



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 9, 2022

*Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year C*

Rev. Romanus Obiora Ezeugwu, MSP, Pastor
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Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

We come together today to give praise and glory to God in a spirit of gratitude. We are grateful to God for the gift of faith that blossoms within us and for God's healing presence in each one of us and in the world, which makes us whole again. During the pandemic there have been times when collectively or individually we have not been able to gather together. We are especially grateful whenever we can do so once again. Let us maintain our gratitude for God's blessings always.

Today's Readings are found in the Word & Eucharist Catholic Mass Book - Page 714

Parish Giving October 2, 2022

Offertory	\$6337.00
On-line Giving for month of September	\$5364.00
School Support	\$ 115.00
Bus Ministry	\$ 110.00
World Mission	\$ 20.00

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL AS OF 9/29/22

Goal: \$32,796.00
Received to Date: \$24, 020.42

"Thank You for Your Generosity"

MASS INTENTIONS:

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

PARISH CONDOLENCES

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 was held 10am Saturday, October 8, 2022 at St. Benedict the Moor Catholic Church.

Parish sympathy to Ms. Christine Wiggins and family on the loss of her mother, Mrs. Louise Grant Wiggins who passed away Sunday, September 25, 2022. Funeral services were held 10am Thursday, October 6, 2022 at Second Arnold Baptist Church, 1427 E. 37th St.

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, Nathaniel Wiggins, Arlene Wiley, Ellen Williams, Tambra Williams, Crystal Williams, Narvia Williams, Willetta Williams, Julie Porter-Winfrey.

LECTORS' SCHEDULE *ANNOUNCER ALSO

October 8/9

5:30pm	Dominique Jackson*	Rachel Hooper
9:00am	Dianne Williams	Barbara McGhee
11:30am	Juliette Tolbert	Adrian Broxton

October 15/16

5:30pm	Adriene Perry	Shirley West
9:00am	Torrance Garvin*	Teresa Udowana
11:30am	Faith Formation	Faith Formation

ANNOUNCERS' SCHEDULE *LECTOR ALSO

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9:30am	Ruth Simmons
11:30am	Atzmayah Bailey

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October Calendar

10 Mon. Columbus Day (observed); Indigenous People's Day; Thanksgiving Day (Canada); Sukkot (sundown Oct. 9 – sundown Oct, 16)

11 Tue. Optional Memorial of St. John XXIII

11 Fri. Optional Memorial of St. Callistus I

15 Sat. Memorial of St. Teresa of Jesus; Sweetest Day

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.

BLESSINGS TO OUR CHURCH FAMILY

With grateful hearts, we extend our heartfelt gratitude to Father Romanus for his encouraging words spoken at our brother's funeral. To all our church family who attended the funeral, sent words of encouragement through cards, visits, and prayers, your kindness and support are greatly appreciated. God's blessings to you all.

Rosetta, Ida and Sharon

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

The special collection for the Southern Cross Subscription Drive is today. The next special collection for the month is World Mission Sunday on October 23rd. Please give generously to these special collections.

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 VICTIMS OF DISASTERS

God of hope and mercy, we lift up to you all victims of natural disasters and those responding with assistance and aid. Protect all who are in any form of danger; provide practical help to those in need; strengthen the weary, console the grieving, heal the suffering; and bless those engaged in disaster relief efforts with safety and courage. Help all people of good will respond with compassion and generous hearts. Amen. (From: Catholic Charities USA)

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

God's Mercy Brings Healing of Mind, Heart, and Body:

The Book of Proverbs states: *A friend loves at all times; and a brother is born for adversity* (Proverbs 17:17). When adversity strikes you find out who truly is your brother, sister, and friend. The Gospel records an unusual encounter between two peoples who had been divided for centuries. The Jews and Samaritans had no dealings with one another even though Samaria was located in the central part of Judea. Both peoples were openly hostile whenever their paths crossed. In this Gospel narrative we see one rare exception - a Samaritan leper in company with nine Jewish lepers. Sometimes adversity forces people to drop their barriers or to forget their prejudices. When this band of Jewish and Samaritan lepers saw Jesus, they made a bold request. They didn't ask for healing, but instead asked for mercy.

They know they are in need of healing, not just physical, but spiritual healing as well. They approach Jesus with contrition and faith because they believe that he can release the burden of guilt and suffering and make restoration of body and soul possible. Their request for mercy is both a plea for pardon and release from suffering. Jesus gives mercy to all who ask with faith and contrition.

Why did only one leper out of ten return to show gratitude? If we do not recognize and appreciate the mercy and help shown to us, we will be ungrateful and unkind towards others. Ingratitude is forgetfulness or a poor return for kindness received. Ingratitude easily leads to lack of charity and intolerance towards others, as well as to other vices, such

as complaining, grumbling, discontentment, pride, and presumption. How often have we been ungrateful to our parents, pastors, teachers, and neighbors? Do you express gratitude to God for his abundant help and mercy towards you and are you gracious, kind, and merciful towards your neighbor in their time of need and support?

(Daily Scripture Reading and Meditations)

Your Pineapple for the Week:

In everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you. (1 Thessalonians 5:18)



2022 White Mass

Tuesday, October 18, 2022 | 6:00 PM

St. Mary's Chapel at the Catholic Pastoral Center
2170 E Victory Dr., Savannah GA 31404
Bishop Stephen D. Parkes, Main Celebrant

Bishop Stephen D. Parkes invites all Catholic healthcare professionals, medical students & guests to the White Mass on the Feast of St. Luke.

In recognition of the dedicated work of Catholic healthcare professionals, this special Mass is extended to recognize the ministry of those who protect life and care for others as

God intended. Please

join us after Mass for a reception with special guest Dr. Richard Rowe, Committee Chairman of the Catholic Medical Association.

RSVP by October 11, 2022 to Kimberly Carter-Johnson at kjohnson@diosav.org or 912-201-4060.