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## Confirmation....Called to Mission

Brothers and Sisters,

Blessings and peace! Today we celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation of **Mark Evans Mbugua**. For Mark it completes his full initiation into the Catholic Church with the reception of the seven-fold gifts of the Holy Spirit. He receives the gifts of wisdom, counsel, knowledge and understanding along with reverence, fortitude and awe.

Mark has chosen as his patron saint, the apostle, **St. Peter**. May St. Peter be an inspiration as a follower of Christ who was commissioned to be the head of Jesus' leadership team known as the Apostles. We pray for Mark, that his natural gifts to lead would be enhanced with the grace of this Sacrament and the intervention of his patron saint.

However, Confirmation should NOT be perceived as "Catholic graduation." Rather, this is a sacrament of empowerment as Mark receives the 'tools' to enable him to take a broader stance in the life of the Church here at St. Benedict. In the words of "Servant of God," Sister Thea Bowman, she challenges us all: **"To do the work of Jesus in the name of Jesus"**

This weekend, the Church celebrates "MISSION SUNDAY" as we respond to Jesus' invitation to serve in the Church by reaching out to bring the Good News of salvation to the world.

The Gospel mandate for the whole Church is to bring the Good News to all people! "Blessed are your feet the bring the Good News!" As Mark walks with us, he continues to learn that the Gospel needs to be taught, so that we can live what we know and understand. Our Faith is not simply for Sunday morning...Amen! We breathe the Lord Jesus 24/7.

Perhaps, our celebration of the Sacrament may rekindle the fire of our own gift of the Spirit? God who has called us by name in FAITH has more work for us to do together! At least that is what

I've been told lately...God gave you your life and passion back for there is more to be done. What gave me the drive to get well was to come back to Saint benedict and do the work of Evangelization. Not alone, but with the help of each and everyone here. Some work on site, others work from home, and still others be that catalyst in the workplace.

There is an olde maxim that says: *"Bloom where you are planted!"* Our Church has been planted in the Wynnton community where we are to grow and flourish. It will take the efforts of all of us in conjunction with the Spirit of the Lord who will propel us to what we need to do. The seeds of the Faith of our ancestors were sown on Holy Ground and we who stand upon their shoulders are to build-up the people of God. Those with us and those who have yet to be invited in...**our welcoming and inviting spirit needs to go into motion** full force as we witness the love of God that we have for one another and others. Sisters and brothers, as we celebrate **Mark Evans Peter Mbugua's** Confirmation, may we stand together with him and his family: Michael Gitau, his dad, Patricia Wangari, his mom, his sister Sylvia and sponsor Andre Jackson as we support our brother in living out his Catholic Faith.

Are you ready CHURCH to do the Mission of Jesus? If not NOW, tell me when.

Your brother-pastor,  
*Friar Noel*

## St. Benedict the Moor Church

To give  
to God  
what belongs  
to God  
is to share  
the goods of  
the earth!

### Our Mission

St. Benedict the Moor is a Catholic Christian Community that celebrates its African-American heritage and welcomes cultural diversity. Join us at the Table of the Eucharist as sisters and brothers in the Lord. We are committed to grow and diversify the Church through the new evangelization, family, catechesis, young adult ministry and outreach to the poor. In the spirit of the prophet Joshua, we can say:

*"As for me and my household; we will serve the Lord."*

October 18, 2020

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Twenty-ninth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time

*"Give the Lord glory and honor."*

## St Benedict the Moor Parish

Sunday Mass: 10:30 am  
Daily Masses: Mon.-Fri. 12:00 noon  
Saturday: 8 am  
Holy Days of Obligation:  
Mass: 12 noon & 6:30 pm  
(Exceptions will be posted)  
Sacrament of Penance: Divine Mercy  
Room Saturday 8:30-9:30am  
or by Appointment

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## Congratulations!



May the gifts of the Holy Spirit fill your life this day, strengthening you to live the Gospel and leading you to do God's will with eagerness and joy. **Congratulations, Mark, on your Confirmation!**

## Altar Flowers



Altar flowers this week are dedicated in loving memory of **Earl Jonson**

by Mary Johnson

## Southern Cross

Your diocesan newspaper, the **Southern Cross**, provides a quiet voice of Catholic insight amid the flurry of information received in a world of instant communication. Read the Southern Cross and Put Faith in Your Opinions. The mission of the **Southern Cross** is to deliver news that will put Faith in the opinions of all Catholic households.

Join us in the on going mission to deliver Catholic news to each registered household.

We ask you to consider giving \$30 or more during the **Southern Cross** subscription campaign. Checks should be made payable to St. Benedict.

## Ancestral Enthronement

During the course of the week, please bring in your framed pictures of our beloved family members. All pictures need to be in the Church no later than Saturday, October 31st as we prepare to set-up the "Ancestral Remembrance" for All Souls Day, which is Monday, November 2nd. The enthronement will remain before the Altar until November 26th, Thanksgiving Day. Let us pray for our deceased family and church members throughout the month of November which is dedicated to All Souls.

