



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.

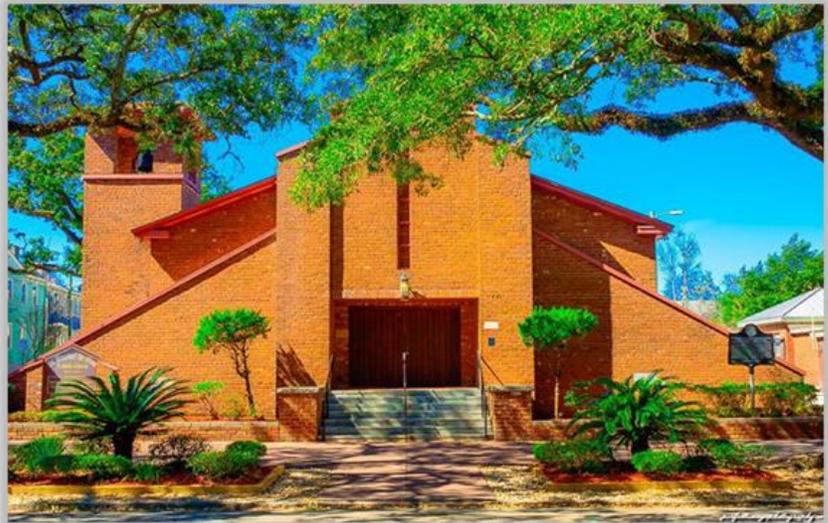


"A **VIRTUS** class training is required for Safe Environment Compliance for any adult who will come into contact with youth as part of their ministry (a listing of those ministries can be found at <http://bit.ly/1yU4Yk6>) and must be completed before they begin ministry.

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 17, 2021
Twenty-ninth 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
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Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

Today we hear Jesus ask James and John, "What do you wish me to do for you?" Their response betrays their self-centeredness. We ought to remind ourselves that what Jesus has already done for us exceeds all we could possibly ask. Rather than following the example of these two disciples, let us look to the author of Hebrews, who called us to approach Jesus to receive mercy and to find grace. Let us do so as we receive him in the Eucharist.

Today's Readings are found in the Word & Eucharist Catholic Mass Book beginning on Page 525.

Parish Giving October 10, 2021

Offertory	\$ 4602.00
School Support	\$ 90.00
Parish Bus	\$ 55.00

"Thank You for Your Generosity"

MASS INTENTIONS:

5:30pm: For the peaceful repose of the soul of Michael Allen. *Louise Allen.

In loving memory of John Kenneth Golden on the anniversary of his birthday (10/19) *Louise Allen.

9:00am: For God's healing touch on Markeshia Bailey. *S. West.

11:30am: For the repose of the soul of Arrington Cephus on the anniversary of his passing. *Karen Polk.

FEASTS & SAINTS OF THE WEEK

October Calendar

18 Mon. Feast of St. Luke

19 Tue. Memorial of Ss. John de Brébeuf, Isaac Jogues, and Companions

20 Wed. Memorial of St. Paul of the Cross

22 Fri. Memorial of St. John Paul II

23 Sat. Memorial of St. John of Capistrano;
Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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.

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.



Please Pray for our Sick & Homebound

Willie Allen, Jr., Markeshia Bailey, Joe Battle, Clarethia 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, Tambra Williams, Crystal Williams, Narvia Williams, Julie Porter-Winfrey.

A PRAYER FOR THE SICK... Father, your only son took upon himself the sufferings and weakness of all mankind; through His passion and cross He taught us how good can be brought out of suffering. Look upon our brothers and sisters who are ill. In the midst of illness and pain, may they be united with Christ, who heals both body and soul; may they know the consolation promised to those who suffer and be fully restored to health. ~ Through Christ our Lord. ~Amen.

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

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

November 6/7

5:30pm Taylor Walden Sharon Carson
 9:00am Dianne Williams Torrance Garvin
 11:30am Donald Perry Adrian Broxton

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
 Please RSVP to Kimberly at kjohnson@diosav.org or 912-201-4060 or register at Eventbrite at <https://bit.ly/3j2ogwx>.

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.



As Jesus sought the quiet of the desert,
 teach us to pray.

As Jesus washed the feet of his disciples,
 teach us to love.

As Jesus promised paradise to the thief on the
 cross, teach us to hope.

As Jesus called Peter to walk to him across the
 water, teach us to believe.

As the child Jesus sat among the elders in the
 temple, teach us to seek answers.

As Jesus in the garden opened his mind and
 heart to God's will, teach us to listen.

As Jesus reflected on the Law and the prophets,
 teach us to learn.

As Jesus used parables to reveal the mysteries
 of the Kingdom, teach us to teach.

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In every child which is born and in every person who lives or dies we see the image of God's glory. We celebrate this glory in every human being, a sign of the living God, an icon of Jesus Christ.

POPE SAINT JOHN PAUL II
GOSPEL OF LIFE, 84



THE ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE of SAVANNAH
OFFICE OF MARRIAGE, FAMILY AND RESPECT LIFE

PASTOR'S REFLECTIONS:

A Call To Service:

It is in our human nature to strive to be first, and to be esteemed and honored by others. We seem to have an unquenchable thirst for recognition and fame, power and authority to rule others. Should we be surprised to see the disciples of Jesus thirsting for power, position, and authority?

The Gospel of Matthew tells us that the mother of James and John, the sons of Zebedee, was the one who approached Jesus to strike a deal with Him on behalf of her two sons (cf. Matthew 20:20). It could be that they urged their mother to strike a deal with their Master and Messiah. The Gospel of Mark tells us that James and John approached Jesus themselves (cf. Mark 10:35). The bottom line is that they wanted the distinction of being first and most important in position, next to Jesus, of course!

When Jesus called the twelve apostles to be his inner circle of disciples who would teach

and exercise spiritual authority on his behalf, he did the unthinkable! Jesus taught contrary

to the world's understanding of power, authority, and position, by reversing the order of master and servant, lord and subject, first and last! Jesus married authority with love, position with sacrifice, and service with humility. Authority without love is overbearing and slavish. Position without respect and concern for the subordinate is demeaning and rude. And service without generosity and sacrifice is cheap and unkind.

If we wish to serve with the Lord Jesus and to exercise authority in God's name, we must be prepared to sacrifice, not only our time, talent, and treasure, but our whole lives and all that we possess! Jesus used plain language to explain what kind of sacrifice he had in mind. His disciples must drink his cup if they expect to reign with him in his kingdom. What kind of cup does the Lord have in mind for us? For some disciples such a cup entails physical suffering and the painful death for the sake of the kingdom. But for many, it entails the long routine of the Christian life, with all its daily sacrifices, disappointments, set-backs, struggles, and temptations.

If we wish to be first, we must be ready to lay down our lives each and every day in the little and big sacrifices required. We must humbly place ourselves at the service of our brothers and sisters.

Your Pineapple for the week:

“Whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be slave to all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many” (Mark 10:43-45).