

Diocese of Charleston

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL

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Mass Schedule

Tuesday & Thursday 5:30 pm
Wednesday & Friday 8:30 am
First Saturdays 9:30 am
Saturday (Vigil) 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:30 am & 11:00 am

Confessions

Tuesday & Thursday
6:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Wednesday & Friday
9:15 am – 10:15 am
Saturday, 3:15 pm – 4:45 pm
or by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesdays 9:00 am – 4:00 pm
First Fridays 9:00 am – 3:00 pm
First Sundays 12:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Religious Education

K4 – Confirmation
Sunday 9:50 am

Church Hours

Monday – Friday
9:30 am – 4:30 pm

Office Hours

1303 McLees Rd. Anderson
Monday 12:00 pm – 3:30 pm
Tuesday – Thursday 9:30 am – 3:30 pm
Friday 9:30 am – Noon



December 10, 2023
Second Sunday of Advent



“Preparee the way of the Lord.” – Mk 1:3

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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 email registration@sjccs.net.

Church Staff 864-225-5341	
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Online Giving
Look for the **WeShare** logo on the website at www.sjccs.net/church



Church Weekly Budget Income	\$ 10,500.00
Weekly Collection-December 3, 2023	
Received in Office	\$ 51,206.00
WeShare Online Giving	\$ 4,400.00
	\$ 55,606.00
Over / (Under)	\$ 45,106.00
Second Collection-December 3, 2023:	
Support our Saints	\$ 1,040.00
WeShare Online Collection-November 2023:	
Support Our Saints	\$ 610.00
School Scholarship	\$ 125.00
Parish Charity	\$ 335.00
All Saints	\$ 140.00
All Souls	\$ 140.00
Guatemalan Mission	\$ 175.00
Military Archdiocese	\$ 150.00
Thank you for your support and generosity!	\$ 1,675.00

Wedding Anniversary Blessings
Need a blessing for your 25th, 50th, or 60th ?
Please contact the Parish Office for scheduling.

160 Praying Days to Pentecost!
Come Holy Spirit!



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

Please pray for the Repose of the souls of
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*

Mass Intentions	
10 SUNDAY — <i>Second Sunday of Advent</i> 5:00PM (Vigil) Lee & Barb Mytych rb Mytych Family 8:30AM Mazzola & Pedersen Families rb Larry & Barbara Mazzola 11:00AM People of the Parish	
11 Monday — <i>Saint Damasus I, Pope</i> No Mass	
12 Tuesday — <i>Our Lady of Guadalupe</i> 5:30PM +Faung Chin & Bow Lim Chin rb Wong Family	
13 Wednesday — <i>Saint Lucy, Virgin & Martyr</i> 8:30AM +Carol Dubrouillet rb Father Gillespie	
14 Thursday — <i>Saint John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor of the Church</i> 5:30PM (Vigil) +Karen E. Tamburro rb Angelo Tamburro	
15 Friday — <i>Advent Weekday</i> 8:30AM Stacy Curtis rb Corey Curtis	
17 SUNDAY — <i>Third Sunday of Advent</i> 5:00PM (Vigil) People of the Parish 8:30AM +Charlene Wewers rb Wewers Family 11:00AM +Grady Tollison rb Mary Ann Tollison	

Daily Mass Readings	
10 SUNDAY — <i>Second Sunday of Advent</i> Is 40:1-5, 9-11/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8 (5)	
11 Monday — <i>Saint Damasus I, Pope</i> Is 35:1-10/Lk 5:17-26 (181)	
12 Tuesday — <i>Our Lady of Guadalupe</i> Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Lk 1:26-38(690A)	
13 Wednesday — <i>Saint Lucy, Virgin & Martyr</i> Is 40:25-31/Mt 11:28-30 (183)	
14 Thursday — <i>Saint John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor of the Church</i> Is 41:13-20/Mt 11:11-15 (184)	
15 Friday — <i>Advent Weekday</i> Is 48:17-19/Mt 11:16-19 (185)	
16 Saturday — <i>Advent Weekday</i> Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Mt 17:9a, 10-13 (186)	
17 SUNDAY — <i>Third Sunday of Advent</i> Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28 (8)	

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

If you or a relative are in need of an anointing, or if you have scheduled surgery, please call in advance to arrange for the Anointing of the Sick by a Priest.
Please do not wait until the last minute to call.

