

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



**MARCH 01, 2026**  
**2ND SUNDAY OF LENT**

*"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." - Mt 17:5b*

## **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](mailto:registration@sjccs.net).

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Mass Intentions	
<b>01 SUNDAY</b> — <i>Second Sunday of Lent</i>	
5:00PM (Vigil) <b>+Mary Helen Kern</b> rb Fr. Gillespie	
8:30AM <b>+Merker Family</b> rb Richard & Cynthia Merker	
11:00AM <b>People of the Parish</b>	
<b>02 Monday</b> — <i>Lenten Weekday</i>	No Mass
<b>03 Tuesday</b> — <i>St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin</i>	5:30PM <b>+Kathleen Mallon</b> rb Kirk & Lori Seiler
<b>04 Wednesday</b> — <i>St. Casimir</i>	8:30AM <b>Tyler Bradshaw Family</b> rb Erika Sharp
<b>05 Thursday</b> — <i>Lenten Weekday</i>	5:30PM <b>+Magdalena Palmillas</b> rb Chimal Family
<b>06 Friday</b> — <i>Lenten Weekday</i>	8:30AM <b>+Marlene McGrath</b> rb Marilyn Angoli
<b>07 Saturday</b> — <i>First Saturday, Sts. Perpetua &amp; Felicity, Martyrs</i>	9:30AM <b>Bishop Jacques Fabre Jeune, CS Intentions</b>
	5:00PM (Vigil) <b>+Sue Mitchell</b> rb Bruno & Florence Lombardo
<b>08 SUNDAY</b> — <i>Third Sunday of Lent</i>	
8:30AM <b>People of the Parish</b>	
11:00AM <b>+Len Krolak</b> rb Krolak Family	

**Online Giving**

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



Daily Mass Readings	
<b>01 SUNDAY</b> — <i>Second Sunday of Lent</i>	Gn 12:1-4a/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9 (25)
<b>02 Monday</b> — <i>Lenten Weekday</i>	Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6:36-38 (230)
<b>03 Tuesday</b> — <i>St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin</i>	Is 1:10, 16-20/Mt 23:1-12 (231)
<b>04 Wednesday</b> — <i>St. Casimir</i>	Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20:17-28 (232)
<b>05 Thursday</b> — <i>Lenten Weekday</i>	Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31 (233)
<b>06 Friday</b> — <i>Lenten Weekday</i>	Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46 (234)
<b>07 Saturday</b> — <i>First Saturday, Sts. Perpetua &amp; Felicity, Martyrs</i>	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32 (235)
<b>08 SUNDAY</b> — <i>Third Sunday of Lent</i>	Ex 17:3-7/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42 (28)

Church Weekly Budget Income	\$ 10,500.00
<b>Weekly Collection - February 22, 2026</b>	
Received in Office	\$ 12,834.00
WeShare Online Giving	\$ 2,106.00
	\$ 14,940.00
<b>Over / Under</b>	\$ 4,440.00
<b>Black &amp; Indian Missions</b>	\$ 498.00
<b>Ash Wednesday</b>	\$ 3,211.00
<i>2nd Collection-March 8, 2026: No Envelope</i>	
<b>WeShare Online Collection - January 2026</b>	
Support Our Saints	\$ 410.30
Parish Charity	\$ 425.31
Church Repairs and Maintenance	\$ 145.00
School Scholarship	\$ 75.00
Church in Latin America	\$ 75.00
Christmas	\$ 45.00
Capital Campaign - Building for Now & the Future	\$ 10,150.95
<b>Thank you for your support and generosity!</b>	\$ 11,326.56

**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**

**March 01:** Laura Nunn, Diane Krolak, Barbara Kaliski, Ewa Pedzimaz, Carolyn Schilling, Steve Hughes, Ashley Addison, Dave Gomey, Steve Semak, Rose Sbrocchi, Bridgett Hutchinson, Scott Cooley, Ciara Kline, Denise Wallace, Terry Alexander, Don Black

**February 22:** George Chastain, Mary Beth McCarty, Filbert Vigil, Tommy Wallace, Kenneth Yuravich, Kathleen Turner, Bo Hendry, Frank DeMario, Charlise Gard, Darrin Coles, Ronald Bendig, Alisha Rumbos, John Surer, Jane Sherman, Kelli Chastain, Kathy Silvers, Sherion Black, Debbie Lollis, Doug Alexander, Kimberly Williams, Nancy Zielke, Phyllis Rouleau

