



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
EVERY FRIDAY OF THE MONTH
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
@ 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.



The VIRTUS Protecting God's Children training is required for all volunteers and employees in the Diocese of Savannah and must be completed before they begin their ministry.

Seating is limited, and pre-registration is required online. Registration instructions can be found at <https://diosav.org/how-do-i/register-for-virtus-training>. A LAPTOP or DESKTOP is recommended for registration.

Welcome to St. Benedict the Moor Catholic Church

Our hope is that your presence here in 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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May 26, 2024
The Most Holy Trinity, Year B

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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.stbenedict-sav.org and selecting the **Online Giving** link to get started.

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

“Did anything so great ever happen before?” Moses asks in today’s first reading. After celebrating Easter and then Pentecost, we may ask the same question. Throughout Easter Time, which has just come to a close, we recalled how the Son made the ultimate sacrifice for us, the Father raised him from the dead, and then they sent the Holy Spirit to be with us always. Indeed, as we celebrate the Holy Trinity today, we realize that nothing so great as all this has ever happened before. And that those events of two thousand years ago continue to happen for us each day.

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Readings for this weekend are found in the Word & Eucharist Catholic Mass Book beginning on Page 451.

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*Parish Giving
May 19, 2024*

Offertory (includes School Support and Bus)	\$5892.00
Second Collection (Catholic Communication Campaign)	\$ 472.00

“Thank You for Your Generosity”

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MASS INTENTIONS

5:30pm For the repose of the soul of Ismay Bain on her heavenly birthday (May 24th). *The Persad and Naidoo Families

For the repose of the souls of Willie Allen, Jr. and John Kenneth Golden on their passing. *Louise Allen

For the repose of the souls of Margie Jackson Soeltner and Otto Soeltner on the anniversary of their passing. *Prince A. Jackson, III

9:00am For God’s Blessings and Guidance for Deacon Torrance Garvin as he begins his diaconate spiritual journey. *New Horizons of Women & Men – SBM and New Horizons of Men & Women – Baltimore, Maryland National Chapter

11:30am For the repose of the soul of Ismay Bain on her heavenly birthday (May 24th). *The Persad and Naidoo Families

Pray for our Sick & Homebound: Louise Allen, Mariah Bailey, Joe Battle, Bea Betsworth, Henry Blount, Odessa Bryant, Alethea Chaney, Otis & Lillie Charlton, Josefa Citizen, Lillian Dilworth, Morris Elliott, Juanita Fields, Jessica Jackson, Mary Jackson, Christine James, Mackenzie Jenkins, Vera Jennings, Clewon Johnson, Hilda Johnson, Joyce Jones, Robert Locke, Lillie Middleton, Dawud Patterson, Jacqueline Bailey-Patterson, Evelyn Porter, Delores Robinson, Elizabeth Robinson, Janice Quinn, Cornelius St. Mark, Catherine Spann, Inez Walthour, Margaret Weston, Nathaniel Wiggins, Arlene Wiley, Crystal Williams, Ellen Williams, Tambra Williams, Narvia Williams, Julie Porter-Winfrey (out-of-town).

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PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

<p>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.</p>

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PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

<p>Lord, make me an instrument of your peace: where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.</p>

LECTORS' SCHEDULE (*ANNOUNCER ALSO)

May 25 - 26, 2024

5:30pm Rachel Hooper Dominique Jackson*
9:00am Melanie White Teresa Udowana
11:30am Juliette Tolbert Matthew Jenkins

June 2, 2024 Unity Mass

10:00am Donald Perry Joyce Jones

ANNOUNCERS' SCHEDULE (*LECTOR ALSO)

May 25 - 26, 2024

5:30pm Dominique Jackson*
9:00am Emily Fann
11:30am Atzmayah Bailey

June 2, 2024 Unity Mass

10:00am Gregory Milton

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE HOLY
EUCHARIST SCHEDULE**

May 25 - 26, 2024

5:30pm Sharon Carson
9:00am Theresa Garvin
11:30am Juliette Tolbert

June 2, 2024 Unity Mass

10:00am Gloria Stephens

USHER'S SCHEDULE

May 25 - 26, 2024

5:30pm Brenda Kennedy Thomas Dickerson
9:00am Michael A. Chaney Rosetta Brown
11:30am Matthew Jenkins Latisha Bailey

June 2, 2024 Unity Mass

10:00am Michael A. Chaney Robert Kennedy
Rosetta Brown

BUS MINISTRY

Anyone wishing for transportation to the 9:am Mass or 10am Unity Mass should call either Dr. Earl Berksteiner at (912) 713-0414 or Mr. James Warren at (912) 655-8717 on or before Friday to schedule pickup. Thank you.