**In the event of an emergency,
call the Parish Office: 864-225-5341.
After hours press 1 when prompted.**

Pray for the Sick

December 10: Joe Ball, George Chastain, Billy Ellison, Pat Jourdan, Mary Beth McCarty, Suellen Pometto, Denise Wallace, Tommy Wallace, Kenneth Yuravich, Kathleen Turner, Family of Denise Thompson, Maria Cozzoni, Sherion Black, Bo Hendry, Frank DeMario, Donna Owens, Charlise Gard, Juan Cantu

December 03: Connie Bennett, Ray & Ruth Hamel, Alison Henderson, Lynn Herold, Ray Herold, Leif Hope, Fr. Ignatius, Frann Melanaski, Lucille Pekarik, Jim Sernak, Don Black, Charlotte Black, Debbie Lollis, Jacob Lollis, Rosemary Gregory

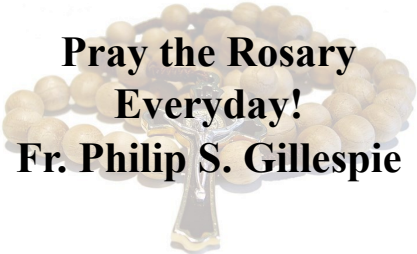
November 26: Ann Kohlmayer, Laura Nunn, Diane Krolak, Dot Bismack, Barbara Kaliski, Joe Modzel, Beatrice Runion, Ewa Pedzimaz, Carolyn Schilling, Becky Black, Ronnie Richie, Michael Clark, Len Krolak, Jean Hughes, Walker Faurot

Additions or Deletions? Please email prayers@sjccs.net

WEEK AT A GLANCE

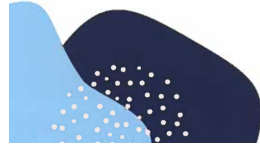
SAT	DEC 09	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knights of Columbus Yard Sale, 8:00 AM–1:00 PM, Anderson Jockey Lot • Chess Tournament, 8:00 AM –5:00 PM, Hall • Saturday Servants, 10:30 AM, Parish Office • Confessions, 3:15–4:45 PM • Mass, 5:00 PM
SUN	DEC 10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mass, 8:30 AM • Bible Study, 9:45–10:45 AM, Office • RCIA, 9:45–10:45 AM, Hall Topic: Sacraments of Initiation – Baptism, Confirmation • Religious Education, 9:50–10:45 AM, School • Mass, 11:00 AM • Baptism, 12:30 PM • Divine Mercy Chaplet/Penitential Prayers, 3:00 PM
Second Sunday of Advent		
MON	DEC 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boy Scouts, 6:30 PM, Hall
TUE	DEC 12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mary’s Prayer Cenacle Rosary, 8:45-10:00 AM, Church • Rosary Guild, 11:30 AM, Office • Church in Use, 10:00 AM–2:00 PM • Mass, 5:30 PM, Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe Bilingual Mass • Confessions, 6:15 PM –7:00 PM
WED	DEC 13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mass, 8:30 AM • Confessions, 9:15–10:15 AM & 4:00–5:00 PM • Eucharistic Adoration, 9:30 AM–4:00 PM
THU	DEC 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Church in Use, 10:00 AM–2:00 PM • Mass, 5:30 PM • Confessions, 6:15 PM –7:00 PM
FRI	DEC 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mass, 8:30 AM • Confessions, 9:15–10:15 AM & 4:00–5:00 PM • Las Posadas Rosary, 5:30 PM, Church
SAT	DEC 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knights of Columbus Yard Sale, 8:00 AM–1:00 PM, Anderson Jockey Lot • Saturday Servants, 10:30 AM, Parish Office • CWS Meeting, 10:30 AM–3:00 PM • Confessions, 3:15–4:45 PM • Mass, 5:00 PM
SUN	DEC 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mass, 8:30 AM • Bible Study, 9:45–10:45 AM, Office • RCIA, 9:45–10:45 AM, Hall Topic: <i>Eucharist – Source & Summit of the Christian Life</i> • Mass, 11:00 AM • Divine Mercy Chaplet/Penitential Prayers, 3:00 PM
Third Sunday of Advent		

