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September 10, 2023
Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time



Season of Creation – Let Justice and Peace Flow

The United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change has stated that acting now with greater urgency means that we will not miss our chance to create a more sustainable and just world. We can and we must prevent the worst from happening. “Truly, much can be done,” provided we come together like so many streams, brooks, and rivulets, merging finally in a mighty river to irrigate the life of our marvelous planet and our human family for generations to come. So let us join hands and take bold steps to “Let Justice and Peace Flow” throughout our world.

First, let us join the mighty river by transforming our hearts. This is essential for any other transformation to occur; it is that “ecological conversion” which Saint John Paul II encouraged us to embrace: the renewal of our relationship with creation so that we no longer see it as an object to be exploited but cherish it instead as a sacred gift from our Creator.

<https://bit.ly/PopeFrancisCreationCarePrayer>

Hunger Awareness and Clemson Community Care Food Drive

Thank you to everyone who donated food this week to kick off our Clemson Community Care food drive. **Suggested donations for the remaining weeks in September:**

September 17: canned vegetables, rice, cereal, peanut butter, flour, paper towels

September 24: tomato sauce and paste, grits, canned or shelf-stable milk, toilet paper

College students, consider donating jars of pasta sauce each week. Any donation of non-perishable food items is always welcome.

The negative effects of food insecurity are not relegated to short-term hunger. The long-term health effects, especially for children, truly drive home the importance of addressing this issue.

Since COVID, Clemson Community Care has been distributing 2000 pounds of food a day. That means that the average amount of food we collect on a weekend during our food drive will be barely enough for one day. So, we would suggest that you talk to a friend/neighbor/colleague about CCC and ask them if they support CCC. Especially if they are new to the area. It is going to take more than our parish to stock the shelves.

Cash donations are welcome and should be sent directly to **Clemson Community Care at PO Box 271, Clemson SC 29633**. Make checks payable to CCC, writing “Saint Andrew” on the memo line.

*If you lavish your food on the hungry and satisfy the afflicted;
then your light shall rise in the darkness, and your gloom shall
become like midday... – Isaiah 58:10*



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Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:15 PM

Sunday 8:30 AM, 11:00 AM, 5:15 PM
(11:00 AM Mass is also livestreamed)

Weekdays 5:15 PM

Eucharistic Adoration

Fridays 9:00 AM–5:00 PM in the Church

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Chapel – Wednesdays 5:45–6:45 PM

Chapel – Saturdays 10:00–11:00 AM
(Or by appointment)

Religious Education

Sundays 9:45–10:45 AM

Day Hall and Newman Hall

Youth Ministry Encounter

Sundays 6:30–8:00 PM

Parish Hall

Office Hours

Monday–Thursday 10:00 AM–5:00 PM

After Hours Pastoral Emergencies

Call 919-699-6323

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[@saintandrewclemson](https://www.facebook.com/saclemson)

To sign up for weekly parish-wide emails, go to
www.flocknote.com/saclemson

SCHEDULE REMINDER:

There are **no church activities on Saturdays when Clemson plays at home**. The chapel and church are closed with no Saturday Sacrament of Reconciliation and no Saturday evening Mass. **This season's home game dates are: September 9, 16, and 23, October 7, and November 4, 11, and 18.**

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Livestream

The Sunday Mass at 11:00 AM will continue to be livestreamed on the parish Facebook page until further notice.

<https://www.facebook.com/saclemson/>

Missed the livestream but don't want to miss Mass? Use the **same Facebook link** to view the video later at your convenience.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 9

– CLEMSON HOME FOOTBALL –

10:00 AM (No Sacrament of Reconciliation)

5:15 PM (No Mass)

Sunday, September 10

8:30 AM † Eileen Smith

† Frank Jensen

11:00 AM Our Parish Family

5:15 PM Patrick Fesler

Monday, September 11

5:15 PM Our Parish Family

Tuesday, September 12

5:15 PM † William Hood

Wednesday, September 13

5:15 PM Special Intention

Thursday, September 14

5:15 PM † Maria Rosario del Valle

Friday, September 15

5:15 PM † Sr. Mary Joan Phillips

Saturday, September 16

– CLEMSON HOME FOOTBALL –

10:00 AM (No Sacrament of Reconciliation)

5:15 PM (No Mass)

Sunday, September 17

8:30 AM † Bob and Eleanor Fajardo

† Ryan West

11:00 AM Anne Marie Wiles

5:15 PM Tommy Sullivan

To schedule a Mass Intention, contact the office.



Dealing with loss of a family member or close friend can be especially difficult alone. If you feel you would benefit from meeting with others who have experienced a similar loss, a bereavement support group meets monthly from **12:30–1:30 PM the third Sunday of each month**. The next meeting will be **Sunday, September 17, in Newman Hall** (136 Wington).

Lost & Found

For lost items, please check the **LOST & FOUND box** by the food drop-off in the vestibule or contact Nancy in the office. Some items are being held in the office.

