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October 22, 2023
Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish Workday

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28 • 8:00 AM–1:00 PM
COME FOR AN HOUR OR STAY THE WHOLE TIME
Join fellow parishioners for a fall “spruce up” of the garden and grounds. We will be spreading mulch, weeding, pruning, planting, and transplanting. Bring a wheelbarrow, a pitch fork, a shovel, a rake, or pruning shears if you have them. Contact Juan Carlos Melgar 1carlosmelgar@gmail.com to let us know you are coming.



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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 6:00–7:00 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

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foothills
care center

Please join Saint Andrew Campus Ministry, **Catholic Tigers**, in working with Foothills Care Center, local pregnancy support center, during the month of October by donating items for mothers and babies

in need in the area. Currently, needed items are: **diapers (sizes 4–6), pullups, baby wipes, and winter baby clothes (12 months to 2T)**. Contact Will Betsill via email at wbetsil@clemson.edu with any questions. Marked collection bins are located in the vestibule.

A Special Kairos THANK YOU!

On behalf of Saint Andrew Parish, Deacon John and Tom Brennan delivered **placemats decorated by our Faith Formation classes and 304.5 dozen cookies** to the Kairos Walk at Perry Correctional earlier this month. They are so appreciative of the overwhelming response – women and men of the parish, their friends, Confirmation families, college students – so many took time to bake. Even the mom of one college student who was here at Mass at the end of September sent her daughter 14 dozen cookies to deliver to the Parish Office! To all the generous bakers – “THANK YOU for the difference you’ve made!”



Healing Prayer Ministry

HEALING PRAYER IS OFFERED IN THE CHAPEL AFTER SUNDAY MORNING MASSES

Lord, help Your children, anguished and confused, to understand the futility of hatred and violence and grant them the ability to stretch across political, religious, and national boundaries so they may confront horror and fear by continuing together in the search for justice, peace, and truth. With every fiber of our being we beg You, O God, to help us not to fail nor falter. (Rabbi H. Rolando)

Parish Staff

Fr. Dan McLellan, OFM, *Pastor, Campus Minister*

Fr. Bob Menard, OFM, *Friar in Residence*

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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/>

The same Facebook link can be used to view the video later at your convenience.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 21

5:15 PM Special Intention

Sunday, October 22

8:30 AM †Foster Gambrell

†Donna Brissett

11:00 AM †Russ Hébert, Jr.

†Jan Schueren

Yolanda Hurtado

5:15 PM †Lazar Macuk

Monday, October 23

5:15 PM Our Parish Family

Tuesday, October 24

5:15 PM †Ben Brazinski

Wednesday, October 25

5:15 PM †Lou and †Selma Cafarchio

Thursday, October 26

5:15 PM Children of Military Families

†Carolyn and †John Lenske

Friday, October 27

5:15 PM †Bill Swift

Saturday, October 28

5:15 PM Fr. Bob Menard

Sunday, October 29

8:30 AM †Jan Schueren

†Tom and †Judy Black

11:00 AM †Walter Crocker

†Russ Hébert, Jr.

†Raymond Bolger

5:15 PM Our Parish Family

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, November 19, in Newman Hall (136 Wigington).

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

“Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God.” A familiar saying that we’ll be hearing in this Sunday’s Gospel. As we all know, many Christians will rely on this quote to insist that religion and politics (aka, “life in the polis, or city) don’t mix. But such reliance is premised on ignorance of something essential.

So, readying ourselves for Sunday, an important truth needs to be kept in mind – *Eternal salvation is open to those who, through no fault of their own, do not know Christ and his Church but seek God with a sincere heart, and under the inspiration of grace try in their lives to do his will, made known to them by the dictates of their conscience. Nor does Divine Providence deny the aids necessary for salvation to those who, without blame on their part, have not yet reached an explicit belief in God, but strive to lead a good life, under the influence of God’s grace.*

Whatever goodness and truth is found among them is seen by the Church as a preparation for the Gospel, and as given by him who shines on all men, so that they may at last have life.

