

October 8, 2017  
27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



Jesus said to them, "Did you never read in the Scriptures:

*The stone that the builders rejected  
Has become the cornerstone...*

*Therefore, I say to you, the kingdom of God will  
be taken away from you and given to a people  
that will produce its fruit."*

- Mt 21:42-43

**Donation's for Puerto Rico**  
Clothes, Shoes new or gently used for Adults,  
Children & babies  
Diapers, wipes, toiletries, under garments,  
socks, can food & dry milk  
Drop off at the Immaculate Conception in  
Douglaston at Handball Court  
Monday – Friday ✦ 9 – 5 or the Rectory



**Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup> ✦ 6:30 PM**  
**St. Bonaventure Church**  
Lots of Fun & Fellowship!

## Mass Celebration

☪ 10:00 AM

✦ God's Intervention for Willie Conley &  
Diogenes Figueroa

✦ God's Blessing on Retirement Ann Gomez

✦ Birthday Blessings for Nicole Francois  
Req. Nicholas Francois

✦ Healing Prayers for Ron Copland, Aniyah Osouna  
Georgeann Campbell & Hilmilda Grice

☪ 12 Noon

*Altar Bread & Wine offered for God's  
Blessings for Nnennaya Obi*  
Req. Mofunanya Family

✦ God's Healing for Katherine Randall

✦ Happy Birthday in Heaven Dawn Nickens  
Req. Roxanne Jones

☪ 5:00 PM

**Memorial Mass for  
Father Tony Boateng-Mensah**

*Remember in your prayers for God's Healing*

Fr. Joseph Abraham, Sandy Bryant, Georgeann Campbell,  
Doris Colon, Beverly Correia, Ron Copland,  
Anthony Davis, Cynthia Fairly, Ebenezer Ghunney,  
Linda Hazel, Will Holmes, Troy Lima, Maudrie Major,  
Aniyah Osouna, Terrace & Doris Palmer,  
Katherine Randall, Evelyn Washington,  
Yvonne Young

**Morning Mass – 8:30 AM**

Monday - Tuesday - Wednesday

St. Benedict the Moor

Thursday – Friday

St. Bonaventure

*Weekly Readings, Observances & Intentions*

Monday: Joyful Mysteries

St. Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs;

St. John Leonardi, Priest

Jon 1:1 – 2:2, 11/Jon 2:3-5, 8/Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday: Sorrowful Mysteries

Jon 3:1-10/Ps 130:1b-4ab, 7-8/Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: Glorious Mysteries

St. John XXIII, Pope

Jon 4:1-11/Ps 86:3-6, 9-10/Lk 11:1-4

Thursday: Luminous Mysteries

Mal 3:13-20b/Ps 1:1-4, 6/Lk 11:5-13

Friday: Sorrowful Mysteries

Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2/Ps 9:2-3, 6, 8-9, 16/Lk 11:15-26

Saturday: Joyful Mysteries

St. Callistus I, Pope and Martyr

Jl 4:12-21/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12/Lk 11:27-28

Next Sunday: 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Glorious Mysteries

Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-6/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/Mt 22:1-14

DeSales Media Group, the communications arm of  
the Diocese of Brooklyn, is seeking volunteers for a  
mission trip to Houston, Texas to help hurricane  
victims. The volunteer project will take place  
between November 11<sup>th</sup> – November 19<sup>th</sup>.  
Please email to [Catholicscare@desalesmedia.org](mailto:Catholicscare@desalesmedia.org)  
if you would like to help.

Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9, 12-16, 19-20/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43

*“Therefore, I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit.”* The chief priests and elders listening to Jesus must have been furious.

After telling the parable about the tenants who abused the owner’s property and killed his son, Jesus had a tough lesson to teach. He compared the Jewish leaders to these terrible tenants. They, like the selfish workers in the vineyard, were guilty of not respecting proper authority and of trying to seize control—not of grapes, in this case, but of religious matters. In short, they were not bearing fruit for God’s kingdom, but only for their own prestige and privilege.

