April 29, 2023

Good Morning!

Knights of Columbus Yard Sale at the Jockey Lot, 8:00-1;00 Knights of Columbus collections after all Masses this weekend at the garage.

CWS Meeting, Parish Hall at 9:30 AM

Taste of St. Joseph tonight after Mass! Tickets are \$15 per adult - All You Can Eat; Children \$5 and Children under 4 are Free. The school parking lot will be closed Saturday afternoon - please park on the church side - McLees Road.

Bulletin attached.

- 1. Today's Readings: Memorial of Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church | USCCB
- 2. The RE Corner with Jan Heithaus: St. Catherine of Siena was born during the outbreak of the plague in Siena, Italy on March 25, 1347. She was the 25th child born to her mother, although half of her brothers and sisters did not survive childhood. Catherine herself was a twin, but her sister did not survive infancy. She was a mystic and received revelations from Jesus. She called for reform of the Church and for people to confess and to love God totally. She became involved in politics and was key in working to keep city states loyal to the Pope. She was also credited with helping to start a crusade to the Holy Land. She is credited with composing over 400 letters, her Dialogue, which is her definitive work, and her prayers. These works are so influential that St. Catherine would later be declared a Doctor of the Church. She became ill and died at age 33. She is the patroness against fire, illness, the United States, Italy, miscarriages, people ridiculed for their faith, sexual temptation, and nurses. (catholic.org) Our article today are words given to her by God on the sublime dignity of the priesthood. Let us take these words to heart and pray for our priests, especially our own Fr. Gillespie. St. Catherine of Siena was born during the outbreak of the plague in Siena, Italy on March 25, 1347. She was the 25th child born to her mother, although half of her brothers and sisters did not survive childhood. Catherine herself was a twin, but her sister did not survive infancy. She was a mystic and received revelations from Jesus. She called for reform of the Church and for people to confess and to love God totally. She became involved in politics and was key in working to keep city states loyal to the Pope. She was also credited with helping to start a crusade to the Holy Land. She is credited with composing over 400 letters, her Dialogue, which is her definitive work, and her prayers. These works are so influential that St. Catherine would later be declared a Doctor of the Church. She became ill and died at age 33. She is the patroness against fire, illness, the United States, Italy, miscarriages, people ridiculed for their faith, sexual temptation, and nurses. (catholic.org) Our article today are words

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given to her by God on the sublime dignity of the priesthood. Let us take these words to heart and pray for our priests, especially our own Fr. Gillespie.

- 3. Quotes of the Day: St. Catherine of Siena
- ~"The soul is in God and God is in the soul. God is closer to us than water is to a fish."
- ~"We are such value to God that he came to live among us ... and to guide us home. He will go to any length to seek us, even to being lifted high upon the cross to draw us back to himself. We can only respond by loving God for his love."
- ~To the servant of God...every place is the right place, and every time is the right time."

St. Catherine of Siena, Pray for Us! St. Joseph, Pray for Us!

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The dignity of the priesthood

God spoke to Saint Catherine of Siena about his priests. He told her that, as ministers of the Eucharist and other sacraments, they have a dignity beyond even that of the angels. But with such dignity comes weighty responsibility.

The priests are my anointed ones. I call them my "christs," because I've appointed them to the office of administering me to you in the Eucharist. I've planted them like fragrant flowers in the mystical body of the holy Church. Even the angels have no such dignity, for I've given it instead to those men whom I've chosen to be my ministers, appointed as earthly "angels" in this life.

In all souls I demand purity and charity, expecting them to love me and their neighbors, helping them by the ministry of prayer. But far more do I demand purity in my ministers, along with a love toward me and toward their fellow creatures, administering to them the Body and Blood of my only begotten Son, with fiery charity and a hunger for the salvation of souls, for the glory and honor of my Name.

In the same way that these ministers require the chalice in which they offer this sacrifice to be clean, I require their heart and soul and mind to be clean. And I want them to keep their bodies perfectly pure, as the instrument of their souls. I don't want them to feed upon and wallow in the mire of impurity, or so to be puffed up by pride in seeking high office.