**February 15:** Connie Bennett, Lynn Herold, Leif Hope, Jeanne Dutton, Jim Semak, Frann Melanaski, Rosemary Gregory, Alexa Rose Surer, Frances & Kenny Cox, Beverly Rodriguez, Jim Bayne, Ron Miskelley, Juliana Rose, Nick Sbrocchi, Michael Brady, Lynn Imes

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

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 soul of**  
*Vivian Reidmiller, Mother of Jan Heithaus*  
*Joan Gebhardt, Mother of Jeff Gebhardt*  
*Mary Helen Kern, Parishioner*  
*Catherine Musacchia, Parishioner*  
  
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

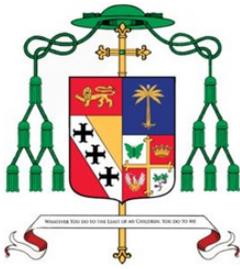
**WEEK AT A GLANCE**

<b>SAT</b>	<b>FEB 28</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Knights of Columbus Yard Sale, 8:00 AM–1:00 PM, Anderson Jockey Lot</li> <li>• Confirmation Year 2 Retreat, 9:00–1:30 PM, Church &amp; Parish Hall</li> <li>• Confessions, 3:15–4:45 PM</li> <li>• Mass, 5:00 PM</li> </ul>
<b>SUN</b>	<b>MAR 01</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mass, 8:30 AM</li> <li>• Sunday Bible Study, 9:45–11:00 AM, Parish Hall</li> <li>• OCIA 9:45–10:45 AM, Parish Office &amp; OCIA Spanish, 12:30–2:00 PM, Parish Office</li> <li>• RE Classes, 9:50–10:50 AM, School</li> <li>• Mass, 11:00 AM</li> <li>• First Sunday Eucharistic Adoration, 12:30–3:00 PM</li> <li>• Divine Mercy Chaplet / Penitential Prayers 3:00 PM</li> </ul>
<b>MON</b>	<b>MAR 02</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mary’s Prayer Cenacle, 9:30 AM</li> <li>• Hispanic Ministry - Santa Teresita del Niño Jesús, 5:00 PM, Parish Office</li> <li>• Cursillo Meeting, 6:00–7:00 PM, Parish Office</li> </ul>
<b>TUE</b>	<b>MAR 03</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Church in Use, 10:00 AM–3:00 PM</li> <li>• Hilltoppers, 11:30–2:00 PM, Parish Office</li> <li>• Mass, 5:30 PM</li> <li>• Confessions, 6:00–7:00 PM</li> <li>• Catholicism for Dummies, 6:30–7:45 PM, Parish Office</li> <li>• Youth Group, 6:30 PM, Parish Hall</li> </ul>
<b>WED</b>	<b>MAR 04</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mass - Students will be present, 8:30 AM</li> <li>• Confessions, 9:15–10:15 AM</li> <li>• Eucharistic Adoration, 9:30–4:00 PM</li> <li>• CWS - Mercy Center Lunches, 9:30–10:30 AM, Parish Office</li> <li>• Catholicism for Dummies, 10:15–11:30 AM, Parish Office</li> <li>• Lenten Confessions, 4:00–5:00 PM</li> <li>• Church in Use, 4:15–5:50 PM &amp; 7:00–8:30 PM</li> <li>• Sacramental Parent Class - Make Up, 6:00–7:00 PM, Parish Office</li> </ul>
<b>THU</b>	<b>MAR 05</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Church in Use, 10:00 AM–3:00 PM</li> <li>• Catholic Book Group, 3:00–4:30 PM &amp; 6:30–8:00 PM</li> <li>• Mass, 5:30 PM</li> <li>• Confessions, 6:00–7:00 PM</li> </ul>
<b>FRI</b>	<b>MAR 06</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mass, Students will not be present, 8:30 AM</li> <li>• 1st Friday Eucharistic Adoration, 9:00 AM–3:00 PM</li> <li>• Confessions, 9:15–10:15 AM</li> <li>• Lenten Confessions, 4:00–5:00 PM</li> <li>• Children's Stations of The Cross, 5:00–5:30 PM</li> <li>• Lenten Supper - RE Families, 5:30 PM Parish Hall</li> <li>• Stations of the Cross, 7:00 PM, Church</li> </ul>
<b>SAT</b>	<b>MAR 07</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Knights of Columbus Yard Sale, 8:00 AM–1:00 PM, Anderson Jockey Lot</li> <li>• CMC- Reunión de Mujeres Católicas, 8:30 AM–12:30 PM, Parish Hall</li> <li>• Lay Carmelite Monthly Meeting, 9:00 AM–3:00 PM, Parish Office</li> <li>• First Saturday Mass, 9:30 AM</li> <li>• Confessions, 3:15–4:45 PM</li> <li>• Mass, 5:00 PM</li> </ul>
<b>SUN</b>	<b>MAR 08</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mass, 8:30 AM</li> <li>• Sunday Bible Study, 9:45–11:00 AM, Parish Hall</li> <li>• OCIA 9:45–10:45 AM, Parish Office &amp; OCIA Spanish, 12:30–2:00 PM, Parish Office</li> <li>• RE Classes, 9:50–10:50 AM, School</li> <li>• Mass, 11:00 AM</li> <li>• Divine Mercy Chaplet / Penitential Prayers 3:00 PM</li> </ul>

