



ST. BONAVENTURE - ST. BENEDICT THE MOOR

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

JULY 19TH 2026

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:

8:30 am - St. Benedict the Moor

Thursday & Friday:

8:30 am - St. Bonaventure

Sunday Mass:

8:00 am - Spanish Mass @St. Benedict

10:00 am - St. Bonaventure

12:00 pm - St. Benedict the Moor

5:00 pm - 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

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Fax (315) 257-5338

www.stsbonabene.org

www.instagram.com/stsbonabene

www.youtube.com/@stsbonabene

www.facebook.com/Bonaventure2Benedict



The
kingdom
of *Heaven*

is like a mustard seed
that a person took and
sowed in a field.

It is the smallest of all the
seeds, yet when
full-grown it is the
largest of plants.

It becomes a large bush,
and the 'birds of the sky
come and dwell
in its branches.'

Matthew 13:32

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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.

DEVOTIONS:
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Every 1st Friday of the Month,
7:00 - 8:00 PM

JOIN US FOR THE ROSARY
Every Sunday
9:30 AM - St. Bonaventure
11:30 AM - St. Benedict

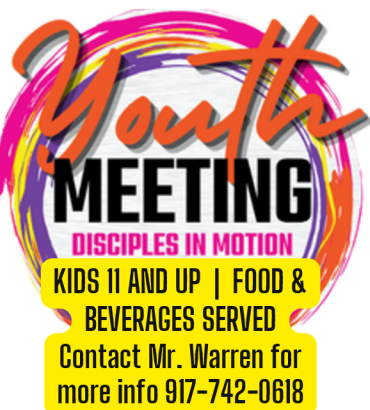
COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND
Contact the Parish Office

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

RECONCILIATION:
First Friday of the Month at the
Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament and by appointment

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



JULY 19, 2026

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Wis 12:13, 16-19 | Rom 8:26-27 | Mt 13:24-43

Written by THE FAITHFUL DISCIPLE

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

There have been moments in my life when I have not been able to find words for prayer, which leaves my efforts feeling unproductive and fruitless. But prayer's worth is not measured by the words we say. Prayer is the lifting of the mind and the heart to God. We place ourselves in the presence of God and allow our desires, our suffering, and our weakness to be transformed by his grace. In Saint Paul's Letter to the Romans he writes, "we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes with inexpressible groanings." In prayer, we place our hope in that what we bring to God will be heard and magnified by his divine grace. And as Christians, we live with the intention of pleasing God, and we trust that God transforms our actions into something meaningful as well. As the mustard seed grows into a large tree or a small teaspoon of yeast enlivens an entire loaf of bread, God takes what we offer – regardless of whether or not we have the right words, or even any words at all – and transforms it into something extraordinary.

GO EVANGELIZE | PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

In the first reading, we are reminded of God's leniency in the face of justice. God's mercy does not mean a lack of accountability – Christ desires and commands that we love God and love our neighbor. But in his mercy, he does not condemn us for our sin but rather gives time for us to repent. As a Christian community, we are called to show that same mercy – that same patient forbearance with one another. By doing so, the love of God ripples across a community through acts of charity and compassion, making individuals feel known and cared for. In this kind of environment, like the birds who find rest in the branches of the large mustard bush, all who seek the Lord will find a welcome among God's people.

PRAY

PRAYER IS NOT ONLY OFFERED IN WORD BUT ALSO IN SACRIFICE OFFERED ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER. TODAY, THINK OF SOMEONE WHO NEEDS YOUR PRAYERS. BRING THEIR INTENTION TO GOD EITHER IN WORD OR BY OFFERING A SACRIFICE ON THEIR BEHALF, NOT THINKING ABOUT WHAT IS EQUAL BUT WHAT REFLECTS GOD'S MERCY.

WEEKDAY MASSES CHANGE

PLEASE NOTE

Beginning with the week
of
**July 20, Wednesday
morning Mass at
8:30 will be
permanently canceled.**

The following weekday
Masses will continue as
regularly scheduled:

Monday & Tuesday
(St. Benedict the Moor Church),

Thursday & Friday
(St. Bonaventure Church)

PARISH EMAIL NEWSLETTER

We have started a service that will allow you to be informed about all that goes on at our Parish: you can now receive all information in your email if you subscribe to our Newsletter.

It is free and you can sign up by scanning the QR code,

or by going to:
bit.ly/newsbonabene



MEMORIAL LEAVES

Please consider ordering a **Memorial Leaf** that will be mounted at the back of the church. The price of a single leaf (including engraving) is **\$300**. Please contact our Parish office if interested.



