	\$ 270.00
Parish Bus	\$ 208.20
World Missions	\$ 40.00
Mission Co-op	\$ 55.00

"Thank You for Your Generosity"

MASS INTENTIONS:

ALL MASSES: In thanksgiving for our St. Benedict the Moor family.

*The Broadnax and Robinson families.

5:30pm: Love and blessings for Antoinette Hagans with prayers for many more.

*Quelin Hagans and Marjorie Sapp.

For the repose of the souls of Julia Jackson on the anniversary of her passing. *Prince A Jackson, III.

For the repose of the soul of Mary Persad on the anniversary of her passing.

*Dr. & Mrs. Persad and family.

For the repose of the soul of Donald Cook, IV on the anniversary of his passing. *Prince A Jackson, III.

9:00am: For God's healing touch on Claretha Bivins as she recovers.

*Sisters in Christ.

11:30am: For the repose of the soul of Mary Persad on the anniversary of her passing.

*Dr. & Mrs. Persad and family.

FEASTS & SAINTS OF THE WEEK

October Calendar

11 Mon. Memorial of St. John XXIII

14 Thu. Memorial of St. Callistus I

15 Fri. Memorial of St. Teresa of Jesus

16 Sat. Memorial of St. Hedwig; Memorial of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque; Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary

St. Benedict the Moor Catholic Church Parish Pastoral Council 2021-22

Officers:

Ruth Simmons, Chair

Audrey Moultrie, Vice Chair

Adrian Broxton, Secretary

Members:

Claretha Bivens

Mary Alicia Carter

Thomas Dickerson

Torrance Garvin – Ex-Officio

Marvin Manning

Edna Mason

Gregory Milton

Marion Singleton

Juliette Tolbert

Dianne William

Prayer to St. Joseph

Dearest St. Joseph,
at the word of an angel,
you lovingly took Mary into your home.
As God's humble servant, you guided
the Holy Family on the road to Bethlehem,
welcomed Jesus as your own son
in the shelter of a manger,
and fled far from your homeland
for the safety of both Mother and Child.

We praise God that as their faithful protector,
you never hesitated to sacrifice
for those entrusted to you.
May your example inspire us also
to welcome, cherish, and safeguard
God's most precious gift of life.

Help us to faithfully commit ourselves
to the service and defense of human life
—especially where it is
vulnerable or threatened.
Obtain for us the grace
to do the will of God in all things.
Amen.

THANK YOU

To our Faith Family:

Thank you for caring. We have no doubt that your thoughts and prayers helped to bring my husband Dante from a ventilator in ICU to HOME. He has a tough road ahead, but with your continued prayers and God's grace, he will get there. God bless you.
-Shameka Broadnax & family.

Would You Serve Our Parish as a Mass Usher?

Each Mass is in need of ushers in the Church. Ushers are ministers of hospitality, greeting and showing people to their seats, passing the baskets during the Offertory and securing the collections. Ushers are needed at all Masses. What a way to give back to your Church and being a Steward of the Lord in a fulfilling way. Please contact Marion Singleton or Rosetta Brown.



Please Pray for our Sick & Homebound

Joe Battle, Claretha Bivins, Henry Blount, M. Marie Blue, Carmen Broussard, William & Odessa Bryant, James Cain, Anne Chappell, Josefa Citizen, Lillian Dilworth, Morris Elliott, Juanita Fields, 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, Tandra Williams, Crystal Williams, Narvia Williams, Julie Porter-Winfrey.

LECTORS' SCHEDULE

October 9/10

5:30pm	Dominique Jackson	Rachel Hooper
9:00am	Joseph Carter	Alicia Carter
11:30am	Juliette Tolbert	Adrian Broxton

October 16/17

5:30pm	Taylor Walden	Edna Mason
9:00am	Dianne Williams	Joyce Jones
11:30am	"Faith Formation"	

October 23/24

5:30pm	Dominique Jackson	Shirley West
9:00am	Torrance Garvin	Melanie White
11:30am	Akio Brown	Matthew Jenkins

October 30/31

5:30pm	Rachel Hooper	Sharon Carson
9:00am	Joseph Carter	Alicia Carter
11:30am	Monesha Gallishaw	Deborah Bakinde

Permanent Diaconate Program

The Office of the Permanent Diaconate is continuing to accept applications for the next permanent diaconate formation class. Interested men, between the ages of 35 and 60, should review the application information on the diocesan website at: <https://diosav.org/permanent-diaconate/formation/apply> or contact Deacon Kelley Culver at 706-651-8989.

PARISH SYMPATHY

Parish condolences to Mrs. Loise Allen and family on the loss of her son, Mr. Michael Allen, who passed away Friday October 1, 2021. A Graveside service of Mr. Michael Allen was held Saturday, October 9, 2021, at the Catholic Cemetery. Please keep the family in your thoughts and prayers.



Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!—

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.



Join Bishop Stephen Parkes in Blessing and Celebrating Healthcare Professionals and Commemorating the Feast of St. Luke.

White Mass

Monday, the 18th of October 2021 at 6:00pm
St. Mary's Chapel / Catholic Pastoral Center
2170 East Victory Drive, Savannah, GA

Reception after Mass in Boland Hall



ROSARY COAST TO COAST

Joining our voices together to pray for a return to holiness through the intercession of Our Lady of the Rosary,

Catholics across the country will join simultaneously in prayer for healing and unity in our country for the defense of the sanctity of all life from conception to natural death.

October 10, 2021 @ 4p.m.
Blessed Sacrament Church, Savannah

Office of Marriage, Family & Respect Life
Director: Jayne Stefanic/912.201.4068
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.**

PASTOR'S REFLECTIONS:

“How Hard It Is For Those Who Have Wealth To Enter The Kingdom of God!”

A young man who had the best the world could offer - wealth and security - came to Jesus asking of what he must do to inherit eternal life. He wanted lasting peace and happiness which money could not buy him. When Jesus told him to keep the commandments, he protested that he had kept all the commandments. That was true because Jesus did not doubt it instead, “he looked at him and loved him”. However, the answer he got was not what he was looking for. Jesus challenged him to make God his one true possession and treasure, and he walked away sad. One thing kept him from giving himself whole-heartedly to God. While he lacked nothing in material goods, he was nonetheless possessive of what he had. He placed his hope and security in what he possessed. He vehemently refused to share with others the material blessings he had received from the Lord. He refused to give up the material goods in exchange for eternal life that he yearned for. My dear people of God, at the end of our life, what will count is not how blessed we are in this life – materially, intellectually, and spiritually. What will count will be how much we used those blessings to help others. Any help we genuinely give to our brothers and sisters is recorded for us in eternity. That is why Jesus says, “I tell you, use worldly wealth to gain friends for yourselves, so that when it is gone, you will be welcomed into eternal dwellings” (Luke 16:9).

Your Pineapple For The Week:
“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal” (Matthew 6:19-20).