**A GLANCE AHEAD**

<b>FEBRUARY</b>	<b>MARCH</b>	<b>MARCH</b>
OCIA, Sundays, 9:45 AM & 12:30 PM (Esp)	OCIA, Sundays, 9:45 AM & 12:30 PM (Esp)	Stations of the Cross, Fridays
Catholicism for Dummies, Tues-Wed	Youth Group, Tuesdays	Lay Carmelite Monthly Meeting, 7 <sup>th</sup>
Youth Group, Tuesdays	Catholicism for Dummies, Tues-Wed	CMC- Reunión de Mujeres Católicas, 7 <sup>th</sup>
Stations of the Cross, 27 <sup>th</sup>	Hilltoppers, 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Aristotle Reading Group, 11 <sup>th</sup> & 25 <sup>th</sup>
Confirmation Year 2 Retreat, 28 <sup>th</sup>	RE Families - Lenten Supper, 6 <sup>th</sup>	School Families - Lenten Supper, 13 <sup>th</sup>

**PASTOR'S CORNER**



My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

As we officially begin the Year of Catechesis for *Via Fidelis* in 2026 this month, our focus turns to some of the resources that excellent Catholic organizations have developed in recent years, namely podcasts. There are many easy to digest resources on the Bible and the Catechism that can be helpful for cradle Catholics and converts alike to rediscover the written teachings of our faith. You can find them wherever you regularly listen to podcasts.

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, a major focus this year, and the Bible act as two hinges to the same door of understanding the Church's doctrine and dogma. Since the Word became flesh in the Incarnation and sacrificed his life for us on the wood of the cross, Jesus made sure that we have all the tools to know and pursue him. As St. Peter said, "His divine power has bestowed on us everything that makes for life and devotion, through the knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and power" (2 Pt 1:3).

So, as we listen to the voice of God through Scripture and the words of the Church fathers, let us pray that the Holy Spirit might guide us to know what we are called to do for others, especially those who need God's healing grace and mercy.

I pray for you and your families as you deepen your relationships through the power of the enduring Word of God. May it echo in your lives and in your encounters with those around you.

In Christ's love,

Most Rev. Jacques Fabre-Jeune, CS  
Bishop of Charleston



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

## MASTER PLAN NEWS

**School Expansion (Phase 1) Update: (July 1 Completion)**

- Master Plan for School Expansion is complete.
- Geo Technology Exploration is Complete.
- Civil Engineering Site Plan is underway, submitted to the City of Anderson.
- School Loan Approved by Diocese of Charleston

**New Parish Hall (Phase 2) Update:**

- Master Plan for New Parish Hall is Complete.
- Feasibility Study is complete.
- 3 Million Dollar Capital Campaign is underway.
- Geo Technology Exploration is complete.

