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**Historic St. Benedict the Moor Catholic Church**  
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**May 22/23, 2021**  
**Pentecost Sunday, Year B**

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**Rev. Romanus Obiora Ezeugwu, MSP, Pastor**  
**Shirley West, Admin Secretary**  
**Bea Betworth, Accounts Secretary**  
**Sharon Carson, Supt. of Religious Education**  
**Dianne Williams, Parish Council Chairperson**  
**Carl Hayes, Finance Chairperson**  
**Jerome Grayson, Bldg/Maintenance**

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**Please remember to follow our Parish Covid-19 safety guidelines:**

- 1. Please read carefully the Covid-19 information provided at the entrance of the church.**
- 2. For your protection and for the safety of others, masks are highly recommended at Mass.**
- 3. Sanitizer is available for use at the entrance of the church. Please use it before coming into the church. There is also a sanitizer bottle in each pew.**
- 4. There is social distancing seating arrangement. Please it is critical that you follow the directions of the Ushers.**
- 5. Please observe social distancing also when leaving the church. Please do not socialize outside the church. Stay at least 6 feet (about 2 arms' length) from other people. Do not gather in groups.**

## Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

After greeting his disciples with a blessing of peace, Jesus breathed on them, bestowing the Holy Spirit and declaring that they could forgive sins in his name. From the time of our baptism, we have each been blessed with the gift of the Holy Spirit as well. The Holy Spirit operates in us, guiding us and strengthening us on our mission. May the Holy Spirit bring reconciliation and peace to our lives, our Church, and our world.

### Liturgy of the word and The Order of Mass:

#### (from your personal Sunday Missal – Prayerbook and Hymnal for 2021)

First Reading: Page 426  
 Responsorial Psalm: Page 427  
 Second Reading: Page 428  
 Sequence: Page 429-430  
 Gospel Acclamation: Page 430  
 Gospel: Page 430-431

#### Order of Mass (Pages 10 to 77):

Act of Contrition (I confess...): Page 12  
 Profession of Faith (The Nicene Creed: Page 18  
 The Lord's Prayer: Page 72  
 Lamb of God: Page: 74

#### FEASTS & SAINTS OF THE WEEK

##### May Calendar

24 Mon. Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church; Eighth Week in Ordinary  
 25 Tue. Memorial of St. Bede the Venerable, Memorial of St. Gregory VII; Memorial of St. Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi  
 26 Wed. Memorial of St. Philip Neri  
 27 Thu. Memorial of St. Augustine of Canterbury  
 29 Sat. Memorial of St. Paul VI Optional Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary

#### Parish Giving May 16, 2021

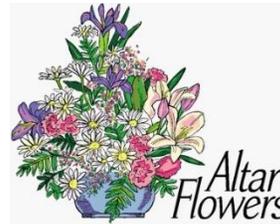
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| Offertory          | \$5013.00 |
| Deanery Schools    | \$10.00   |
| Parish Bus         | \$10.00   |
| Cath Home Missions | \$        |

*"Thank You for Your Generosity"*

#### MASS INTENTIONS

**11:00:** For Deborah Ngo-Bakinde as she receives the Sacrament of Confirmation. \*Sharon Carson

**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. To be considered an active, participating member of the parish, St. Benedict the Moor Catholic Church takes into account a family's or individual's Mass attendance and ministry involvement. Since weekly offertory envelopes are the primary means of determining if parishioners are regularly attending Mass, we ask you to place your envelope in the collection basket each Sunday even if you cannot make a monetary contribution to show your attendance. Attendance at Mass is the most meaningful way we model and live our Catholic faith. We will then be aware of your continued participation and you will not be moved to inactive status.



-Fresh Altar flower arrangements have been graciously donated by the St. Benedict the Moor Catholic Council of Women for the month of May to glorify God and enhance the celebration of the Mass.



"A **VIRTUS** class 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.



#### Please Pray for our Sick & Homebound

Michael Allen, Joe Battle, Henry Blount, M. Marie Blue, Carmen Broussard, William & Odessa Bryant, James Cain, Anne Chappell, Josefa Citizen, Lillian Dilworth, Morris Elliott, Juanita Fields, Anthony Hall, Laura Harris, Jessica Jackson, Charlotte Jenkins, Clevon Johnson, Margaret Jones, Bobby Locke, Michelle Lovewine, Dawud Patterson, Janice Quinn, Marilee Short, Lucille Singleton, Cornelius St. Mark, Inez Walthour, Frankie Washington, Jeanette Westley, Margaret Weston, Deveira Wiggins, Louise Wiggins, Nathaniel Wiggins, Arlene Wiley, Ellen Williams, Tambra Williams, Crystal Williams, Narvia Williams, Julie Porter-Winfrey.

## 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.

## DIOCESE OF SAVANNAH – JOB OPENING

The Catholic Diocese of Savannah has an opening for an Information Technology Manager. This position is responsible for managing all organization technologies and providing technology support and training. Primary duties include analyzing systems and processes; maintaining workstations and networks and providing consulting services to parishes and schools. Specifically, the position manages and maintains Microsoft Windows applications, Microsoft Exchange, ADP Payroll and Serenity Financial systems, manages network operations, conducts technology briefing and training, and insures technology documentation/certificates, performs routine preventative maintenance on hardware and software, and develops and maintains technology policies, standards, and procedures manual.