Daily Scripture Readings

Daily readings are available online at bible.usccb.org/readings/calendar

A Note From the Pastor

One of the most important of the many accomplishments of the last council of the Church (1962-1965) was the redesign of the Eucharist. After almost five centuries of Mass being structurally designed as the work of the priest (the “old” Mass has no rubrics for the congregation – the people didn’t need to be there), the rubrics for the Order of Mass today acknowledge that the Eucharist is the “source and summit” of the whole Church’s prayer life.

While it drives some people crazy to hear of the priest at Mass described as the Presider, that’s exactly his task – to oversee the ordering of all the ministries – deacon, lector, acolyte (aka, “server”), choir, ushers, ministers of Communion – and the priest’s own role.

It’s time again for us to replenish the ranks of our various ministries. In preparation for a new schedule of Mass ministries come October 2, we’ll have two formation sessions for those willing to serve the rest of us in exercising the various ministries designed to help all of us worship as Jesus asked us to worship – namely, to gather together in memoriam of his serving life and saving death exemplified in his Last Supper at which he fed his disciples with himself so that they might live as he did – washing feet.

The importance of these ministries comes from their focus – to help the “assembly” (aka, congregation) absorb what God offers in Word and Sacrament. There’s nothing more important that we do as a parish than celebrate the Eucharist.

The great 4th century bishop, Athanasius, in offering a meditation of how God “orders” the diversity of creation, helps us to appreciate how the Holy Spirit “orders” our worship: *A choir is composed of a variety of men, women, and children, of both old and young. Under the direction of one conductor, each sings in the way that is natural for him: men with men’s voices, boys with boys’ voices, old people with old voices, young people with young voices. Yet all of them produce a single harmony. Or consider the example of our soul. It moves our senses according to their several functions so that in the presence of a single object they all act simultaneously: the eye sees, the ear hears, the hand touches, the nose smells, the tongue tastes, and often the other parts of the body act as well as, for example, the feet may walk.*

“Formation” sessions (only one session needs to be attended) will be held on **Tuesday, September 19 from 7:00–8:30 PM** and again on **Thursday, September 21 from 6:00–7:30 PM** in the church. More information will be forthcoming.

As a “church” (Greek, *ecclesia*, meaning “a people called out from”), we worship in gratitude for our common calling. And learn from Word and Sacrament what that calling should look like as we fulfill it at home, in school, as neighbors, fellow citizens, and co-workers.

Fr. Dan

Welcome to Our Parish

NEW PARISHIONER: Jeffrey Bedard

If you attend Saint Andrew and have not yet registered, please contact the office or speak with Father after Mass.

Healing Prayer Ministry

HEALING PRAYER IS OFFERED IN THE CHAPEL AFTER SUNDAY MORNING MASSES. *Jesus, I am grateful that You want to speak to me every day—guiding me with Your Spirit to obey Your Word and enjoy another day on this beautiful earth. I thank You that You have called me Your friend and assured me that I may come to You for help whenever I have a need in my life. Please open my mind so that I may hear Your voice and understand Your plans for me. Help me to love You with the same intensity that You love me. Amen.*



Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children’s Liturgy of the Word starts back up **this Sunday at 8:30 AM Mass**, and follows the Faith Formation calendar. This program is designed for children ages 4–8 and provides them with an opportunity to break open the Word celebrated in the Sunday liturgy. The children are dismissed before the readings and return after the Creed. Please contact Jamie at jamie@saclemson.com or Karen at kstimart@gmail.com with any questions about the program.

Faith Formation

Laura Witt • laura@saclemson.org

Welcome back to Children’s Faith Formation **4K–5th Grade**. Classes start **this Sunday, September 10**, and meet most Sundays through the school year from **9:45–10:45 AM** between both Sunday morning Masses. We follow a religious education curriculum provided by the Charleston Diocese for each age level. However, it is important to remember that a *parent is a child’s first teacher*. Learning happens in the everyday moments you share with your child. *You* play an important role in your child’s development and learning!



Everything *you* and your child do together, including attending Mass and enriching your religious education, will teach important lessons that will help them grow and learn about their faith. Registrations can be found in the church office or online at saclemson.org/forms.



Walking With Purpose – (Just for Women)

Our third season will start in just a few short weeks! Every woman of the parish is invited to participate. We do NOT walk. The focus is on helping women know Christ, while also building community by encouraging friendships with other women of the parish, through both small group discussions and large group social opportunities. You won't really understand what Walking With Purpose is until you try it. The rally cry is "Come as You Are" – Meeting a woman where she is in her spiritual journey. At every event, we always have an Open Chair just for YOU!

On **Sunday, September 10**, leaders will be available **after the Masses** to talk to you about Walking With Purpose. Registration forms will be available. On Wednesday, **September 13**, we will be in the **Parish Hall from 5:45–7:15 PM**, offering light refreshments, information, and another opportunity to register. For returning participants registered for Touching the Divine, books will be available. If you have any questions, you can call or text: Karyn 443-994-0031, Donna 864-506-1453, or Sue Tuvell 404-771-9287.

Our Weekly Parish Tithe

Kristen Lawson · kristen.n.lawson@gmail.com

The week's tithe goes to **Clemson Meals on Wheels and Meals on Wheels of Pickens County**.

