



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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October 2, 2022

*Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year C*

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Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

Often we feel that our faith is weak, unable to overcome all our doubts or give us the confidence to face our trials. Jesus' closest friends, his apostles, may have felt the same way, as today we hear them ask him to increase their faith. Jesus responds by issuing them a challenge, telling them that even a small amount of faith has the power to do great things. Let us accept that challenge today, recognizing that our faith, however uncertain, has brought us here in the first place to worship the Lord and celebrate the Eucharist.

Today's Readings are found in the Word & Eucharist Catholic Mass Book - Page 712

Parish Giving September 25, 2022

Offertory	\$4464.00
Mission Cooperative Appeal	\$ 421.00

"Thank You for Your Generosity"

MASS INTENTIONS:

10:00am Unity Mass: For the repose of the soul of Mrs. Mary Persad on the anniversary of her passing. * Dr. and Mrs. Suresh Persad and Family

For the repose of the soul of Mr. Michael Allen on the first anniversary of his passing. *Mrs. Louise Allen

For the love of the St. Benedict the Moor Family. *Mrs. Delores P. Robinson

PARISH CONDOLENCES

Parish sympathy to the family of Mrs. Minnie Marie Blue who passed away Thursday, September 22, 2022. Funeral Mass was held 10:00am Saturday, October 1, 2022 at St. Benedict the Moor Catholic Church.

Parish sympathy to Mr. Andre Clark and family on the loss of his mother, Ms. Juanita Larry, who passed away Wednesday, September 28, 2022. Funeral Mass will be held 10am Saturday, October 8, 2022 at St. Benedict the Moor Catholic Church.

Our thoughts and prayers are with these families.

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, 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, Ellen Roberts, 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 *ANNOUNCER ALSO

October 2 10:00am	Unity Mass Joe Carter	Alicia Carter
October 8/9 5:30pm	Dominique Jackson*	Rachel Hooper
9:00am	Dianne Williams	Barbara McGhee
11:30am	Juliette Tolbert	Adrian Broxton

ANNOUNCERS' SCHEDULE *LECTOR ALSO

October 2 10:00am	Unity Mass Theresa Garvin
October 8/9 5:30pm	Dominique Jackson*
9:00am	Ruth Simmons
11:30am	Atzmayah Bailey

October Calendar

2 Sun. Respect Life Sunday
4 Tue. Memorial of St. Francis of Assisi
5 Wed. Optional Memorial of St. Faustina Kowalska;
Optional Memorial of Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos; Yom
Kippur
6 Thu. Optional Memorial of St. Bruno; Optional
Memorial of Bl. Marie Ros Durocher
7 Fri. Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary; First
Friday
8 Sat. Optional Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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 pancake breakfast immediately following the 9am Mass on Sunday, October 9, 2022 for parents, students and catechists provided by the Knights of Columbus Council #10274. We invite parents and caring adults of our children to join us to meet your children's teachers, learn more about the Faith Formation program, and ask any questions you may have. There will be great food and lots of information! We look forward to seeing each of you.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

There are two special collections for the month of October: the Southern Cross Subscription Drive is October 9th; and World Mission Sunday is October 23rd. Please give generously to these special collections.

MEETING TIME CHANGE

The time for Legion of Mary meetings has changed to 12 noon on Wednesdays. We welcome you to come join us in prayer to our Blessed Mother.

DECEMBER 4TH UNITY MASS RECEPTION

Those celebrating their birthday or anniversary during the months of October, November and December should contact the following regarding participation in the Unity Mass reception: Antoinette Hagan (912) 234-4278; Barbara Manning (912) 224-0995; Vergie Williams (912) 220-1803. Thank you.

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 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.

WEEKLY REFLECTIONS

Lord, Increase Our Faith!

How strong is your faith in God and how can you grow in it? Faith is not something vague, uncertain, undefinable, or something which requires a leap of the imagination or worse, some kind of blind allegiance. In fact, it is quite the opposite. Faith is a response of trust and belief in what is reliable, truthful, certain, and real. To have faith is to believe and trust in someone or something. We believe in the power of electricity even though we can't visibly see it with the naked eye. We know we can tap into that power and use it to do things we could not do by our own human power. Faith in God works in a similar way.

When God reveals himself to us, he gives us the "assurance" and "conviction" that his power and presence and glory is just as real, and even more real, than our experience of the natural physical world around us (Letter to the Hebrews 11:1-3). Things around us change, but God never changes. He is constant, ever true to his word, and always faithful to his promises (Psalm 145:13, Hebrews 10:23). That is why we can have the greatest assurance of his unconditional love for us and why we can hope with utter conviction that he will give us everything he has promised. Jesus is God's visible proof that his word is reliable and true - his love is unfailing and unconditional - and his power is immeasurably great and unlimited.

What did Jesus mean when he said to his disciples that our *faith can move trees and mountains* as well (see Matthew 17:20; Mark 11:23)? The term "mountain remover" was used for someone who could solve great problems and difficulties. Don't we often encounter challenges and difficulties which

seem beyond our power to handle? What appears impossible to human power is possible to those who believe in God's power. Faith is a gift freely given by God to help us know God personally, to understand his truth, and to live in the power of his love. God expects more from us than we can simply do by ourselves. That is why Jesus gives us the gift and power of the Holy Spirit who helps us to grow strong in faith, persevere in hope, and endure in love.

Faith in God is the key for removing obstacles and difficulties which keep us from doing his will. We belong to God and our lives are no longer our own. Our joy and privilege is to follow the Lord Jesus and to serve in the power of his love and goodness. The Lord Jesus is ever ready to work in and through us by his Spirit for his glory. For our faith to be effective it must be linked with trust and with obedience - an active submission to God and a willingness to do whatever he commands. Do you trust in the grace and strength which God freely gives to help us resist temptation and to overcome obstacles in doing his will?

(Daily Scripture Readings and Meditations)

Your Pineapple For The Week:

"If you had faith as a grain of mustard seed, you could say to this sycamine tree, be rooted up, and be planted in the sea, and it would obey you."

(Matthew 17:6)

Faith
is not hoping
God can
it is knowing
He Will