A GLANCE AHEAD

DECEMBER	JANUARY	AND BEYOND	
RCIA, Dec 10 th , 17 th	Hilltoppers, Jan 2 nd	Catholic Book Club, Feb 1 st	
Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass, Dec 12 th <i>Hot Chocolate & Sweet Bread!</i>	Catholic Book Club, Jan 4 th <i>Movie: The Staircase</i>	<i>The Shepherd Who Did not Run</i> <i>by Maria Ruiz Scaperlanda</i>	
Las Posadas Rosary, Dec 15 th <i>Meal of tamales, tacos & more!</i>	K of C Fish Fry, Jan 5 th	K of C Fish Fry, Feb 2 nd	
 <p>Pray the Rosary Everyday! Fr. Philip S. Gillespie</p>	Lay Carmelites, Jan 6 th	Hilltoppers, Feb 6 th	
	Epiphany Mass, Jan 7 th <i>with Brass Accompaniment</i>	Catholicism for Dummies Feb 6 th /7 th , 13 th /14 th , 20 th /21 st	Catholicism for Dummies Feb 6 th /7 th , 13 th /14 th , 20 th /21 st
	Confirmation Retreat, Jan 20 th	SJCCS Gala, Feb 10 th	SJCCS Gala, Feb 10 th
	Sacramental Parent Class, Jan 24 th	Craft Fair, Feb 17 th	Craft Fair, Feb 17 th
	SJCCS Chili Cookoff, Jan 26 th	Parish Mission—Fr. Knab, Feb 25 th -27 th	Parish Mission—Fr. Knab, Feb 25 th -27 th
	CWS Italian Dinner, Jan 27 th	Sacramental Parent Class, Feb 28 th	Sacramental Parent Class, Feb 28 th

PASTOR'S CORNER

thank you



November 7, 2023 their everyday needs in caring for their babies. Your acts of kindness are a tangible way of caring for these families and showing them the love of Jesus.



Dear Friends at St. Joseph's,

You have been so kind to shower us at Anderson Pregnancy Care with your many thoughtful, practical baby items to stock our baby boutique. We are very grateful for your generous gifts which bless the parents and babies who come through our center. The moms get so excited when they find these beautiful little outfits and nice equipment to help them with

Thank you again for partnering with us ← your truly is making our community!



faithful support a difference in

Love In Christ,

APC Staff &

Volunteers

REMEMBER: FR. GILLESPIE WILL NEVER, NEVER, NEVER, * EVER SOLICIT FUNDS OR GIFT CARDS THROUGH EMAILS, TEXTS, OR VOICEMAIL. If you have questions, please call the Parish Office 864-225-5341.

*** NEVER means NEVER, EVER**

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registration@sjccs.net – To register in the Parish, OR to update information
prayers@sjccs.net – To submit prayer requests for the bulletin – “Pray for the Sick”
daily.message@sjccs.net – Message about campus activities and daily Religious Education
weekly.bulletin@sjccs.net – For bulletin announcements – Submit in Word or Publisher format

Bulletin	Due
12/31	12/17
1/7	12/24
1/14	12/31

ADVENT CONFESSIONS 2023 *

December 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
10	11	12 C	13 C	14 C	15 C	16 C
17	18	19 C	20 C	21 C	22 C	23 C
24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day	26	27	28	29	30
31						

*C = Confessions; See times listed below by day & date.

Dec 5th, 12th, & 19th

(Tue)

6:00–7:00pm

Dec 6th, 13th, & 20th

(Wed)

9:15–10:15am & 4:00–5:00pm

Dec 14th, & 21st

(Thu)

6:00–7:00pm

No Confessions Dec 7th and 8th - Immaculate Conception - Holy Day

Dec 15th, 22nd

(Fri)

9:15 to 10:15am & 4:00–5:00pm

Dec 2nd, 9th, 16th & 23rd

(Sat)

3:15– 4:45 pm

Christmas Day Mass Schedule

(Note only 1 Mass Christmas Eve)

Christmas Eve: 6:00PM Christmas Day: 8:30 & 11:00AM

Note: To satisfy your Mass obligation, attendance for the 4th Sunday of Advent AND attendance for Christmas is required.



SATURDAY SERVANTS

New Location for 2023! Parish Office at 10:30AM



St. Joseph Catholic Church supplies **125 bag lunches** to support The Soup Kitchen in Anderson each weekend in December. There are five opportunities to help on **December 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30**. **Volunteers are needed** to make sandwiches and help with packing the lunch bags.

