

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



**SEPTEMBER 21, 2025**  
**25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

*"For the children of this world are more prudent in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. No servant can serve two masters. He will either hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and mammon." - Luke 16:8b, 13*

## **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

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### Online Giving

Look for the **WeShare** logo on the website at [www.sjccs.net/church](http://www.sjccs.net/church)



Church Weekly Budget Income	\$ 10,500.00
<b>Weekly Collection-September 14, 2025</b>	
Received in Office	\$ 8,754.00
WeShare Online Giving	\$ 1,482.00
	\$ 10,236.00
<b>Over / (Under)</b>	<b>\$ (264.00)</b>
2nd Collection -School Scholarship	\$ 844.00
2nd Collection - September 28th - School Support	
<b>WeShare Online Collection - Aug 2025</b>	
Support Our Saints	\$ 390.00
Parish Charity	\$ 445.00
School Scholarship	\$ 170.00
Assumption	\$ 60.00
Disaster Assistance	\$ 145.00
Utility Expense	\$ 75.00
<b>Thank you for your support and generosity!</b>	<b>\$ 1,285.00</b>

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

*Jim Shanahan, Husband of Olivia Shanahan*  
*Pat Jourdan, Parishioner*  
*Beatrice Runion, Mother of Fr. David Runion*

*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

**21 SUNDAY—Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**5:00PM +Deacon Juan Cantú** rb Rich & Shirley Hamel  
**8:30AM People of the Parish**  
**11:00AM +Marcella Fischer** rb Brodack Family

**22 Monday—Weekday**  
**No Mass**

**23 Tuesday—St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest**  
**5:30PM Annette Marino** rb Keri Stevens

**24 Wednesday—Weekday**  
**8:30AM +Bob Williams** rb Linda Williams

**25 Thursday—Weekday**  
**5:30PM +Fr. Ignatius Smith, OFM** rb Fr. Gillespie

**26 Friday —Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs**  
**8:30AM +Elsie Holcombe** rb Marietta Steele

**28 SUNDAY—Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**5:00PM +Bob Williams** rb Jan Heithaus  
**8:30AM +Tony & Geri Angoli** rb Marilyn Angoli  
**11:00AM People of the Parish**

### Daily Mass Readings

**21 SUNDAY—Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 Am 8:4-7/1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13 (135)  
**22 Monday—Weekday**  
 Ezr 1:1-6/Lk 8:16-18 (449)  
**23 Tuesday—St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest**  
 Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Lk 8:19-21 (450)  
**24 Wednesday—Weekday**  
 Ezr 9:5-9/Lk 9:1-6 (451)  
**25 Thursday—Weekday**  
 Hg 1:1-8/Lk 9:7-9 (452)  
**26 Friday —Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs**  
 Hg 2:1-9/Lk 9:18-22 (453)  
**27 Saturday—St. Vincent de Paul, Priest**  
 Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Lk 9:43b-45 (454)  
**28 SUNDAY—Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 Am 6:1a, 4-7/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31 (138)

### Wedding Anniversary Blessings

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

### 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

**September 21:** George Chastain, Billy Ellison, Mary Beth McCarty, Tommy Wallace, Kenneth Yuravich, Kathleen Turner, Bo Hendry, Frank DeMario, Charles Gard, Darrin Coles, Ronald Bendig, Michael Brady, Filbert Vigil, Lynn Ines, Alisha Rumbos, Kelli Chastain, Sherion Black, Debbie Lollis, Doug Alexander, Jane Sherman, Kathy Silvers, Rose Sbrocchi, Bridgett Hutchinson, Scott Cooley, Ciara Kline, Denise Wallace, Terry Alexander, Don Black, Nick Sbrocchi, Jim Bayne, Stacie Cox, Alexa Rose Surer

**September 14:** Connie Bennett, Ray & Ruth Hamel, Lynn Herold, Leif Hope, Frann Melanaski, Jim Sernak, Rosemary Gregory, Jeanne Dutton, Cindy Hart, Frances & Kenny Cox, Beverly Rodriguez

**September 7:** Ann Kohlmyer, Laura Nunn, Diane Krolak, Barbara Kaliski, Ewa Pedzimaz, Carolyn Schilling, Steve Hughes, Ashley Addison, Dave Gorney, Steve Sernak

