

Daily Parish Communication

April 15, 2023

Good Morning!

[How to Recite the Chaplet of The Divine Mercy | The Divine Mercy](#)

[The Chaplet of The Divine Mercy Novena - Day 9 | The Divine Mercy](#)

Knights of Columbus Yard Sale at the Jockey Lot 8:00 - 1:00

Private Event at the Church from 1:00 - 2:30

Bulletin Attached.

1. Today's Readings: [Saturday in the Octave of Easter | USCCB](#)

2. The RE Corner with Jan Heithaus: St. Bernadette of Lourdes, while not on the universal calendar, is remembered on April 16, the anniversary of the day she died. Since April 16 this year is Divine Mercy Sunday, we will share an article about her today.

3. Quotes of the Day: *All from St. Bernadette Soubirous*

~"The Eucharist bathes the tormented soul in light and love. Then the soul appreciates these words 'Come all you who are sick, I will restore your health.'"

~"It is in loving the cross that one discovers his heart, for divine love does not exist without suffering."

~"I must die to myself continually and accept trials without complaining."

St. Bernadette, Pray for Us!

St. Joseph, Pray for Us!

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St. Bernadette

St. Bernadette was born in Lourdes, France on January 7, 1844. Her parents were very poor, and she was the first of nine children. She was baptized at St. Pierre's, the local parish church, on January 9. As a toddler, Bernadette contracted cholera and suffered extreme asthma. Unfortunately, she lived the rest of her life in poor health.

On Thursday, February 11, 1858, fourteen-year-old Bernadette was sent with her younger sister and a friend to gather firewood, when a very beautiful lady appeared to her above a rose bush in a grotto called Massabielle (Tuta de Massavielha).

The woman wore blue and white and smiled at Bernadette before making the sign of the cross with a rosary of ivory and gold. Bernadette fell to her knees, took out her own rosary and began to pray. Bernadette later described the woman as "uo petito damizelo," meaning "a small young lady. Though her sister and friend claimed they were unable to see her, Bernadette knew what she saw was real.

Three days later, Bernadette, her sister Marie, and other girls returned to the grotto, where Bernadette immediately knelt, saying she could see "aquero" again. She fell into a trance and one girl threw holy water at the niche and another threw a rock that shattered on the ground. It was then that the apparition disappeared.

On February 18, Bernadette said "the vision" asked her to return to the grotto each day for a fortnight. With each visit, Bernadette saw the Virgin Mary and the period of daily visions became known as "la Quinzaine sacrée," meaning "holy fortnight."

When Bernadette began to visit the grotto, her parents were embarrassed and attempted to stop her, but were unable to do so. On February 25, Bernadette claimed to have had a life-changing vision.

The vision had told her "to drink the water of the spring, to wash in it and to eat the herb that grew there" as an act of penance. The next day, the grotto's muddy waters had been cleared and fresh clear water flowed.

On March 2, at the thirteenth of the apparitions, Bernadette told her family the lady said "a chapel should be built, and a procession formed."

During her sixteenth vision, which Bernadette claims to have experienced for over an hour, was on March 25. Bernadette claimed she had asked the woman her name, but her

question was only met with a smile. Bernadette asked again, three more times, and finally the woman said, "I am the Immaculate Conception."

Though many townspeople believed she had indeed been seeing the Holy Virgin, Bernadette's story created a division in her town. Many believed she was telling the truth, while others believed she had a mental illness and demanded she be put in a mental asylum. Some believed Bernadette's visions meant she needed to pray for penance.

Church authorities and the French government rigorously interviewed the girl, and by 1862 they confirmed she spoke truth. Since Bernadette first caused the spring to produce clean water, 69 cures have been verified by the Lourdes Medical Bureau, and after what the Church claimed were "extremely rigorous scientific and medical examinations," no one was able to explain what caused the cures.

The Lourdes Commission that initially examined Bernadette, ran an analysis on the water but were only able to determine it contained a high mineral content. Bernadette believed it was faith and prayer that was responsible for curing the sick.

