



## 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

Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament  
@ 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.



*This training is required  
for Safe Environment  
Compliance for any adult  
who will come into contact  
with youth as part of their  
ministry and must be  
completed before they*

*begin ministry. Seating is limited, and you  
must pre-registration online to save your seat.  
To register, go to [www.diosav.org](http://www.diosav.org), and find the  
training listed on the Upcoming Events  
Calendar.*

Welcome to St. Benedict the Moor  
Catholic Church

Our hope is that your presence here  
in the celebration of the Mass with  
us will remind you of the wonder  
that is God's sustaining grace; that it  
encourages you in your walk and  
will motivate you to pass on His  
amazing grace to others!

## HISTORIC

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*May 15, 2022, Year C,  
Fifth Sunday of Easter*

Rev. Romanus Obiora Ezeugwu, MSP, Pastor  
Sharon Carson, Supt. of Religious Education  
Audrey Moultrie, Interim Parish Council Chairperson  
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Carl Hayes Chairman 912-655-7153  
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contributing automatically to your parish. Sign up  
for Online Giving by visiting our parish website at  
and selecting the **Online Giving** link to get started!

## *Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day*

“Love one another”, Jesus tells his disciples. No, Jesus commands his disciples. This is how everyone will know that they are his disciples. As we gather here today, we ask ourselves if we can be recognized by our love. Do we show the love we have for one another in what we do and say? Do we love one another as much as Jesus loves us? May the God of love bless us in the challenge to love each other.

Today’s Readings are found in the Word & Eucharist Catholic Mass Book - Page 622.

### Parish Giving May 8, 2022

Offertory	\$	5913.00
Parish Bus	\$	35.00
Deanery Schools	\$	40.00

“Thank You for Your Generosity”

### MASS INTENTIONS:

#### ALL MASSES:

**5:30pm:** In loving memory & the repose of the soul of Allie Belle Jones. \*offered by her family.

**9:00am:** For the repose of the souls of Louis H. Betz and Dorothy Betz. \*Margaret Betz.

**11:30am:** In loving memory of Wilhelmina Butler Chisholm & the repose of her soul. \*offered by her 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.

*“An act of love always tends towards two things; to the good that one wills, and to the person for whom one wills it. – Thomas Aquinas*

### **Please Pray for our Sick & Homebound:**

Willie Allen, Jr., Markeshia Bailey, Joe Battle, Henry Blount, M. Marie Blue, William & Odessa Bryant, Lillie Charlton, Josefa Citizen, Lillian Dilworth, Morris Elliott, Juanita Fields, Laquita Bailey Hazzard, Jessica Jackson, Vera Jennings, Clewon Johnson, Bobby Locke, Mackenzie Jenkins, Dawud Patterson, Evelyn Porter, Delores Robinson, Elizabeth Robinson, Janice Quinn, Marilee Short, Cornelius St. Mark, Inez Walthour, Frankie Washington, Margaret Weston, Louise Wiggins, Nathaniel Wiggins, Arlene Wiley, Ellen Williams, Tandra Williams, Crystal Williams, Narvia Williams, Julie Porter-Winfrey.

### LECTORS’ SCHEDULE

May 14/15

5:30pm Taylor Walden Sharon Carson  
9:00am Joe Carter Alicia Carter  
11:30am Faith Formation

May 21/22

5:30pm Adriene Perry Shirley West  
9:00am Melanie White Barbara McGhee  
11:30am Joyce Jones\* Georgene Jones

May 28/29

5:30pm Rachael Hooper Sharon Carson  
9:00am Torrance Garvin\* Teresa Udowana  
11:30am Juliette Tolbert Donald Perry

### ANNOUNCERS SCHEDULE \*LECTOR ALSO

May 14/15

5:30pm – Sharon Carson \*  
9:00am – Ruth Simmons  
11:30am – Faith Formation

May 21/22

5:30pm – Dominique Jackson  
9:00am – Emily Williams  
11:30am – Joyce Jones\*

May 28/29

5:30pm - Edna Mason  
9:00am – Torrance Garvin\*  
11:30am – Theresa Garvin

### PARISH SYMPATHY

Parish condolences to Mr. George (Audrey) Moultrie & family on the loss of his brother, *Mr. Lawrence Avon Moultrie, who passed away Sunday, May 8, 2022.* Adams announced graveside services for Mr. Lawrence Avon Moultrie which was held 2:00 PM, Saturday, May 14, 2022 at East Savannah Cemetery. Viewing was held from 2 PM - 4 PM, Friday, May 13, 2022 at the funeral home.

Our thoughts, prayers, and support are with the family.

**FEASTS & SAINTS OF THE WEEK**

**May Calendar**

15 Sun. *International Day of Families*  
18 Wed. *Memorial of St. John I*  
20 Fri. *Memorial of St. Bernardine of Siena*  
21 Sat. *Memorial of St. Christopher Magallanes and  
Companions; World Day for Cultural Diversity;  
Armed Forces Day*

**UPCOMING EVENTS – SAVE THE DATES**



The 2022 Revival will be held June 13–15, 2022. (Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday). Please save the dates. St. Benedict the Moor will host this celebration on Tuesday, June 14, 2022.

**REVIVAL CHOIR REHEARSALS**

There are 2 dates set aside for Choir rehearsals for this year’s Revival: Monday, May 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm in the Church. Please make every effort to be in attendance. Thank you, Kathy Stewart.