**Additions or Deletions? Please email [prayers@sjccs.net](mailto:prayers@sjccs.net)**

**WEEK AT A GLANCE**

<b>SAT</b>	<b>SEP 20</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Knights of Columbus Yard Sale, 8:00 AM–1:00 PM, Anderson Jockey Lot</li> <li>Private Event, 10:30–12:30 AM, Parish Office</li> <li>Confessions, 3:15–4:45 PM</li> <li>Knights of Columbus Memorial Mass, 5:00 PM</li> </ul>
<b>SUN</b>	<b>SEP 21</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mass, 8:30 AM</li> <li>Sunday Bible Study, 9:45–10:45 AM, Parish Hall</li> <li>OCIA 9:45–10:45 AM, Parish Office</li> <li>RE Classes, 9:50–10:50 AM, School</li> <li>Mass, 11:00 AM</li> <li>OCIA Spanish, 12:30–2:00 PM, Parish Office</li> <li>Confirmation Year 1 Meeting, 12:30–1:30 PM, Parish Hall</li> <li>Divine Mercy Chaplet/Penitential Prayers, 3:00 PM</li> </ul>
<b>MON</b>	<b>SEP 22</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mary's Prayer Cenacle, 9:30 AM</li> <li>Cursillo, 6:00–7:00 PM Parish Office</li> </ul>
<b>TUE</b>	<b>SEP 23</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Church in Use, 10:00 AM–3:30 PM</li> <li>Mass, 5:30 PM</li> <li>Confessions, 6:15–7:00 PM</li> <li>Catholicism for Dummies, 6:30–7:45 PM Parish Office</li> </ul>
<b>WED</b>	<b>SEP 24</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mass, 8:30 AM</li> <li>Confessions, 9:15–10:15 AM</li> <li>Eucharistic Adoration, 9:30 AM–4:00 PM</li> <li>CWS–Mercy Center Lunches &amp; Prayer Partners, 9:30–10:30 AM, Parish Office</li> <li>Catholicism for Dummies, 10:15–11:30 AM, Parish Office</li> <li>Children's Choir Rehearsal, 4:15–5:50 PM, Church</li> <li>CWS Meeting, 6:00–7:00 PM, Parish Office</li> <li>Choir Rehearsal, 7:00–8:30 PM, Church</li> </ul>
<b>THU</b>	<b>SEP 25</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Church in Use, 10:00 AM–3:30 PM</li> <li>Mass, 5:30 PM</li> <li>Confessions, 6:15–7:00 PM</li> </ul>
<b>FRI</b>	<b>SEP 26</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mass, 8:30 AM</li> <li>Confessions, 9:15–10:15 AM</li> <li>School Event, 5:30–7:30 PM, Parish Hall</li> </ul>
<b>SAT</b>	<b>SEP 27</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Knights of Columbus Yard Sale, 8:00 AM–1:00 PM, Anderson Jockey Lot</li> <li>Boy Scout Merit Badge, 8:45 AM–1:00 PM, Parish Hall</li> <li>Confessions, 3:15–4:45 PM</li> <li>Mass, 5:00 PM</li> </ul>
<b>SUN</b>	<b>SEP 28</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mass, 8:30 AM</li> <li>Sunday Bible Study, 9:45–10:45 AM, Parish Hall</li> <li>OCIA 9:45–10:45 AM, Parish Office</li> <li>RE Classes, 9:50–10:50 AM, School</li> <li>Mass, 11:00 AM</li> <li>OCIA Spanish, 12:30–2:00 PM, Parish Office</li> <li>Confirmation Year 2 Meeting, 12:30–1:30 PM, Parish Hall</li> <li>Divine Mercy Chaplet/Penitential Prayers, 3:00 PM</li> </ul>

**A GLANCE AHEAD**

<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>OCTOBER</b>	<b>NOVEMBER</b>
Knights of Columbus Memorial Mass, 20 <sup>th</sup>	Catholic Book Group, 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Feast of All Saints, 1 <sup>st</sup>
OCIA Classes, 21 <sup>st</sup> & 28 <sup>th</sup>	Children's Choir Rehearsal, Wednesdays	Lay Carmelite Meeting, 1 <sup>st</sup>
Clases de OCIA, 21 <sup>st</sup> & 28 <sup>th</sup>	Golf Tournament, 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Hilltoppers, 4 <sup>th</sup>
Confirmation Meetings, 21 <sup>st</sup> & 28 <sup>th</sup>	Lay Carmelite Meeting, 4 <sup>th</sup>	Catholicism for Dummies, Tues-Wed
CWS Meeting, 24 <sup>th</sup>	Hilltoppers, 7 <sup>th</sup>	Children's Choir Rehearsal, Wednesdays
KofC Leaders Meeting, 29 <sup>th</sup>	Catholicism for Dummies, Tues-Wed	Catholic Book Group, 6 <sup>th</sup>
Catholicism for Dummies, 30 <sup>th</sup>	Sacramental Parent Class, 10 <sup>th</sup>	Men's Club General Meeting, 20 <sup>th</sup>
	Oktoberfest, 11 <sup>th</sup>	Craft Fair, 15 <sup>th</sup>
	OCIA Classes, Sundays 9:45 AM	CWS Meeting, 18 <sup>th</sup>
	OCIA Clases, Domingos 12:30 PM	Respect Life Committee Meeting, 19 <sup>th</sup>
	CWS Meeting, 25 <sup>th</sup>	Advent Pancake Breakfast, 30 <sup>th</sup>



