



MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY 5:30 pm
SUNDAY 9 am & 11:30 am

Weekday Mass @ 8:00 am
Wednesday-Friday in the Church

FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

UNITY MASS @ 10AM

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, 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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June 19, 2022, Year C,

*The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
(Corpus Christi)*

Rev. Romanus Obiora Ezeugwu, MSP, Pastor
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Online Giving
from Our Sunday Visitor

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Visit our website to sign up and to begin contributing automatically to your parish. Sign up for Online Giving by visiting our parish website at www.stbenedictmcc.org and selecting the **Online Giving** link to get started!

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

We gather today at the table of the Lord, invited to share in this sacred meal in which Christ himself provides the food and drink for us to consume, the bread of life and the cup of eternal salvation. Saint Paul tells us that Jesus told his disciples to remember him each time they celebrated the Eucharist. So today, nearly two thousand years after the first time his followers did, we celebrate the Eucharist, remembering that Jesus Christ offered his body and blood to redeem us from sin, giving his earthly life to give us heavenly life.

Today's Readings are found in the Word & Eucharist Catholic Mass Book - Page 641

Parish Giving June 12, 2022

Offertory	\$ 6657.00
Deanery Schools	\$ 85.00
Parish Bus	\$ 40.00
Cath. Comm.	
Campaign	\$ 50.00
Peter's Pence	\$ 55.00

"Thank You for Your Generosity"

MASS INTENTIONS:

5:30pm: For the repose of the souls of: Prince A. Jackson, Sr., Deacon Prince A. Jackson, Jr., Roland Glover, Edward White, and William Newton on Father's Day. * Prince A. Jackson, III

9:00am: For Fr. Romanus and all MSP Priests as they continue their work in the Lord's vineyard. *offered by the AMSP.

In memory of and the peaceful repose of the soul of Leroy W. Simmons. *Ruth Simmons and Family

For the healing touch of God for Kenneth B Simmons. *Ruth Simmons and Family

For the repose of the soul of Brande Adams who recently passed away. *Clarence Davis

INFANT BAPTISM

**Infant Baptism will be held on August 21, 2022.
Please call Sharon Carson (912-656-0286) or
Theresa Garvin (912-507-7553) for further
information on what is required.**

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.

Please Pray for our Sick & Homebound:

Willie Allen, Jr., Markeshia Bailey, Joe Battle, Henry Blount, M. Marie Blue, William & Odessa Bryant, Alethea Chaney, 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, Willetta Williams, Julie Porter-Winfrey.

LECTORS' SCHEDULE

June 18/19		
5:30pm	Sharon Carson	Shirley West
9:00am	Torrance Garvin	Barbara McGhee
11:30am	Faith Formation	
June 25/26		
5:30pm	Edna Mason*	Rachael Hooper
9:00am	Joe Carter	Alicia Carter
11:30am	Donald Perry	Juliette Tolbert

ANNOUNCERS SCHEDULE *LECTOR ALSO

June 18/19
5:30pm - Edna Mason
9:00am - Gregory Milton
11:30am - Faith Formation
June 25/26
5:30pm - Edna Mason
9:00am - Theresa Garvin
11:30am - Emily Williams

UNITY MASS CHOIR REHEARSAL

Unity Mass choir rehearsal will take place on June 21st and June 28th (both days are Tuesday) at 6pm in the church. All choir members are asked to attend. Thank you. *Areatha Scott

FEASTS & SAINTS OF THE WEEK

June Calendar

19 Sun. Father's Day
20 Mon. Twelfth Week in Ordinary Time begins;
Juneteenth (observed); World Refugee Day
21 Tue. Memorial of St. Aloysius Gonzaga;
Summer begins
22 Wed. Memorial of St. Paulinus of Nola;
Memorial of Ss. John Fisher and Thomas More
23 Thu. Solemnity of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist
24 Fri. Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
25 Sat. Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

A FATHER'S DAY BLESSING

*Blessed is the Father
Who lets the Lord
Be his guiding hand,
Whose faith brings
His family courage,
Whose wisdom comes from God,
And whose children
Still stand and honor him.*

Have a wonderful Father's Day – God Bless!

SAVE THE DATE:

Event: The 1st Annual Women's Day Luncheon
Presented by: The Traveling Moors.
When: Saturday, August 13, 2022
Where: St. Benedict's Parish Hall
Time: 12:30pm – 3pm
Guest Speaker: Veronica M. Stanford
Theme: "Embracing the Woman Within"

Come fabulously attired and wear your favorite hat for the optional hat contest!
There will be great words of wisdom, great food, great gifts, and an all-around great time!

