



MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY	5:30 pm
SUNDAY	9 am & 11:30 am
Weekday Mass @ 8:00 am Wednesday-Friday in the Rectory	

FIRST SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH
UNITY MASS @ 10AM

FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH
Most Sacred Heart Devotion
@ 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.

BIBLE STUDY
Wednesday from 6-7 pm
Healing Mass every 3rd
Wednesday

CONFESSIONS:
Saturday 5:00 pm - 5:25 pm and
by appointment.

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.

Welcome

HISTORIC

ST BENEDICT THE MOOR CATHOLIC CHURCH - *Since 1874*

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The **law** of the **LORD** is *perfect*,
converting the soul: the
testimony of the **LORD** is **SURE**,
making **WISE** the simple.
Psalm 19:7

March 4, 2018

Third Sunday of Lent, Year B

Dear Lord, as we enter this Solemn and Holy Season, we pray that you send your Holy Spirit upon us that we might prepare ourselves for these coming 40 days of Lent. Amen.

Rev. Romanus Obiora Ezeugwu, MSP, Pastor
Sharon Carson, Supt. of Religious Education
Zachary Bailey, Parish Council Chairperson
Franklin Williams, Finance Chairperson
Shirley West, Administrative Secretary
Bea Betworth, Accounts Secretary
Bobbie McIver, Bldg / Maint. Mgr.
Jerome Grayson, Bldg/Maintenance

Office Hours:

Monday through Friday 10:00 a.m. - 3:00p.m.

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Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

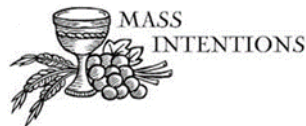
Today is pretty much halfway between Ash Wednesday and Palm Sunday, between having ashes applied to our foreheads and waving palms in our hands. If going from dust to dust or welcoming the Messiah only to have him put to death is all there is, then we do seem foolish, as we hear Saint Paul say today. But we know there is more. Together we make this Lenten journey, looking beyond our earthly lives.

Today's Readings are found in the Word & Eucharist Catholic Mass Book. The 1st & 2nd Readings on Page 400. The Gospel from Year A; First Scrutiny found on page 215 (John 4:5-42)

Parish Giving

February 24/25, 2018

Offertory	\$ 4773.90
Bus	\$ 5.00



For a healthy recovery for Ida Branch. *Legion of Mary

For the repose of the soul of Bernitha Vaughn on the anniversary of her birthday. *Her sisters.

TAKE TEN & CONNECT

With God & with others, your faith & daily life. Spend 10 minutes reflecting on God's Word.

Readings for This Weekend:

Exodus 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17 The law was given through Moses. Psalm 19 "Lord, you have the words of everlasting life." 1 Corinthians 1:22-25 We proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to many, but to those who are called, the wisdom of God. John 4:5-42 The water that I shall give will become a spring of eternal life.

Readings for Next Weekend:

2 Chronicles 36:14-16, The wrath and the mercy of the Lord are revealed 19-23 in the exile and liberation of his people. Psalm 137 "Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!" Ephesians 2:4-10 Though dead in your transgressions, by grace you have been saved. John 3:14-21 God sent his Son so that the world might be saved through him.

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS



In our parish, we don't see many members each Sunday. They are at home or in personal care or assisted living facilities, praying with and for us.

Let us remember all those here at St. Benedict who are ill and in need of God's healing and comfort. Let us keep them in our prayers: Parishioners: Joe Battle, M. Marie Blue, Ida Branch, Carmen Broussard, Anne Chappell, Lillie Mae Chisholm, Josefa Citizen, Thomas Dickerson, Lillian Dilworth, Juanita Fields, Anthony Hall, Annette Hall, Laura Harris, Jessica Jackson, Charlotte Jenkins, Clevon Johnson, Kelvin Lee, Richard Mack, Janice Quinn, Edward Robinson, Albertha Smith, Kathy Stewart, Felix Walden, Frankie Washington, Margaret Weston, Arlene Wiley, Ellen Williams, Tambra Williams, Julie Porter-Winfrey, Sharon Wingster.

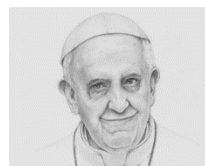
Prayer requests-Lord, hear our continued prayers for those dealing with an ongoing illness. May they experience fortitude and strength: Michael Allen, Willie Potter & Family, Esther Jackson & Family, Jessie Owens & Family, Mildred Dogan & Family, Mr. & Mrs. Willie Otis Smith. Kelly Berry, Dorothy Brown, Priscilla Brown, Narvia Williams.



"A VIRTUS class have been scheduled in your area at (Location) for (date and time). This training is required for Safe Environment Compliance for any adult who will come into contact with youth as part of their ministry (a listing of those ministries can be found at <http://bit.ly/1yU4Yk6>), 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."

March 19, 2018 - BRUNSWICK, St. Francis Xavier School
March 21, 2018 - SAVANNAH, Blessed Sacrament School

Sessions for RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) candidates take place on Sundays following the 9:00 a.m. Mass. All who are interested in receiving the sacraments of Baptism, Holy Eucharist, Confirmation and/or are seeking full reception into the Catholic Church are invited to attend. Sessions will take place in the old school building located next to the rectory. We look forward to accompanying you on your journey of faith. *RCIA Team.



"May the Holy Spirit lead us on a true journey of conversion, so that we can rediscover the gift of God's word." ~ Pope Francis

INFANT BAPTISM



The next infant baptism will take place on Sunday April 15, 2018 at 11:30am Mass. Please contact Theresa Garvin (912-507-7553) or Sharon Carson (912-656-02866) for further information.

