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LITURGICAL DIRECTORY

Weekend/Sunday Mass Schedule

5:00 p.m. St. Mary of Mercy (Vigil)
6:00 p.m. Epiphany (Vigil)
7:30 a.m. St. Mary of Mercy
8:00 a.m. Epiphany
9:00 a.m. St. Benedict the Moor
9:30 a.m. St. Mary of Mercy
10:00 a.m. Epiphany
12:00 p.m. St. Benedict the Moor
12:00 p.m. St. Mary of Mercy
5:00 p.m. Epiphany

Weekday Mass Schedule

St. Benedict the Moor

9:15 a.m. Thursday (according to school schedule)

Epiphany

7:00 a.m. Wednesday and Friday
12:05 p.m. Monday through Friday

St. Mary of Mercy

6:30 a.m. Monday through Friday
7:30 a.m. Monday through Friday
12:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday

Sacrament of Reconciliation

St. Benedict the Moor

8:30 a.m. - 8:50 a.m. Sunday

Epiphany

11:15 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. Monday through Friday
5:15 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. Saturday

St. Mary of Mercy

11:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. Monday through Saturday
12:30 p.m. - 1:15 p.m. Monday through Saturday

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

St. Benedict the Moor (1st. Saturday of the month)

9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Epiphany

Friday, following 12:05 p.m. Mass - 5:00 p.m.

St. Mary of Mercy

Tuesday, following 7:30 a.m. Mass - 11:45
Thursday, following 12:00 p.m. Mass - 5:30 p.m.

Epiphany

Novena to the Sorrowful Mother
Fridays following 12:05 Mass
Novena to St. Rita of Cascia
Mondays following 12:05 Mass

St. Mary of Mercy

Miraculous Medal **Novena**
Mondays 12:30

St. Benedict the Moor

Novena to St. Benedict the Moor

Building Christ's Kingdom Today

A long dusty avenue climbs a little knoll. On either side of it, thick, roofless adobe walls suggest the ancient grandeur of Pachacamac. At this site on the arid coastal plain of Peru some 40 kilometers south of Lima, adobe bricks by the millions had been formed by hand, one at a time. Enormous structures rose slowly from the desert

The largest of them, scholars note, were devoted to religious purposes. The temples and pyramids of Pachacamac mark the spiritual strivings of its inhabitants. They all gave witness to their builder's belief in the divine with and in the creation around them.

Civilizations rise and fall. God's project of salvation "is a plan that," in the words of Pope Benedict XVI, "is revealed little by little throughout history". Across time and cultures, this mystery is disclosed to us. We hear in the gospel today the voice of one who came "to testify to the truth."

Do others hear that voice? Pope Pius XI saw a rising tide of secularization sweeping the world. In the hope of countering this trend, he instituted the *Solemnity of Christ the King* in 1925.

Can we be counted among those belonging to the truth, truly listening to his voice? Let us strive to serve God's plan by building his kingdom brick by brick through our daily actions.

~ *Living with Christ*

Year for Priests: Through the intercession of St. John Vianney, let us pray that our priests be firm in deepening their prayer life. This week we pray for the following priests: Fr. Sean Hogan, CSSp, Fr. Matthew Holahan, OFM, Fr. James Holland, Fr. Lawrence Holpp, Fr. Peter Horton, Fr. Paul Householder, Fr. Richard Infante, Fr. George Jackovic, Fr. Joseph Janiszski, Fr. David Jastrab, Fr. Earl Jennings, TOR, Fr. Donald Jones, Fr. Richard Jones

Pray daily for the priests who serve our parish and those who assist them

Pray for vocations to the priesthood and Religious Life

Second Collection ~ This Weekend

The second collection this weekend, "***Share in the Care***" is the collection for *Retired Religious*. Let us be generous in this collection for those who have given their lives in the labor of love for the Church, through education, hospital ministry and social services.

For the week of Thanksgiving, November 22

MASS SCHEDULE

Thursday 10:00 a.m. St. Benedict the Moor
 12:00 noon St. Mary of Mercy
 Friday 12:00 noon St. Mary of Mercy
 Saturday 12:00 noon St. Mary of Mercy

Saturday Vigil Masses, schedule remains the same

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, as usual
 Thursday, Friday ~ there will be no confessions
Saturday, St. Mary's, morning and afternoon confessions as usual
Saturday, Epiphany, evening confessions as usual.

