

May 24, 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 2:1-11  
Psalm 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34  
1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13  
John 20:19-23*

*Solemnity  
of  
Pentecost*

**Lectura, as de Hoy**

*Hechos 2:1-11 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31,  
Salmo 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34  
1 Corintios 12:3b-7, 12-13  
Juan 20:19-23*

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

**Pentecost  
Sunday**

*All of them were filled  
with the Holy Spirit!*

# *Saint Benedict the Moor*

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Offertory May 17, 2026

Offertory .....	\$	1,793.00
Votive Candles .....	\$	19.00
Combined Missions.....	\$	751.00

**2026 DSA Goal—\$14,319.00**

Amount Paid: \$7,480.92

Amount Due: \$6,838.08

*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)

## **7 GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**



## Sunday's Reflection

The Gospel for Pentecost is short but very significant for our Christian life. We need to try to understand just what Jesus teaches here and draw some conclusions from the context. Notice this reading is from John's Gospel; the words he uses are tightly bound up with his theology.

Earlier in John's Gospel, Jesus made a solemn promise to his disciples: "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you" (14:27). This promise follows immediately after Jesus assures them: "The Advocate, the Holy Spirit that the Father will send in my name—he will teach you everything and remind you of all that [I] told you" (14:26). In all of this Jesus is speaking about a *permanent* source of peace that he would give them when, "I will come back to you" (John 14:28). Now, in today's Gospel, Jesus greets the disciples twice with "peace;" then immediately he "breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit." Fr. Raymond Brown, the pre-eminent Johannine scholar, explains that *here* we have the fulfillment of Jesus' promise at the Last Supper, in which he indicated that his gift of peace would not be ephemeral; he would come back to his disciples and grant them a permanent source of peace. Now here he grants them his *spirit* as their permanent source of peace and the enduring presence of Jesus *in* his Spirit. For John, the Holy Spirit *is* the permanent presence of Jesus with us, the source of our confidence and hope.

Then Jesus "breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained." This is part of his essential gift of the Holy Spirit—the power to forgive or retain sins; this includes the authorized judgment given to the disciples. This text is one of the very few texts of Scripture that the church has formally defined. The Council of Trent saw in this text the basis for the church's authority to forgive post-baptismal sins. Jesus tells us that by this Holy Spirit we have a permanent source of forgiveness of sins that can constantly reestablish our peace with God.

Finally, consider the surrounding chapters in John's Gospel. In them, Jesus explains much more about our new Advocate, the Spirit, who is with us always: "[I]f I go, I will send him to you . . . the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth . . . He will teach you everything and remind you of all that [I] told you" (John 16:7, 13 and 14:26). Jesus who once spoke in the flesh, now speaks to us through his Spirit. His Spirit is now our personal teacher to lead us into all truth about Jesus; he is our constant guide in living the way of Jesus; he is our help in learning what it means to follow Jesus; he is our intercessor in prayer. Jesus wants us to realize that his Spirit is with us always as our advocate, our companion, our teacher, our source of grace and forgiveness. Whatever Jesus was for his apostles, his Holy Spirit is for us now. On this Pentecost our prayer is very simple: Spirit of Jesus, guide us into the whole truth about Jesus that we may better understand and follow the way of Jesus.

El Evangelio de Pentecostés es breve, pero muy significativo para nuestra vida cristiana. Debemos intentar comprender qué enseña Jesús aquí y extraer algunas conclusiones del contexto.

Observe que esta lectura proviene del Evangelio de Juan; las palabras que usa están estrechamente ligadas a su teología.

Anteriormente en el Evangelio de Juan, Jesús hizo una promesa solemne a sus discípulos: «La paz les dejo, mi paz les doy» (14:27). Esta promesa sigue inmediatamente después de que Jesús les asegura: «El Consolador, el Espíritu Santo que el Padre enviará en mi nombre, él les enseñará todo y les recordará todo lo que les he dicho» (14:26). Con todo esto, Jesús habla de una fuente permanente de paz que les daría cuando «regrese a ustedes» (Juan 14:28). Ahora bien, en el Evangelio de hoy, Jesús saluda a los discípulos dos veces con «paz»; luego, inmediatamente, «sopló sobre ellos y les dijo: "Recibid el Espíritu Santo"». El padre Raymond Brown, el eminente estudioso del Evangelio de Juan, explica que aquí tenemos el cumplimiento de la promesa de Jesús en la Última Cena, en la que indicó que su don de paz no sería efímero; regresaría a sus discípulos y les concedería una fuente permanente de paz. Ahora, aquí, les concede su espíritu como fuente permanente de paz y la presencia constante de Jesús en su Espíritu. Para Juan, el Espíritu Santo es la presencia permanente de Jesús con nosotros, la fuente de nuestra confianza y esperanza.