The ideal candidate will have a degree in Information Technology and a minimum of two years' work experience; preference will be given to a candidate who is a practicing Catholic. The Diocese of Savannah offers a competitive salary and a comprehensive benefit package.

Interested candidates should send their resume, a minimum of three references and salary requirements to:

Director of Human Resources  
601 E. Liberty St.  
Savannah, GA 31401  
Fax: 912-201-4101  
E-mail: [jagreen@diosav.org](mailto:jagreen@diosav.org)

## PARISH CONDOLENCES

Parish sympathy to Anthony Flournoy and family on the death of his brother, Mr. Othello Williams, who passed away on Monday, May 10, 2021. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.

## STEADFAST IN FAITH – ACA APPEAL

Please consider a pledge to the Annual Catholic Appeal and send in one of the ACA envelopes that are available. Currently, 24% of our parishioners have made a pledge to the Annual Catholic Appeal, bringing us to 34% of our goal of \$30,839.00. Our support of diocesan agencies and ministries is one way that we respond to God for all we have received. Please be generous in your sharing.

## MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Are you looking for an opportunity to deepen your personal faith and participate more fully in your church community? Additional Lectors and Ushers are needed for weekend Masses. Learn more by contacting Sharon Carson or Mac Singleton or call the parish office at 912-232-7147.

### Prayer for Our Country

Almighty God, bless this our land and nation and may we be defended by justice, good laws, love amongst ourselves and good neighborliness.

Guide, Guard and **protect** us from fear, confusion, natural and man-made calamities and all wars, except the war of fighting the evil one.

Show Your wisdom and love to all our leaders including our president and other leaders in the government and also our statesmen, so that they may have good vision to steer us into a Peaceful, Loving, United and **Prosperous** nation.

God our creator, Make all the people of this land know that You created them and that You have a will that You would like everybody to fulfill while we are here on earth. Help us to **fathom**, discern and clearly know Your will, so that we can fulfill it and help all the other nations know Your will too.

We pray all these through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. **Amen.**

# IT'S BACK!!!

CATHOLIC NIGHT at BALLPARK

Catholic Night@ the Ball Park

\$18/ticket includes

All-you-can-eat concessions!

Children 3 and under are FREE!

<https://bananas.isportstix.com/order/group/savdiocese>

Go Bananas!

Tuesday, June 1

Grayson Stadium, Savannah

Gates open at 5:30pm

Benefitting the Social Apostolate of Savannah

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## PASTOR'S REFLECTIONS

### Receive the Holy Spirit:

Just as Jesus was anointed with the Spirit at the beginning of His ministry, so the disciples needed the anointing of the Holy Spirit to carry out the mission entrusted to them by Jesus. The Holy Spirit is given to all who are baptized into Christ Jesus to enable us to live a new way of life - a life of love, peace, joy, and righteousness (Romans 14:17). The Holy Spirit fills our hearts with the love of God (Romans 5:7), and He gives us the strength and courage we need in order to live as faith-filled disciples of the Lord Jesus. The Spirit helps us in our weakness (Romans 8:26) and enables us to grow in spiritual freedom - freedom from doubt, fear, and from slavery to our unruly desires (2 Corinthians 3:17; Romans 8:21). The Spirit instructs us in the ways of God and guides us in living according to God's will. The Spirit is the source and giver of all holiness. Isaiah foretold the seven-fold gifts that the Spirit would give: wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord (Isaiah 11:2). We are so thankful to God for the gift of the Holy Spirit. Let us ask the Father, through His Son, to send us the Holy Spirit to lead us and to guide us!

### Your Pineapple for the week:

"But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have told you" (John 14:26)

### LECTORS' SCHEDULE

#### May 22-23

|         |  |
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| 5:30pm  | Dominique Jackson Adrienne Perry       |
| 8:00am  | Joseph Carter Alicia Carter            |
| 9:30am  | Juliette Tolbert Melanie Jenkins-White |
| 11:00am | Donald Perry Kathy Stewart             |

#### May 29-30

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| 5:30pm  | Edna Mason Yvonne Williams     |
| 8:00am  | Torrance Garvin Sharon Carson  |
| 9:30am  | Dianne Williams Georgene Jones |
| 11:00am | Donald Perry Joyce Jones       |

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### INFANT BAPTISM

The next infant baptism will take place at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 19, 2021. Please contact Theresa Garvin (507-7553) or Sharon Carson (656-0286) for additional information or to register your child. Thank you.

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### FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Our final class for the year takes place next Sunday, May 30<sup>th</sup>. We ask all of our children and youth (even if you haven't attended Faith Formation this year) to join us for a special closing out. Class time is 9:45 a.m. and we will attend the 11:00 Mass together. Don't forget to wear your mask. Looking forward to seeing all of you!

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### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

St Benedict the Moor Knights of Columbus are having a Boston Butt Sale. The cost is \$25. Pickup date is Saturday May 29<sup>th</sup> at Jones Red & White. Ticket required.

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