Bernadette asked the local priest to build a chapel at the site of her visions and the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Lourdes is now one of the major Catholic pilgrimage sites in the world. Many other chapels and churches have been built around it, including the Basilica of St. Pius X, which can accommodate 25,000 people and was dedicated by the future Pope John XXIII when he was the Papal Nuncio to France.

Following the miracles and constructions, Bernadette decided she did not like the attention she was getting and went to the hospice school run by the Sisters of Charity of Nevers, where she was taught to read and write. Though she considered joining the Carmelites, her health was too fragile.

On July 29, 1866, Bernadette took the religious habit of a postulant and joined the Sisters of Charity at their motherhouse at Nevers. Her Mistress of Novices was Sister Marie Therese Vauzou and the Mother Superior at the time named her Marie-Bernarde, in honor of her grandmother.

Bernadette spent the rest of her life there working as an infirmiry assistant, and later a sacristan. People admired her humility and spirit of sacrifice. Once a nun asked her if she had temptations of pride because she was favored by the Blessed Mother. "How can I?" she answered quickly. "The Blessed Virgin chose me only because I was the most ignorant."

Unfortunately, she was diagnosed with tuberculosis of the bone in her right knee and was unable to take part in convent life. She died in the Sainte Croix (Holy Cross) Infirmary of the Convent of Saint-Gildard at the age of 35 on April 16, 1879, while praying the holy rosary.

Even on her deathbed Bernadette suffered severe pain and keeping with the Virgin Mary's admonition of "Penance, Penance, Penance," she proclaimed "all this is good for Heaven!" Bernadette's last words were, "Blessed Mary, Mother of God, pray for me. A poor sinner, a poor sinner."

The nuns of Saint-Gildard, with the support of the bishop of Nevers, applied to the civil authorities for permission to bury Bernadette's body in a small chapel dedicated to Saint Joseph, which was within the confines of the convent. Permission was granted on April 25, 1879, and on April 30, the local Prefect pronounced his approval of the choice of the site for burial. On May 30, 1879, Bernadette's coffin was transferred to the crypt of the chapel of Saint Joseph, where a very simple ceremony was held to commemorate the event.

Thirty years later, on September 22, two doctors and a sister of the community exhumed her body. They claimed the crucifix and rosary she carried had been oxidized but her body remained incorrupt. The incorruption was cited as one of the miracles supporting her canonization.

The group washed and redressed Bernadette's body then buried it in a new double casket. The Church exhumed her body again on April 3, 1919, and the doctor who examined her said, "The body is practically mummified, covered with patches of mildew and quite a notable layer of salts, which appear to be calcium salts ... The skin has disappeared in some places, but it is still present on most parts of the body."

In 1925, Bernadette's body was exhumed yet again. This time relics were sent to Rome and an imprint of her face was molded, which was used to create a wax mask to be placed on her body. There were also imprints of her hands to be used for the presentation of her body, which was placed in a gold and crystal reliquary in the Chapel of Saint Bernadette at the mother house in Nevers.

In 1928, Doctor Comte published a report on Bernadette's exhumation in the second issue of the *Bulletin de l'Association medicale de Notre-Dame de Lourdes*, where he wrote:

"I would have liked to open the left side of the thorax to take the ribs as relics and then remove the heart which I am certain must have survived. However, as the trunk was

slightly supported on the left arm, it would have been rather difficult to try and get at the heart without doing too much noticeable damage.

"As the Mother Superior had expressed a desire for the Saint's heart to be kept together with the whole body, and as Monsignor the Bishop did not insist, I gave up the idea of opening the left-hand side of the thorax and contented myself with removing the two right ribs which were more accessible.

"What struck me during this examination, of course, was the state of perfect preservation of the skeleton, the fibrous tissues of the muscles (still supple and firm), of the ligaments, and of the skin, and above all the totally unexpected state of the liver after 46 years. One would have thought that this organ, which is basically soft and inclined to crumble, would have decomposed very rapidly or would have hardened to a chalky consistency. Yet, when it was cut it was soft and almost normal in consistency. I pointed this out to those present, remarking that this did not seem to be a natural phenomenon."