**PASTOR'S CORNER**

From a sermon On Pastors by Saint Augustine, bishop  
(Sermo 46,13: CCL 41, 539-540)  
**On weak Christians**

*You have failed to strengthen the weak*, says the Lord. He is speaking to wicked shepherds, false shepherds, shepherds who seek their own concerns and not those of Christ. They enjoy the bounty of milk and wool, but they take no care at all of the sheep, and they make no effort to heal those who are ill. I think there is a difference between one who is weak (that is, not strong) and one who is ill, although we often say that the weak are also suffering from illness.

My brothers, when I try to make that distinction, perhaps I could do it better and with greater precision, or perhaps someone with more experience and insight could do so. But when it comes to the words of Scripture, I say what I think so that in the meantime you will not be deprived of all profit. In the case of the weak sheep, it is to be feared that the temptation, when it comes, may break him. The sick person, however, is already ill by reason of some illicit desire or other, and this is keeping him from entering God's path and submitting to Christ's yoke.

There are men who want to live a good life and have already decided to do so, but are not capable of bearing sufferings even though they are ready to do good. Now it is a part of the Christian's strength not only to do good works but also to endure evil. Weak men are those who appear to be zealous in doing good works but are unwilling or unable to endure the sufferings that threaten. Lovers of the world, however, who are kept from good works by some evil desire, lie sick and listless, and it is this sickness that deprives them of any strength to accomplish good works.

The paralytic was like that. When his bearers could not bring him in to the Lord, they opened the roof and lowered him down to the feet of Christ. Perhaps you wish to do this in spirit: to open the roof and to lower a paralytic soul down to the Lord. All its limbs are lifeless, it is empty of every good work, burdened with its sins, and weak from the illness brought on by its evil desires. Since all its limbs are helpless, and the paralysis is interior, you cannot come to the physician. But perhaps the physician is himself concealed within; for the true understanding of Scripture is hidden. Reveal therefore what is hidden, and thus you will open the roof and lower the paralytic to the feet of Christ.

As for those who fail to do this and those who are negligent, you have heard what was said to them: *You have failed to heal the sick; you have failed to bind up what was broken*. Of this we have already spoken. Man was broken by terrible temptations. But there is at hand a consolation that will bind what was broken: *God is faithful. He does not allow you to be tempted beyond your strength, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it*.



**260 Praying Days until  
Pentecost!  
Come Holy Spirit!**

**The First Saturday Devotion**

For five consecutive first Saturdays of the month and with the intention of making reparation for the offenses against the Immaculate Heart of Mary, we are asked to:

- 1 – Go to Confession (may be 8 days before or after, if you are in a state of grace)
- 2 – Receive Holy Communion (can be received at a Saturday evening anticipatory Mass)
- 3 – Pray five decades of the Rosary
- 4 – Keep Our Lady company for 15 minutes while meditating on one or more of the mysteries of the Rosary.

Our Lord told Sister Lucia that there are five ways that people offend and blaspheme against the Immaculate Heart of Mary:

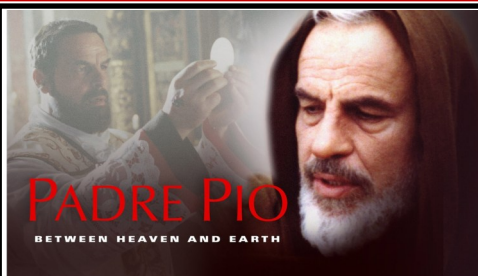
- 1 – Offenses against Our Lady's Immaculate Conception – by denial or ridicule
- 2 – Offenses against Our Lady's Perpetual Virginity
- 3 – Offenses against Our Lady's Divine Maternity, refusing to accept her as the Mother of all mankind
- 4 – Those who implant in children's hearts, indifference, contempt and even hate against this Immaculate Mother
- 5 – Insults directed against her sacred images – ridicule and the infliction of damage to them.