Thus the Church teaches in the seminal document, *Lumen Gentium* (“Light to the Nations”) promulgated in the last Church council. It’s a teaching that echoes the saying, “God is bound to the sacraments, but not by the sacraments.” A saying bolstered by this Sunday’s first reading.

In a nutshell, the grace of God is prevalent beyond “religion” as understood by those who would see politics and religion as two distinct worlds. Thus, “politics” – like economics, the arts, and sports – is a dynamic of life that needs to be animated by those – think us and our parish – who have been chosen as agents of God’s grace.

The example of our politics should be so gospel-like that folks are curious about why we are so different from those who stoke the fires of division and discord.

Our mission is the ability to answer those moved by our example. None of us needs a theology degree to evangelize in this fashion. We do need to know Jesus personally. And we do need to explain that our Sunday worship is for the sake of having Jesus feed us with himself so that, becoming what we eat, we do as he asked – wash one another’s feet. Sunday Mass is the memorial – lest we forget – that Jesus went to the Cross because of how he went among the people of his day. And remind those we’re speaking to that the consequences of what we believe are the same for us as they were for Jesus. Each day, we carry our Cross – not simply our aches and pains, disappointments and tragedies – but the push-back from societies and cultures that thrive on values inimical to Jesus oft posed question, “What would you have me do for you?”

Fr. Dan

We Welcome to Our Parish

NEW PARISHIONERS: Derek and Abbey Worrell, Reese

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



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29 • 3:00–4:00 PM (Set up 2:00 PM)

Our children under twelve are invited to dress up, visit trunks, join the cake walk, play games for candy and prizes, and participate in the costume contest – prizes for age groups, themed family costumes, and best trunk.

Set-up begins at 2:00 PM in the upper parking lot. But it won’t be nearly as much fun without your help. Volunteers are needed to:

- provide a trunk
- help with the games (fishing for prizes, ball toss, etc.)
- donate candy
- donate cookies, a cake, or other homemade treats for the cake walks
- cheer for the costume contestants, cake walkers, etc.

Knowing you’re going to be there will help us plan. Please volunteer by emailing Erica at ebrazy495@att.net or contact Laura at laura@saclemson.org.

Faith Formation

Laura Witt • laura@saclemson.org

NO FAITH FORMATION CLASS NEXT WEEKEND, OCTOBER 29. HAPPY FALL BREAK. Our Sacramental Prep class is preparing for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The 2nd Graders work on learning the Act of Contrition by placing the words together like a puzzle as a class together.

The sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation is the emphasis on mercy, forgiveness, and healing. Teaching Catholic Kids recommends making regular confession a habit by scheduling it on your calendar and giving it the same priority as a dentist or car maintenance appointment. Start by committing to attend three times a year: once during Advent, once during Lent, and once over the summer. If you already go that often, make it a habit to go once a month.

Music to Say “Farewell”

Jamie Dean · jamie@saclemson.org

For October 29, the music selections not only reflect the message of the Gospel reading – “Love the Lord your God. Love your neighbor as yourself” – but also celebrate our beloved friar and departing friend, Fr. Bob. “The Summons” asks, Will you come and follow me? The Offertory hymn urges us to Touch the earth lightly, use the earth gently. Of course we will sing *Make me a channel of your peace*, and the “going forth” hymn inspires us with words of Bishop Desmond Tutu, words of hope that are so crucial in these times: Goodness is stronger than evil; love is stronger than hate. The choir serving the 8:30AM Mass will sing prelude texts inspired by Franciscan theology; and the 11:00AM Mass will feature our HymnDingers. As you sing the hymns next weekend and listen attentively to our extended preludes, you’ll be expressing a message of Gratitude and Godspeed to Fr. Bob as he begins his next adventure in Christian service.