Saint Bernadette is often depicted in prayer with a rosary or appealing to the Holy Virgin. She was beatified in 1925 and canonized by Pope Pius XI in December 1933. Saint Bernadette is the patroness of illness, people ridiculed for their piety, poverty, shepherds, shepherdesses, and Lourdes, France.

Source: catholic.org

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Mass Schedule

Tuesday & Thursday 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday & Friday 8:30 a.m.
First Saturdays 9:30 a.m.
Saturday (Vigil) 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Confessions

Tuesday & Thursday
6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday & Friday
9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.
Saturday, 3:15 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.
or by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesdays 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
First Fridays 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
First Sundays 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Religious Education

K5 - Confirmation
Sunday 9:45 a.m.

Church Hours

Monday - Friday
9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Office Hours

1303 McLees Rd. Anderson
Monday 12:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Tuesday - Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Friday 9:30 a.m. - Noon



April 16, 2023

2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." - Jn 20:29

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MISSION

We the people of God at St. Joseph Catholic Church & School, acknowledge the mission of Holy Mother Church as seeking the salvation of souls by making disciples of all nations – teaching them all that Jesus Christ has commanded. (Mt. 28:19-20)

Welcome Newcomers! Registration forms are available in the Narthex of the church or online at www.sjccs.net.

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Mass Intentions

04/16 SUNDAY - Divine Mercy Sunday
5:00PM +Adeline Glanowski rb Glanowski Family
8:30AM People of the Parish
11:00AM +Joseph Omiecinski rb Fr. Gillespie and the Parish
Acts 2:42-47/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31

4/17 Monday - Easter Weekday
No Mass
Acts 4:23-31/Jn 3:1-8

04/18 Tuesday - Easter Weekday
5:30pm Brenda Wilkins rb Canello Family
Acts 4:32-37/Jn 3:7b-15

04/19 Wednesday - Easter Weekday
8:30AM Matthew C. Mytych rb Mytych Family
Acts 5:17-26/Jn 3:16-21

04/20 Thursday - Easter Weekday
5:30PM +Art McMahon rb Rich & Shirley Hamel
Acts 5:27-33/Jn 3:31-36

04/21 Friday - St. Anselm, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
8:30AM Frank Burrow rb Michael Rivera
Acts 5:34-42/Jn 6:1-15

04/23 SUNDAY - Third Sunday of Easter
5:30PM (Vigil) +Ted Martin rb Rich & Shirley Hamel
8:30AM +George Mixon rb Daw Family
11:00AM People of the Parish
Acts 2:14,22-33/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35

Church Weekly Budget Income	\$ 10,500.00
Weekly Collection of April 9, 2023:	
Received in Office	\$ 12,235.00
WeShare Online Giving	\$ 7,114.00
	\$ 19,349.00
Over/(Under)	\$ 8,849.00
Second Collection of April 9, 2023:	
Easter Offering	\$ 6,976.00
Weekly Collection of April 2, 2023:	
Received in Office	\$ 9,261.00
WeShare Online Giving	\$ 1,590.00
	\$ 10,851.00
Over/(Under)	\$ 351.00
Second Collection of April 2, 2023:	
Parish Charity	\$ 1,059.00
WeShare Online Collection for March 2023:	
Building & Maintenance Fund	\$ 75.00
Easter	\$ 100.00
Parish School Support (SOS)	\$ 459.00
School Scholarship	\$ 175.00
Parish Charity	\$ 641.00
Black & Indian Missions	\$ 75.00
	\$ 1,525.00

Thank you for your support & generosity!

Pray the Rosary Everyday!~ Fr. Gillespie

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

If you are ill or about to be hospitalized for surgery and wish to receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please contact the parish office to make an appointment before hospitalization: 864-225-5341 or info@sjccs.net

In the event of an emergency, please call the parish office: 864-225-5341. After hours & weekend emergencies – please press 1 when prompted.