**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE**  
**Building for Now and the Future**

**GOAL \$3Million**  
**Total Giving: \$2,190,271**  
**Participation Rate: 35%**

**SAINTS PERPETUA & FELICITY**  
WITH TAYLOR KEMP AND DR. ELIZABETH KLEIN  
SAINTS FEAST DAY | MARCH 7

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**Sts. Perpetua**

Dr. Elizabeth Klein and Taylor Kemp discuss the life and impact of two female martyrs from the third century, Sts. Perpetua and Felicity. Both were beheaded for refusing to renounce their Christian faith.

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**CATHOLIC MEDIA RESOURCES**

**Listen:**  
Kresta in the Afternoon ~ Ave Maria Radio  
Catholic Radio ~ Search: MediaTrix'  
Fr. McTeigue, SJ ~ Search: The Catholic Current

**Read:**  
Magnificat ~ [www.Magnificat.com](http://www.Magnificat.com)  
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**Watch:**  
The Chosen ~ Search The Chosen EWTN  
for Mass, Movies, Programs @ EWTN.com



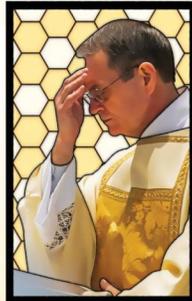
GOAL FOR 2026 \$5,500,000



**Givers of His Love**  
Ministry & Outreach Programs  
Catholic Charities of SC  
\$2,300,000



**Teachers of His Children**  
Youth & Young Adult Ministry, College Campus  
Ministry, and Catholic Schools  
\$1,900,000



**Servants of His People**  
Vocations, Seminarians & Priest Retirement  
\$1,300,000

*Make your gift today!*

Last weekend, our parish conducted Pledge Sunday for the **2026 Catholic Appeal of South Carolina**. Thank you to all who have already made the commitment to support this year's Appeal. If you have not had the opportunity yet, it's not too late to make your commitment! Please use the **donation form below** to make your contribution or **scan the QR code** to visit and pledge securely online!



Make checks payable to:  
Catholic Appeal of  
South Carolina

Mail to:  
P.O. Box 31257  
Charleston, SC 29417

First Name	Last Name			
Address	City	State	Zip	
Signature	Date			
Parish				
Pledge:	\$ _____	Balance:	\$ _____	
Down Payment:	\$ _____	Balance to be paid over _____ months.	Please complete pledges by December 2026!	

Parish Hall

# St. Patrick's St. Joseph Day

## DINNER

Dine In: 6:15 - 7:30 PM  
Carryout: 5:30 - 7:30 PM

# 14 MARCH

Corned Beef & Cabbage  
Potatoes & Carrots  
Cake

**TICKETS FOR SALE AFTER MASS**

**\$15.00**  
12 & Under: Free  
Widows/Widowers Free

ESTD 2024

**Every Tuesday!**

## YOUTH GROUP

### Weekly Meeting

**Come Together in Faith, Friendship, and Fun!**

- Uplifting Prayer and Discipleship
- Encouraging Devotional Message
- Time of Fellowship with other Youth
- Snacks & Fun Activities!

**EVERY TUESDAY AT 6:30 PM**  
SJCCS Parish Hall  
Grades 6<sup>th</sup> - 12

For More Information:  
Gabriel.woofter@sjccs.net

## Second Week of Lent ~ Fasting!

**Stations of the Cross**  
Friday, March 6<sup>h</sup>, 7:00PM

**RE Families- Lenten Supper, 5:30PM, Parish Hall**

**Day of Abstinence from flesh meat - No desserts will be served**

## Almsgiving for Lent

*"To this end always dispose of a part of your means by giving them heartily to the poor; you impoverish yourself by whatever you give away. It is true that God will restore it to you, not only in the next world, but in this, for nothing brings so much temporal prosperity as free almsgiving, but meanwhile, you are sensibly poorer for what you give. Truly that is a holy and rich poverty which results from almsgiving."* St. Francis de Sales, An Introduction to the Devout Life, Chapter 15

Collection of Food Items for:

**The Good Neighbor Cupboard & The Hope Mission**

Items Collected at

**Weekend Mass - Lenten Dinners - Stations of the Cross**

**Peanut Butter - Jelly - Powdered Milk - Boxed Cereal - Individual Packets Of Oatmeal.**

Please be generous and watch the power of compounding when we all chip in to help others!

