



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!

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July 31, 2022

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

The Holy Spirit draws us here today to listen to God's living word, to receive the Lord in the Eucharist, and to give praise and thanks to God. During the week, many of us work hard to make our lives comfortable, aiming for a promotion or raise, earning enough to afford the nicest things, putting money away for an easy retirement. Today's readings will give us the bit of shock we need to put those parts of our life in perspective. "Vanity of vanities!" cries the first reading's narrator, ridiculing the idea that we have total control over the rest of our lives. May we reorient ourselves toward what really matters.

Today's Readings are found in the Word & Eucharist Catholic Mass Book - Page 689

Parish Giving July 24, 2022

Offertory	\$3516.00
Deanery Schools	\$
Parish Bus	\$
Solidarity w/ Africa	\$25.00

"Thank You for Your Generosity"

MASS INTENTIONS:

5:30pm: For the repose of the soul of Catherlene Washington on the anniversary of her passing.
(8/1) *Sharon Carson and family.

For the repose of the souls of: William C. Jackson, Arthur Jackson, and Olga Jackson Bailey. *Prince A. Jackson, III

FEASTS & SAINTS OF THE WEEK

August Calendar

1 Mon. Memorial of St. Alphonsus Liguori
2 Tue. Optional Memorial of St. Eusebius of Vercelli; Optional Memorial of St. Peter Julian Eymard
4 Thu. Memorial of St. John Vianney
5 Fri. Optional Memorial of the Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major; First Friday
6 Sat. Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord; First Saturday

DEADLINE

All announcements and mass intention requests must be made before Wednesday at noon in order to be included in that week's communications. Thank you for your cooperation.

THE DEFINITION OF "ACTIVE CATHOLIC"

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., Mariah Bailey, 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, Clevon 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

July 30/31

5:30pm	Dominique Jackson	Sharon Carson*
9:00am	Torrance Garvin	Teresa Udowana
11:30am	Edna Mason*	Adrian Broxton

August 7

10:00am	Matthew Jenkins	Adrian Broxton
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Unity Mass

ANNOUNCERS SCHEDULE *LECTOR ALSO

July 30/31

5:30pm	Sharon Carson*
9:00am	Theresa Garvin
11:30am	Edna Mason*

August 7

10:00am	Joyce Jones
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Unity Mass

FISH FRY FUNDRAISER

The New Horizons of Women and Men will be selling Fish Dinners in the Parish Hall on Saturday, August 6, 2022 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. This is fundraiser. Tickets are \$15.00 each and can be purchased from any New Horizon member or from the parish office. Please support us in this effort. Thank you.

SAVE THE DATE:

The 1st Annual Women's Day Luncheon Presented by: The Traveling Moors will take place on Saturday August 20, 2022 in the St. Benedict the Moor Parish Hall. Time: 12:30pm – 3pm
Guest Speaker: Veronica M. Stanford
Theme: "Embracing the Woman Within"
Invite family, friends, and neighbors! All are welcome!
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.

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.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

There will be a meeting for catechists as we plan our new year of Faith Formation classes on Thursday, August 11, 2022 at 6:00pm in the parish hall. Please make every effort to attend. We look forward to a fantastic faith-filled year with our students!

"It makes no sense to accumulate if one day we will die. What we must accumulate is love, and the ability to share, the ability not to remain indifferent when faced with the needs of others".

Pope Francis

A BACK TO SCHOOL PRAYER

Loving God, thank you for the rest and relaxation we enjoyed over the summer. Watch over our children as they begin their new school year. Bless them with joy at seeing friends, excitement at new experiences, and a love of learning. Guide and protect all who learn, replacing fear with joy, anxiety with peace and tiredness with energy. Grant teachers wisdom, patience, and joy as they serve their students.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

UNITY MASS RECEPTION

Those celebrating their birthday or anniversary during the months of July, August or September are asked to contact the following regarding donations for and participation in the September 4th Unity Mass reception: July – Sharon Carson (912) 656-0286; August – Renee Mosley (912) 707-7834; September - Yvonne Williams (912) 657-3841. Thank you.

CHOIR REHEARSAL

Unity Mass choir rehearsal will take place on Tuesday, August 2nd at 6:00pm. All members are asked to be present. Thank you. *Areatha Scott.

INFANT BAPTISM

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

The Social Apostolate Needs Your Help

The Knights of Columbus Council #10274 is spearheading a food drive to help the Social Apostolate July 18 – September 4, 2022. As we have all seen, food prices are skyrocketing, and kids are out of school, leaving them without their usual one to two meals a day that would be provided there. Assistance is requested in keeping the pantry shelves stocked for these families. **Peanut butter and jelly, snacks items, breakfast staples, pasta sauces, and canned fruits and vegetables** are all extremely helpful. Items can be dropped off in the bin at the entrance of the church or at 502 E. Liberty Street. We thank you all for your ongoing support!
*Knights of Columbus Council #10274

The 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,

[At the words that follow, up to and including and became man, bow your head.]

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.

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.**

WEEKLY REFLECTIONS

Loving Possessions Rather Than Loving My Neighbor:

Inheritance disputes are rarely ever easy to resolve, especially when the relatives or close associates of the deceased benefactor cannot agree on who should get what and who should get the most. Why did Jesus refuse to settle an inheritance dispute between two brothers? He saw that the heart of the issue was not justice or fairness but rather greed and possessiveness.

The ten commandments were summarized into two prohibitions - do not worship false idols and do not covet what belongs to another. It's the flip side of the two great commandments - love God and love your neighbor. Jesus warned the man who wanted half of his brother's inheritance to "beware of all covetousness." To covet is to wish to get wrongfully what another possesses or to begrudge what God has given to another. Jesus restates the commandment "do not covet", but he also states that a person's life does not consist in the abundance of his or her possessions.

Jesus reinforces his point with a parable about a foolish rich man (Luke 12:16-21). Why does Jesus call this wealthy landowner a fool? Jesus does not fault the rich man for his industriousness and skill in acquiring wealth, but rather for his self-centeredness - it's mine, all mine, and no one else's. This parable is similar to the parable of the rich man who refused to give any help to the beggar Lazarus (Luke 16:19-31). The rich fool had lost the capacity to be concerned for others. His life was consumed with his possessions and his only interests were in himself. His death was the final loss of his soul! What is Jesus' lesson on using material possessions? It is in giving that we receive. Those who are rich towards God receive ample reward - not only in this life - but in eternity as well.

Your Pineapple For The Week:

"Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others" (Philippians 2:3-4).