

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

EUCHARISTIC 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.

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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-doi/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!

HISTORIC

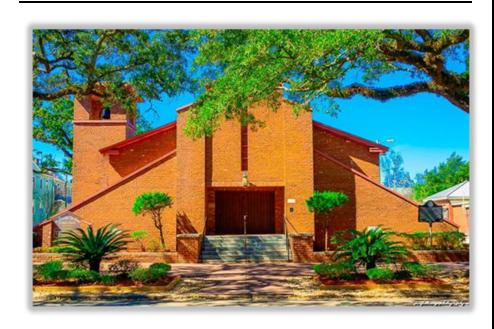
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March 16, 2025 Second Sunday of Lent, Year C

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Online Giving

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

Like Advent, Lent is a season of preparation—in this case, for Jesus' ultimate sacrifice and the glory of his resurrection. We prepare our souls through repentance and our bodies through fasting. We prepare our relationship with God through prayer and our relationship with others through almsgiving. In today's reading, in the midst of all our preparation, we are given a preview of Christ's risen glory when he appears transfigured to Peter, John, and James. May the promise of a life transfigured encourage us as we continue to prepare for Easter glory.

Readings for this weekend are found in the Word & Eucharist Catholic Mass Book beginning on Page 584.

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word

Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18 "God made a covenant with Abraham, his faithful servant".

Psalm 27 "The Lord is my light and my salvation". Philippians 3:17 – 4:1 "Christ will change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body".

Luke 9:28b - 36 "While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white".

Parish Giving March 9, 2025

Offertory: including	\$3294.00
Bus and School	
Support	
Special Collections:	
Aid to Central and	\$ 700.00
Eastern Europe;	
Catholic Relief	\$
Service	

MASS INTENTIONS

5:30pm For the repose of the soul of Prince A. Jackson, Sr. on the anniversary of his passing;

For the repose of the soul of Prince A. Jackson, Jr. on the anniversary of his birthday;

For the repose of the soul of Mattie Glover on the anniversary of her birthday. *Prince A. Jackson, III

For God's healing and restoring touch on Jessica Edwards and Karen Evans as they go through treatment. *Shirley West

For God's healing and restoring touch upon Latrelle B. *Shirley W.

Pray for our Sick & Homebound: Louise Allen, Frances Allen, Joe Battle, Henry Blount, Alethea Chaney, Otis & Lillie Charlton, Josefa Citizen, Juanita Fields, Raymond Heyward, Jessica Jackson, Mary Jackson, Christine James, Mackenzie Jenkins, Vera Jennings, Clevon Johnson, Hilda Johnson, Willie Leachman, Robert Locke, Louis McClendon, Jr., Lillie Middleton, Dawud Patterson, Evelyn Porter, Delores Robinson, Janice Quinn, Sr. Barbara Shimkus, Cornelius St. Mark, Inez Walthour, Margaret Weston, Nathaniel Wiggins, Crystal Williams, Tambra Williams, Narvia Williams, Julie Porter-Winfrey (out-of-town).

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.

PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

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.



ST. BENEDICT THE MOOR CATHOLIC CHURCH CELEBRATING 150 YEARS OF LOVE & SERVICE TO GOD

MINISTRY SCHEDULE March 15 - 16, 2025

LECTORS

5:30pmDomnique JacksonShirley West**9:00am**Melanie WhiteTeresa Udowana**11:30am**Faith FormationFaith Formation

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5:30pm Brenda Kennedy Thomas Dickerson **9:00am** Joelle Hamilton Michael A. Chaney Faith Formation Faith Formation

ANNOUNCER

5:30pm Edna Mason 9:00am Joyce Jones 11:30am 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 Spirt reaches us is through scripture. If we neglect His voice in the place where He speaks, we are shutting off a crucial part of our relationship with Him.

BIBLE STUDY ... TRY IT!

Every Wednesday evening @6:00pm in the Parish Hall

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Knights of Columbus Council 10274 is collecting baby supplies for children up to 2-3 years old. The collection point will be a baby crib placed in the entryway to the parish hall during the unity mass reception on Mar 2. Please contact any Knight if you would like to give or have items picked up for donation. All items donated will go to the Living Vine Maternity Home. Look for the signs around the church for what items are needed.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Do not miss an opportunity to spend time with our Lord and Savior. During Lent, Eucharistic Adoration will take place every Friday immediately following the Stations of the Cross. Come and feel the real presence of Jesus in prayer and adoration.