Adoration will be cancelled on:

Thursday at St. Mary of Mercy
 Friday at Epiphany

Thanksgiving Celebration

It is our hope that all of us will join together for a special *Thanksgiving Day Mass* at 10:00 at St. Benedict the Moor. We welcome you to bring a non-perishable food item for our food pantry. We will also bless bread and distribute it at this Mass. For those attending the *12:00 noon televised Mass at St. Mary's*, we welcome you to bring a non-perishable food item or monetary gift in support of the Red Door. God bless you for your generous spirit!

~ ***Thanksgiving Greetings*** ~

On behalf of the priests, Deacon and parish staffs of our parishes, we wish all parishioners and visitors to our churches

A Blessed Thanksgiving Season!

May the Lord bless you for all the good you do for others!

The Lord is King, let us give him all honor, glory, thanks and praise!

Readings for the Week of November 22

Sunday: Dn 7:13-14/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37
 Monday: Dn 1:1-6,8-20/Lk 21:1-4
 Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45/Lk 21:5-11
 Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6,13-14,16-17,23-28/Lk 21:12-19
 Thursday: Dn 6:12-28/Lk 21:20-28
 Friday: Dn 7:2-14/Lk 21:29-33
 Saturday: Dn 7:15-27/Lk 21:34-36
 Next Sunday: Jer 33:14-16/1 Thes 3:12-4:2/Lk 21:25-28,34-36



Hold the Dates!

“Black Catholic Leadership Conference: Developing Church Leaders to Serve”, April 23-25, 2010, sponsored by the Office for Black Catholic Ministries. Look for more information from the planning committee in the coming weeks.

Catholic School Notes

St. Benedict the Moor School will begin Thanksgiving break with early dismissal on Wednesday at 11:30 am. School will resume on Monday morning at 8:00 a.m.

Sunday School Notes

Just a reminder that classes for Sunday School will be held at the regular time on Sunday, November 29.

Second Collection next Sunday

The second collection next Sunday, November 29 is the Youth Group collection. Our youth will appreciate any contribution you can afford. Thank you!

Black Catholic History Month

Did you know? The first lay congress for Black Catholics was organized by Daniel Rudd and held in Baltimore, Maryland in 1889. Delegates from Pittsburgh attended.

Did you know? A former slave, Augustus Tolton was ordained to the priesthood in 1886 and was pastor at St. Joseph Parish, Quincy, Illinois.

Did you know? Josephine Bakhita, an African saint, was canonized by Pope John Paul II in 2000.

Please Note

The Parish Office will be closed on Thanksgiving Day and Friday, November 27. We would appreciate keeping your calls to **emergency only at 412-261-0110**. The office will reopen on Monday, November 30. Thank you for your consideration!

Happy Birthday

Allie Hall, Ruth Haston, Eloise Mary Humphrey (Nov. 22); Kevin Chrysostome, Veronica Shannon (Nov. 23); Zedueh Doerue, Jeannette Finch, Anthony McDonald (Nov. 24); Charles Lloyd Davis II, (Nov. 25); Jacqueline Blackburne. Idella Davis, Elena Polanco, Oscar Valentin, Deacon Reynold Wilmer (Nov. 26); James Bryrnn, Maya Brianne Dean, Alda Johnson, Colleen Dawn Scott (Nov. 27); Charles L. Davis, Charles Lloyd Davis, Barbara D. Donatien, Ogundu Ngwu, M.D. (Nov. 28)

MASSES THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT THE MOOR

(†) DENOTES DECEASED

Sunday, November 22 **Feast of Christ the King**
 9:00 a.m. Mass for the people
 12:00 p.m. Mass for the deceased of the parish

Thursday, November 26 **Thanksgiving Day**
 10:00 a.m. The Waiters Family

Sunday, November 29 **First Sunday of Advent**
 9:00 a.m. For the unborn, elderly, handicapped and all causes of life
 12:00 p.m. Mary Pace † by the Pace Family

We need your help!

Calling all bakers for **Thanksgiving Bread!** Please sign up at the table in the back of church if you can help us bake, or call the office to let us know you can help, 412-281-3141. We appreciate your time and love!

It's "Giving Time" again!

The SBTM Youth Group invites the entire parish family to mark your calendars ~ next Sunday, November 29th is the Kick-Off of our *Giving Tree Program*. This year we will once again be supporting *Circle C*, a program for at risk kids. We thank you for your generosity last year and we hope you will help us to help God's children experience the Gift of God's love again this year.

