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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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June 2, 2024
The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
(Corpus Christi) Unity Mass, Year B

Rev. Romanus Obiora Ezeugwu, MSP, Pastor
Sharon Carson, Supt. of Religious Education
Audrey Moultrie, Parish Council Chairperson
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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

We are a Eucharistic people, receiving sustenance from the Body and Blood of our Lord in the Eucharist so that we may be sent out as disciples, manifesting the real presence of Jesus in our lives as we build up the body of Christ. In this year of the National Eucharistic Congress, may our appreciation of his real presence in his Body and Blood be revived and may our enthusiasm for the Christian mission be rekindled.

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Readings for this weekend are found in the Word & Eucharist Catholic Mass Book beginning on Page 453.
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*Parish Giving
May 26, 2024*

Offertory (includes School Support and Bus)	\$4543.00
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"Thank You for Your Generosity"

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MASS INTENTIONS

10:00am For the repose of the soul of Willie Allen, Sr. on his birthday (5/29) and the repose of the soul of Michael Allen on his birthday (5/30). *Louise Allen

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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 (912-507-7553) or Sharon Carson (912-656-0286) for more information. Thank you.

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MONTHLY LUNCHEON

Our monthly luncheon for the sick and shut-ins will take place on Wednesday, June 12th. Volunteers are needed to assist with preparations the day before (June 11th) and with cooking and deliveries on June 12th. Please come out and help serve those in need. Contact the parish office if you have questions. Thank you – Gloria Stephens, Coordinator.

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PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE RECEPTION FOR DEACON TORRANCE A. GARVIN AFTER MASS ON THE 3RD FLOOR OF THE OLD SCHOOL BUILDING.

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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)

June 2, 2024	Unity Mass	
10:00am	Donald Perry	Joyce Jones
June 9, 2024		
5:30pm	Sharon Carson	Domnique Jackson*
9:00am	Joe Carter	Alicia Carter
11:30am	Donald Perry	Adrian Broxton

ANNOUNCERS' SCHEDULE (*LECTOR ALSO)

June 2, 2024	Unity Mass	
10:00am	Gregory Milton	
June 9, 2024		
5:30pm	Dominique Jackson*	
9:00am	Ruth Simmons	
11:30am	Monesha Gallishaw	

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST SCHEDULE

June 2, 2024	Unity Mass	
10:00am	Gloria Stephens	
June 9, 2024		
5:30pm	Dominique Jackson	
9:00am	Milenthia Williams	
11:30am	William Wright	

USHER'S SCHEDULE

June 2, 2024	Unity Mass	
10:00am	Michael A. Chaney	Robert Kennedy Rosetta Brown
June 9, 2024		
5:30pm	Franklin Hagey	Anthony DeShay
9:00am	Karen Polk	Rosetta Brown
11:30am	Sylvester Brown	Tyrone Bryant

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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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.

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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 – June 4, 2024
Resurrection of Our Lord Church – June 11 & 14, 2024

Please see bulletin insert for information on the 2024 Revival schedule for June 24th – 26th.

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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.

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WEEKLY REFLECTIONS

The Body and Blood of Christ:

On this Solemnity, we proclaim our belief in the Real presence of Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist. We also proclaim that the same Jesus lives within each one of us who are baptized into His Body, the Church, of which we are members. That is also a Real presence. The Lord Himself teaches us that the entire Trinity takes up residence within us. (see, e.g., John 14:23) Then, through our life in the Church, which is His Body, and our participation in the Sacraments, which communicate Divine Life, we can begin to live in the Trinity, right now.

This is the theological mystery we call communion. It is a huge word, with multiple implications. It is one reason why we call the reception of the Eucharist, Holy Communion. The Christian life is about a relationship with the Father, in and through His Son Jesus through the Holy Spirit. And, in Jesus Christ, with one another, for the sake of the world. The world into which we process is the world that God still loves so much that He continues to send His Son - to save, recreate, and transform it from within. The Corpus Christi procession symbolizes the ongoing redemptive mission of Jesus Christ - and our participation in it.

He comes to dwell within us - and we live our lives now in Him. We are invited to become a living monstrance, carrying the Lord within us, living manifestations of the Lord, showing Him forth to the world, in word and deed. We are invited to enthrone the Lord in our hearts, which is, in biblical language, the moral center of the person. In the Holy Eucharist, we receive the Divine Host, Jesus Christ. Through our Baptism, Jesus Christ has taken up residence within each one of us. We carry Him into the real world just as we carry the

monstrance into its streets today. When we process - we proclaim by symbolic action that the Lord continues to come into the world through the Church.

This Solemnity reminds all of us of the call to continuing conversion, the universal call to holiness. Each of us who bear the name Christian is to become more like the One whom we love and in whom we live. As we march the Monstrance into the cities of the whole world, we participate in a profoundly prophetic act. The early Eastern Church Fathers referred to the Church as the "world transfigured" and the "world reconciled." That reconciliation and transfiguration continues through the Church. Jesus has been raised from the dead and he walks into the world, through His Body, of which we are members (1 Corinthians 12,13).

Your Pineapple for the Week:

"Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you" (John 6:53).

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ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2024	
Our Progress as of May 23, 2024	
TARGET	\$31,885.00
Pledged	\$14,265.00
Paid on Pledge	\$ 4,450.00
Pledge Balance	\$ 9,815.00
One-Time/Unpledged	\$ 11,027.50
Total Given (so far)	\$ 15,477.50
Percent of Target	48.54 (#14 of 14 Parishes)
Still Needed	\$16,408.00
We can do this together as One Family United in Christ!	