 **42 Praying Days to Pentecost!**
Come Holy Spirit!

Pray for the Sick

April 16: Dot Bismack, Betty Briggs, Ronald Derosa, Lorenzo Di Portio, Frank Harper, Marian Herrera & Family, Bernadette Hill, Barbara Kaliski, Diane Krolak, Joe Modzel, James Musacchia, Ewa Pedzimaz, Beatrice Runnion, Kathleen Schiller, Carolyn Schilling, Amelia Stevens, John Ransom Stevens, and Janis Zeglen.
April 9: Joe Ball, Don Black, Becky Briggs, Buddy Briggs, David Burrell, George Chastain, Jeanne Chisman, Brillah Evelyn Edwards, Billy Ellison, Pat Jourdan, James Kuenzle, Frank Lavoy, Debbie Lollis, Mary Beth McCarty, John McKee & Family, Suellen Pometto, Renée Poutrain, Chris Roll, Denise Wallace and Kenneth Yuravich.
April 2: Jean Alpi, Angelo Aragona, Connie Bennett, Rebecca Black, Ray & Ruth Hamel, Alison Henderson, Lynn Herold, Ray Herold, Leif Hope, Fr. Ignatius, Frann Melanaski, Lucille Pekarik, and Jimmy Tucker.
 Names will remain on prayer list for 3 weeks. To add a name or to maintain a name contact the parish office.

ONLINE GIVING INSTRUCTIONS

Look for the **GIVING** button on our website: www.sjccs.net. Click on **GIVING** and follow the link to our parish "WeShare" page for regular contributions, second collections, and special event donations!

Bulletin Deadlines

05/07/2023	05/14/2023	05/21/2023
Materials due 04/23	Materials due 04/30	Materials due 05/07

Please submit all announcements in an editable Word or Publisher document. Remember to include: **Who, What, Where, Why, When.**
E-Mail announcements to weekly.bulletin@sjccs.net

Please pray for the repose of the Holy Souls in Purgatory

*May the faithful departed be aided by our prayers.
 Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord;
 and let perpetual light shine upon them.
 May they rest in peace. Amen*

WEEK AT A GLANCE

SAT	APR 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knights of Columbus Yard Sale, 8:00 AM-1:00 PM, Jockey Lot • Private Event, 1:00-2:30 PM, Church • Confessions, 3:15-4:45 PM • Mass, 5:00 PM
SUN	APR 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mass, 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM • Bible Study, 9:45-10:45 AM, Office • No Religious Education • Baptisms, 12:30 PM, Church • Divine Mercy & Penitential Prayers, 3:00-4:00 PM, Church
Sunday of the Divine Mercy		
MON	APR 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boy Scouts, 6:30 PM, Hall
TUE	APR 18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mary's Prayer Cenacle Rosary, 9:30-11:00 AM, Church • Mass, 5:30 PM • Confessions, 6:00-7:00 PM
WED	APR 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mass, 8:30 AM • Eucharistic Adoration, 9:00 AM-4:00 PM • Confessions, 9:15-10:15 AM • Choir, 7:00-8:30PM, Church
THU	APR 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mass, 5:30 PM • Confessions, 6:00-7:00 PM
FRI	APR 21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mass, 8:30 AM • Confessions, 9:15-10:15 AM • Bible Study, 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM, Office
SAT	APR 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knights of Columbus Yard Sale, 8:00 AM-1:00 PM, Jockey Lot • Confessions, 3:15-4:45 PM • Mass, 5:00 PM
SUN	APR 23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mass, 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM • Bible Study, 9:45-10:45 AM, Office • RCIA, 9:45-10:45 AM, Hall • Religious Education, 9:45-10:45 AM, School • Baptism, 12:30 PM, Church • Divine Mercy Chaplet/Penitential Prayers, 3:00 PM, Church

See our Calendar at www.sjccs.net for a full schedule of weekly and monthly events.



FIRST SATURDAY MASSES
In Reparation to the
Immaculate Heart of Mary

NEXT FIRST SATURDAY MASS IS MAY 6, 2023 AT 9:30 AM

Please attend.

A free will offering is collected at First Saturday Mass to support a local charity.
 May & June of 2023 offerings will support the work of the
 Mercy Center & Hope Mission.

