

May 17, 2026

*Welcome to our Parish Saint Benedict the Moor
Bienvenidos a nuestra parroquia San Benito el moro*



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Today's Readings
*Acts 1:1-11
Psalm 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9
Ephesians 1:17-23
Matthew 28:16-20*

*Ascension
Of the
Lord*

Lectura, as de Hoy
*Hechos 1:1-11
Salmo 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9
Efesios 1:17-23
Mateo 28:16-20*

St. Benedict the Moor Mission Statement: Serving the spiritual needs of Catholics in and beyond the East Winston-Salem Community.



Saint Benedict the Moor

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Offertory May 10, 2026

Offertory	\$ 2,091.00
Bldg. & Grounds.....	\$ 700.00
Votive Candles	\$ 13.00

2026 DSA Goal—\$14,319.00

Amount Paid: \$6,830.92

Amount Due: \$7,488.08

***Pray for our sick and homebound/Orar por
nuestros enfermos y confinados en casa***

Please hold in your hearts and prayers those who are sick, aging or homebound. Contact information is available in the church office. Inform the church office of parishioner illness or hospitalization.



Reginald Alexander
Veronica Broadnax
Deidre Berry
Harold Holmes

Also, please pray for all the lonely and homeless, and all our loved ones who have gone before us.

Holy Mass Schedule

Sundays - 9:00 AM - English
2:00 PM - Spanish

Weekday Masses

Mondays - 12:15 PM

Thursdays - 12:15 PM

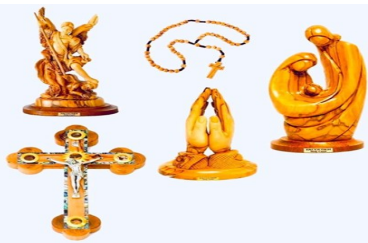
Fridays - 12:15 PM

Sacrament of Penance

Before all Masses

Adoration

Wednesday 10:00 PM through Thursday
12:00 PM (noon)



Olive Wood Craft from the Holyland

Sunday, May 17, 2026

From the Holy Land of Israel — from the hills of Jerusalem and the countryside of Bethlehem — come these beautiful olive wood figures and crafts, lovingly hand-made from the blessed olive trees so often mentioned in Sacred Scripture. We are honored to bring these handcrafted olive wood items to Good Shepherd Catholic Mission.

Each piece is carefully made by Catholic families in the Holy Land. Due to ongoing economic hardships and the long-standing conflict in the region, Catholics now make up less than 1% of the population in the Holy Land. Because the Holy Land depends heavily on tourism, creating olive wood crafts has become one of the primary ways many Christian families are able to support their families.

We humbly ask for your support of the Christian Catholic community in the Holy Land. We hope these beautiful crafts will be a blessing to the members of Good Shepherd.

Cash, credit cards, and debit cards are accepted.

Sunday's Reflection

"I am with you always, until the end of the age" is the great assurance of Jesus today. In Matthew's Gospel, these are the triumphant last words of Jesus to his apostles and to us. But in twenty-first century America, it is so easy to wonder about these words. We have very little experience of the presence of Christ when we drive through our town, when we read our newspapers, when we see the condition of our society. Is Jesus really alive and well and living among us?

How is Jesus present to our world and in our individual lives? First, he is irrevocably a critical part of our *world*. This feast of the Ascension is the day that Christ is publicly established as the Lord of our world. As the second reading today puts it: "[God raised Christ from the dead] seating him at his right hand in the heavens . . . [H]e put all things beneath his feet and gave him as head . . . to the church, which is his body, the fullness of the one who fills all things. . . ." On this day of the Ascension, we celebrate the conclusion of Christ's redemption; after dying and rising, he ascends to glory and is crowned victorious. This is his final victory, the completion of his work; this is his exaltation and glorification; this is the day on which he is publicly acclaimed Lord and King, on which he is glorified as Messiah and universal Savior for all time. As a result of this redemption, completed on this day, our whole world is graced forever, our existence is a *redeemed existence*, our God has communicated himself clearly and conclusively and our hope is secure. Our faith in Christ assures us that from this moment, human existence is never purely a natural existence but one that has eternal significance in every facet of its being, and our whole world is so graced by Christ that everything in our world has a new value and worth.

