



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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July 14, 2024
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

Rev. Romanus Obiora Ezeugwu, MSP, Pastor
Sharon Carson, Supt. of Religious Education
Audrey Moultrie, Parish Council Chairperson
Sharon Carson, Administrative Secretary
Deirdre Phillips, Account Secretary
Jerome Grayson, Bldg/Maintenance

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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

As we gather to celebrate the Eucharist today, we are reminded that we are the Lord’s disciples. In today’s Gospel, the twelve apostles are sent out on their own for the first time. Jesus instructs them to preach repentance, cure those who are sick, and drive out demons. Jesus did not accompany them in person, but he was surely with them in spirit. This is our calling now. With the spirit of the Lord—and the Holy Spirit—in us, Jesus calls us to preach the Good News, to bring his healing touch to those in need, to confront evil, and to forgive wrongs. Let us listen to his instructions today.

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Readings for this weekend are found in the Word & Eucharist Catholic Mass Book beginning on Page 491.

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*Parish Giving
July 7, 2024*

Offertory (includes School Support and Bus)	\$5588.00
Special Collection: Peters Pence	\$ 20.00
Church in Africa	\$ 35.00

“Thank You for Your Generosity”

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MASS INTENTIONS

5:30pm For the peaceful repose of the souls of Marilyn Jacksson and Hattilyn Slocum on the anniversary of their birthday (7/13). *Prince A. Jackson, III.

For Eric Chriss, that God may send His healing touch upon him. *Prince A. Jackson, III

9:00am For Fr. Romanus and all MSP priests as they continue to labor in the Lord’s vineyard. *AMSP

For the peaceful repose of the soul of Jason Leddy who passed away suddenly. *John & Faye Chaplin

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Pray for our Sick & Homebound: Louise Allen, 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, Clevon Johnson, Hilda Johnson, Joyce Jones, Robert Locke, Lillie Middleton, Dawud Patterson, Evelyn Porter, Delores Robinson, Elizabeth Robinson, Janice Quinn, Sr. Barbara Shimkus, 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)

July 13 – 14, 2024
5:30pm Taylor Walden Sharon Carson*
9:00am Georgene Jones Dianne Williams
11:30am Donald Perry Adrian Broxton

July 20 – 21, 2024
5:30pm Sharon Carson Dominique Jackson*
9:00am Joe Carter Alicia Carter
11:30am Faith Formation Faith Formation

ANNOUNCERS' SCHEDULE (*LECTOR ALSO)

July 13 – 14, 2024
5:30pm Sharon Carson*
9:00am Ruth Simmons
11:30am Atzmayah Bailey

July 20 – 21, 2024
5:30pm Dominique Jackson*
9:00am Gregory Milton
11:30am Faith Formation

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST SCHEDULE

July 13 – 14, 2024
5:30pm Dominique Jackson
9:00am Gloria Stephens
11:30am Juliette Tolbert

July 20 – 21, 2024
5:30pm Sharon Carson
9:00am Jabria Wesley
11:30am Theresa Garvin

USHER'S SCHEDULE

July 13 – 14, 2024
5:30pm Brenda Kennedy Thomas Dickerson
9:00am Karen Polk Rosetta Brown
11:30am Sylvester Brown Tyrone Bryant

July 20 – 21, 2024
5:30pm Franklin Hagey Anthony DeShay
9:00am Karen Polk Rosetta Brown
11:30am Faith Formation Faith Formation

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.

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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150th Anniversary Ads and Patrons

Interested In Placing An Ad In The 150th Anniversary Gala Program Booklet? Organizations, Family, Friends and Businesses May Purchase Ads or Patrons Until September 1, 2024.

Full Page Color	-	\$150.00
Full Page B & W	-	\$125.00
Half Page Color	-	\$100.00
Half Page B & W	-	\$ 75.00
Quarter Page Color	-	\$ 75.00
Quarter Page B & W	-	\$ 50.00
Patrons	-	\$ 10.00

Contact Dianne Williams or Sandra Best To Secure Your Ad Or Patron Forms. Thank You For Your Continued Support of Our Parish's 150th Anniversary Celebration.

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WEEKLY REFLECTIONS

Jesus Gave His Disciples Authority:

What kind of authority and power does the Lord want you to exercise on his behalf? Jesus gave his apostles the power and authority to speak and act in his name. He commanded them to do the works which he did - to heal the sick. to cast out evil spirits and to speak the word of God - the good news of the gospel they received from Jesus. When Jesus spoke of power and authority, he did something unheard of. He wedded power and authority with self-sacrificing love and humility. The "world" and the "flesh" seek power for selfish gain. Jesus teaches us to use it for the good of our neighbor.

Why does Jesus tell the apostles to "travel light" with little or no provision? "Poverty of spirit" frees us from greed and preoccupation with our possessions and makes ample room for God's provision. The Lord wants his disciples to depend on him, not themselves. He wills to work in and through each of us for his glory. Are you ready to exercise God's spiritual authority and power on his behalf? The Lord entrusts us with his gifts and talents. Are you eager to place yourself at his service, to do whatever he bids you, and to witness his truth and saving power to whomever he sends you? (*Daily Scripture Readings and Meditations*).

Your Pineapple for the Week:

“To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, “If you hold to my teaching, you are truly my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free” (John 8:31-32).