PASTOR’S CORNER

From a sermon by Saint Leo the Great, pope

(Sermo 15, De passione Domini, 3-4: PL 54, 366-367)

Contemplating the Lord’s passion

True reverence for the Lord’s passion means fixing the eyes of our heart on Jesus crucified and recognizing in him our own humanity.

The earth—our earthly nature—should tremble at the suffering of its Redeemer. The rocks—the hearts of unbelievers—should burst asunder. The dead, imprisoned in the tombs of their mortality, should come forth, the massive stones now ripped apart. Foreshadowings of the future resurrection should appear in the holy city, the Church of God: what is to happen to our bodies should now take place in our hearts.

No one, however weak, is denied a share in the victory of the cross. No one is beyond the help of the prayer of Christ. His prayer brought benefit to the multitude that raged against him. How much more does it bring to those who turn to him in repentance.

Ignorance has been destroyed, obstinacy has been overcome. The sacred blood of Christ has quenched the flaming sword that barred access to the tree of life. The age-old night of sin has given place to the true light.

The Christian people are invited to share the riches of paradise. All who have been reborn have the way open before them to return to their native land, from which they had been exiled. Unless indeed they close off for themselves the path that could be opened before the faith of a thief.

The business of this life should not preoccupy us with its anxiety and pride, so that we no longer strive with all the love of our heart to be like our Redeemer, and to follow his example. Everything that he did or suffered was for our salvation: he wanted his body to share the goodness of its head.

First of all, in taking our human nature while remaining God, so that the Word became man, he left no member of the human race, the unbeliever excepted, without a share in his mercy. Who does not share a common nature with Christ if he has welcomed Christ, who took our nature, and is reborn in the Spirit through whom Christ was conceived?

Again, who cannot recognize in Christ his own infirmities? Who would not recognize that Christ’s eating and sleeping, his sadness and his shedding of tears of love are marks of the nature of a slave?

It was this nature of a slave that had to be healed of its ancient wounds and cleansed of the defilement of sin. For that reason the only-begotten Son of God became also the son of man. He was to have both the reality of a human nature and the fullness of the godhead.

The body that lay lifeless in the tomb is ours. The body that rose again on the third day is ours. The body that ascended above all the heights of heaven to the right hand of the Father’s glory is ours. If then we walk in the way of his commandments, and are not ashamed to acknowledge the price he paid for our salvation in a lowly body, we too are to rise to share his glory. The promise he made will be fulfilled in the sight of all: Whoever acknowledges me before men, I too will acknowledge him before my Father who is in heaven.

GREECE

In the Footsteps of St. Paul

Including a 3-night Aegean Sea Cruise with Fr. Philip S. Gillespie

OCTOBER 23—NOVEMBER 3, 2023

Join Family Honor and Fr. Philip S. Gillespie on a Pilgrimage to Greece

You are invited to join Family Honor on an amazing 12-day pilgrimage to Greece, including a three-night cruise along the Aegean Sea! Visit the sites related to St. Paul in Corinth, Thessaloniki, Kavala, Philippi, and Veria. Also visit Ephesus, Patmos, Mykonos, Santorini, Crete, and Meteora. You’ll participate in daily Mass at holy sites, visit the monastery and cave where St. John wrote the Book of Revelation, see the house where the Blessed Mother lived with St. John and explore the ancient city of Athens. In addition, you’ll stop by museums with displays of ancient artifacts and savor exquisite Mediterranean cuisine. Enjoy the company of professional Tour Escort and make unforgettable memories, all in the safety and ease of group travel. The group departs the U.S. on October 23 and returns November 3.

