



### 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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**November 7, 2021**  
**Thirty-second 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**  
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## Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

During November, we remember and honor all those who have preceded us in death. We recall especially those who have passed away this past year. It is normal to struggle with one's faith when in the throes of grief. Death comes with trauma and questions that we can never answer satisfactorily. Why was she taken so soon? Why did he suffer so much? How will our family get through this? We come together today, and each Sunday, as a family of faith to be nourished at the table of the Word and the table of the Eucharist. May the resurrected Lord, whom we receive in the Eucharist, strengthen and comfort us as we pray for those we have lost.

Today's Readings are found in the Word & Eucharist Catholic Mass Book beginning on Page 532.

### Parish Giving October 31, 2021

Offertory	\$ 4899.00
Deanery Schools	\$ 28.00
World Missions	\$ 10.00

"Thank You for Your Generosity"

### MASS INTENTIONS:

**9:00am:** For all the deceased members of the Knights of Columbus Council 10274.

\*The KOC.

For the repose of the soul of Howard K. Bailey on the anniversary of his passing.

\*Marish Bailey & Family.

### FEASTS & SAINTS OF THE WEEK

#### November Calendar

7 Sun. National Vocation Awareness Week begins  
9 Tue. Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica  
10 Wed. Memorial of St. Leo the Great  
11 Thu. Memorial of St. Martin of Tours Veterans Day Remembrance Day (Canada)  
12 Fri. Memorial of St. Josaphat  
13 Sat. Memorial of St. Frances Xavier Cabrini  
Sun. Halloween

### LECTORS' SCHEDULE

#### November 6/7

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



## Please Pray for our Sick & Homebound

Willie Allen, Jr., Markeshia Bailey, Joe Battle, Clareth 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, Mackenzie Orth, 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. ~ Through Christ our Lord. ~Amen.



*This month's altar flowers donated in Memory of the Founder of the Friends of Notre Dame/St. Benedict, Mrs. Dorothy B. Campbell.*

**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.

### ANNOUNCERS SCHEDULE \*LECTOR ALSO

#### November 6/7

5:30pm - Sharon Carson\*  
9am - Torrance Garvin\*  
11:30am - Aiden Mason-Harvey

#### November 13/14

5:30pm - Edna Mason\*  
9am - Gregory Milton  
11:30am - Theresa Garvin

## 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!*



## HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS

November 7 begins National Vocation Awareness Week. The St. John Vianney Vocations Ministry of Savannah will be celebrating a special Holy Hour on Sunday November 7, 2021 @ 3:00 PM at the Benedictine Priory Chapel, 6502 Seawright Drive, Savannah, GA 31406.

Please join us in asking the Lord of the Harvest to send us many good and holy priests, deacons and religious to serve the people of God and the Life of the Church!



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**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.

## Greetings my beloved Parishioners,

Scammers have been preying on some of our Parishioners, pretending to be me, and asking you for financial favor through text messages and email. Please, do not respond to them or do whatever financial favor they ask you for I am not the one. I do not ask my Parishioners for personal financial favor, and even if I will do that, it will not be through text messages or email. The scammers did not hack my email or phone number – their email address and the phone number that they use in sending those messages are not mine. Please beware! I love you all.  
Fr. Romanus.

## USHERS MEETING

Usher's meeting scheduled for Wednesday, November 10<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the Parish Hall.

## LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary will resume their regularly scheduled meetings at 12:30pm every Wednesday of the month. The next meeting will take place on November 14, 2021, in the Parish Hall. See you there!

## **FR. ROMANUS' REFLECTIONS:**

### **Be Generous To Your God And To Your Neighbor:**

In Matthew 10: 41-42, Jesus instructed his poor disciples when he was recommending them to the charity of the people, thus: "Whoever welcomes a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and whoever welcomes a righteous person because he is a righteous person will receive a righteous person's reward. And if anyone gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones who is my disciple, truly I tell you, that person will certainly not lose his reward". These words of Jesus must have caused his listeners to recall the story of Elijah and the kind-hearted widow of Zarephath in today's first reading. An impoverished widow who shared with Elijah the only small, and above all, the last water and meal she had for herself and her son, simply because Elijah who was a stranger to her asked her to do so. The widow did not even know that Elijah was a prophet, so she was not expecting any reward – she was kind and generous to him simply because she wanted to help her fellow human being who was in desperate need. However, her noble act of charity won her a prophet's reward!

Today's Gospel story highlights true humility and true charity, as opposed to the self-recognition seeking of the Scribes who pride themselves above others and did everything in pretense to gain respect and

honor from others. Here comes a poor widow whose tiny contribution to charity was in fact more generous than the large donations of the rich. She gave a penny which was all that she had, while others gave out of their surplus. She secretly made her contribution between her and her God, while the Scribes gave publicly to win the

respect and honor of others for being so generous.

The first reading and the Gospel of today present us with the poor kind-hearted and generous widows. The actions of these poor widows demonstrate complete trust in God's Divine providence. They gave all, trusting in God and believing that the Lord is in control of their future! These poor widows teach us that we all have enough to give if we have the heart to do likewise. The poor widow in the Gospel teaches that no one who sincerely gives generously to God will lose the reward.

The poor widow in the first reading teaches us that when we help our fellow human beings, we are helping God himself. "If anyone gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones who is my disciple, truly I tell you, that person will certainly not lose his reward" (Matthew 10:42). In this case, the poor widow of Zarephath in today's first reading helped Elijah without even knowing that he was a prophet, and she definitely got a prophet's reward! For this reason, the Book of Hebrews encourages us thus, "Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it" (Hebrews 13:2).

### **Your Pineapple For The Week:**

"Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously".  
(2 Corinthians 9:6).

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*Your talent is God's  
Gift to you...  
What you do with it is  
Your gift back to God.*