



ST. BONAVENTURE - ST. BENEDICT THE MOOR

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

JAN 7TH 2024

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

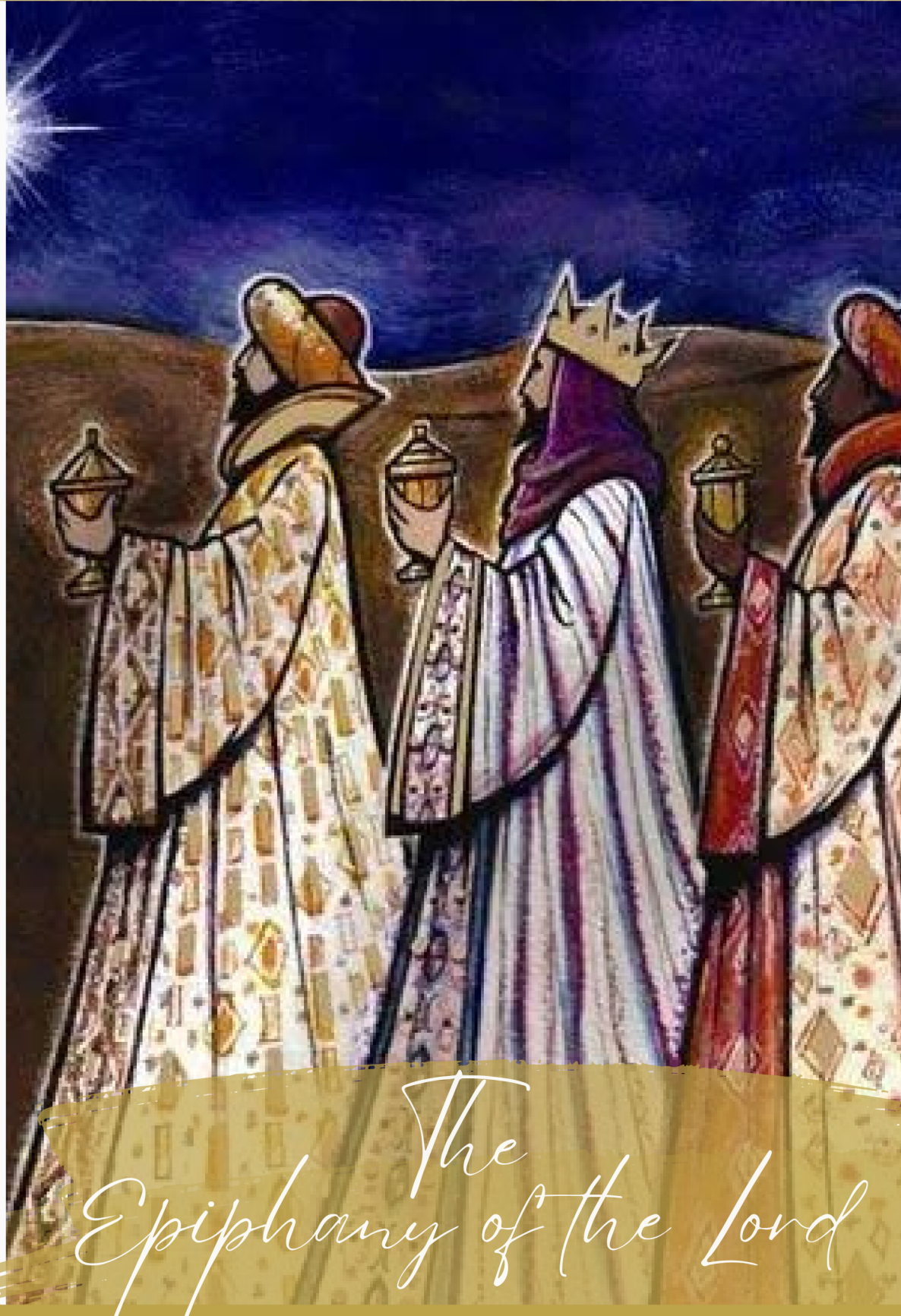
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The Epiphany of the Lord

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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.



JANUARY 7, 2024

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Is 60:1-6 | Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 | Mt 2:1-12

Written by THE FAITHFUL DISCIPLE

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

resting how an event can be interpreted by different people. God's revelation of himself in the birth of the child Jesus is clearly one such event. The Magi, Gentiles from the east, had heard of this "newborn king of the Jews" and undertook a long and arduous journey to see him and offer him homage. They were edified and eager in their search. Herod, himself a king – of the Jews – did not have the same reaction. The very thought of this "newborn king" threatened him and filled him with rage and suspicion. In this moment in human history, the manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles (i.e., the Epiphany) unveils the truth of God's redemptive work for all of creation to be reconciled to himself. This truth has been accepted and rejected throughout time, and our celebration of this feast gives us an opportunity to give thanks in a focused and particular way for our acceptance of it – to give thanks for the gift of our faith. Perhaps it is even a moment for us to have our own, colloquial epiphany: an "aha moment," where we once again truly understand the depth of God's love for us.

