



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.

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October 24, 2021
Thirtieth 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
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Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

Today is World Mission Sunday, when we focus on the mission of the Church, which is to bring the Good News to the whole world. When we think of missionaries, we think of men and women who have dedicated their lives to bringing the gospel to people in Third World countries. But we are all missionaries, witnessing by our own lives to the good news we have come to know in the Lord. Let us recommit ourselves to that mission as we celebrate the eucharist.

Today's Readings are found in the Word & Eucharist Catholic Mass Book beginning on Page 528.

Parish Giving October 17, 2021

Offertory	\$ 4927.00
School Support	\$ 60.00
Parish Bus	\$ 20.00
World Missions	\$ 25.00

"Thank You for Your Generosity"

MASS INTENTIONS:

5:30pm: For the peaceful repose of the soul of Michael Allen. *The Payne & Heyward family.

9:00am: For the repose of the soul of Sarah Walker (mother & grandmother) on the anniversary of her passing. *Phoebe Williams & Richard Baker.

11:30am: In loving memory of Isaac N. Dowse, & Isabelle Dowse on the anniversary of their birthdays. (10/24) . *Anne Waters Lipsey.

FEASTS & SAINTS OF THE WEEK

October Calendar

24 Sun. World Mission Sunday

28 Thu. Feast of Ss. Simon and Jude

30 Sat. Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary

ANNOUNCERS SCHEDULE *LECTOR ALSO

October 23/24

5:30pm - Edna Mason

9am - Torrance Garvin*

11:30am - Emily Williams

October 30/31

5:30pm - Sharon Carson *

9am - Gregory Milton

11:30am - Monisha Gallishaw *

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, Clevon 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.

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 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

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.

October 2021

RESPECT LIFE MONTH

St. Joseph, defender of life, pray for us!



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.

SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS ALL SOULS DAY

All Saints' Day for the year 2021 is celebrated/
 observed on Monday November 1, and then the day
 after Tuesday, November 2nd **All Souls Day** will
 also be observed with both Masses at 6:00pm. These
 two days represents a time to reflect and remember
 the saints, martyrs, and the faithful who have died.



ALL SOULS DAY - BLESSINGS OF THE GRAVES
 The annual Blessing of Graves will take place
 at the historic CATHOLIC Cemetery on
 Wheaton St. on Sunday, October 31 at 3:00pm.
 In commemoration of All Soul's Day, the
 names of those who have died during the last twelve
 months will be read, the rosary will be recited, and the
 graves will be blessed. Everyone is welcome to attend.
 (Participants who come to this annual service gather at
 the Priests' Lot in Magnolia Section).



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FR. ROMANUS' REFLECTIONS:

What Do You Want Me To Do For You?

It was obvious to the blind man, Bartimaeus that the chance of his encounter with Jesus was a once in a life-time opportunity. He was resolute in getting the attention of the only person who could change his life for good. He was hearing about Jesus and his power to heal but had no opportunity of meeting him until now.

It took a lot of courage and persistence for Bartimaeus to get the attention of Jesus. He kept shouting, "Jesus, Son of David, have pity on me". The crowd was upset with him and rebuked him because he was interrupting Jesus' teaching and making it hard for them to hear what Jesus was saying. Though the crowd wanted to silence the blind man, he overpowered them with his persistence, and then caught the attention of Jesus.

This incident reveals something important about how God interacts with us. This teaches us that persistence is the key to God's answer to our prayers.

He wants us to be persistent in our prayers. "P. U. S. H" constantly until the door is open! P: Pray, U: Until, S: Something, H: Happens – **Pray Until Something Happens!** Our God will never get tired of us calling upon him. On the contrary, our constant calling upon the Lord proves our dependency on him.

Furthermore, Jesus knew that Bartimaeus was blind and needed to regain his sight. Why then did he ask Bartimaeus - "What do you want me to do for you?" Jesus wanted to draw out of him a personal response of faith and trust in his power to heal and make whole. We must have faith that Jesus is capable of doing what we are asking him to do. It is based on this faith that our prayers are answered. This explains why Jesus tells those that he healed, "Your faith has saved you"! In addition, Jesus knows everything; he knows all our needs. However, he wants us to tell him what we want him to do for us – "What do you want me to do for you?". Stating our intention presupposes that we believe that Jesus is able to do that for us. We must approach the Lord with an "agenda" – with clear intentions for our requests. We pray that the Lord may strengthen our faith that we may draw near to him like Bartimaeus and receive his grace and mercy.

Your Pineapple For The Week:

"You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart" (Jeremiah 29:13).