



ST. BONAVENTURE - ST. BENEDICT THE MOOR

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

NOV 12TH 2023

OUR MISSION

St. Bonaventure-St. Benedict the Moor is a welcoming Catholic Faith community.

We are EXPERIENCING Christ in our lives through the Gospel, Sacraments, and lifelong faith formation.

We are LIVING our faith through worship and stewardship. And we are SERVING God's people to reveal the presence of Christ in our community.

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesdays:
8:30 am - St. Benedict the Moor

Thursday & Friday:
8:30 am - St. Bonaventure

Saturday Vigil: 5:00PM

Sunday Mass:
10:00am St. Bonaventure
12:00pm St. Benedict the Moor
5:00pm St. Benedict the Moor

PARISH INFO

ST. BONAVENTURE
114-58 170th Street
Jamaica, NY 11434

ST. BENEDICT THE MOOR
171-17 110th Avenue
Jamaica, NY 11434

Tel (718) 526-0040
Fax (315) 257-5338

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THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday: CLOSED

Tuesday: 9:00am-3:00pm

Wednesday: CLOSED

Thursday: 9:00am-3:00pm

Friday: CLOSED

Saturday & Sunday: CLOSED

HOLYDAY LITURGIES:

See listing in the bulletin

BAPTISM: Parental instruction required. Please contact the Parish Office for arrangements and Registration.

COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Contact the Parish Office

MARRIAGE

Contact the Priest at least Six months in advance by calling the parish office 718-526-0040

RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays: 4:00-4:30 pm
At St. Bonaventure or by Appointment: Call the Parish Office.

FAITH FORMATION

Sunday School: For Children
RCIA: For Adults
Contact DRE: Fr. Krystian Piasta
pastorbonabene@gmail.com
718-526-0040

Office Hours

Tuesdays: 9:00am – 3:00pm
Thursdays: 9:00am – 3:00pm

PARISH REGISTRATION:

New members are most welcome. Please contact the Secretary at 718-526-0040 to register

PRAY WITH US THE HOLY ROSARY

Every Sunday

St. Bonaventure: 9:30 am
and
St. Benedict: 11:30 am.



NOVEMBER 12, 2023

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Wis 6:12-16 | 1 Thes 4:13-18 | Mt 25:1-13

Written by THE FAITHFUL DISCIPLE

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

I'll always remember that first Easter after my Dad passed away. It was when the promise of the resurrection truly hit home. Sure, I had always believed in heaven and that everyone had the possibility of spending eternity there, but until my Dad died, it had all been theoretical. Now, it was personal. Someone I loved deeply had left this world, but because of Christ's sacrifice, he had the opportunity to go to paradise, someplace where we will hopefully be reunited someday. I believe that's what St. Paul is talking about in today's second reading. We do "not grieve like the rest, who have no hope." We have hope! We have hope for our family, for our friends – for our very selves! – that we will rise again and spend eternity with the Lord and with those we love. Paul writes elsewhere, "Where, O death, is your sting?" (1 Cor 15:55) The sting of death is sin, Paul says, but Christ has won the victory over it. In being baptized into Christ, we share in that victory, and we are inheritors of the promise of eternal life that comes from death's defeat.

GO EVANGELIZE PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

The parable in today's Gospel is a reminder that while Christ has opened the gates of heaven for us, we must be ready to accept that gift and walk through them. In the parable of the ten virgins, we see how all fell asleep while waiting for the bridegroom to arrive. When he did show up, five were ready with oil for their lamps while five were sent scurrying to buy some. As a result, those who were not ready missed the opening of the doors and were locked out of the wedding feast. "Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour," Jesus admonishes us. Are you awake? Will you be ready to enter the wedding feast when the door is opened to you? There is nothing wrong with enjoying God's creation and gifts here on earth, but we must guard against getting so caught up in the things of this world that we forget to prepare for the next.