WEEKLY READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS



PARISH STEWARDSHIP REPORTS

Weekly Offering Report
As of July 12, 2026

8 am	75 people	\$ 223.00
10 am	84 people	\$ 703.00
12 pm	89 people	\$ 596.00
5 pm	20 people	\$ 114.00
		\$ 1,636.00
<i>Second Collection</i>		
Bonaventure		\$ 1,150.00
Benedict		\$ 1,440.00

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

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2026

Pledged	\$ 18,961.77
Goal	\$ 22,352.00
Paid	\$ 11,261.77



GIVE CENTRAL

We remind and encourage our parishioners to use electronic donation system called Give Central instead of the envelope system, especially if you are away. You can conveniently set up your tithing and other donations by scanning the provided QR code.



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Join us at 7AM for Daily Prayer
to **END GUN VIOLENCE**
Knights of Peter Claver, Inc.



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SUMMER SERIES

Next **Sunday, July 26** we will begin a 5-week summer preaching series "Blessed Mistake: Righting the Wrong". It will focus on biblical examples of making mistakes and finding a blessing in amending them. The series will be preached at all Sunday Masses.

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SUMMER SERIES 2026

BLESSING OF CARS

IN HONOR OF

St. Christopher,

PATRON SAINT OF DRIVERS

SUNDAY, JULY 26

AFTER ALL MASSES

there will be a blessing of cars and other means of transportation, in honor of St. Christopher, the patron saint of drivers.



SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Wisdom 12:13, 16-19 | Psalm 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16 | Romans 8:26-27 |
Matthew 13:24-43 or Matthew 13:24-30

sunday
19

† 11 AM Blessings for Elisa Merle's 101st Birthday in Heaven,
Requested by Sheila Cokley.

Blessings for Priscilla Hodnett on her 80th Birthday, requested by family

monday
20

MONDAY OF THE SIXTEENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Micah 6:1-4, 6-8 | Psalm 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23 | Matthew 12:38-42

tuesday
21

TUESDAY OF THE SIXTEENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Micah 7:14-15, 18-20 | Psalm 85:2-4, 5-6, 7-8 | Matthew 12:46-50

wednesday
22

FEAST OF SAINT MARY MAGDALENE

Song of Songs 3:1-4b or 2 Corinthians 5:14-17 | Psalm 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 |
John 20:1-2, 11-18

thursday
23

THURSDAY OF THE SIXTEENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Jeremiah 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13 | Psalm 36:6-7ab, 8-9, 10-11 | Matthew 13:10-17

friday
24

FRIDAY OF THE SIXTEENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Jeremiah 3:14-17 | Jeremiah 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13 | Matthew 13:18-23

saturday
25

FEAST OF SAINT JAMES, APOSTLE

2 Corinthians 4:7-15 | Psalm 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 | Matthew 20:20-28



PRAY WITH US THE HOLY ROSARY

EVERY SUNDAY

ST. BONAVENTURE @ 9:30 AM &
ST. BENEDICT THE MOOR @ 11:30 AM



FOR THOSE IN NEED OF HEALING

Charles & Ethel Adams, Teresa Addai, Ethel Boyd- Journette, Helen Broady, Georgeann Campbell, Denille Colborne, Beverly Correia, Rose Marie Dorvilley, Juanita Dotson, Marie Dupre, Paula Ellis, Vivian Ellis, Ceclia Enordbloy, Maria Griffin, Merita Gordon, Christopher Henderson, Richard Johnson, Marvin Lee, Breanna Mason, Margaret McFadden, Linda Mercer, Jelani Maleeq Morris, Kristin Orie, Kimbal Pagson, Roy Pinkard, Jean Prioleau, Julia Reid, Evan Smelley, Neil Sussman, Alex Webb Jr, Virginia Wilkes, Mary Williams, Latasha Wilson, Steven Wilson, Yvonne L Young



ORDERING MASS INTENTIONS ONLINE

Now you can order a Mass without visiting or calling the office: you can do it all online or with your smartphone and pay for it at the same time!

You can order a Mass by going to stsbonabene.org/intentions and following the instructions. You will have an option to pay for the Masses using PayPal.