To act this way would show cruelty toward themselves and their fellow creatures. In fact, they can't be cruel to themselves without being cruel to others: if by sin they abuse themselves, then they are abusing the souls of their neighbors, because they fail to give them an example of how to live. They aren't concerned about rescuing them from the church clutches of the devil or administering to them the Body and Blood of my only begotten Son, or showing them me, the true light, and the other sacraments of holy Church. In abusing themselves, then, priests abuse others.

In God's presence, consider...

Do I recognize the weight that rests on the shoulders of our priests? Do I express to them my appreciation for bearing such grave responsibilities?

Prayer: Lord Jesus Christ, high priest of our faith, thank you for giving us priests to bring the ministry of word and sacrament. Make us faithful to support them in prayer, practical assistance and frequent encouragement.

Source: A Year with the Saints by Paul Thigpen



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General Contact ~ info@sjccs.net

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

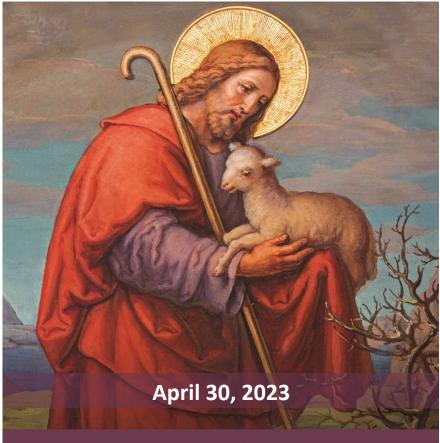
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Diocese of Charleston

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CHURCH & SCHOOL

Fr. Philip S. Gillespie, Pastor ~ pastor@sjccs.net



4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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"Whoever enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice, as the shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out." - Jn 10:2-3

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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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Church Weekly Budget Income		\$ 10,500.00	
Weekly Collection of April 23, 2023: Received in Office WeShare Online Giving	\$ \$	9,323.00 1,600.00	
	\$ 1	10,923.00	
Over/(Under)	\$	423.00	
Second Collection of April 23, 2023: Catholic Home Missions	\$	794.00	
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	
	<u>\$</u> \$	1,525.00	
Thank you for your support & generosity!			



28 Praying Days to Pentecost!

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

05/21/2023

05/28/2023

06/04/2023

Materials due 05/07

Materials due 05/14

Materials due 05/21

Please submit all announcements in an <u>editable</u> Word or Publisher document. Remember to include: Who, What, Where, Why, When.

E-Mail announcements to weekly.bulletin@sjccs.net

Mass Intentions

04/30 SUNDAY - Fourth Sunday of Easter

5:00PM People of the Parish

8:30AM +Mr & Mrs James Sharkey, Sr. rb James Sharkey, Jr.

11:00AM +Bob Juno rb Joan Loughlin

Acts 2:14a, 36-41/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10

05/01 MONDAY - Easter Weekday/St. Joseph the Worker No Mass

Acts 11:1-18/Jn 10:11-18

05/02 TUESDAY - St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

5:30PM <u>+Harry J. & Aurelia Bendig</u> rb Fr. Gillespie Acts 11:19-26/Jn 10:22-30

05/03 WEDNESDAY - Sts. Philip and James, Apostles **8:30AM** +**Joe Bonacci** rb Fr. Gillespie

1 Cor 15:1-8/Jn 14:6-14

05/04 THURSDAY - Easter Weekday/National Day of Prayer 5:30PM +Patricia Moynihan rb Teresa Kimmel

Acts 13:13-25/Jn 13:16-20

 $05/05\ FRIDAY$ - First Friday/Easter Weekday

8:30AM +Marie Six rb Edie Krug and Donna Ellis

Acts 13:26-33/Jn 14:1-6

05/06 FIRST SATURDAY

9:30 AM Priest's Intentions

5:00 PM (Vigil) +Adeline Glanowski rb Glanowski Family
See Readings for Sunday

05/07 SUNDAY - Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:30AM People of the Parish

11:00AM +Megan Saldanha rb Playford Family

Acts 6:1-7/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12

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.