Pickens County Meals on Wheels (PCMOW) exists to combat the effects of hunger, loneliness, and isolation on senior citizens living in Pickens County. PCMOW provides a lifeline of help, particularly meals, through the use of caring volunteers. They strive to provide the most cost-effective service to help individuals "age in place" while maintaining their health, independence, and quality of life. This organization not only provides meals but a continuum of care for active, aging, and homebound individuals, including social, cultural, and educational activities. They also connect individuals and their families to other services and agencies clients might need while striving to ensure the seniors feel they are valued members of our community. To qualify, clients must be homebound and physically or mentally challenged to the point where meal preparation is nearly impossible. The meals provided are healthy and are planned on a four-week rotating menu. If the volunteers cannot make contact with a participant, they make every effort to ensure the recipient is safe. Volunteers and donations are most welcome. For more information or to volunteer, please call 864-885-3770 or email info@pcmow.org.

Clemson Meals On Wheels has been serving those living within the Clemson city limits since 1974. With no paid staff positions, 99% of their revenue goes toward the food they deliver. Volunteers (from Clemson students to retirees) deliver 200-225 warm meals each week to qualifying residents year-round who, for reasons of health, age, or disability, cannot prepare a well-balanced meal for themselves. Most clients live alone, and some see no one else each day. Meals cost \$6 each, but most clients receive their meals for free. Each midday meal, prepared by Ingles deli, is accompanied by a courtesy copy of *The Journal*, and a friendly visit. Drivers have one route and deliver once a week. Some drivers share a route so that they deliver less frequently. Opportunities to contribute include delivering meals, donating funds, and serving on the volunteer Board. Many Board members are also substitute drivers. For more information, go to clemsonmealsonwheels.org.

For He has satisfied the thirsty soul. And the hungry soul He has filled with what is good. – Psalm 107: 9

SA Women's Monthly Luncheon – New Location

Please join us for Saint Andrew Women's monthly luncheon on **Thursday, September 14, at 12:30 PM**, at the Traditions on the Lake, 13500 Clemson Blvd, Seneca. Contact stephsh1948@gmail.com by noon on September 13 to reserve your seat. Lunch is Dutch treat.



St. Joseph's Catholic School, Greenville

St. Joseph's annual Open House for Fall 2024 admissions (grades 6-12) will be Sunday, October 1, on the school's campus, beginning at 1:00 PM. Prospective families (parents and students) can learn more about the school, tour the facility with current students, and meet teachers and coaches. Scholarships are available. Visit sjcatholicsschool.org.

Heart Ridge Catholic Retreat Center

Heart Ridge is located in the mountains of South Carolina and offers retreats open to all – a women's retreat October 27–29, a for and by teachers retreat on November 3–5, a novel writing retreat on November 11–12, and the annual Advent Retreat for Young Moms on December 8–9. Stay tuned for spring. For more information on these events and the retreat center: HeartRidgeMinistries.com.

Autumn Art Retreat: Pilgrims, Pasta, Pumpkins, and Prayer

For those who like to pray with their hands, the Catholic Conference Center in Hickory, North Carolina, has an all-star cast of presenters to guide you in learning new skills and making some items, interwoven with prayerful reflections on the harvest, thanksgiving, and the changing of the seasons. The retreat is September 29–30. Register now—space is limited to 25. Visit www.catholicconference.org/autumn.

Baptism Preparation

Contact Deacon John Leininger,
864-903-0050 or john@saclemson.org

Marriage Preparation

Contact Fr. Dan McLellan, OFM, no fewer than six months prior to the desired wedding date, 864-643-2011 or mclellan@saclemson.org.

Anointing of the Sick

Call the office at 864-654-1757 to arrange a time with a priest or, in an emergency, call the after hours number 919-699-6323.

Parish Prayer List

To have your prayer requests added to the parish prayer list, please contact Sandra Harbin at sandra_terry.harbin@yahoo.com or 864-885-9527 and leave a detailed message. If you would like to be part of the group offering prayer support, let Sandra know.

Weekly Intentions

To schedule a Weekly Intention (altar flowers, Chapel and/or Church sanctuary candles, Communion bread and wine) to remember a loved one or celebrate a special event, contact Nancy in the office.

2023 Clemson Home Football Schedule

With Clemson Football starting back up soon, just a friendly reminder that there are **NO CHURCH ACTIVITIES ON SATURDAYS WHEN CLEMSON PLAYS AT HOME**. That is, the chapel and church are closed on game days with no Saturday Sacrament of Reconciliation or Saturday evening Mass.



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Parish Giving

Thank you to all for your continued support of our parish. If you have not yet returned to in-person Masses and would like to send your weekly offertory envelopes directly to the office, please send to:

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To transition to our online giving option, go to www.saclemson.org and click **GIVE** in the navigation bar. Whether attending in person or not, by making your offering online, you continue to support our good works even if you are away. **NOTE:** If on your mobile phone, be sure to click "view full site" for best results. Any questions, please feel free to contact Nancy at nancy@saclemson.org or call 864-654-1757.



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