PRAY The ten virgins needed oil for their lamps to be ready for the bridegroom, but we need a clean heart and a steadfast spirit, as Psalm 51 tells us. (12) We get that by setting aside regular time for prayer and making a point to regularly receive the sacraments, including the reception of the body and blood of Jesus in the Eucharist and his forgiveness within the sacrament of reconciliation. Making time for the Lord now will mean we are ready for his return later.



Celebrating — 25 YEARS —

OF MOVING IN SYNC WITH THE DIVINE
ST. BONAVENTURE SANCTUARY
SATURDAY | NOV. 18, 2023 | 7:00PM

The Liturgical Dancers are inviting you to join them at the Annual Praise Dance Concert as they mark the 25th Anniversary of moving in sync with the Divine. The concert will be on Saturday, November 18 at 7:00 PM at St. Bonaventure. The concert is free, however, there will be a free will offering taken.

WEEKLY READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS



Parish Stewardship Reports

Weekly Offering Report
As of November 5, 2023

Saturday 5 PM.....	\$	215.00
Sunday 10 AM	\$	959.00
Sunday 12 PM	\$	882.00
Sunday 5 PM	\$	426.00
Total	\$	2,482.00

To make a donation online visit:
<https://stsbonabene.org/giving>

Annual Catholic Appeal 2023

Pledged	\$	18,567.00
Goal	\$	27,596.00
Paid	\$	16,970.00
Balance	\$	1,197.00

Generations of Faith

Pledged		
to Date	\$	497,370.00
Paid to Date	\$	206,651.00
Balance	\$	193,297.30



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END GUN VIOLENCE



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sunday 12	THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Wis 6:12-16 Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 1 Thes 4:13-18 Mt 25:1-13 5 PM † Healing Blessing for the Aidoo Family, Requested by Angela Aidoo.
monday 13	MEMORIAL OF SAINT FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI, VIRGIN Wis 1:1-7 Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10 Lk 17:1-6 † Birthday Blessing for Darnell Mercer, Requested by Linda Mercer & Family. Birthday Blessing for George O. Anakhu, Requested by Anakhu Family.
tuesday 14	TUESDAY OF THE THIRTY-SECOND WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME Wis 2:23-3:9 Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19 Lk 17:7-10
wednesday 15	WEDNESDAY OF THE THIRTY-SECOND WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME Wis 6:1-11 Ps 82:3-4, 6-7 Lk 17:11-19
thursday 16	THURSDAY OF THE THIRTY-SECOND WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME Wis 7:22b-8:1 Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175 Lk 17:20-25
friday 17	MEMORIAL OF SAINT ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY, RELIGIOUS Wis 13:1-9 Ps 19:2-3, 4-5ab Lk 17:26-37
saturday 18	SATURDAY OF THE THIRTY-SECOND WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9 Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43 Lk 18:1-8

FOR THOSE IN NEED OF HEALING

Charles & Ethel Adams, Teresa Addai, Ethel Boyd- Journette, Helen Broady, Georgeann Campbell, Doris Colon, Beverly Correia, Bernadette Creswell, Rose Marie Dorvilly, Juanita Dotson, Paula Ellis, Helen Edwards, James Edwards, Ceclia Enordbloy, Merita Gordon, Beryl M. Holiday, Joyce Hunt, Dolly Jankee, Margaret McFadden, Linda Mercer, Naida Njoku, Roy Pinkard, Jean Prioleau, Evan Smelley, Neil Sussman, Evelyn Washington, Virginia Wilkes, Mary Williams, Steven Wilson



ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

We are continuing this year's edition of the Annual Catholic Appeal. This year's goal is \$27,596. As of today, we have pledged \$18,567 (67%) and paid \$16,970 (61%) of the goal. Please note, only 21% of parishioners participate in the Appeal. Please consider donating.

2024 MISSALETTES

Once again, we are asking our parishioners to help us offset the cost of the missalettes. Any donation of \$5 or more will result in a sticker put on a book. If you wish, you can make your donation in memory of a deceased person, or in honor of a living person. At the back of the church, you will find special envelopes for those donations. We thank you for your generosity.