GO EVANGELIZE | PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

The Magi, the Gentiles from the east, were changed after their encounter with the Christ Child; they were warned not to return to Herod and they obeyed and took a different route home. In today's second reading, St. Paul says it has been revealed that Gentiles are "coheirs, members of the same body" – the body of Christ. Just as the magi were forever changed by their journey, so must we be. Their journey is a model for us, but we do not have to seek Christ in the world as they did; he is here with us, in Word and in the Eucharist. The Incarnation of Jesus is pure gift to our weary, troubled world. As we heard in Isaiah, "rise up! ... [our] light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon [us]." As the Magi followed the light of the star, let us rise to the occasion and respond to God's light in our world by recognizing the good gifts God gives us each day. And then thank him for his enduring presence in our lives.

PRAY Lord God of heaven and earth, | you revealed your only-begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star ... | Fill us with the light of Christ, | that our concern for others may reflect your love. | We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen. (from USCCB Epiphany prayer for blessing of home)

WEEKLY READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS



Parish Stewardship Reports Weekly Offering Report As of December 31, 2023

Saturday 5 PM.....	\$	508.00
Sunday 10 AM	\$	2,290.00
Sunday 12 PM	\$	1,028.00
Sunday 5 PM	\$	345.00
Total	\$	4,171.00
<i>Second Collection</i>		
Solemnity of Mary	\$	404.00
New Year's Day	\$	210.00

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<https://stsbonabene.org/giving>

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2023

Pledged	\$	18,842.00
Goal	\$	27,596.00
Paid	\$	8,377.00
Balance	\$	465.00

Generations of Faith

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

3 Ways to Give



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JOIN US AT 7AM FOR DAILY PRAYER TO
END GUN VIOLENCE



Knights of Peter Claver, Inc.



sunday
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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Is 60:1-6 | Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13. | Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 | Mt 2:1-12
† 5PM In Memory of John Felix Aidoo, Requested by Angelina Aidoo

monday
8

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11 or Acts 10:34-38 or 1 Jn 5:1-9 | Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 | Mk 1:7-11

tuesday
9

TUESDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

1 Sm 1:9-20 | 1 Samuel 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd | Mk 1:21-28

wednesday
10

WEDNESDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20 | Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10 | Mk 1:29-39

thursday
11

THURSDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

1 Sm 4:1-11 | Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25 | Mk 1:40-45

friday
12

FRIDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a | Ps 89:16-17, 18-19 | Mk 2:1-12

saturday
13

SATURDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1 | Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 | Mk 2:13-17

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 Dorvilley, Juanita Dotson,
Paula Ellis, Helen Edwards, James Edwards, Ceclia Enordbloy,
Merita Gordon, Joyce Hunt, Dolly Jankee, Margaret McFadden,
Linda Mercer, Naida Njoku, Roy Pinkard, Jean Prioleau,
Julia Reid, Evan Smelley, Neil Sussman, Evelyn Washington,
Virginia Wilkes, Mary Williams, Steven Wilson



Lord, every nation on earth
will adore you.

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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:

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
St. Benedict: Harriet Scott &
Paulette Atkins

ROSARY SOCIETY

St. Bonaventure:
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

2nd Collection Envelopes

Beginning Sunday, January 7, 2024 we will institute our second collection. There will be temporary envelopes and pens at the back of each worship site. This will be in effect until the official 2nd set of weekly offering envelopes for the second collection are delivered.

STATE OF THE PARISH ADDRESS

As we enter year 2024, it is critical that we all have a clear understanding about the current situation of our Parish, our challenges, advantages and demands. That is why Fr. Krys will present the State of Parish address on **Thursday, January 18 at 7:00 at St. Benedict the Moor**. This will be an important meeting for all who are concerned about the present and future conditions of our community. This will be a hybrid event, and online access information will be provided soon. This address will be video recorded.

PARISH REGISTRATION

We are reminding you about an obligation of a Parish Registration. As stated by the Canon Law, the pastor is obligated to serve, (and in some cases allowed to serve) registered parishioners only. Please make sure that your household is registered, or your information is updated. There are forms available at the back of the church that you can use. You can also indicate on it what ministries are you interested in.



We invite all adults to join us at the Vineyard for an hour-long discussion about faith, spirituality, and the Church. The Vineyard is also a tool for those who would like to complete their sacraments, or those who wish to become Catholics. The next meeting will take place this **Tuesday, January 16, at 6:30 PM at St. Bonaventure**

Rectory, or you can join us over zoom 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**

ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

We are looking for new Altar Servers and both worship sites. Any boy or girl who received First Communion can join. Please speak to Fr. Krys if interested.

MEN'S CLOTHING DRIVE

We are still collecting men's clothing items for the migrant men at the Creedmoor Center in Queens. You can bring your items to St. Bonaventure Rectory, or simply bring them with you to the church on Sunday.