Spiritual director for the pilgrimage will be Father Philip Gillespie. For more information, contact Brenda Cerkez, Executive Director of Family Honor, at 803-929-0858 or bcerkez@familyhonor.org Or go to : <https://www.catholicheritagetours.com/fhbcgr2023>

EASTER FLOWERS ~ HONORARIUMS & MEMORIALS 2023

(Received after Early Printer Deadline for Easter Sunday Bulletin)

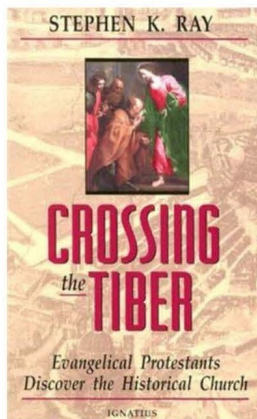
Philip & Margaret Baldi rb Bruno & Florence Lombardo
Samuel Dollenmeier rb Christine Dollenmeier
Jean Houck rb Christine Dollenmeier
John Houck rb Christine Dollenmeier
Bob Juno rb Pat Juno
Kathy Juno rb Pat Juno
Gabriel & Mary Lombardo rb Bruno & Florence Lombardo
Bill & Teresa Trentecosta rb Anonymous



Children’s Stations of the Cross was a success! We had about 35 children of all ages who walked the stations, learned about Jesus’ passion and recited the prayers. We also had several adults who appreciated participating as they generally don’t drive at night, etc. We completed all the proper prayers so there were plenary or partial indulgences available for those eligible. We will plan to do this again next year.

Catholic Book Discussion Group - Come join us!

*The conversion story of
Stephen Ray
(our guest speaker last
November)*



May 4th Selection

An exhilarating conversion story of Stephen Ray, a devout Baptist, who relates how he overcame his hostility to the Catholic Church by a combination of serious Bible study and vast research of the writings of the early Church Fathers. In addition to a moving account of their conversion that caused Ray and his wife to "cross" the Tiber to Rome, he offers an in-depth treatment of Baptism and the Eucharist in Scripture and the ancient Church.

Come to either group:
Thursday, May 4 3:00 pm
Thursday, May 4 6:30 pm

Where:
Parish Office (conference room)

Contact Jan Heithaus in the parish office for more information.

All are welcome to join in our book discussion whenever you are interested.

MARY’S PRAYER CENACLE

“Give me an army saying the Rosary and I will Conquer the World.” - Pope Pius IX

Mary is calling us to pray the Rosary with intercessory prayers. Come and answer your Mother’s call on Tuesdays from 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM in the church. Then continue with Study & Prayer in the Parish Office until Noon.

For more information call Rosemary at 864-356-8901



SAVE THE DATES
JUNE 19th - 23rd 2023
Catholic Kidz Camp (VBS)

Next planning meeting:
Tuesday, April 25th from
1:00 to 2:00 PM in the
Parish Office.

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SAINTS

Misery Meets Mercy: St. Faustina Kowalska

Dr. Tim Gray & Fr. Mateusz Ratajczak

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Misery Meets Mercy: Saint Faustina Kowalska

St. Faustina is known as the "secretary of Divine Mercy" because of the revelations of the Lord to her about His unfathomable mercy. Join Dr. Ben Akers and Fr. Mateusz as they discuss her proclamation of the message of Divine Mercy.

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Prayer to the Holy Trinity

Father, Son and Holy Spirit
direct and protect,
guide and provide,
inspire and set on fire
my heart for Love of
You and my neighbor
in all things.
Amen.

Anniversary Blessings

The church provides a special blessing for 25th, 50th, or 60th Wedding Anniversaries. If you are interested, please contact the office if you are celebrating one of these anniversaries.

Want to Strengthen your marriage? Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience

**Weekend Marriage Retreat
Nov 10-12, 2023
NORTH MYRTLE BEACH, SC**

<https://scmarriagematters.org/>
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Office of Family Life**

Christy Brown, 803-554-6088

CATHOLIC MEDIA RESOURCES (Recommended by Fr. Gillespie):

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Kresta in the Afternoon ~ Search: kresta in the afternoon (ave maria radio)

Catholic Radio in South Carolina ~ Free App (Apple App Store/Google Play Store) Search: "MediaTrix" and look for the blue rose with a pristine white background.

Catholic Current w/ Fr. Robert McTeigue, SJ ~ Search: The Catholic Current

Read:

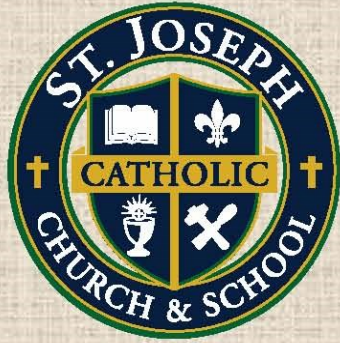
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St. Joseph Catholic School is now accepting applications for First Steps 4K, a **FREE** 4-year-old Kindergarten program for eligible children.