 <h1 style="text-align: center;">LENTEN CONFESSIONS</h1> <p style="text-align: center;">March /April 2026</p> <p style="text-align: right;">©LPi</p>						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
01 Mar	02	03	04	05	06	07
		C	C	C	C	C
08	09	10	11	12	13	14
		C	C	C	C	C
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
		C	C	C	C	C
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
		C	C	C	C	C
29	30	31	01	02 Holy Thursday	03 Good Friday	04 Easter Vigil
		Chrism Mass	C	7PM	3PM	8:30PM
05 Easter 8:30 & 11AM						

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

Tuesday	Mar 3, 10, 17, 24	6:00 - 7:00PM
Wednesday	Mar 4, 11, 18, 25 & Apr 1	9:15 - 10:15AM & 4:00 - 5:00PM
Thursday	Mar 5, 12, 19, 26	6:00 - 7:00PM
Friday	Mar 6, 13, 20, 27	9:15 - 10:15AM & 4:00 - 5:00PM
Saturday	Mar 7, 14, 21, 28	3:15 PM - 4:45 PM

## Hilltoppers Monthly Social

**Are you over 50?**  
**Please Join us for the FUN!**

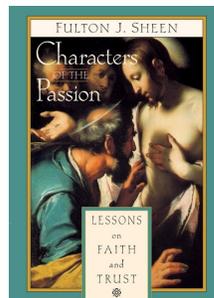
**Location: PARISH OFFICE**  
**Tuesday, March 3, 11:30AM**

**Speaker: Frank StClair**  
 from Fyzical Therapy and Balance  
 Center Anderson County Administrator

**Entrée – Chinese chicken with cashews  
 and fried rice**

Solo? Bring a friend! You will meet  
 interesting people and form new  
 friendships.

## Catholic Book Discussion Group Come join us!



**Characters of the Passion**  
 By Fulton J. Sheen

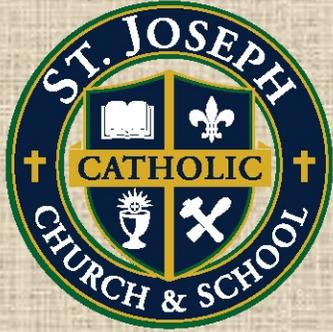
**Thursday, March 5**  
 3pm or 6:30 pm

**In the Parish Office**  
 Conference Room

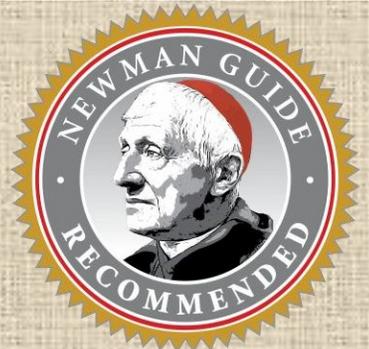
*Venerable Fulton J. Sheen brings to life the key figures in the Passion and Death of Our Lord, Jesus Christ: Peter, Judas, Pilate, Herod, Claudia and Herodias, Barabbas and the Thieves. He discusses the part each played, the effect of the Passion on each and the relevancy to understanding our own Catholic faith and modern culture.*

*Good for a Lenten mediation!*  
 Contact Jan Heithaus [jan.heithaus@sjccs.net](mailto:jan.heithaus@sjccs.net)  
 for more information.

**Book for April:**  
 The Life of Sister Wilhelmina



# We are proud to be a Newman Guide Recommended School!



## Now Enrolling 3K – 8<sup>th</sup> Grades! ESTF Applications Now Open

Apply now for \$7600 towards private school tuition (per student) ! [www.sc-estf-program.com](http://www.sc-estf-program.com)

Thank you to all that participated.  
We raised \$82,351  
We are still accepting donations!



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## We're growing!

Our Catholic school family is seeking joyful, faith-filled educators who feel called to inspire young hearts.

**Positions:**

- Pre-K Teacher (Starting January) — **Hired!**
- K3 Teacher (2026-2027 School Year)

✦ Become part of a community where faith, love, and learning flourish. Apply today!