Pray for the Sick

April 30: 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, Chris Roll, Denise Wallace, Tommy Wallace, and Kenneth Yuravich.

April 23: Jean Alpi, Angelo & Joan Aragona, Suzanne Aragona, Connie Bennett, Rebecca Black, Audrey Duffy, Les Francz, Ray & Ruth Hamel, Alison Henderson, Lynn Herold, Ray Herold, Leif Hope, Fr. Ignatius, Frann Melanaski, Lucille Pekarik, and Jimmy Tucker.

April 16: Dot Bismack, Betty Briggs, Ronald Derosa, Lorenzo Di Portio, Frank Harper, Marian 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.

Names will remain on prayer list for 3 weeks. To add a name or to maintain a name contact the parish office.

Please pray for the repose of the Holy Souls in Purgatory

May the faithful departed be aided by our prayers. Eiernal 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 29	 Knights of Columbus Yard Sale, 8:00 AM-1:00 PM, Jockey Lot CWS Meeting, 9:30-11:00 AM, Hall Confessions, 3:15-4:45 PM Mass, 5:00 PM Taste of St. Joseph, 6:00-9:00 PM, Hall Knights of Columbus Yard Sale Donation Collection after Masses
SUN	APR 30	 Mass, 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM Bible Study, 9:45-10:45 AM, Office Religious Education, 9:45-10:45 AM, School Knights of Columbus Yard Sale Donation Collection after Masses Baptism, 12:30 PM, Church Divine Mercy & Penitential Prayers, 3:00-4:00 PM, Church
MON	MAY 1	• St. Joseph the Worker • Boy Scouts, 6:30 PM, Hall
TUE	MAY 2	 Mary's Prayer Cenacle Rosary, 9:30-11:00 AM, Church Hilltoppers, 11:30 AM -1:30 PM, Hall Mass, 5:30 PM Confessions, 6:00-7:00 PM
WED	MAY 3	 Mass, 8:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration, 9:00 AM-4:00 PM Confessions, 9:15-10:15 AM Private Event, 5:00-6:00 PM, Church Choir, 7:00-8:30 PM, Church
THU	MAY 4	 Catholic Book Group, 3:00 & 6:30 PM, Office Mass, 5:30 PM Confessions, 6:00-7:00 PM
FRI	MAY 5	 Mass, 8:30 AM First Friday Eucharistic Adoration, 9:00 AM-3:00 PM Confessions, 9:15-10:15 AM Bible Study, 10:30 AM-12:00 PM, Office Fish Fry 5:30-7:30 PM & Movie w/Popcorn 7:30-8:00 PM, Hall
SAT	MAY 6	 Knights of Columbus Yard Sale, 8:00 AM-1:00 PM, Jockey Lot First Saturday Mass. 9:30 AM Confessions, 3:15-4:45 PM Mass, 5:00 PM
SUN	MAY 7	 Mass, 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM Bible Study, 9:45-10:45 AM, Office Religious Education, 9:45-10:45 AM, School First Sunday Adoration with May Crowning, follows 11:00 AM Mass, Church May Crowning Celebration at the conclusion of the Crowning, Hall Divine Mercy Chaplet/Penitential Prayers, 3:00 PM, Church

Congratulations! We welcome all those Baptized at St. Joseph recently:

James Leo Johnson Ethan Christopher Mann Jordan Christopher Mitchell, Jr.

Axel Berlie Nix Keaton Joseph Ryan John Ransom Stevens

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.

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

HILLTOPPERS 50+

You are cordially invited to attend the Hilltoppers socials held on the first Tuesday of each month. Our next meeting is **Tuesday**, **May 2 at 11:30 AM** in the Parish Hall.

The main course will be Enchiladas. Side dishes, salads, and desserts are welcomed (but not required).

Our guest speaker is Deacon Chet Johns.