**The Promise**

Our Lady promised to assist all those who will practice the devotion of the first Saturday on five consecutive months with the graces necessary for salvation at the hour of their death.

**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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Based on the historical records and the personal testimony of his fellow friars, this is the amazing true story of the life of the famous stigmatic monk, St. Padre Pio, a contemporary saint who died in 1968. Blessed with incredible spiritual gifts, including healing, bi-location, reading of souls, and the stigmatic wounds, Padre Pio was a powerful witness for Christ, and a great spiritual guide to countless souls for over fifty years.

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**Fr. McTeigue, SJ** ~ Search: The Catholic Current

**Read:**

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**Watch:**

**The Chosen** ~ Search **The Chosen EWTN**  
for Mass, Movies, Programs @ EWTN.com





ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

# MEMORIAL MASS

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH**  
FOR DECEASED KNIGHTS  
AND THEIR WIDOWS



## WORKS OF SERVICE

Month	Activity	Sponsor
SEP	HONORING POLICE AND FIREMEN COLLECTING SMALL CANDIES AND MINTS	SPONSORED BY K5
OCT	SUPPORTING PAMS OF ANDERSON COLLECTING PET ITEMS	SPONSORED BY 4TH GRADE
NOV	SUPPORTING HOPE MISSION COLLECTING SOCKS	SPONSORED BY 3RD GRADE
DEC	SUPPORTING ST. CLARE'S HOUSE COLLECTING BABY ITEMS	SPONSORED BY 2ND GRADE
JAN	SUPPORTING ANDERSON SOUP KITCHEN COLLECTING CANS	SPONSORED BY K4
FEB	SUPPORTING CALVARY HOUSE COLLECTING BOOKS AND BEARS	SPONSORED BY 1ST GRADE
MAR	SUPPORTING MORNINGSIDE RETIREMENT COLLECTING SELECT BASKET ITEMS	SPONSORED BY 6TH & 7TH GRADES
APR	SUPPORTING BLUE DRAGONFLY COLLECTING ROSARIES	SPONSORED BY 5TH GRADE
MAY	SUPPORTING ST. MARY'S FOOD PANTRY COLLECTING BOXES OF CEREAL	SPONSORED BY 8TH GRADE

ALL ITEMS CAN BE DROPPED OFF IN THE SCHOOL OFFICE



Knights of Columbus and Men's Club present the

# 19TH ANNUAL GOLF Tournament

in memory of Bubba Marchant & Rick Heithaus

**3 OCTOBER 2025**

**COBB'S GLEN COUNTRY CLUB**

- Individual \$125
- Teams \$500

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE**  
September 26, 2025

**AGENDA**

- 11:00am Golf Registration & Box Lunch
- 12:00pm Shotgun Start

**SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE**

**PRIZES / ADD ONS**

- 1st & 2nd Place Awards
- Closest to the Pin (Men & Women)
- Longest Drive (Men & Women)
- Hole-in-One Contest - All Par 3's

Contact Tom Holahan 864-314-4444



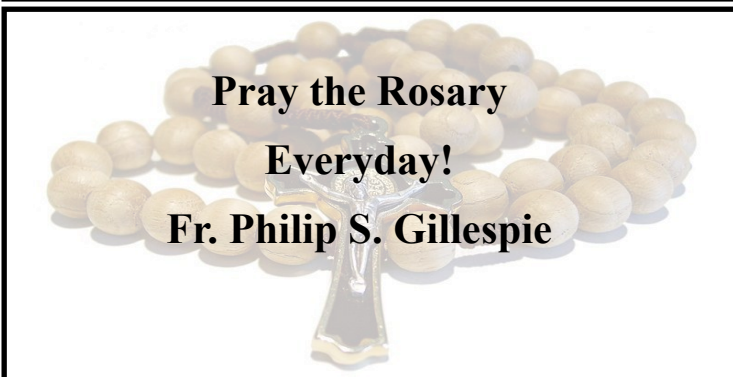
# CRAFT FAIR

Calling All Crafters

**Craft Fair at St. Josephs**  
**November 15, 2025**

Interested in Selling or Just Helping Out?