Taizé Prayer this Week

We will offer our usual monthly “Prayer in the Style of Taizé” this **Thursday, October 26**, in the chapel. Services are held at **10:00AM** and again at **7:00PM**. All are welcome!

Our Weekly Parish Tithe

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

The week’s tithe goes to **Justice for Immigrants**. In 2004 the Catholic Bishops of the US committed to immigration reform as a priority of the US Catholic Church, and to creating a culture of welcome in which all immigrants are treated with respect and dignity. A diverse group of Catholic organizations joined the US Catholic Bishops in an effort to unite and mobilize a growing network of Catholic institutions and individuals in support of immigration reform in the US. Justice for Immigrants (JFI) objectives are: To educate the public, especially the Catholic Community, about church teaching on immigration; create political will for just and humane immigration reform; advocate for reform in immigration-related laws and policies that reflect the principles enunciated in church teaching. For more information: www.justiceforimmigrants.org

You shall treat the stranger who sojourns with you as the native among you, and you shall love him as yourself, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt: I am the Lord your God. – Leviticus 19:34

A Matter of Balance

We all know that falls are a threat to one’s health and independence. Fall prevention classes can help reduce the fear of falling and increase the activity levels of older adults who have concerns about falling. Saint Andrew has had the opportunity to offer the “A Matter of Balance” certificate class several times in the recent past. For anyone interested, there is an upcoming class in Seneca. A Matter of Balance will teach you to:

1. Learn how to reduce your risk of falls
2. Make your home a safer space
3. Strengthen your legs and core to help reduce falls

The class will be offered at:

Oconee Memorial Hospital, Institute for Engaged Aging
1:30–3:30 PM, Tuesdays and Thursdays
Oct 24, 26, 31, Nov 2, 7, 9, 14, and 16

For more information email balance@clemsun.edu



It is not too late to join other Christians throughout the Upstate and take part in our local 40 Days for Life effort with a vision to change hearts and minds about abortion through prayer and fasting, public vigil at abortion facilities, and community outreach. To find out more and sign up to help, please visit www.40daysforlife.com/greenville or contact Judy Masterson 864-506-0964 or Ingrid Ireland 864-329-0044. Help to spread the word about this important life-saving effort.



Women of the parish and friends, **Reminder:** October Bunco will be in Newman Hall on the **24th from 1:00–4:00 PM**. Entry fee is \$5, used for prizes. To reserve your spot, contact Jane at jm7.sutter@gmail.com.

Stewardship of Treasure*

Offertory	September 30	Budgeted	Difference
	\$72,325	\$63,225	\$9,100
	Year-To-Date	YTD Budgeted	YTD Difference
	\$224,482	\$205,071	\$19,411

* As of September 30, 2023

Fiscal Year July 1, 2023–June 30, 2024 • Thank you for those making early annual gifts.

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.

Whether a new or returning college student, be sure to register with the Catholic Tigers.

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.



A Message from Fr. Bob Menard, OFM

As a young boy, I was enthralled by the life of Saint Francis of Assisi. I identified with his early band of brothers. I imagined myself an itinerant minstrel traveling the roadways of the world. I came to realize that the call to preach the Gospel is not about moving from place to place shaking the dust of one community off as one moves to another. Each community, each person is not just a memory — their joys and sorrows, their dreams, realized and differed, their successes and failures — all leave a mark on your soul. They are part of you wherever you go. Students have taught me humility; parents have taught me sacrifice; seniors (elders) have taught me grace in living and the power of letting go. All of you have shown me how to be a better brother. THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO SERVE YOU THESE PAST SEVERAL YEARS.



As I begin a new ministry in North Carolina I ask your prayers. I will be part of a Franciscan family seeking to provide hospitality, contemplative space, and spiritual guidance to all who come. You and your family will remain in my daily round of prayer, especially at the altar. Thank God for this new opportunity. Thank you for your continuing support.



My new address is:

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