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MONTHLY LUNCHEON

Our monthly luncheon for the sick and shut-ins will take place on Wednesday, July 17th. Volunteers are needed to assist with preparations the day before and with light cooking and deliveries on July 17th. This is a wonderful opportunity for our church family to show love and support to our sick and shut-in brothers and sisters. Contact the parish office if you have questions. Thank you – Gloria Stephens, Coordinator

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UNITY MASS PICTURES

Pictures of the June Unity Mass and Reception for Deacon Torrance Garvin are now available online at: www.perfectimagephotography.co . Click: all my photos. Click: First Sunday – Deacon Garvin.

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DON'T FORGET: Youth Choir Rehearsal is Saturday, July 20th at 10:30am! Please bring your youth.

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #10274

It's too hot to cook! Let the Knights of Columbus #10274 prepare a delicious summer meal for you! On Sunday, August 4th (10am – 2pm), the Knights will be selling BBQ rib dinners. For \$15.00, you can have BBQ ribs with all the fixins (potato salad, baked beans, corn on the cobb, bread and dessert). Order forms are in the bulletin or see any Knight of Columbus #10274. You'll have a lip smacking meal!

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SAVE THE DATE – AUGUST 31, 2024

On August 31st, the New Horizon's of Women and Men will be selling dinners in the Parish Hall. See any member for details and to buy tickets.

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SPECIAL COLLECTION

The next special collection will be for the Church in Africa on the weekend of July 20 – 21, 2024. Please plan to be generous to this collection. Thank you.

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS

OUR UPCOMING PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL NOMINATIONS WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY JULY 20th AND SUNDAY JULY 21st, 2024.

PARISHIONERS WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO NOMINATE FOR THE UPCOMING VACANCIES ON THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL.

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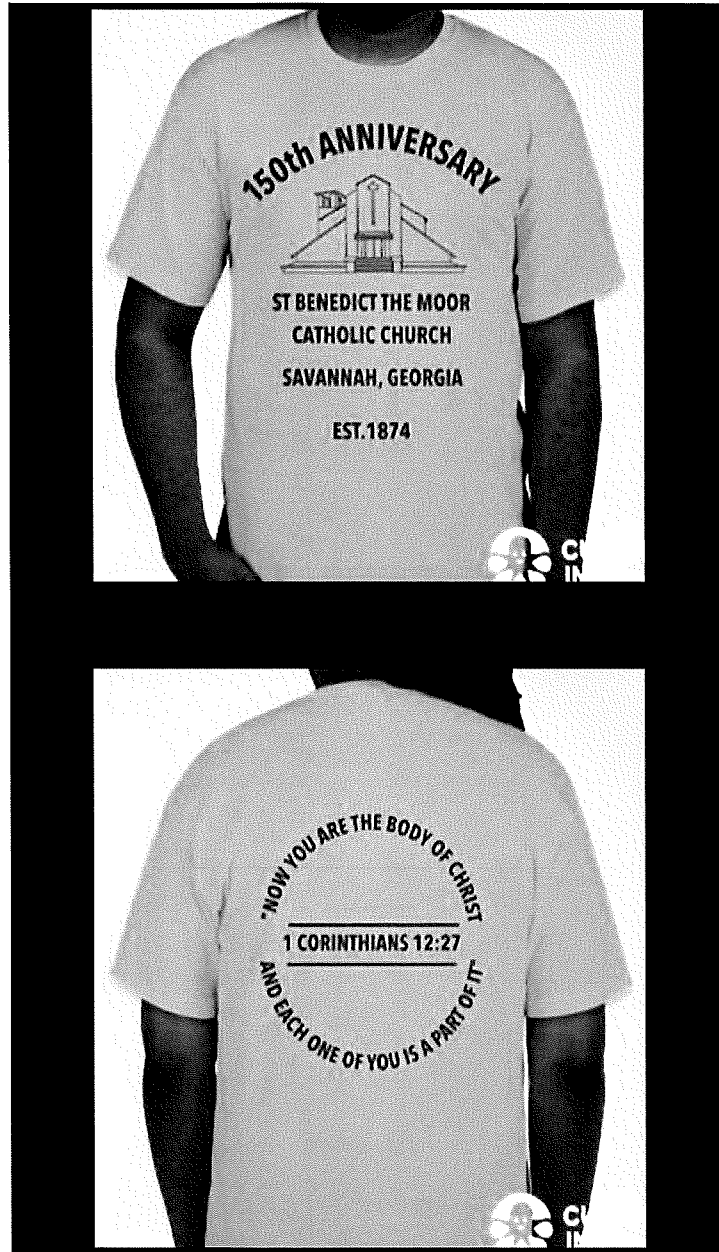
- **MUST BE AT LEAST 18 YEARS OLD**
- **A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING IN THE PARISH**
- **MUST BE WILLING TO ATTEND ALL PPC MEETINGS FOR THE NEXT (3) YEARS**

IT IS IMPORTANT TO PLEASE CONTACT THE PERSON YOU ARE INTERESTED IN NOMINATING TO SEE IF THEY AGREE TO ACCEPTING YOUR NOMINATION.

LET US CONTINUE TO MOVE FORWARD IN UPHOLDING THE FUTURE OF OUR PARISH.

**THANK YOU,
THE NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE**

Our 150th Anniversary T-shirt Will Soon Be Available for Sale for Our Upcoming Picnic



All Sizes: \$20.00