**Contact:**  
Holyfamilygroup@sjccs.net



**Pray the Rosary**  
**Everyday!**  
**Fr. Philip S. Gillespie**



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

**COUNCIL 8295**  
**ANDERSON, SC**

**CALLING ALL MEN! JOIN US!**

Have questions or want more information?  
Scan QR Code or contact  
Jordan Mitchell  
864-958-1655  
jordanmitchell1776@gmail.com

**What does it mean to be a Knight?**  
We are Catholic Men who  
**LEAD, SERVE, PROTECT & DEFEND.**  
We share a desire to be better  
**HUSBANDS, FATHERS, SONS, NEIGHBORS, & ROLE MODELS**  
and to put charity and community first.

**GALATIANS 5:13**





## Required Parent & Student Meetings

After 11am Mass in the Hall

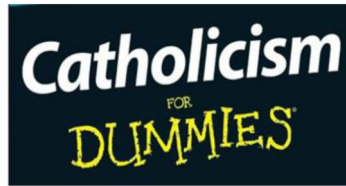
YEAR 1 of CONFIRMATION PREP  
Sunday, September 21, 12:30pm

YEAR 2 of CONFIRMATION PREP  
Sunday, September 28, 12:30pm

For questions email  
religiouseducation@sjccs.net



Do you want to learn more about Catholicism?  
Questions about the Catholic Faith?  
Come join--all are welcome!



Offered at 2 times:  
Tuesday evenings 6:30-7:45 pm  
Wednesday mornings from 10:15-11:30 am

Sessions begin September 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>  
but can be joined at any time.

Email [jan.heithaus@sjccs.net](mailto:jan.heithaus@sjccs.net) or call the office  
at 864-225-5341 for more information or to **register**



CWS will begin collecting  
for their  
Annual October  
Mary's Baby Shower  
Items will benefit the  
ANDERSON PREGNANCY CARE  
and may be left in the  
Narthex before all Masses.

### Most Requested Items for Baby:

Baby Lotion	Enfamil Formula
Baby Bath Wash	Similac Formula
Diaper Cream	Similac 360 Formula

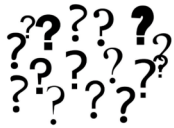
**Clothing and Diapers Not Needed at this Year!**

### Special Requested Items for Mom and Dad:

Deodorant, Toothpaste, Toiletries  
Disposable Razors

Contact Carol Overman  
for further information.

[864]716-0501 or [coverman1947@gmail.com](mailto:coverman1947@gmail.com)



I'm interested in  
becoming Catholic.

Can I come to OCIA  
classes and see if  
being a Catholic is  
right for me?

**YES!!**



I never received the  
sacrament of  
Confirmation.

Can I receive it  
through OCIA?

**YES!!**



I've never been  
baptized.

Can I still become a  
Catholic?

**YES!!**



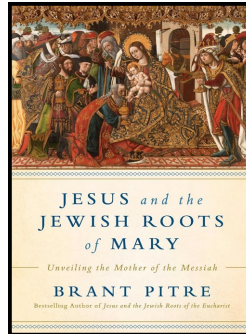
I'm Catholic and I  
would like to learn  
more about my Faith.

Can I come to some  
classes?

**YES!!**

Contact Jan Heithaus at (864) 225-5341 or Jerry West at (773) 682-0569

## Catholic Book Discussion Group Come join us!



**In My Hands**  
by Irene Gut Opdyke

**Meets Thursday, October 2**  
**3:00 PM or 6:30 PM**  
**In the Parish Office**  
~books available at the office, \$5

Are Catholic teachings on Mary really biblical? Or are they the "traditions of men"? Should she be called the "Mother of God," or just the mother of Jesus? Did she actually remain a virgin her whole life or do the "brothers of Jesus" refer to her other children? By praying to Mary, are Catholics worshipping her? And what does Mary have to do with the quest to understand Jesus? In *Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Mary*, Dr. Pitre takes readers step-by-step from the Garden of Eden to the Book of Revelation to reveal how deeply biblical Catholic beliefs about Mary really are.

Contact Jan Heithaus in the parish office for more information.

## SACRAMENTAL PARENT CLASS REQUIREMENTS

*How do I know if I need to attend?*

- *Have you attended the class in the last 3 years? NO need to attend*
- *You have not attended a class in the last 3 years AND your child is preparing for First Holy Communion OR Confirmation? YES, You will need to attend.*

*Classes available in both English and Spanish*



# Thank you for your support in making us the Best of Your Hometown 2025 Winner!



## St. Joseph Catholic School Golf Tournament

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus  
and the St. Joseph Men's Club



In Memory of Bubba Marchant & Rick Heithaus

### OCTOBER 3, 2025

FORE! Please join us for the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Captain's Choice Golf Tournament to be held at Cobb's Glen Country Club located at 2201 Cobb's Way, Anderson, SC. ALL PROCEEDS will directly benefit St. Joseph Catholic School. Bring a team or come individually - we'll all have fun!