PARISH LEADERS & MINISTRIES

CLERGY

Fr. Krystian Piasta
Pastor
Fr. Donald Uzoh
Resident

PARISH SECRETARY
Kathleen Webb

FAITH FORMATION

DRE: Fr. Krystian Piasta
CRE's: Sr. Maryann McHugh, CSJ &
Sr. Alice Reichmeider, OP

PASTORAL ADVANCEMENT

DIRECTOR:
Shaniqua X. Wilson

MUSIC MINISTRY

Director: Devin Olivas

SACRISTANS

St. Bonaventure: Jelani Morris
St. Benedict: Annette Hunt-Walker

ALTAR SERVERS' COORDINATORS

St. Bonaventure: Michelle Nero
St. Benedict: Annette Hunt-Walker

YOUTH MINISTRY

DIM: Warren Rolling
YAMS: Kristin Orie

HOSPITALITY

St. Bonaventure: Kyah Coleman
St. Benedict the Moor: Shaun Liriano

VIDEO PRODUCTION

Grayson Olivas

DANCE MINISTRY

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

GIRLS SCOUTS

Kindra Coleman, Kyah Coleman,
Angie Robinson, & Sandy Robinson

ALTAR GUILD

St. Bonaventure: Lorraine Simpkins
St. Benedict: Paulette Atkins and
Lystra Pinnix

KNIGHTS OF PETER CLAVER &

LADIES AUXILIARY
Grand Knight Michael Gittens
Grand Lady Shaniqua X Wilson

MENS MINISTRY

Jelani Maleeq

MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION

Renee Hartwell

ROSARY SOCIETY

St. Bonaventure: Francisca Rafua
St. Benedict: Denise Francis

VINCENT DE PAUL

Julia Reid

GHANAIAN COMMUNITY

COORDINATORS
George Yeboah & Samuel Turkson

NIGERIAN COMMUNITY

COORDINATOR
Raphael Monfunaya

SPANISH COMMUNITY

COORDINATOR
Angel Mora

THANK YOU

for Your Prayers

Sisters of St. Joseph

New Leadership Team

President:

Sr. Burke

Counselors:

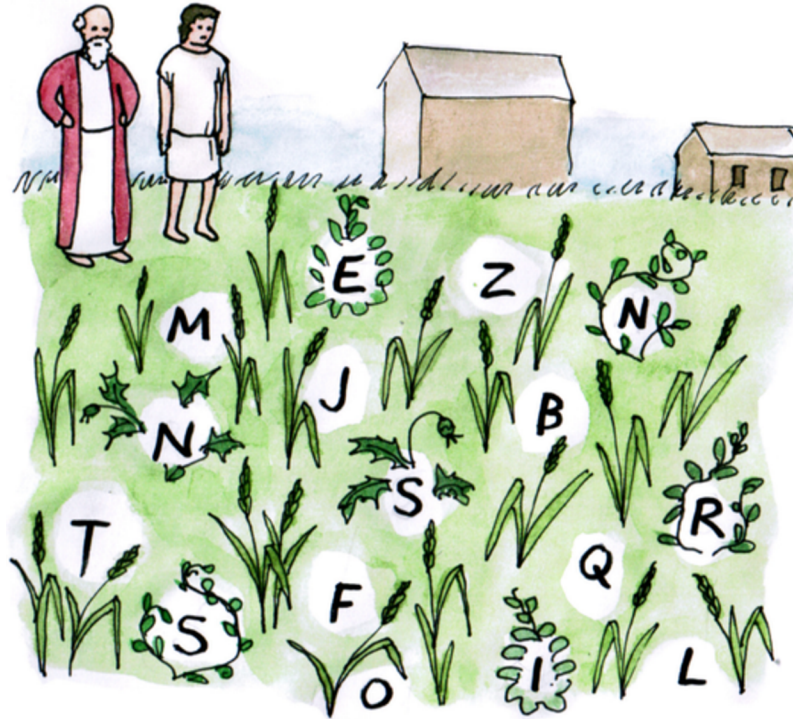
Sr. Joan Gallagher

Sr. Maria Pascuzzi

Sr. Suzanne Franck

Sr. Janet Kinney

The Kids' Bulletin



What did the weeds in today's parable represent?

Find all the letters that are in the weeds and
unscramble them to find out.



The weeds are any plant
that doesn't look like this.

Be the
reason
someone
smiles
today!



ST. JOHN'S
UNIVERSITY

JUNE 8 - JULY 30, 2026

The St. John's University
Speech and Hearing Center
will be offering

FREE "Hearing Aid Help"

for anyone who has a hearing aid and
may be experiencing some difficulty
caring for it or using it.

Please call (718)990-6480
to schedule appointment.



The Speech & Hearing Center
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Flushing NY

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Then the
righteous
will *shine*
like the **sun**
in the kingdom
of their Father.