If you don't wish to come alone, bring a friend (non-parishioners and non-Catholics are most welcome). You will meet interesting people and hopefully form new friendships within our community.

Please join us for the fun!

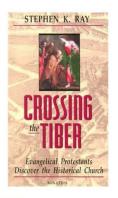


The Parish May Crowning will occur on Sunday, May 7th. The Crowning will be held in the church after the 11:00 AM Mass at the beginning of First Sunday Adoration. Please join us in this special celebration honoring our Blessed Mother.

Following the May Crowning...Everyone is invited to a May Crowning Reception hosted by the St. Joseph's Holy Family Group. Join us in the hall after the May Crowning for light snacks and refreshments. We hope to see you there!

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

Contact Jan Heithaus in the parish office for more information.

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

FISH FRY & A MOVIE! Let's gather together!



The Next Fish Fry & Movie is May 5th.

Please come and bring the whole family. Fish Fry Dinner: 5:30 - 7:30pm. Movie and popcorn: 7:30 - 8:00pm.

Tickets are available from any Knight and at the door the night of the event.

Adults - \$15, kids under-12 - \$5.

\$40 Maximum for immediate family.

(Dad, Mom, & Kids)



FIRST SATURDAY MASSES

In Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

NEXT FIRST SATURDAY MASS IS MAY 6, 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.



St. Joseph: Old and New (Part 1 of 4)

Join Taylor Kemp and Dr. Ben Akers as they comment on St. Joseph and his importance in the life of the Church. In this episode, they reflect on the Joseph of the Old and New Testament.

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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/ or call 803-810-9602.

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Office of Family Life

Christy Brown, 803-554-6088

CATHOLIC MEDIA RESOURCES (Recommended by Fr. Gillespie):

Listen:

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.

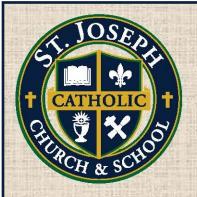
Catholic Current w/ Fr. Robert McTeigue, SJ ~ Search: The Catholic Current

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Hurry! Space is Limited!



<u>Safe Environment Program</u> ~ 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" <u>All Volunteers</u> 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.

<u>Prior to volunteering, the parish must receive the clearance paperwork back from the Diocese of Charleston.</u>

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.

<u>Parish Safe Environment Coordinator</u>: Denise Thompson, (864) 225-5341 or dthompson@charlestondiocese.org <u>School Safe Environment Coordinator</u>: Kathy Massey, (864) 760-1619 or kmassey@charlestondiocese.org <u>Diocesan Office of Child Protection Services</u>: (843) 853-2130x 209; <u>Diocesan Victim Assistance</u>: (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 $24^{th} - 27^{th}$, and the next women's weekend is September 28^{th} - 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@siccs.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

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

Icon Painting Workshop St. Rafka Catholic Church, Greenville, South Carolina

Experience the unique spiritual world of the Byzantine Era through icon painting



June 26-July 1, 2023 St. Rafka Catholic Church Greenville, South Carolina

Join us on this six day intensive course under the direction of visiting master iconographer and expert instructor Theodoros Papadopoulos from Greece. This Saint Gabriel icon will "come alive" as he will guide you step by step, through the ancient techniques of Byzantine Iconography. Let us journey together, discovering anew, this traditional artistic expression of theology and spirituality often called the "meeting place of the Divine". Whether you are beginner or a professional, this workshop offers the opportunity to learn or refine your techniques. It is a great opportunity for everyone to experience first hand the painting of an icon.

Your tuition fee of \$700 includes most materials including boards pigments etc.

Space is limited and early registration is suggested.

For enrollment and more information, visit the website https://theodoreicons.com/sc

or contact Mrs Aziza Stansberry at: stansberryazizax@gmail.com phone: 864-506-1924

Corpus Christi Retreat



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<u>Gathering</u>

Reflect upon the significance of gathering together as God's people.

Nourishment

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Sacrifice

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Sending

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Featuring highly praised Retreat Master

Deacon Matt Newsome

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