Before we spend too much time criticizing them, however, we would do well to examine ourselves. If Jesus were standing in our midst right now, would He have a similar warning for us? We may not be religious leaders, but we are like those tenants in many ways because we have been made stewards of the gifts of God. We receive His help and grace through the sacraments, for example. Are we good stewards of this grace, or do we take it for granted and fail to nourish it to produce good fruit or in other word share and practice our faith.

And what about the personal gifts that God has entrusted to each of us? We all have certain skills, talents, experiences, and opportunities thanks to God’s work in our lives. Do we make the most of time and talents or do we settle for the easy road? Do we thank God for them or consider them to be our own? God has trusted us with a place in the world, *His* world. He is the ultimate authority here on earth and all things we enjoy come from His hands... His blessings. May we have the humility and an attitude of gratitude to use our gifts for His glory and not just our own.

## Our Sacrificial Giving to our Parish



Together let's meet our weekly goal of \$5,000.00

✦ 10:00 AM 185 ~ \$3,777.00

✦ 12 Noon 104~ \$1,560.00

✦ 5:00 PM 23 ~ 225.00

Special Collection for Hurricane Disaster Relief  
for the Caribbean Islands - \$941.00

### Verifying Your New WeShare Account

If you currently give online through ParishPay, your account will soon be transferred to WeShare, our new online giving provider. This transfer ensures that your scheduled transactions will continue to be received by the parish as scheduled.

The security of your personal information is important to us. If you want to make any changes to your account or adjust your giving amount, WeShare requires a one-time security verification to provide you access.

**Generation of Faith** If you made a Pledge...

**Please make your payments!**

To date \$106,240.50 has been collected.

Use Blue Generation of Faith envelopes or see

Angela to enroll into Electronic Payment.

[www.cfbq/generations/payments](http://www.cfbq/generations/payments). Thank You!

**Live in Faith Give in Love**

2017 Annual Catholic Appeal

75 Donors Pledged- \$19,635.00

Collected to date - \$13,534.00

**R.C.I.A. - Adults & Teens**

*(Rite of Christian Initiation)*

If you or perhaps someone you know, would like to complete the Sacraments of Initiation (Confirmation & Eucharist) or interested in becoming a Catholic receiving the Sacrament's of Baptism, Confirmation & Eucharist. Please speak to Father, Deacon, Debra, Carolyn or Angela.

**Classes begin in Sunday,  
October 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Beginning Monday, October 9<sup>th</sup>**

Monday & Thursday's ✦ 7:30 PM

**Fitness Class**

St. Benedict the Moor Church Hall

Workout clothes, bring Yoga mat & towel

\$20.00 per month • Ages 12 & Above!

**All who work with our Children**

(Catechist, Music Ministry, Liturgical Dance & St. Benedict School of Dance)

According to Diocesan Guidelines & Policy,

**MUST attend a Virtus Workshop**

*(if you have not done so already)*

Deanery Virtus Workshop – Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup>

1:00 PM – 3:30 PM

**St. Bonaventure Church Hall**

See Ms. Angela for info

Certificate of attendance distributed at end of class

St. Benedict School of Dance



Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup>  
details coming

### CONVOCATION

For All Liturgical & Pastoral Ministers  
Ministers of the Word, Holy Communion & Music Ministries.

**Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup>**

9:00 AM - 3:45 PM

Immaculate Conception Center

*“It is truly right & just to give You thanks!”*

This enriching day will be filled with prayer & presentations that will enlighten & inspire.

\$25.00 Per Person before October 6<sup>th</sup>

Please see Angela

### FINDING YOUR PURPOSE

St. Anthony's Vocation School

Job Training, Placement

For info see Ms. Celia Lewis or

Niven 917-518-8930

### Immigration Consultation

Available *with* Niven Harry

Call for appointment 917-518-8930

### Mass Intentions

Donation \$15.00 refer to Blue envelopes

Please submit your Mass Intentions

In a timely manner – one (1) week before requested date of intention or

Tuesday of the Sunday requested.

For your love ones Health, Birthday's, Anniversary, Blessings, Congratulations or

In memory of dearly departed, the more we pray, the closer they get to the gate of heaven.

Also consider donating flowers \$30.00 or

Altar Bread \$60.00 or Altar Wine \$60.00