Cost \$20 – Tickets available at parish office or from any Traveling Moors member.

TEN YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The 10 Year Anniversary Celebration for our beloved Fr. Romanus will be held Sunday, July 10, 2022 at 4:00pm in the Family Hall.

A letter of invitation has been sent to parishioners and friends of St. Benedict the Moor. If you have not yet received it, you should very soon.

Thank you church family for your love and support for our Pastor and our church.

A sign-up sheet has been placed at the entrance of the church.

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.**

SUMMERTIME...

And the living is easy: school is out, vacations begin, family reunions, and R & R for the parents, right? **BUT!!! Church is always IN!** Please remember **Sunday Mass every weekend, Mass during the week, and Daily prayer. Consistently use our contribution envelopes to support the parish, even while we are on vacation. Online giving really helps the consistency of our weekly offertory.**

**How GOOD and pleasant it is
When God's people live together
In UNITY. – Psalms 133:1**

WEEKLY REFLECTIONS:

Become What You Eat:

The Eucharist is the sacrament of Christ's permanent presence with his people. In the Eucharist, Christ is present in the gathered community, in his word proclaimed, but, above all, in the bread and wine transformed into his body and blood shared among us. The importance of this sacrament expressed succinctly by the Second Vatican Council when it states that the Eucharist is *'the source and summit of the Christian Life'* (*Lumen Gentium* 11).

During his earthly life Jesus promised his disciples he would not leave them orphans but would send them the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, to strengthen and enlighten them. He also left them a memorial of his presence in the sacrament of the Eucharist. In the Eucharist Jesus is with us under the appearance of bread and wine. He becomes our food so as to enter into the most intimate possible relationship with us. What we eat becomes part of us. When we eat the body of Christ and drink his blood in the Eucharist, we become what Christ is. We are transformed into Christ. The Eucharist is thus the most intense form of his presence with us. However, Christ is present in the Eucharist as the One who has given his life for us.

The Eucharist is the memorial of the Last Supper. Jesus' last act before his death on the Cross was to share a meal with those he had chosen – his Last Supper. In the course of this meal, as St Paul reminds us in today's first reading, *'the Lord Jesus took some bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way he took the cup after supper, and said, "This Cup is the new covenant in my blood. Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me"'* (1 Cor 11:24-25). The meaning of Christ's last meal was inseparable from the sacrifice of his life on the Cross. This was his supreme act of love. Love is manifested in self-sacrifice. *'Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends'* (Jn 15:13).

The moment of communion in the Eucharist, when we eat the body of Christ and drink his blood, is the moment of greatest intimacy that can exist between Christ and us – a moment to be approached with reverence and pondered in silence. However, we cannot be in communion with the Lord without being in communion with one another. Communion must never become a private devotion. This recognition of

the oneness of all who partake of the Body and Blood of Christ is expressed in several ways in the Mass. The common acknowledgement that we are sinners, the common responses, the songs of praise, the Gloria, the Creed, the Acclamation of Faith, the Great Amen, and the Sign of Peace. We act as one body because we are made one body in Christ. St. Augustine used to say to the assembled congregation as he held up the Sacred Host: *'See what you are and become what you see: the Body of Christ'*. We are the body of Christ and we must also become the body of Christ for others. This missionary dimension of the Eucharist is highlighted in the concluding part of the Mass.

Every Eucharist ends with a sending out on mission: *'Go in Peace to love and serve the Lord'*. We are called to carry the message of the Eucharist into the world. Just as Jesus Christ has become our Food, giving himself completely to us, so, too, we must give ourselves for the sake of the world. We are challenged to live the love we have experienced. We must become sources of nourishment for the world as Christ has become a source of nourishment for us. A contemporary hymn, based on a prayer attributed to St Theresa of Avila, expresses this imperative perfectly:

*'Christ has no body now but yours,
no hands but yours,
no feet but yours.
Yours are the eyes through which
Christ's compassion must look out on the world.
Yours are the feet with which
He is to go about doing good.
Yours are the hands with which
He is to bless us now'.*

So let us pray that, as we are nourished and empowered by the body of Christ we receive in the Eucharist, we may become, by our touch, our words and our actions, channels of Christ's compassionate and healing presence in our broken world!

Your Pineapple for The Week:

Jesus said to them, "Very truly I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. (John 6:53)