

PASTORAL REGION ONE

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Baptisms: Do you need your child Baptized Please call the Parish Office at 937 268 6697

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Regional Confessions: Saturdays 4pm or by appointment

Send your Bulletin Announcements to:

admin@unitedinhope.org or info@unitedinhope.org on Mond

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

RESPONSIBLE FOR CHOICE WE MAKE

In this world it is obvious that whoever sends someone on errand would demand a reply or account from him and every instructor/teacher who is to promote his student to a better grade or level must give tests and expect the best answer or result to do just that. No one comes into this world by himself, and no one comes here without a mission from God who sends us all to this pilgrimage center called the earth. As in the case of a sender of errand or teacher, so it is with God. He watches all our actions here on earth and all we produce as behavior are marked on his score board and shall be used to reward or to punish us.

In the first reading, the gifts God gave freely to Moses without any merit of his was given out in a little proportion by the same God to others such that the seventy elders for once shared in Moses' prophetic gift. The same God allowed two other men to exercise such gift; Medan and Eldad and this was at God's own wish and right to do so. The same God who never consulted Moses before the gift did so to the two young men, but Joshua and his likes had to question God for extending such gifts to others. Moses being a man filled with the wisdom and knowledge of God declined from their lure to jealousy and resentment. He refused to heed to their wish to stop them practicing God's gift. This same scenario repeated itself in the gospel where the Apostles of Jesus led by John forbade a man who was exercising his God's gift because he does not according to them belong to their league or union. Christ like Moses rebuked them for such act of jealousy and lack of recognition, respect, and accommodation of others' gifts. In the world, a lot of people prevent others from rising to greater heights or to measure up with them. We find the pull-others-down syndrome reigning in the life of many even Christians and those who were supposed to know better in Christian life.

Beloved, it is surprising and scandalous to see Christians who believe that the exercise of some spiritual gifts and authority in the house of God is their sole preserve and they possess the power to dish it out to whomsoever they count worthy or who accept to belong to their "cult". How can human being decide to choose for God who should belong to him and whom he should choose for whatever function/gifts? These are the likes of Joshua's son of Nun and John the apostle. There are a lot of behaviors we put up in the house of God and in this world that God frowns at; these attitudes are examination questions for God to mark us and record us in his score board. Many decide to cheat on others according to James in the second reading, treat workers inhumanly and with injustice. This attitude and others like scandalizing the little ones and denying others charity are condemned by James in the second reading of today. James reminds us that there is a day of judgment when all that God reckoned will be used to either reward or punish. People can live luxuriously at the expense of others and enjoy their loots and booty, but the truth is that they cannot escape divine punishment. Many innocent and righteous people can be humiliated and killed by the powerful in the society, but they cannot get away with it. Many priests today are kidnapped and killed for condemning political insensitivity of mafia politicians and are monitored in the house of God by these ungodly men. Many can scandalize others in the Church and society by the type of life we lead, yet one day we shall pay for it. But those who do

good, render help to God's work and his chosen ones and his people in general shall receive the prophets' reward. Beloved, let us know that the precepts of the Lord are perfect and just and gladden the hearts of the righteous on the last day. Let us learn to fear the Lord and respect others; may we find instructions from the Lord's statutes since great reward is in their keeping, Amen. Rev. Fr. Callistus Emenyonu, cmf

<https://www.catholicforlife.com/year-b-homily-for-the-26th-sunday-in-ordinary-time-6/>

St. Benedict 15th Anniversary Timeline

Virtual Event & End of Silent Auction (22 or 23 Oct)

Silent Auction

You are invited to participate in St. Benedict the Moor Catholic Church's on-line Silent Auction from the comfort of your own home or from anywhere! The Silent Auction on-line bidding process is easy. Simply click on the link below to see the item selections within each category. Each selection will display the item's value and its starting bid. Please note there are minimum incremental bids. Minimum incremental bids mean each bid must be at least \$1.00 or \$5.00 higher (depending on the item) than the current highest bid. When you register, it's important that you provide your email address and phone number so that you may be notified if your bid is the winning bid and arrangements may be made for you to pick up your item and make your payment. Bidding will go through midnight on October 22, 2021. Payment in the exact amount of the winning bid must be in either cash or check (personal or cashier's) made out to "St Benedict the Moor Church" with "Silent Auction" in the memo line. If you need assistance with the Silent Auction, please contact Ms. Sylvia Irvin at sylervin1@aol.com or Ms. Arvilla Crawford at acrawford1959@gmail.com. Enjoy the Silent Auction! Thank you for your support.