Entonces Jesús sopló sobre ellos y dijo: «Recibid el Espíritu Santo. A quienes perdonéis los pecados, les quedan perdonados; y a quienes se los retengáis, les quedan retenidos». Esto forma parte de su don esencial del Espíritu Santo: el poder de perdonar o retener pecados; esto incluye el juicio autorizado dado a los discípulos. Este texto es uno de los pocos textos de las Escrituras que la iglesia ha definido formalmente. El Concilio de Trento vio en este texto la base de la autoridad de la iglesia para perdonar los pecados postbaptismales. Jesús nos dice que por este Espíritu Santo tenemos una fuente permanente de perdón de pecados que puede restablecer constantemente nuestra paz con Dios.

Finalmente, consideren los capítulos que rodean el Evangelio de Juan. En ellos, Jesús explica mucho más sobre nuestro nuevo Abogado, el Espíritu, quien siempre está con nosotros: «Si me voy, os lo enviaré... el Espíritu de verdad, él os guiará a toda la verdad... Él os enseñará todo y os recordará todo lo que os he dicho» (Juan 16:7, 13 y 14:26). Jesús, quien una vez habló en carne, ahora nos habla a través de su Espíritu. Su Espíritu es ahora nuestro maestro personal para guiarnos a toda la verdad sobre Jesús; es nuestra guía constante para vivir el camino de Jesús; es nuestra ayuda para aprender lo que significa seguir a Jesús; es nuestro intercesor en la oración. Jesús quiere que nos demos cuenta de que su Espíritu está siempre con nosotros como nuestro abogado, nuestro compañero, nuestro maestro, nuestra fuente de gracia y perdón. Lo que Jesús fue para sus apóstoles, su Espíritu Santo lo es para nosotros ahora. En este Pentecostés nuestra oración es muy sencilla: Espíritu de Jesús, guíanos a toda la verdad sobre Jesús para que podamos comprender mejor y seguir el camino de Jesús.

## Weekly Mass Intentions and Readings

### Monday, May 25 Holy Souls in Purgatory

Genesis/Génesis 3:9-15, 20 or Acts/Hechos 1:12-14

Psalm/Salmo 87:3  
John/Juan 19:25-34

### Tuesday, May 26

1 Peter/1 Pedro 1:10-16  
Psalm/Salmo 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4  
Mark/Marcos 10:28-31

### Wednesday, May 27

1 Peter/1 Pedro 1:18-25  
Psalm/Salmo 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20  
Mark/Marcos 10:32-45

### Thursday, May 28 Diane Bennett

1 Peter/1 Pedro 2:2-5, 9-12  
Psalm/Salmo 100 2, 3, 4, 5  
Mark/Marcos 10:46-52

### Friday, May 29 Susan Chironna

1 Peter/1 Pedro 4:7-13  
Psalm/Salmo 96:10, 11-12, 13  
Mark/Marcos 11:11-26

### Saturday, May 30

Jude/Judas 17:20b-25  
Psalm/Salmo 63:2, 3-4, 5-6  
Mark/Marcos 11:27-33

## Sunday Mass Intentions

9:00 am Mass Killian Rezzo

## 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.

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## This week on Formed / Esta semana en Formed

- Divine Mercy with Fr. Michael Gaitley; La Divina Misericordia con el P. Michael Gaitley
- What is Divine Mercy?; ¿Qué es la Divina Misericordia?
- The Rescue Project; El Proyecto de Rescate
- The Catholic Parent; El padre católico
- Running Rescue; Rescate en carrera
- A Father's Heart; El corazón de un padre
- Jesus Thirsts; Jesús tiene sed
- Ocean of Mercy; Océano de misericordia



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## 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