Secondly, Christ can be intimately present in our *individual lives*. In a book written by Victor Frankl, psychiatrist, *Man's Search for Meaning*, tells us that he spent years in a Nazi prison camp in the Second World War. In those years he developed the basis for his psychology. During the horror of those years, he noticed that most who survived that experience, who did not fall apart, had something to sustain them. In his words, "The salvation of man is through love and in love. A man who has nothing left in this world still may know bliss in the contemplation of his beloved." He saw that his fellow prisoners needed some cause, some person, some love to keep them from falling apart. That person was very much present to them and sustained them. Clearly, he was not speaking about physical presence, for they were generally separated from their love. But the psychological or spiritual presence was very real, strong, and life sustaining. And this is how Christ is present to us in varying degrees. As Paul expressed it: "I live by faith in the Son of God who has loved me and given himself up for me" (Galatians 2:20). That faith includes all that is most human in our lives: the substance of our dreams and hopes, the basis for our motivation and courage, the model for our behavior, our whole value system, our ultimate purpose and direction of life. In a word, Jesus can be present to us in all that is most real for us, in all that is internal and enduring, in all that builds up the human spirit.

These are two important ways that Christ's words are true: "I am with you always." Our world is essentially redeemed because Jesus is the final, universal Savior for all people. And our individual existence is alive with his Spirit in all that makes us fully human.

«Yo estoy con vosotros todos los días, hasta el fin del mundo» es la gran promesa de Jesús hoy. En el Evangelio de Mateo, estas son las últimas palabras triunfantes de Jesús a sus apóstoles y a nosotros. Pero en la América del siglo XXI, es muy fácil cuestionarse estas palabras. Tenemos muy poca experiencia de la presencia de Cristo cuando conducimos por nuestra ciudad, cuando leemos los periódicos, cuando vemos la condición de nuestra sociedad. ¿Está Jesús realmente vivo y sano, y viviendo entre nosotros?

¿Cómo se presenta Jesús a nuestro mundo y a nuestras vidas individuales? Primero, él es irrevocablemente una parte crucial de nuestro mundo. Esta fiesta de la Ascensión es el día en que Cristo es establecido públicamente como el Señor de nuestro mundo. Como dice la segunda lectura de hoy: «[Dios resucitó a Cristo de entre los muertos] sentándolo a su diestra en los cielos... sometió todas las cosas bajo sus pies y lo dio por cabeza... a la Iglesia, que es su cuerpo, la plenitud de Aquel que todo lo llena...». En este día de la Ascensión, celebramos la conclusión de la redención de Cristo; tras morir y resucitar, asciende a la gloria y es coronado victorioso. Esta es su victoria final, la culminación de su obra; esta es su exaltación y glorificación; este es el día en que es aclamado públicamente Señor y Rey, en que es glorificado como Mesías y Salvador universal para siempre. Como resultado de esta redención, consumada en este día, nuestro mundo entero recibe la gracia eterna, nuestra existencia es una existencia redimida, nuestro Dios se ha comunicado clara y concluyentemente, y nuestra esperanza es segura. Nuestra fe en Cristo nos asegura que, desde este momento, la existencia humana nunca es puramente natural, sino una existencia con significado eterno en cada faceta de su ser, y nuestro mundo entero está tan bendecido por Cristo que todo en él adquiere un nuevo valor y dignidad.

En segundo lugar, Cristo puede estar íntimamente presente en nuestras vidas. En el libro "El hombre en busca de sentido", escrito por el psiquiatra Victor Frankl, se cuenta que pasó años en un campo de prisioneros nazi durante la Segunda Guerra Mundial. En esos años, desarrolló las bases de su psicología. Durante el horror de esos años, observó que la mayoría de los que sobrevivieron a esa experiencia, los que no se desmoronaron, tenían algo que los sustentaba. En sus palabras: "La salvación del hombre es a través del amor y en el amor. Un hombre a quien no le queda nada en este mundo aún puede conocer la dicha en la contemplación de su amada". Vio que sus compañeros de prisión necesitaban una causa, una persona, un amor que les impidiera desmoronarse. Esa persona estaba muy presente para ellos y los sostenía. Claramente, no se refería a la presencia física, pues generalmente estaban separados de su amor. Pero la presencia psicológica o espiritual era muy real, fuerte y sustentadora. Y así es como Cristo está presente para nosotros en diversos grados. Como lo expresó Pablo: «Vivo por la fe en el Hijo de Dios, que me amó y se entregó a sí mismo por mí» (Gálatas 2:20). Esa fe abarca todo lo más humano de nuestra vida: la esencia de nuestros sueños y esperanzas, la base de nuestra motivación y valentía, el modelo de nuestro comportamiento, todo nuestro sistema de valores, nuestro propósito y dirección final. En resumen, Jesús puede estar presente en todo lo que es más real para nosotros, en todo lo que es interior y duradero, en todo lo que edifica el espíritu humano.