#### Register for Sponsorship or Play

Please Check:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Team \$500.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Individual Player \$125.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Tournament Sponsorship Level \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ Personal Hole Sponsorship \$125
- \_\_\_\_\_ Hole # Requested
- In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_
- In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ Business Hole Sponsorship \$300
- \_\_\_\_\_ Hole # Requested
- Business Name \_\_\_\_\_

#### Team/Individual Registration

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
Name/Email
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
Name/Email
3. \_\_\_\_\_  
Name/Email
4. \_\_\_\_\_  
Name/Email

#### Tournament Information

##### Schedule

11:00am - Registration/Box Lunch  
12:00pm - Shotgun Start

##### Prizes

- 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Team Cash Prizes
- Closest to the Pin
- Long Drive (Men & Women)
- Hole-in-One Contest - All Par 3's

##### Add-Ons

- Red Tees/Mulligans/Marshmallow Throw

#### Payment Method:

Cash, Check, and Credit Cards Accepted\*  
Please add 3.8% for CC payments

To register for play or sponsorship, please return form to school office.

St. Joseph Catholic School  
1200 Cornelia Road  
Anderson, SC 29621

Payments by cash or check are to be submitted to the school office. Credit card payments can be made by using the QR Code or by visiting

<https://form.jotform.com/251963865408165>



Questions?

Tom Holahan (864) 314-4444  
Tom Morris (864) 934-1563  
Haymée Giuliani (864) 760-1619

**Registration Deadline:**  
**September 26, 2025**



**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 *VIRTUS* 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:** Kate Edwards, (864) 225-5341 or [kedwards@charlestondiocese.org](mailto:kedwards@charlestondiocese.org)

**School Safe Environment Coordinator:** Kathy Massey, (864) 760-1619 or [kmassey@charlestondiocese.org](mailto:kmassey@charlestondiocese.org)

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



## Join Cub Scouts Adventure Awaits!

**Are you looking for a fun and wholesome activity for your child?**

We're inviting boys in K5–5th grade to join Cub Scouts!

### **Cub Scouting is all about:**

- Learning outdoor skills
- Building character and confidence
- Serving the community
- Making new friends
- Having fun adventures as a family

**If you or your child are interested in joining, please contact:**

Ernest P. Lane  
706-564-7142  
Epbyrd291@hotmail.com

Once we have enough interest, we'll set up an informational meeting to go over details such as meeting nights, Dens, and how BSA operates.

**Come be part of the adventure  
Scouting starts here!**

## Troop of St. George Adventure & Brotherhood

**We're looking for young men interested in joining the Troop of St. George!**

This is a Catholic scouting program for boys ages from 6-18 (1st grade through 12th)

### **The Troop of St. George is about:**

- Growing in faith and virtue
- Learning outdoor and survival skills
- Building leadership and character
- Serving your parish and community
- Forming lifelong brotherhood



**We're currently gathering interest to form a troop.**

Once we have enough families, we'll set an informational meeting to determine our regular meeting time and place.

**If you or your son are interested, please contact:**

Ernest P. Lane  
706-564-7142  
Epbyrd291@hotmail.com

**Come be part of the adventure – Faith, Service, and Brotherhood in Christ.**

<https://troopsofsaintgeorge.org/start-a-troop/>

## Join Boy Scouts Adventure Awaits!

**Are you looking for a fun, wholesome, and adventurous activity for your son?**

We're inviting boys ages 11–17 (5th–12th grade) to join Boy Scouts!

### **Scouting is all about:**

- Learning outdoor skills
- Building leadership and character
- Serving the community
- Making lifelong friends
- Having adventures that prepare you for life

### **Meetings: Every Monday**

6:30 PM – 8:00 PM  
Father Friend Hall

**If you or your child are interested in joining, please contact:**

Ernest P. Lane-Charter Organizational Representative  
Knights Of Columbus #8295  
706-564-7142  
Epbyrd291@hotmail.com

**Come be part of the adventure  
Scouting starts here!**



# Trunk or Treat

## October 24 5 to 7PM

Sign up forms in the Church Narthex or at the Church Office

Direct any questions to: [holyfamilygroup@sjccs.net](mailto:holyfamilygroup@sjccs.net)

*Candy Donations accepted at the Church Office until Oct 23rd*



# - SACRAMENTS -



Are you, or a member of your family,  
in need of receiving:

**Baptism?**

**First Holy Communion?**

**Confirmation?**

**Marriage in the Church?**

If yes, please contact the Parish Office so  
we can assist you with this.