Hurry! Space is Limited!

Save the Date! April 29th

Would you like to share a dish from your culture? We would love you to participate!

Please email or use QR Code
kathy.massey@sjccs.net or
elizabethawingard@gmail.com



Tickets on sale now in the school office and after select Masses!

\$15 for Adults \$5 Children (ages 5-12) Free Children 4 and under



Safe Environment Program ~ St. Joseph Church & School is committed to ensuring a safe environment for our children and for upholding the “National Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People” All Volunteers who serve at Masses (Ushers, Lectors, Sacristans, Eucharistic Ministers) and all parish office and school volunteers must undergo a background screening and complete *Safe Haven* online training.

Prior to volunteering, the parish must receive the clearance paperwork back from the Diocese of Charleston. Please contact the parish office or school for forms. For more information on how to report an allegation of abuse go to <http://www.sccatholic.org> and click on “Child and Youth Protection” at the bottom left of the homepage.

Parish Safe Environment Coordinator: Denise Thompson, (864) 225-5341 or dthompson@charlestondiocese.org

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Diocesan Office of Child Protection Services: (843) 853-2130x 209; **Diocesan Victim Assistance:** (800) 921-8122.



Are you a Catholic in good standing looking to move to the next level in your faith. I would like to invite you to join the worldwide Catholic movement called Cursillo.

What is the Cursillo movement? It's a deliberate act to bring Jesus Christ into the world. Members become agents for change in their families, work, neighborhoods, social gatherings and church. It starts with a weekend encounter with Jesus Christ in the company of other members of the movement. The weekend includes morning and night prayers, daily Mass, teaching, sharing, good food and great fellowship. It is not easy to describe an encounter with Christ, but speaking from experience, he will be there with you.

In our diocese, there are two weekend encounters each year for men and for women. The next Men's weekend is August 24th – 27th, and the next women's weekend is September 28th - Oct 1st. There is no cost for the weekend (that is right, no cost), however there is an application to complete and you need a sponsor, which I can help you with. If interested, drop me an email at chet.johns@sjccs.net and I will drop you an application by email and answer any questions you have. I am hoping to participate personally in the next Fall men's weekend. De colores.



Upcoming Events at Heartridge

Sunset, South Carolina

Mother/ Tween Daughter "Arise and Shine" Overnight Retreat Saturday, April 22-23 If you have a tween daughter, don't miss this opportunity to build friendship and communication so important in the upcoming teen years. At this one night retreat at Heart Ridge in Sunset, SC, moms and daughters will do crafts, play games, hike, and spend time in communication and discussion activities. There will also be a couple of expert talks on puberty and the beauty of being a woman. Price includes all activities, materials, food, snacks, and comfortable lodging.

<https://www.heartridgeministries.com/motherdaughter.html>

Ignatian Silent Retreat lead by Fr. William Frei May 5-7 Join us at the Heart Ridge Retreat Center in Sunset, SC for 3 days and 2 nights of a directed silent retreat. There will be sessions led by Fr. Frei as well as Mass and Confession, but most of the time will be spent in silence so that the retreatants can spend time discerning, praying, and resting in God's care. All food and comfortable lodging provided at the beautiful mountain retreat center.

For more information <https://www.heartridgeministries.com/silent-retreat.html>

Come to the Mountains! Catholic Summer Family Camp Heart Ridge Retreat Center offers weeklong Catholic family camps. It's like summer camp--but for the whole family. One price includes comfortable AC lodging, food, and all of the activities. Faith sessions based on age are offered daily as well as individual family time, and Mass. Afternoons are spent doing optional outdoor activities at and near the mountain retreat center. Evenings are full of fun, like skits and games.

If you want to grow closer to God and closer as a family, and get out of cooking for a week, this is the vacation for you. <https://www.heartridgeministries.com/summer-family-camp.html>

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