THANK YOU

Thank you Fr. Romanus and my St. Benedict the Moor Church family. Your calls, visits, cards and other acts of kindness mean so much to me and my family during the loss of our loved one. Please keep me in your prayers. May you be forever blessed.
*Louise Allen

GETTING OUR FINAL AFFAIRS IN ORDER:

As life would have it, we fail to realize that it is never too soon to put our final affairs in order. And although we are sure to include immediate family and friends in our estate planning, please remember your church, St. Benedict the Moor, in your bequests.

You can make a difference: your legacy matters to St. Benedict the Moor Catholic Church. When you leave an estate gift, like a house, land, or a monetary gift to your church family, you are leaving your mark for the future of this Parish that you love and cherish. For instance, over the years, our children have benefitted from the Carolyn G. Mitchell Trust Fund. This Trust helps our Parish with subsidies for our children in Catholic elementary schools in our deanery.

As you get your affairs in order, for your family and loved ones, please remember that St. Benedict is part of your family. The future of this Parish depends on us. As Terry Tempest Williams would say, "The eyes of the future are looking back at us, and they are praying for us to see beyond our own time". It is our prayer that you consider leaving your legacy by bequeathing your gift for the future of your Church family.

CONGRATULATIONS!

It is with great joy and thankfulness to our God that we announce the diaconate ordination of one of our own - Mr. Torrance Garvin, Sr. The ordination took place on Saturday, May 25, 2024 at 10:00am in the Cathedral Basilica of St. John the Baptist. This is another moment in the rich history of St. Benedict the Moor Catholic Church. Congratulations Deacon Garvin as you begin your ministry.

A reception in honor of Deacon Torrance Garvin on the occasion of his diaconate ordination will take place on Sunday, June 2nd immediately following Unity Mass. Everyone is invited to attend but is asked to sign up at the church entrance. Thank you.

TRI-PARISH REVIVAL NEWS

Come out and join the Tri-Parish Choir, as we prepare for the upcoming revival.

Tri-Parish Choir Rehearsal Schedule:
Youth Rehearsal @ 6pm
Adult Rehearsal @ 7pm

St. Benedict the Moor - May 28, 2024 & June 4, 2024
Resurrection of Our Lord Church - June 11 & 14, 2024

WEEKLY REFLECTIONS

Through baptism we share in the life of the Trinity:

How can we know who God is? Jesus revealed to his disciples the great mystery of our faith - the triune nature of one God in three persons and the inseparable union of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Jesus' mission is to reveal the glory of God to us - a Trinity of persons - God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit - and to unite us with God in a community of unbreakable unity and everlasting love. The ultimate end, the purpose for which God created us, is the entry of God's sons and daughters into the perfect unity of the blessed Trinity.

The Jews understood God as Creator and Father of all that he made (Deuteronomy 32:6) and they understood the nation of Israel as God's firstborn son (Exodus 4:22). Jesus reveals the Father in an unheard of sense. He is eternally Father by his relationship to his only Son, who, reciprocally, is Son only in relation to his Father (see Matthew 11:27). The Spirit, likewise, is inseparably one with the Father and the Son.

The mission of Jesus and of the Holy Spirit are the same. That is why Jesus tells his disciples that the Spirit will reveal the glory of the Father and the Son and will speak what is true. Before his Passover, Jesus revealed the Holy Spirit as the "Paraclete" and Helper who will be with Jesus' disciples to teach and guide them "into all the truth" (John 14:17,26; 16:13). In baptism we are called to share in the life of the Holy Trinity here on earth in faith and after death in eternal light.

It is the Holy Spirit who reveals the Father and the Son to us and who gives us the gift

of faith to know and understand the truth of God's word. Through the Holy Spirit, we proclaim our ancient faith in the saving death and resurrection of Jesus Christ until he comes again. The Lord gives us his Holy Spirit as our divine Teacher and Helper that we may grow in the knowledge and wisdom of God. Do you seek the wisdom that comes from above and do you willingly obey God's word?

Your Pineapple for the Week:

“Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the works themselves” (John 14:11).

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INFANT BAPTISM

The next infant baptism will take place on Sunday, June 23, 2024. Parents who want to have their children receive the sacrament should contact Theresa Garvin (912-5607-7553) or Sharon Carson (912-656-0286) for more information. Thank you.

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IMMERSE YOURSELF IN THE WORD OF GOD

The Bible is not just information or a historical book. It is not just for quick inspiration. One of the most important ways the Holy Spirit reaches us is through scripture. If we neglect His voice in that place where He speaks, we are shutting off a crucial part of our relationship with Him.

Bible Study...Try it!

Every Wednesday evening at 6pm in the Parish Hall.

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CONFIRMATION

Three of our youth – Xavier Broadnax, Kaitlen Brown, and Elizabeth Johnson – will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday, June 1st at 5:30pm. Parishioners are encouraged to attend the Mass in support of these young people and to greet Bishop Stephen Parkes who will administer the Sacrament. A reception will follow the Mass in the parish hall. Thank you and we hope to see you there.

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