Estas son dos maneras importantes de demostrar la veracidad de las palabras de Cristo: «Yo estoy con vosotros siempre». Nuestro mundo está esencialmente redimido porque Jesús es el Salvador final y universal de todas las personas. Y nuestra existencia individual está viva con su Espíritu en todo lo que nos hace plenamente humanos.

Weekly Mass Intentions and Readings

Monday, May 18 Holy Souls in Purgatory

Acts/Hechos 19:1-8
Psalm/Salmo 68:33a
John/Juan 16:29-33

Tuesday, May 19 Deisreé Duffy's Birthday

Acts/Hechos 20:17-27
Psalm/Salmo 68:33a
John/Juan 17:1-11a

Wednesday, May 20

Acts/Hechos 20:28-38
Psalm/Salmo 68:33a
John/Juan 17:11b-19

Thursday, May 21 Repose of the Soul of Enrique Hernandez Fernandez

Acts/Hechos 22:30; 23:6-11
Psalm/Salmo 16 1
John 17:20-26

Friday, May 22 Killian Rezzo

Acts/Hechos 25:13b-21
Psalm/Salmo 103:19a
John/Juan 21:15-19

Saturday, May 23

Acts/Hechos 28:16-20, 30-31
Psalm/Salmo 11:7b
John/Juan 21:20-25

Sunday Mass Intentions

9:00 am Mass St. Benedict and
Good Shepherd Parishioners



Use QR code below to
go to St. Benedict the
Moor UTUBE channel



St. Benedict the
Moor Website
QR Code

Vanco Online Giving

Save the Date / Reserva la fecha

Saturday, August 15, 2026 / Sábado, 15 de agosto de 2026

Feast of the Assumption - Morning Mass / Fiesta de la
Asunción — Misa matutina

Annual Parish Picnic - Afternoon—Tanglewood Park /
Pícnic parroquial anual — Por la tarde — Tanglewood
Park

More Information Forthcoming / Próximamente más
Información

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS - Noticias del Consejo Parroquial

Opportunities for service on this important body are approaching. Three year terms will be filled. Please contact Harold Holmes (Email: holmes@wfu.edu), Parish Council Chair, to either express an interest or nominate other members of the congregation.

Se aproximan oportunidades para prestar servicio en este importante organismo. Se cubrirán cargos con mandatos de tres años. Por favor, comuníquese con Harold Holmes (correo electrónico: holmes@wfu.edu), presidente del Consejo Parroquial, ya sea para expresar su interés o para postular a otros miembros de la congregación.

Additionally, due to a resignation, there is an unexpired term that will conclude in 2027 that needs to be filled presently. The individual selected would have the opportunity to express an interest in a three year term office this term once this term is fulfilled. Please contact Harold Holmes (Email: holmes@wfu.edu), Parish Council Chair, to either express an interest or nominate other members of the congregation.

Asimismo, debido a una renuncia, existe un mandato inconcluso —que finalizará en 2027— que debe cubrirse de inmediato. La persona seleccionada tendrá la oportunidad de manifestar su interés en postularse para un mandato de tres años una vez que haya concluido el periodo actual. Por favor, comuníquese con Harold Holmes (correo electrónico: holmes@wfu.edu), presidente del Consejo Parroquial, ya sea para expresar su propio interés o para nominar a otros miembros de la congregación.

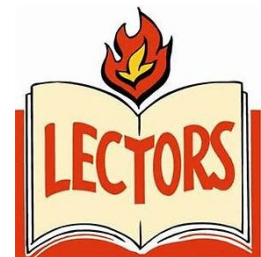
May Lectors

Daily Lectors:

Monday: (Open)

Thursday: Glenn Lanham

Friday: Gabriella Holland



Sundays:

May 3 Gabrielle Mortis

May 10 Denise Warner

May 17 Rose Hinson

May 24 Bernardo Carrillo

May 31 Youth Group