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PARISH LEADERS & MINISTRIES

CLERGY

Fr. Krystian Piasta
Pastor

PARISH SECRETARY

Kathleen Webb

FAITH FORMATION

DRE: Fr. Krystian Piasta

MUSIC MINISTRY

Director: Devin Olivas

SACRISTANS

St. Bonaventure: Anthony Osuji
St. Benedict: Annete Hunt -Walker

ALTAR SERVERS CORDINATORS

St. Bonaventure: Anthony Osuji
St. Benedict: Annette Hunt-Walker

YOUTH MINISTRY

DIM: Warren Rolling
YAMS: Gabrielle Rolling

DANCE MINISTRY

Parish Liturgical Praise Dancers:
Paulita Da-Costa-Campbell
Rhymes Lowery Theater Arts Guild:
Terri Rhymes Lowery

GIRLS SCOUTS

Kindra Coleman, Angela Robinson,
Sandy Robinson & Gabrielle Rolling

ALTAR GUILD

St. Bonaventure: Lorraine Simpkins
& Kassandra Wilson
St. Benedict: Harriet Scott &
Paulette Atkins

ROSARY SOCIETY

St. Bonaventure: Patrice Gibbs
St. Benedict: Denise Francis

VINCENT DE PAUL

Julia Reid

MENS MINISTRY

Roy Pinkard

MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION

Renee Hartwell

GHANAIAN COMMUNITY

CORDINATORS
George Yeboah & Samuel Turkson

NIGERIAN COMMUNITY

CORDINATOR
Raphael Monfunaya

SPANISH COMMUNITY

CORDINATOR
Angel Mora

VINEYARD

Last week we have started meetings for adults who would like to become Catholics and Catholics who have not completed their Sacraments of Initiation. Traditionally, this program is called RCIA, in our parish we will call it the Vineyard. These meetings are open to all adults who would like to refresh their faith or ask questions about matters related to spirituality, faith, the Church etc. After receiving several signals of interest, we decided to make these meetings hybrid, which is in-person and online. These hour-long meetings will continue every other Monday at 6:30 PM. The next meeting will take place on November 13 at St. Bonaventure Rectory. You can join online by scanning the QR code, or by entering the following information at zoom.us:

Meeting ID: 847 111 4647, Passcode: "Vineyard".

You can also call in over the phone at (646) 931 3860. Meeting ID: 847 111 4647,

Passcode: 04452054

LECTORS TRAINING

There will be a mandatory Lector Training Workshop by Master Lector Sandy Figueroa on Thursday, November 16 at 7:00 PM at St. Benedict the Moor church. Please use the bulletin ad to register.

ST. BONAVENTURE-ST. BENEDICT THE MOOR CHURCH

Lectors Ministry - Ministers of the Word

Proclaiming the Word: Lector Training Workshop

Presenter: Sandy Figueroa, Master Lector

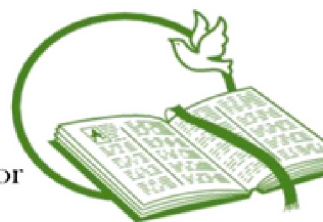
When: Thursday, November 16th, 2023

Where: St. Bonaventure -St. Benedict the Moor
171-17 Brinkerhoff Avenue
Jamaica, NY 11433

Time: 7:00 PM SHARP

Register at: <https://bit.ly/3sgrIzM>

This mandatory workshop will provide the necessary skills, information, tips and techniques for all Lectors and anyone who is interested in Proclaiming the Word of God in our Parish.



INSTALLATION PICTURES

You can view Installation Mass pictures by visiting <https://michaeldavisphotography.zenfoliosite.com/st-bonaventure>, or scanning the QR code. We thank Michael Drew Davis for taking and sharing his pictures with our community.