✉ Email: [Haymee.Giuliani@sjccs.net](mailto:Haymee.Giuliani@sjccs.net)

**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 [www.charlestandiocese.org](http://www.charlestandiocese.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@charlestandiocese.org](mailto:kedwards@charlestandiocese.org)

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

**Diocesan Office of Child Protection Services:** Jeniffer Medina, (843) 225-8136

**Diocesan Victim Assistance:** Kristin Eyre (843) 856-0748 or (800) 921-8122

# Children's Stations of the Cross

Friday, March 6, 5:00–5:30 PM

Friday, March 13, 5:00–5:30 PM

Meet in the Narthex



Lenten Supper at 5:30  
Parish Stations at 7:00pm

# Arise

Mother/Tween-  
Daughter Retreat

A CHANCE TO HANG OUT,  
**TALK ABOUT**  
SOME IMPORTANT  
GIRL MATTERS,  
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Friday-Saturday  
March 6-7, 2026

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- Lazos Familiares/Cordones Umbilicales
- Un Lazo de Tres

El costo es de \$150 por pareja  
Comidas incluidas.  
Las parejas que no son del área deben  
buscar alojamiento para la noche del viernes.  
No hay cuidado de niños.  
Viernes: 6:00pm - 9:30pm  
Sábado: 8:00am - Santa Eucaristía 6:30 pm

REGISTRACIONES CON  
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# Guatemala

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## UNDERSTAND THE FAITH YEAR 2 STUDY GUIDES

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

# MARCH 2026

### SCRIPTURE

Read: Matthew 5:13-16

### REFLECT:

1. This passage appears in the 'Sermon on the Mount' in Matthew's Gospel, in which Jesus imparts many key elements of his teaching. How is this passage one of those key elements of Jesus' message?
2. Why do you think Jesus uses the image of salt to describe discipleship?
3. Similarly, why do you think Jesus uses the image of light to describe discipleship?

### READ: A selection from *Via Fidelis* — Chapter 4

Over the course of the last few centuries, Western countries have demoted the Christian faith to a mere cultural symbol. The faith has been stripped of its richness and beauty. The Lord Jesus and his Gospel are dismissed or outrightly mocked. The Church is viewed as an antique of a bygone era that is no longer relevant or helpful to society. Such signs show us the loss of faith in our day.

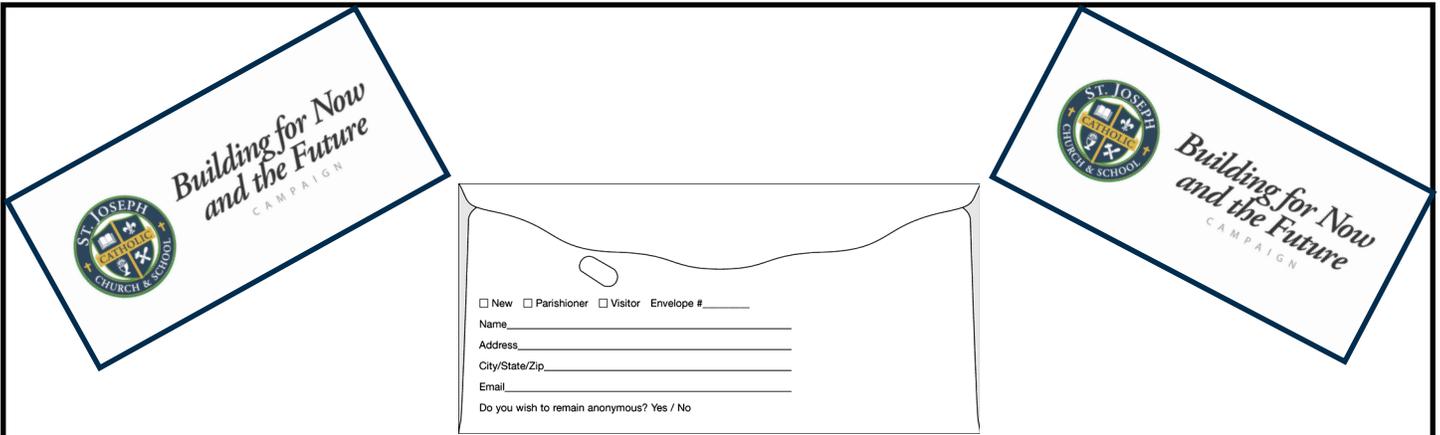
In our age, which is predominated by secularism and moral relativism, even believers can get caught up in the moral laxity, financial greed, political messianism and nihilistic cultural realities around them. While expressed in different ways at different times, darkness and error are found in every age and our own age is no exception. We are in an active struggle to show the goodness of the Lord Jesus, the credibility of the Gospel and the essential role of the Church as salt and light for our world today.