**St. Benedict Finance Council Meeting
 Monday, November 23, 5:30 p.m.**

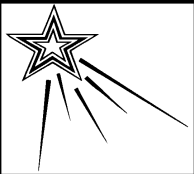
Pray for Our Sick and Hospitalized

The following requests our prayers: Dorothy Brisbane, James Burwell, Priscilla Charles, Lydia Francis, Brenda Glenn, Ruth Haston, Florence Hester, Elouise Humphrey, Joyce Johnson, Theresa Lewis, Nathaniel McKenzie, Betty Muse, Josephine O'Connor, Alan Stewart, Lucretia Tabb, Barbara Tucker, Adelaide Wilson.

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Last Week's Stewardship

9:00 a.m.....	\$1,175.78
12:00 p.m.....	\$ 821.00
Mail-ins.....	\$2,614.00
Total.....	\$4,610.78.



November is the Month of All Souls
The Book of Life is displayed in the Sanctuary. The names listed are remembered at the Masses celebrated at Epiphany during this month.

Fish Fry ~ Break !

Because of the Thanksgiving Holiday, the Fish Fry will be closed on Friday, November 27. The Staff of the Fish Fry would like to wish all of you a Blessed Thanksgiving Day! Hope to see you back on Friday, December 4.

Help us furnish the new rectory!

As many of you can see the new rectory/administrative center is almost completed and now comes the task of furnishing it! We have calculated that to modestly furnish the living quarters for the clergy it would cost around \$35,000. The Finance Council has advised that we begin a *Capital Campaign* for this purpose. We are asking each family/household to make a pledge to contribute \$500, \$300 or \$100 for one year in addition to your regular offertory contribution. Very shortly you will be receiving in the mail a pledge card. Please check the amount you are pledging. You can make your complete payment when you mail in your card or pay partial with the remainder to be paid monthly or quarterly. We cannot thank you enough for your help!

Epiphany Finance Council meeting on Monday, November 23 at 4:00 p.m., McDowell Hall.

Sanctuary Lamp

The 14 day candle burns at the Blessed Sacrament Altar to signify the presence of Jesus in the tabernacle and His sacred presence in the Church. During the weeks of **November 15 and 22** this candle will burn in **loving memory of Peter Kocian requested by Douglas & Josephine Crame.**

Monthly Remembrance

The altar wine and hosts to be consecrated during the Masses for the month of **November** will be offered in remembrance of the **Living & Deceased of the Luigi & Pasqua Pacini Family, requested by MAP.**

Pray for the Sick, Homebound and Hospitalized

We ask you to remember the following in your prayers ~ Mary Barry, Virginia Chiappetta, Dee DiPofi, Chrystil Dougherty, Margaret Hagan, Karen Kraer, Vince Lusardi, Carmella Magnelli, Nancy Meinert, K. Prosser, Joe Schramm, Mary Beth Starosielec, Jodi Stebler, Dan Simsick

MASSES THIS WEEK AT EPIPHANY

(†) DENOTES DECEASED

Saturday, November 21 **Presentation of Mary**

6:00 p.m. Lauretta Heufelder †
 Bill & Elaine Heufelder

Sunday, November 22 **Solemnity, Christ the King**

8:00 a.m. Robert P. Horgos (spl int)
 by Robert P. Horgos
 10:00 a.m. Gaito Family by Katherine Gaito
 5:00 p.m. Margaret Bart Berger Miller †
 Willis McCook Miller, Jr.

Monday, November 23 **Weekday**

12:05 p.m. Patrick Tunney †
 Daniel & Joyce Murphy

Tuesday, November 24 **Andrew Dung-Lac**

12:05 p.m. Joe Cizdziel by William Batz

Wednesday, November 25 **Catherine of Alexandria**

7:00 a.m. The Fagan Family † Michele Fagan
 12:05 p.m. Robert P. Horgos (spl int)
 by Robert P. Horgos

Thursday, November 26 **Thanksgiving Day**

no Mass at Epiphany
 10:00 a.m. St. Benedict the Moor
 12:00 noon St. Mary of Mercy

Friday, November 27 **Weekday**

no Mass at Epiphany
 12:00 noon St. Mary of Mercy

Saturday, November 28 **Weekday**

6:00 p.m. Geneva Harris-Hahn † and
 Kenneth Cook Hahn, Sr. † by Family

Sunday, November 29 **First Sunday of Advent**

8:00 a.m. Deceased members of Anisko & Skwira
 Families by Robert G. & Sophia Anisko
 10:00 a.m. Pasqua Pacini † (Anniv) MAP
 5:00 p.m. Mass for the people of Epiphany

Office Closed

Epiphany Office will be closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday, Thursday and Friday, and will reopen on Monday. Emergency calls only will be taken at 412-261-0110.