**UNITY CHOIR REHEARSAL**

A rehearsal for all choirs is scheduled for Thursday May 19, 2022 in preparation for the June 5<sup>th</sup> Unity Mass. All choir members are encouraged to be in attendance. -Areatha Scott.

**2022 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL**

Just a reminder! If you haven't yet made your pledge to the Annual Catholic Appeal, please consider doing it this week. As good stewards, each of us has a responsibility to share our great gifts that come from God. Please be generous in your sharing.

**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.

**The Catholic Diocese of Savannah...**

is recruiting for Contract Auditors to perform site visits to parishes, schools and social service agencies throughout the Diocese. Audits are assigned on a quarterly basis; each audit is budgeted at 56 hours. Three years of audit/accounting experience and a Bachelor’s degree in accounting, finance or a related field are required; an MBA and/or CPA is preferred. To be considered send a letter of interest and a resume with three references to: [jagreen@diosav.org](mailto:jagreen@diosav.org). Preference will be given to those who are Catholic and in full communion with the Church. A complete Job Description is posted at [www.diosav.org](http://www.diosav.org); **Human Resources, Employment Opportunities.**

**SUSAN B. ANTHONY LIST**

The Susan B Anthony List is hiring Pro-Life Field Representatives to go door-to-door in their community to conduct a simple survey on pro-life issues with voters. Field Representatives are paid \$15/hour and are reimbursed \$0.30/mile for their travels. Hours are flexible (up to 40 hours per week). Must be 16 or older, able to abide by strict daily reporting requirements, and in harmony with a pro-life mission. Contact: Thrin Short [Thrin@sbalistfield.org](mailto:Thrin@sbalistfield.org) 650-272-1773 for more details.

**FAMILY LEGAL QUESTIONS?  
(ESTATE PLANNING SEMINAR)**

The Parish Pastoral Council of St. Benedict the Moor Catholic Church invites all parishioners to a “ Chat With the Attorney” session on Friday, June 10, 2022 at 6:00pm in the family hall. This question-and-answer session with local Attorney Robert Pace, will focus on matters related to different types of Power of Attorney, Living Will, Estate Planning and how to prepare a Last Will and Testament, in addition to other essential legal concerns that we all have, and may not know how to begin. Please mark your calendars and come listen to Attorney Pace as he provides us with information on these very important topics.

A Sign-up sheet will be placed at the entrance of the church. We look forward to seeing you there!

God commanded us to love one another—to set aside our differences and to care for “the least of these” among us. It is our unity, not our diversity, that deserves our allegiance”.

— James C. Dobson

*We are hiring!*

The Office of Catholic Schools  
is looking for an  
**Executive Assistant.**

For more information, visit  
[diosav.org](http://diosav.org) and click on  
Employment Opportunities.



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save us from everlasting death and destruction. The distinctive mark of the followers of Jesus is love - a love not bound by fear, greed, or selfishness - but a love full of compassion, mercy, forgiveness, kindness, and goodness.

How can we love one another as Christ has loved us? Paul the Apostle tells us that "God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit which has been given to us" (Romans 5:5). Jesus poured out his Holy Spirit on his disciples at Pentecost and he pours out his Spirit today on all who believe in him. If we yield our hearts to Jesus and submit to his will for us, then the Holy Spirit will purify all that is unloving, unkind, and unforgiving in us. The Lord wants to transform our minds so we can understand his word of truth and life which has power to set us free from ignorance, unbelief, deception, and prejudice.

The distinctive mark of every disciple and follower of Jesus Christ is love - a love that is ready to forgive and forget past injuries, to heal and restore rather than inflict revenge and injury. The cross of Jesus is the only way to pardon, peace, forgiveness, and reconciliation. Every other way will fail or fall short of the glory and victory which Jesus Christ has won for us through his death and resurrection. If we embrace his love and truth and allow his Holy Spirit to purify and transform our hearts and minds, then we will find the inner freedom, joy, and strength we need to love without measure, to forgive without limit, and to serve without reward.

### **Your Pineapple for the Week:**

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another" (John 13:34).

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### **IT'S BACK -----**

Catholic Night @ the Ballpark!  
\$20/ticket includes all-you-can-eat concessions!  
Children 3 and under are FREE.  
<http://Bananas.FansfirstTickets.com/order/group/Savdiocese/>  
Wednesday, June 1 Grayson Stadium, Savannah  
Gates open @ 5:30pm  
(Benefitting the Social Apostolate of Savannah)

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### **MESSAGE FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL:**

**Reminder:** We shall begin having our Unity Mass on the first Sunday of the month. This means that we shall be having only one weekend Mass at 10:00am every first Sunday of the month. This will begin on the first Sunday of June (the 5<sup>th</sup>). As before, the birthday celebration repast will be held every three months to enable the three months' Birthday celebrants to combine together to give us grand celebration. These are the months for the repast: *March, June, September, December*. All ministries and Organizations are to begin having their meetings and functions. Please remember that the wearing of masks is still encouraged. Thank you, Parish Pastoral Council.

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### **WEEKLY REFLECTIONS:**

**We Are Called To Love As  
Christ Loves Us:**

We were made for glory - the glory which comes from God and which lasts forever. That glory can only be obtained in the cross of Jesus Christ. And the price for that glory is the total offering of our lives for the One who loved us first and who died on the cross to