## St. Benedict the Moor Catholic School-Dayton, Ohio

# The Rising Star Newsletter 🥕



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#### Students Attend 15th Church Celebration



Although the picture does not display all of the students there were approximately 25 students and 8 staff members participating at the 15th anniversary of St. Benedict the Moor Catholic Church. "The Lord has made a Way" was the theme for the event, which was held on Sunday September 26, 2021. Actually the anniversary should have been celebrated in May 2020; however, the Covid-19 situations cancelled the celebration.

Under the direction of Principal Debra Johnson students sung "We're Blessed in the City" by Fred Hammond as a prelude to the Mass. The pastor and school leader Fr. Francis Tandoh, C.S.Sp., proudly recognized the students at the end of the Mass service.

Briefly, St. Benedict the Moor Catholic Church, a predominately African-American community of faith has 3 church affiliations-St. James, St. John, and Resurrection parishes. The church is one of four churches in the United States of America that was built by people of color. In 2015 the church established St. Benedict the Moor Catholic School, which was formerly Mary Queen of Peace. Today the school continues to change the lives of many students in Dayton, Ohio. Thank you to all those who were in attendance, and may you please visit the church on the corner of Liscum Drive and State Route 35 across from the Veterans Administration Medical building at any time. Services are Saturday at 4:30 pm. and on Sunday at 10:30 am.



# Grade 4 Students Distribute Food to Homeless

Under the guidance of Mrs. Kimberlyn Fadare, homeroom in grade4, students collected food for the homeless. Several students- Sydney Rockhold-Layne, Adeline Foibe, and Landrine Zabayo-accompanied Mrs. Fadare to the Women's Shelter in downtown Dayton on September 30 after school. Distributing food bags to several individuals, the students graciously donated their time to share moments with some individuals. "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for justice, for they shall be satisfied." said Jesus.







**Primary Students Recognized for STAR Reading Scores** 









Science students create a butterfly habitat and view body structures with microscope.





Mrs. Carolyn Day assisting with butterflies project





# Stay on Track Jam

On Friday October 1, 2021 hardworking and studious students were able to release some stressful tensions at the first '**Stay on Track**' afternoon dance. With free admission and no uniforms students were able to swing arms and maneuver legs like semi-professional dancers. Mr.Troy Reaves,local Dayton disc jockey and teacher aide, entertained the crowd with non-stop up-to-beat music. The event was organized by Mrs. Campbell,and students appeared to have a good time. While smiling and styling with glitter and flashing wrist watches, headbands, and necklaces, St. Benedict the Moor students continue to 'Stay on Track' in order to participate in other future events.













#### St. Benedict Silent Auction

### https://st-benedict.pals-club.com







Artwork/prints(11)

cook/Kitchenware (12)







Garden Tools (1)







Waterford (9)

You are invited to participate in St. Benedict the Moor Catholic Church's On-line Silent Auction. There are 35 items to bid on. Simply click on the link to see item selections. Each selection will display the item's value and bids. Minimum incremental bids must be \$1.00 or higher than the current bid. Instructions are stated on the link. Bidding will end at midnight on October 22, 2021. Enjoy the Silent Auction! Thank you for your support! Contact Ms. ArvillaCrawford at mailto:acrawford1959@gmail.com or call church at (937)268-6697 for additional information.

## High School Open House Dates

#### for Grade 8 students

#### Carroll High School https://www.carrollhs.org

Join us for Open House on Sunday, October 31 from 1:00-4:00 p.m. Tour the building, ... scholarships, and financial aid are due December 1, 2021

Phone: (937)253-8188

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#### Chaminade/Julienne High School https://www.cjeagles.org/

**Open House was** 9/26/2021 4:00 PM to 9/26/2021 6:00 PM Freshman Applications for the 2022-2023 school year are available now. The priority application deadline for the Class of 2026 is December 1, 2021.

Phone: (937)461-3740

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#### Alter High School <a href="https://alterhs.org">https://alterhs.org</a> Checklist - Alter High School

Sunday, October 17, 2021 from 1pm -3pm Open House for prospective students and their parents.

Phone: (937)434-4434



St.Benedict the Moor Peacemakers



St. Benedict the Moor Catholic School

138 Gramont Ave. Dayton, Ohio 45417 Office:937-268-6391



St. Benedict the Moor Catholic Church 519 Liscum Drive Dayton, Ohio 45417 937-268-6697 Mass Saturday at 4:30 PM & Sunday at 10:30 AM



# School Website https://stbenedictthemoorcatholicschool.org

#### **Upcoming Date Reminders:**

Week of October 4,2021-October 8,2021 is Student Count Week
☐ Quarter 1 ends on October 15,2021
☐ Report Cards distributed and online by October 22,2021
On Track Skate Party scheduled October 27, 2021
$\square$ Parent/Teacher Conferences 7:30am - 7:00pm October 28,2021 NO SCHOOL
☐ October 29, 2021 NO SCHOOL
$\hfill \square$ Week of November 22-November 26,2021< Thanksgiving Break NO SCHOOL
☐ Holiday Break -December 20 - December 31.2021 : Return January 3.2022

		Enrollment Statistics for St. Benedict the Moor Catholic School									
YEAR	Pre-K	Kindergart en	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	Total
2015-2016	11	15	10	9	14						59
2016-2017	12	11	18	10	15	17					83
2017-2018	18	18	15	22	23	20	16				132
2018-2019	15	15	23	15	21	22	18	18			147
2019-2020	16	26	20	23	20	19	21	12	16		173
2020-2021	8	23	24	18	25	20	18	19	15	14	184
2021 - 2022	17	19	22	19	18	23	17	20	19	16	190

#### 2021-2022 School Staff

Fr. Francis Tandoh,C.S.Sp Pastoral Lead	der Janice Kwofie,Business Manager	Debra Johnson, Principal			
Jacqueline Long, Administrative Assista	ant Paula Brown, Cafeteria Manager	Gina Cristiano, ECHO Counselor			
Michelle Sherman, Family Advocate	Foster Ndorimana, Building Manager	Shenella King, Catapult			
Kimberly Roark, Nurse	Jackie Layne,Religion	Laura Rutledge, Pre-Kindergarten			
Sheila Lee, Kindergarten	Elaine Sullivan, Grade 1	Misty Patterson, Grade 2			
Lakitta Campbell, Grade 3	Kimberlyn Fadare, Grade 4	Carol Sims, Grade 5			
Rosalind Adkins, Grade 6	Debra Wright, Grade 7	Laura Lewis, Grade 8			
Jackie Layne, Computer Science	Victoria Sample,Music	Karla Merchant-Parrish, Gym			
Kelly Snyder, Art	Ronnesha Murphy, Troy Reaves, & Nika Dunson Teacher Aides				

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