864-225-5341

jan.heithaus@sjccs.net

## What is Active Member Status in the Parish?

**Active member status means that the person is:**

- Registered in the parish
- Attends Mass weekly
- Supports the Parish through the consistent giving of time, talent, and/or financial resources in support of our Parish

**Why should a person have Active Member Status in our Parish?**

Active member status in our database is essential for requesting the following:

- Parishioner tuition in the school
- Attendance in Religious Education classes
- Letter of Eligibility to serve as a sacramental sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation (see additional conditions below)
- Reception of Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, or Marriage at our Church (unless specific permission is given)

**What are the requirements for being a Sacramental Sponsor (Godparent or Confirmation Sponsor)?**

To be eligible to be a sacramental sponsor, a person must:

- Be a Catholic who has received the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation. If these sacraments were not received at our Church, must provide a sacramental record from the Church of Baptism with Parish seal.
- Marital status of single or married according to the laws of the Catholic Church

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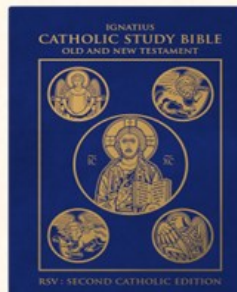
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## JOIN THE CHURCH CHOIR



**Rehearsals**

**Sundays at 10AM**

**&**

**Wednesdays at 7PM**

**If you are interested in joining please contact**

**Miss Anna Boyd at**

**anna.boyd@sjccs.net**





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**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

SJCCS Respect Life Annual



**Life CHAIN**

Sunday, October 5th  
2:30 3:30pm

Join us for a Silent Hour of  
Prayer and Solidarity for Life  
Meet at Firestone  
Clemson Blvd, Anderson SC  
to pick up signs



"If my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land."  
(2 Chronicles 7:14)

**13th Marian Eucharistic Conference / Greenville Convention Center**  
**Friday, Oct. 24 - Saturday, Oct. 25, 2025**

DO THIS IN  
*Remembrance*  
OF  
*ME*  
LUKE 22:19



JESUS  
IS THE  
*Eucharist*  
BODY, BLOOD, SOUL & DIVINITY  
UNDER THE APPEARANCE OF  
*Bread & Wine*

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For more information, please go to [www.meconferencesc.net](http://www.meconferencesc.net)




**Come to Christ:** A Retreat for Parents of Children and  
Adults with Special Needs

"But if you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us." (Mark 9:22)

**NOVEMBER 8 | SAT**  
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## PROCLAIM THE FAITH YEAR 1 STUDY GUIDES

*Monthly study guides can be used in personal prayer and for small group reflection.*

# SEPTEMBER 2025

### SCRIPTURE

Read Luke 10:1-12

### REFLECT:

1. What do you think it means to say, "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few"? How is this true today in our setting?
2. Why do you think Jesus asks those he sends to not carry a money bag or sandals and to not greet anyone along the way? What might this mean for us?
3. In what way is Jesus sending you out? To whom are you sent? What is the message you are bringing?

### READ: A selection from *Via Fidelis* — Chapter 3

During his ministry, the Lord Jesus sent out 70 disciples to cure the sick, cast out bad spirits, and proclaim the kingdom. Just so, we will be inviting and calling forth leaders from our parishes around the diocese to guide our efforts to evangelize, and we will be encouraging all the baptized to live out their call to share the good news of Jesus.

Evangelization is uncomfortable and should be at times since it calls us out of our comfort zone and leads us to give testimony to Jesus Christ. We live in a secular world that does not want to hear the Gospel. We live in a materialistic world that rejects the spiritual world and eternal realities. We ourselves can oftentimes get locked in our social circles and only associate with those who agree with us.

The *Via Fidelis* expects more. The Great Commission commands us to break from our routine and normal social networks and to share the saving message of Jesus Christ with everyone we meet. The command of the Lord is based on love, since people need the mercy, hope, and promise of eternal life that is given to us in Jesus Christ.