Last Week's Stewardship

1st Collection.....	\$2,530.00
Restoration	\$ 506.00
Total (Thank You!).....	\$3,036.00

SACRAMENTAL MINISTRIES

Infant Baptism: To schedule, call Deacon Reynold Wilmer, 412-281-3141, x 5.

Adult Baptism and Children (RCIA): Call Deacon Reynold Wilmer.

Reconciliation (Confession): See the Directory for the schedule or call for an appointment.

Holy Eucharist and Anointing of the Sick: For those who are sick and confined to home or those who are seriously ill, call the Parish Office for a priest to visit.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Couples planning to marry are to contact our Deacon at least six months before the desired date. Marriage preparation is required.

Religious Vocations: If you feel called to the Diocesan Priesthood or Religious Life, contact Fr. Carmen, Fr. Tom or Sr. Marlene.

Inactive Catholics are warmly welcomed back to our Faith. Call the Parish Office.

New parishioners are invited to join our Catholic community. Call the Parish Office.

MINISTRIES, SOCIAL ORGANIZATIONS, EVENTS		
St. Benedict the Moor	Epiphany Church	St. Mary of Mercy
<p>AJAPO (Acculturation for Justice, Access & Peace Outreach): ministry to African and Afro-Caribbean, immigrants and refugees, 412-391-4985.</p> <p>Bereavement Ministry meets every 5th Sunday after 9:00 am Mass.</p> <p>Christian Mothers meets 1st Sunday of each month after 9:00 am Mass.</p> <p>Evangelization meets in March and September.</p> <p>Food Pantry Distribution 10th & 25th day of each month, 11:00 am-1:00 pm.</p> <p>Health Ministry meets as needed.</p> <p>Ministry to the Disabled serves as a resource and advocacy to persons with disabilities.</p> <p>Youth Ministry meets for 12:00 noon Mass and meeting on 4th Sunday of each month.</p> <p>Bingo, Fridays from 10:00 p.m.-12:45 a.m., Garden City Fire Hall, Monroeville. Call church office for details.</p>	<p>Fish Fry operates each Friday from September–June, 11:00 a.m.-6:30 p.m. For take out orders, call 412-471-1008 after 9:30 a.m. on Fridays.</p> <p>Ministry to the Disabled serves as a resource and advocacy to persons with disabilities.</p> <p>The Pittsburgh Downtown Cluster of St. Vincent de Paul Society meets the third Thursday, 412-281-2582</p> <p>Third Order of Carmelites meet the third Sunday, 2:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m. If interested, you may attend one of the meetings.</p>	<p>Ministry to the Disabled serves as a resource and advocacy to persons with disabilities.</p> <p>Red Door Ministry serves food to the poor Monday thru Saturday, 10:30-11:30 am.</p> <p>Television Ministry: Noon Mass: televised on Verizon Cable Channel 22 (WBGN-TV); Comcast Cable Channel 190 (with Digital Service); and Channel 95 (City of Pittsburgh)</p> <p>Catholic Men’s Fellowship members meet every other Thursday at 7:00 a.m. in Lawless Hall.</p> <p>Walk-in Ministry provides hunger assistance, clothing and toiletries to the homeless and less fortunate.</p>

Pastoral Council Chairs

Janice Simmons, St. Benedict the Moor Church
 Arlene Gallagher, Sue Pavick, Epiphany Church
 Interim Pastoral Council, St. Mary of Mercy Church

Business Office Hours

St. Benedict the Moor Church
 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
 Epiphany Catholic Church
 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
 St. Mary of Mercy Church
 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

The Center City Parishes Membership Form

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

CHECK ONE: New Registration Change of Address
 Moving Out of Parish Need Envelopes

CHECK ONE:
 St. Benedict the Moor
 Epiphany
 St. Mary of Mercy

Please drop membership form into the offertory basket or mail to Rectory.

Note: Use of this form does not automatically register you with the church. You will be contacted to arrange an appointment. Thank you.

CHURCH NAME: CENTER CITY PARISHES

CHURCH NO.: 042

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

Any special instructions go here.

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