## All Souls Day Mass

The annual All Souls Day Mass this year will be celebrated on Monday, November 2nd at 6pm. Let us remember and prayerfully raise our beloved dead to the Lord. From Nov. 2nd through November 10th we will remember by name our deceased members and friends during a Nine Day Novena of Masses. Let us support one another as we pray and share the stories of those we love with one another. Recall the olde African proverb: "when we stop telling the story of our Ancestors then they are truly dead."

## Mass Intentions

Sunday, October 18 10:30 AM  
Confirmation of **Mark Evans Mbugua**  
Community of **St. Benedict the Moor**  
Monday, October 19  
*Feast of the North American Martyrs*  
**Friar Noel on his Feastday**  
Tuesday, October 20 *St. Paul of the Cross*  
**+Elena Grace Rivera**  
Wednesday, October 21  
**Healing for Stephanie**  
Thursday, October 22  
**+Marie Rene Braxton (10-2020)**  
Friday, October 23  
**+Joan Hawkins**  
Saturday, October 24  
**Christina and Wesley Ferrell**  
**5th Anniversary**

## Stewardship Report

**Weekly Finance Report: October 11**

<b>Offertory:</b> \$1170	<b>Peter's Pence:</b> \$38
<b>Online:</b> \$250	<b>Southern Cross:</b> \$30
<b>Utilities:</b> \$137	<b>World Mission:</b> \$52
<b>Online:</b> \$50	<b>Church Repair:</b> \$233
<b>Kitchen:</b> \$630	
<b>Outreach:</b> \$500	
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**ACA Report: This week's report shows \$10,393 paid towards our goal. Our balance now stands at \$7,626. Thank you for continuing to support your Church and Diocese.**

## Twenty-eighth Sunday

### READING 1 Is 45:1, 4-6

Thus says the LORD to his anointed, Cyrus, whose right hand I grasp, subduing nations before him, and making kings run in his service, opening doors before him and leaving the gates unbarred: For the sake of Jacob, my servant, of Israel, my chosen one, I have called you by your name, giving you a title, though you knew me not. I am the LORD and there is no other, there is no God besides me. It is I who arm you, though you know me not, so that toward the rising and the setting of the sun people may know that there is none besides me. I am the LORD, there is no other.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**R. Give the Lord glory and honor.**

Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all you lands. Tell his glory among the nations; among all peoples, his wondrous deeds.

For great is the LORD and highly to be praised; awesome is he, beyond all gods. For all the gods of the nations are things of nought, but the LORD made the heavens.

Give to the LORD, you families of nations, give to the LORD glory and praise; give to the LORD the glory due his name! Bring gifts, and enter his courts.

Worship the LORD, in holy attire; tremble before him, all the earth; say among the nations: The LORD is king, he governs the peoples with equity.

### READING 2 1 Thes 1:1-5B

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy to the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: grace to you and peace. We give thanks to God always for all of you, remembering you in our prayers, unceasingly calling to mind your work of faith and labor of love and endurance in hope of our Lord Jesus Christ, before our God and Father, knowing, brothers and sisters loved by God, how you were chosen. For our gospel did not come to you in word alone, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with much conviction.

### GOSPEL Mt 22:15-21

The Pharisees went off and plotted how they might entrap Jesus in speech. They sent their disciples to him, with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are a truthful man and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. And you are not concerned with anyone's opinion, for you do not regard a person's status. Tell us, then, what is your opinion: Is it lawful to pay the census tax to Caesar or not?" Knowing their malice, Jesus said, "Why are you testing me, you hypocrites? Show me the coin that pays the census tax." Then they handed him the Roman coin. He said to them, "Whose image is this and whose inscription?" They replied, "Caesar's." At that he said to them, "Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God."

## Mass Schedule for this Week

Sisters and brothers, as I visited my Primary Care Doctor this week, I have been **released to return to full-time Ministry and driving**. We will slowly return to our weekly Masses going forward. The week of October 18th:

\*Sunday, October 18th 10:30 Mission

Sunday & the Confirmation of Mark Evans Mbugua

\*October 24th Saturday 8:00am Eucharist followed by Reconciliation

## IN OUR PRAYERS

*Our sick list is for parishioners, family and friends in need of prayer. Please keep our list current by calling the office to add or remove a name.*

Fr. Noel Danielewicz	Earl King
Sr. Agnes, fsma	Elvia King
Sr. Delores Anne, cssf	Lenny Korona
Helen Bell	Ida Ruth Lane
Amanda Cole	Elaine Layer
Mik Cole	Mittie Lewis
Robert Cole	Delores McLeod
Robert Dozier	Ruben Meinhofer & Fam.
Carl English	Denvey Nelson
Bertha Gibbs	Cordell Parker
Yvonne Gilberti	Gwendolyn Parker
Elizabeth Grey	Debra Pough
Ginnette Hughes	Evelyn Pough
Clarence Johnson	Marcus Ransom
Donald Julien	Lydia Sliva
Paul Julien	Madeline Smith
Jamaya Kennedy	Friar Jude Winkler
Michael King	