### REFLECT:

1. In this selection, the Bishop describes a widespread loss of faith in our culture. In what ways have you seen this to be true? Conversely, what points of hope have you seen?
2. What effect do the 'moral laxity, financial greed, political messianism and nihilistic cultural realities' that the Bishop describes have on society and the individuals within society? How do we respond?
3. The Bishop echoes Jesus' call to be 'salt and light' in the world of today. What does this mean in our context?



[charlestdiocese.org/via-fidelis](http://charlestdiocese.org/via-fidelis)



## ***Building for Now and the Future Capital Campaign Payments***

- Envelopes are available in the pews and at the Parish Office for your convenience.
- Please fill out the back of the envelope for proper credit.
- Envelopes may be placed in the collection or dropped off at the Parish Office.
- If making payments through bill pay or RMD IRA Contributions, please note that the contribution is for the ***Capital Campaign - Building for Now and the Future.***
- Your contributions to this campaign will be noted on your end of year giving statements.

If you have any questions, please contact Kate Edwards email: [kate.edwards@sjccs.net](mailto:kate.edwards@sjccs.net).

We thank you for your generosity.

## ***SEVEN SISTERS APOSTOLATE***

***Our priests need our prayers!!!***

Dear women of the parish, our priests need you and Our Lord wants to spend time with you!! Please consider spending one hour, on the day of week of your choice, before Our Savior in the Tabernacle, at the church of your choice.

Your prayers will be for Fr. Gillespie or our retired priest, Fr. Runnion. Join the Seven Sisters Apostolate, and make a real difference in the lives of these priests while Adoring Our Lord." To join either group or for more information, please contact Lisa Commerford 864-556-2136 or [lcommerford@hotmail.com](mailto:lcommerford@hotmail.com)

## 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:**

Brian Sakidovitch  
860-917-5585  
bsakidovitch@gmail.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  
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**Come be part of the adventure  
Scouting starts here!**

## FertilityCare System (CrMS)

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To RSVP or learn more about the CrMS Natural Family Planning system contact:

**Molly Millerbernd, BSN, RN, FCPI**  
[molly.fertilitycare@gmail.com](mailto:molly.fertilitycare@gmail.com)  
or 864-332-9262

All meetings are held in the Parish Office

### 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
- Have Active Member Status in the Parish as outlined above

### Is my Marriage Recognized by the Church?

Like other couples in your parish or family, you may be wondering if your marriage is fully recognized by the Catholic Church. Catholic Church law ordinarily requires baptized Roman Catholics to marry before a priest or deacon. Unless they received a **“dispensation from canonical form,”** Catholics who exchange vows in the presence of ministers from other religious traditions or civil officials are not considered validly married in the eyes of the Catholic Church.

Regardless of what happened in the past, the Catholic Church invites you to bring new meaning to your lives by embracing the vocation of marriage and dedicating your family’s mission to sharing God’s love.

[foryourmarriage.org](http://foryourmarriage.org)

### - 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

### Ignatius Catholic Study Bible

**RSV Second Catholic Edition**

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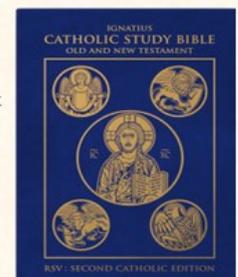
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*Altar Guild*  
*Assistance Requested*

***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.**

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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:

<b>The Citadel</b>	<b>College of Charleston/Charleston Southern</b>	<b>Presbyterian</b>
Tony Licari	Tom Gregory	Giovani Briguenta
<a href="mailto:tlicari@charlestandioocese.org">tlicari@charlestandioocese.org</a>	<a href="mailto:cofcssa@gmail.com">cofcssa@gmail.com</a>	<a href="mailto:gbriguenta@presby.edu">gbriguenta@presby.edu</a>
<b>Clemson</b>	<b>Francis Marion</b>	<b>USC</b>
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