The Four Groups of Parishioners

- *Those who make things happen**
- *Those who watch things happen**
- *Those who do not know what is happening**
- *Those whose words and actions hinder anything good that is happening**

Where Do You Belong?

"Everybody can be great because everybody can serve . You only need a heart full of grace, and a soul generated by love." — Martin Luther King Jr.

Please come & join us in asking the Virgin Mary's help as we pray the Rosary before each Mass. Through the Rosary, the faithful receive abundant grace, as though from the very hands of the Mother of the Redeemer.



The focus of our Church to be children of God who learn how to pray, how to give, how to work and how to love. And by the cross of Jesus, we ask our almighty and everlasting God to teach us how to live. Let's all have the resurrection, the rebirth to rely on our Father in heaven, to be with us, guide us, and give us strength and courage to overcome our suffering, pain and fear. Be proud to live up to be a member of St. Benedict the Moor and follow Jesus who is the Way, the Truth and Life.

Try **Living the Eucharist**; **Living the Eucharist** is a parish-based program for enhancing our Lenten journey. Come out and see how this Lenten season can reawaken our spirits. During Wednesday night Bible Studies and after Friday night Stations of the Cross.

THANK YOU

Thank you for your outpouring of love shown to us during this very difficult time. Your kindness and concern for our family means a great deal to us. We feel so grateful and appreciative of all the love and support you have extended to us during this period of sadness. Thank you-The Garvin and Hamilton Family.

NEW HORIZONS

The New Horizons of Women and Men wish to thank Fr. Romanus, St. Benedict the Moor parishioners and other guests for attending our Annual Gospel Fest this past Sunday (February 25). Because of all of you this fund-raiser was a success. Thank you very much.



The New Horizons of Women & Men will hold its Annual Fish Dinners and "Buckets of Oysters" sale on Friday March 16, 2018, in the St. Benedict's Parish Hall & School Yard – 554 E. Gordon St., from 11am – 3pm. Buckets of Oysters are \$15 each and Fish Dinners are \$10 each. Tickets can be purchased from any New Horizon member. Thank you!



Stations of the Cross will be held every **Friday at 6:00pm**
Make this service a part of your Lenten journey!

- March 9** – AMSP, Traveling Moors
- March 16** – Ushers, CCW, Lector's
- March 23** – Traditional & Family Choir, Bible Study Group
- March 30** – Gospel Choir, Legion of Mary, Youth

Note: The Cross is carried by the Altar Servers during the Stations of the Cross. The leading groups should follow the order in this list: the first group leads from the opening prayer to the 5th Station; the second group leads from the 6th Station to the 10th Station; the third group leads from the 11th Station to the conclusion.

FEASTS & SAINTS OF THE WEEK
March Calendar
4 Sun. - First Scrutiny of the Elect
7 Wed. - Memorial of Ss. Perpetua and Felicity
8 Thu. - Memorial of St. John of God
9 Fri. - Memorial of St. Frances of Rome

LECTORS' SCHEDULE
March 4th Unity Mass
J. Jones/ A. Broxton
March 10/11
5:30 D. Jackson/ Y. Williams
9am R. Marshall / T. Udowana
1130 D. Perry/ S. Ingram
March 16/17
530 A. Perry / Y. Williams
9am B. McGhee / M. White

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS

The St. John Vianney Vocations Ministry of Savannah will be celebrating a special Holy Hour for *National Catholic Sisters Week* on Sunday March 4 at 3:00 PM at Resurrection of Our Lord Church at 112 Fell St.

CAMP VILLA MARIE JOB OPPORTUNITY

Camp Villa Marie is accepting applications for all positions for summer 2018! If you are energetic, creative and enjoy working with children, consider applying for a camp position! Must be at least 16 years of age and CPR and First Aid certified prior to beginning of camp. Submit application by March 15, 2018 to <https://diosav.org/human> resources-jobs.

YOUTH FUNDRAISER COMMITTEE MEETING

There will be an important meeting of the youth fundraiser committee meeting on Tuesday, March 6th at 6:30 p.m. in the education building. Parents and committee members are asked to attend to continue planning for the youth trip. Please contact Sharon Carson at 656-0286 if you have questions. Thank you.

THE DEFINITION OF "ACTIVE CATHOLIC" for parish verification, required for 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. If you choose not to use envelopes or are unable to contribute, please make a notation of your prayerful support on your envelope and place it in the offertory. We will then be aware of your continued participation and you will not be moved to inactive status.

Spring forward

Don't forget to set
clocks ahead
one hour
at 2 a.m.
Sunday.



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Next weekend -Daylight Savings Time begins!



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Schedule of Lent & Holy Week Services

2018

Wednesday, March 21 Penance Service @ 6pm

Sunday, March 25 Palm Sunday – **Vigil Mass** begins @ 5:15pm outside the Church.



***Sunday services:** Procession from school yard begins at 8:45a.m. (for 9:00am Mass) and 11:15a.m. (for 11:30a.m. Mass)

Tuesday, March 27 Chrism Mass at Cathedral of St. John the Baptist at 7:00p.m. with Bishop Gregory Hartmayer presiding, and area priests concelebrating. Everyone is welcome!



Holy Thursday, March 29
5:30p.m. Passover Meal – Parish Hall – followed by Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00p.m.



(with Washing of the Feet)



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass until 12 mid-night.

Good Friday, March 30 3pm Stations of the Cross; Good Friday Ceremonies at 6pm.

Holy Saturday, March 31 8:30p.m. Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday Mass, April 1 at 10:00a.m.

(Note: There will only be **ONE MASS** on Sunday).