If you are interested in supporting this effort our purchasing team will gladly accept **monetary donations**. Monetary donations can be dropped off at the Church office or in the collection basket during Mass. Please make your check payable to St. Joseph Catholic Church with **SATURDAY SERVANTS** in the memo line.

Please take advantage of this Christmas Season opportunity to give of yourself with time, talent, and treasure. The need is great here in our community and this is a way to teach your family the joys of giving back to others as **we celebrate the Birth of Our Lord**.

For more information please contact **LeJean Carter**, lejeanc59@gmail.com or call me at 989-590-3965.

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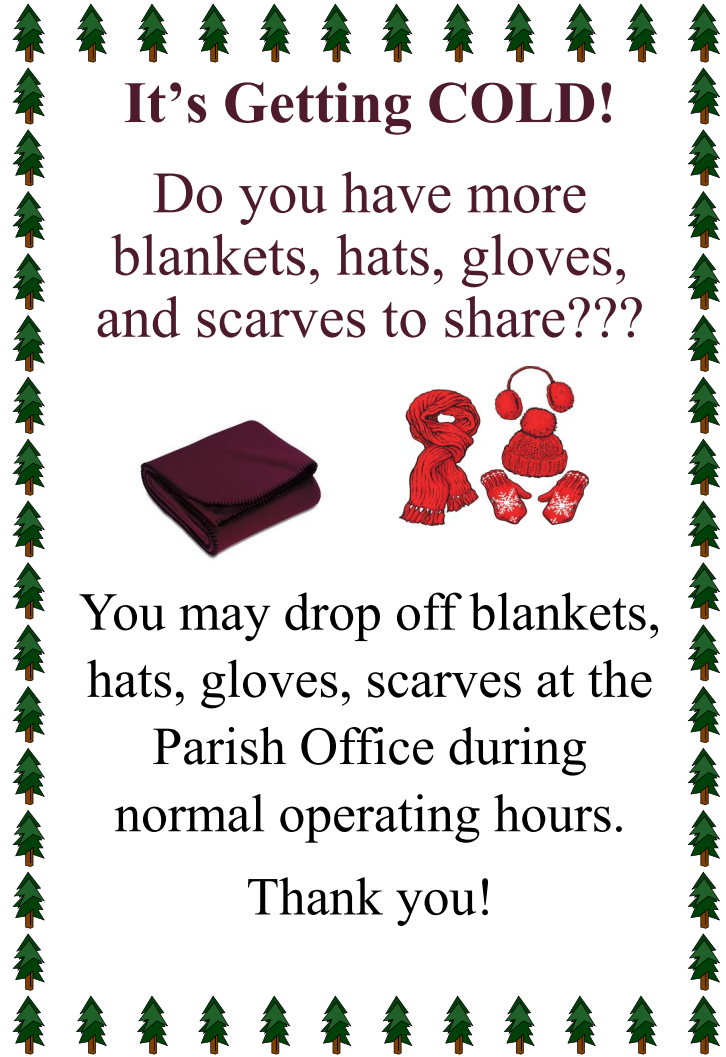
May God richly reward you - now and later - for your fidelity and sacrifices.

Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight... Heb 4:13a

There is a women's prayer group starting at our parish for Fr. Gillespie. We will offer prayer for him in the form of Holy Hours, using a simple structure by the Seven Sisters Apostolate, an international ministry, that has at least one group in every USA state and several countries! Want to learn more?

Contact: Lisa Commerford at (864)556-2136

lcommerford@hotmail.com



It's Getting COLD!

Do you have more blankets, hats, gloves, and scarves to share???



You may drop off blankets, hats, gloves, scarves at the Parish Office during normal operating hours.

Thank you!

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NOW!

for the St. Joseph Church Craft Fair

February 17, 2024

Contact:
Vince5904@yahoo.com



All are Invited to attend Las Posadas! December 15, 2023

Las Posadas
Journey to Bethlehem
Friday December 15, 2023
Rosary 5:30 pm
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February 10, 2024
6:30pm Bleckley Station Or in School Office

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One Day of Giving
November 28, 2023
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Soon to be enrolling for 2024-2025 school year!

Check out our Open House on January 28th!



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
School Safe Environment Coordinator: Kathy Massey, (864) 760-1619 or kmasssey@charlestondiocese.org
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