Silent Auction website: <https://st-benedict.pals-club.com>.

Reminder for Bible Study this coming week September 29 at on virtual 7pm

NOTE: Below is the connection information either online or via telephone.

Hangouts Meet joining info

<https://meet.google.com/hpy-pmvp-fvt>

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Reminder

St Augustine Rosary in person September, 29 at 6:30pm.

REGION ONE LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

[SA] St. Augustine	[SB] St. Benedict
Sept 25	4pm [SB] Regional Confessions
Sept 25	4:30pm [SB] Harvey Thornton
Oct 3	4:30pm [SB] Regional Parishioners
Oct 3	8:30am [SA] David Dupps
Oct	8:30am [SA]
	10:30am [SB] Trina Lewis

St. Augustine & St. Benedict the Moor Churches: Pastoral Region One September 26, 2021



Charitable Opportunity

The Knights of Peter Claver, Council #353 would like to make a commitment to our church and community this Thanksgiving and Christmas season.

We would like your assistance with food or monetary donations for turkeys. Starting September through December, we will be collecting non-perishable's food items for Thanksgiving baskets. You can bring your items and place them in the containers in the main entrance of the church.

COMMENT ON DRAFT "FAMILIES OF PARISHES"

Make sure your voice is heard! Beacons of Light, the archdiocese-wide pastoral planning process currently underway, will result in all parishes being grouped into "Families" under the leadership of one pastor. A draft of this plan will be shared with Parishioners of **St. Benedict October 2 at 10 am at Multipurpose room and St. Augustine October 3, 2021 after mass** For more on Beacons of Light go to www.BeaconsAOC.org.

YOUR STEWARSHIP THANK YOU

ST. AUGUSTINE WEEKLY COLLECTION

Sept 19: collection \$1,311.00, SVdeP \$10.00, Mary Garden \$100.00, Online \$1,810.00

ST. BENEDICT WEEKLY COLLECTION

Sept 19: Collection \$3,553, Maint. \$100.00, Missions Sch \$50



ST. AUGUSTINE MINISTERS SCHEDULE

September 26 Randy Klotz

ST. BENEDICT MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

SEPTEMBER 26TH – TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1st Reader – Rita Ellicott
2nd Reader – Janet Harden
Petitions – Victor O'Basuyi
Extraordinary Ministers – Victor O'Basuyi, Mary O'Basuyi, Sharon Hairston

OCTOBER 3RD – TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY

1st Reader – Camille Brown
2nd Reader – Mary O'Basuyi
Petitions – Victor O'Basuyi
Extraordinary Ministers – Victor O'Basuyi, Susan Smith

Thank You, Note!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your prayers, cards of encouragement, and especially to those who were able to join me in offering the holy sacrifice of mass in thanksgiving to God for all that He has done for our Regional community and me. God is good. All the time and all the time, God is good.

Words cannot express my thanks to the donor and their family for this great gift they have blessed me with. I am grateful to God that on May 31, our Lady of Fatima visited our Region at St Benedict; I know this timing coupled with all the prayers that were said on my behalf led to this day.

As you are witnessing the amazing miracle of God in my life; I will ask that you join me in thanking the following medical personal who went above and beyond for me, most of whom at OSU and one in North Carolina, and the other in Dayton: Dr. Yvonne D Efebera, the then head of the Amyloid team who recommended the test which confirmed the Amyloid diagnoses, Dr. Mosali who referred me to Dr. Efebera, Dr. Remi Kahwash and Dr. Ajay Vallakati, my cardiologist who organized the entire pre-transplant and still making the follow up with other doctors like Dr. Hass, and the whole of the cardiac team at the Ross—not forgetting the host of nurses, medical practitioners and most especially the Transplant coordinators Sam, Emily, Susan, and others, Dr. Philip Lamptey and Dr. Barabra Akoto.

My sincere thanks to the team of Surgeons Dr. Henn, Dr. Ganapathy, Dr. R. Chen & O'Brien, PA-C. The team of anesthesiologist and other nurses who prepared me for the surgery and took care of me after the surgery.

How can I leave you parishioners in the Region out who didn't know what was going on with me yet prayed for me? Thank you, thank you!

May the good Lord continue to shower His blessings upon all of you.

Let's continue to pray for each other.

Confirmation/First Communion Registration

Is your child or grandchild in the seventh or Eighth grade then it is time for him/her to receive classes for confirmation or is the one in second grade or above and has not receive First Communion? Please call 937-268-6697 or 937-855-2289

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