### REFLECT:

1. In this passage, the bishop reminds us of our baptismal call to share the Gospel. How often do you think about Baptism and the call that goes along with it? In what ways can you respond to this call?
2. In this passage, evangelization is described as sometimes "uncomfortable." In what ways is this true? How can we get past that discomfort?
3. What are some concrete ways that you can share this Good News with others? How is every encounter with another person an opportunity to share the Gospel?



# SJCCS Respect Life Spiritual Adoption

March 16-Dec 25

"Before I formed you in  
the womb, I knew you".

Jeremiah 1:5



PLEASE JOIN US WEEKLY AS WE FOLLOW AND PRAY FOR THE LIVES OF CHILDREN IN THE WOMB. WE ARE ASKING YOU TO JOIN US IN THIS JOURNEY FOLLOWING THE LIFE OF A CHILD, IN DANGER OF ABORTION, FROM CONCEPTION TO BIRTH. JOIN US IN PRAYING THAT A PARTICULAR, BUT UNKNOWN CHILD'S LIFE BE SPARED ABORTION AND BE ALLOWED TO CONTINUE TO LIVE.

"JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH, I LOVE YOU VERY MUCH. I BEG YOU TO SPARE THE LIFE OF THE PRE- BORN BABY THAT I HAVE SPIRITUALLY ADOPTED WHO IS IN DANGER OF ABORTION."

PRAYER OF ARCHBISHOP FULTON J. SHEEN

*Respect*  
**LIFE**



FROM CONCEPTION  
*to natural  
death*

***Altar Guild***

***Assistance Requested***

***Do you have time to assist in the upkeep and maintenance of the Church?***

We meet on Saturday mornings at 8:30 AM for 1 to 2 hours to clean, repair, and “spruce up” the Church and Narthex. Couples are invited to come together, families too! Many hands make light work!

Note: this can be used as Parish/Community Service Hours for students.

If you have time to assist in this please call the Parish Office and leave your name, phone number, and email address. OR just show up.

Call the Office to get on the list.



We are excited to announce the placement of

**Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs)**

throughout our Parish Campus!

These life-saving devices are now available in key locations to ensure quick access in case of a sudden cardiac arrest.

**Locations:**

**Church Narthex:** water fountain

**School:** Near Playground Door

**Parish Office:** Main Conference Room

**Remember:**

Quick response is crucial during a cardiac emergency.



**The GOOD NEIGHBOR CUPBOARD is asking for your help to feed the hungry!**

**Many of you have contributed to our box in the Narthex and we greatly appreciate your help!**

**As a Food Pantry, we feed over 500 families a month and continue to need your help!**

**Below are the items most needed.**

**PEANUT BUTTER, CANNED TUNA, CHICKEN, VEGETABLES, AND FRUITS; NUTRITIOUS CEREALS, MAC 'N CHEESE, PASTA AND PASTA SAUCE**

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## Parish Office Communication

**We are asking you to review the following email addresses for use in communicating with the Parish Office/Staff. It is helpful to utilize the best address for your request. This will assist us in promptly answering your inquiry or addressing your needs. Thank you!**

**facilities@sjccs.net**— To request any use of all facilities, OR to report any facility maintenance issues, this would include missing/damaged or non-working items. Forms are available on the website and are required for all reservations to be placed on the calendar.

**registration@sjccs.net**— To register in the Parish, OR to update your information.  
Note: If your landline is no longer in service, please update our records with a new number.

**prayers@sjccs.net**— To submit prayer requests for the bulletin “Pray for the Sick”.

**weekly.bulletin@sjccs.net**— For bulletin/pulpit announcements — Submit in Word or Publisher format. All requests must be editable and submitted at least two weeks in advance of publishing date.  
Note: at Christmas, Easter, 4th of July, & Thanksgiving the deadlines are often well ahead of the print date.



## Brown Scapular enrollment

*Scapulars are available for purchase in the Parish Office.*

**Catholic Campus Ministries** - If your child will be attending a College/University in South Carolina and they would like to join the Catholic Campus Ministry please contact their respective Campus Ministers:

The Citadel	College of Charleston/Charleston Southern	Presbyterian
Tony Licari	Tom Gregory	Giovani Briguenta
<a href="mailto:tlicari@charlestandiocese.org">tlicari@charlestandiocese.org</a>	<a href="mailto:cofcsa@gmail.com">cofcsa@gmail.com</a>	<a href="mailto:gbriguenta@presby.edu">gbriguenta@presby.edu</a>
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