2025 STATIONS of the CROSS

Stations of the Cross will be held every **Friday at 6:00pm beginning March** 7th.

(Rosary begins at 5:30pm)
Make this service a part of your Lenten journey!

March 21 – Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist and Faith Formation Teachers

March 28th - AMSP and Lectors

April 4th - New Horizons of Women and Men, Traveling Moors

April 11th - CCW and Friends of SBM

April 18th – (Rosary at 2:30pm; Stations at 3:00pm) – Legion of Mary, Choirs, and Youth

FISH FRY

The Knights of Columbus Council #10274 will have their delicious Fish Fry immediately following the Stations of the Cross on Fridays during Lent. Cost is \$8 per plate. Thank you for your support.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

Our next special collection will be for Catholic Relief Services on March 30th. Please give generously to this collection. Thank you.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Don't forget our St. Patrick's Day fundraisers on Monday, March 17th! Park your car in the school yard, then head on over to the concessions stand across from the Cathedral Basilica of St, John the Baptist for some delicious snacks. Everything is priced at a bargain!! Erin go Bragh!

50/50 FUNDRAISER IS STILL HERE!!

Don't miss out on your opportunity to win cash by participating in the 50/50 Fundraiser. Cost to enter is \$20 and you can enter as often as you wish. Drawing is quarterly and winner receives half of the pot while the other half goes to benefit St. Benedict the Moor Catholic Church. The more you enter, the more you can win!! Envelopes are available in the pews and at the entrance to the church – get yours now!! Next drawing will be June 1st.

WEEKLY REFLECTIONS

The Lord Jesus reveals His Glory in Fulfilling His Father's Will:

Are you prepared to see God's glory? God is eager to share his glory with us! We get a glimpse of this when the disciples see Jesus transfigured on the mountain. Jesus' face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white (Mark 9:2,3).

When Moses met with God on Mount Sinai the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God (see Exodus 34:29). Paul says that the Israelites could not look at Moses' face because of its brightness (2 Corinthians 3:7). In the Gospel account Jesus appeared in glory with Moses, the great lawgiver of Israel, and with Elijah, the greatest of the prophets, in the presence of three of his beloved apostles - Peter, James, and John.

What is the significance of this mysterious appearance? Jesus went to the mountain knowing full well what awaited him in Jerusalem - his betrayal, rejection and crucifixion. Jesus very likely discussed this momentous decision to go to the cross with Moses and Elijah. God the Father also spoke with Jesus and gave his approval: This is my beloved Son: listen to him. The Father glorified his son because he obeyed. The cloud which overshadowed Jesus, and his apostles fulfilled the dream of the Jews that when the Messiah came the cloud of God's presence would fill the temple again (see Exodus 16:10, 19:9, 33:9; 1 Kings 8:10; 2 Maccabees 2:8). The Lord Jesus not only wants us to see his glory - he wants to share this glory with us. And Jesus shows us the way to the Father's glory: follow me - obey

my words - take the path I have chosen for you, and you will receive the blessings of my Father's kingdom - your name will be written in heaven.

Jesus succeeded in his mission because he went to Calvary so that Paradise would be restored to us once again. He embraced the cross to obtain the crown of glory that awaits each one of us, if we will follow in his footsteps. (Daily Scripture Readings and Meditations).

Your Pineapple for the Week:

"And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is my beloved Son [my Chosen]; listen to him!" (Luke 9:35).

MERCY IN ACTION: A CONVERSATION FOR TODAY'S CATHOLICS

You are cordially invited to attend an exciting youth and family event at St. Benedict the Moor on Sunday, March 23, 2025 at 2pm. Come hear a powerful testimony about religious life, culture, racism, and Catholic activism from Sr. Cora Marie Billings, religious Sister of Mercy. We especially encourage young people to attend this event. Light refreshments will be served. More information can be found at linktree.com/sistercoramarie. You don't want to miss it!!.

ANNUAL LEGION OF MARY ACIES MASS

Sacred Heart Parish will celebrate the Annual Legion of Mary Acies Mass in Dedication to Our Blessed Mother on Saturday, March 22, 2025 at 10:00am. The Folk Choir will be in attendance. All parishioners are invited to attend. **To Jesus Through Mary!**