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> November 12, 2023 Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time



November 30 – Feast of Saint Andrew

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30 • 5:15 PM Mass • Dinner Served at 6:30 PM It is with profound gratitude and great rejoicing that we invite you to celebrate with us! On this Feast of Saint Andrew, we will formally name our parish hall and recognize the generosity of all who made our new church and parish center possible. Seating is limited. Please RSVP by November 22 to Andrea Ferraco at andrea@saclemson.org or 864-643-2585.



Many thanks to all those who volunteered to spruce up our parish grounds and the Laudato Sí Reflection Garden over the past several weeks.

Novena for Life

Pray the rosary for the nine days of the Novena starting November 11and plan to join the Knights and others at Saint Andrew Chapel next Sunday, November 19, at 4:45 PM to conclude the Novena - before the 5:15 PM Mass in the church. To commemorate and bolster this important cause, councils will promote a novena, nine days of sustained prayer, to build up a culture of life in our parishes, homes, and wider community. Knights and their families will come together in both public and private acts of prayer to promote the protection of life. The protection of life is a sustained prayer intention of the Church and, in particular, of the Knights of Columbus. We remain firmly committed to defending the right to life of every human being – from the moment of conception to natural death.

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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 Call 919-699-6323

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Livestream

The Sunday Mass at 11:00 AM is livestreamed on the parish Facebook page.

https//www.facebook.com/saclemson/ Mass Intentions Saturday, November 11 - CLEMSON HOME FOOTBALL -10:00-AM (No Sacrament of Reconciliation) 5:15 PM (No Mass) Sunday, November 12 8:30 AM + Jan Schueren +Foster Gambrell +Marguerite "Peggy" Rand **†**Elaina Mulholland 11:00 AM †Russ Hébert, Jr. **†**Brian Johnson **†**Barbara Mullen Louis Lattanzio 5:15 PM **Our Parish Family** Monday, November 13 +Lazar Macuk 5:15 PM +Marguerite "Peggy" Rand Tuesday, November 14 5:15 PM **†**Pattye Hubbard Wednesday, November 15 5:15 PM **†**Diana Preston + Jan Schueren Thursday, November 16 +Francisco del Valle 5:15 PM Friday, November 17 5:15 PM **†** Thelma Bertrand Saturday, November 18 - CLEMSON HOME FOOTBALL -10:00-AM (No Sacrament of Reconciliation) 5:15 PM (No Mass) Sunday, November 19 8:30 AM ⁺Jan Schueren +Foster Gambrell

11:00 AM **†**Barbara Mullen †Dee MacDade 5:15 PM **†**Bill and **†**MaryBeth Sheing †Maeve Murphy To schedule a Mass Intention, contact the office.

Weekly Intention

Communion Bread and Wine John and Kathy Carney - In loving Memory of Marguerite "Peggy" Rand.



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.

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

A Note From the Pastor

Last weekend one of the news pages I follow made a big deal about the upcoming this past Tuesday, Election Day. I quickly checked the date of the news story, thinking I'd missed a whole year, but, no, the story was about elections this year. I hadn't been paying attention (cf. last week's bulletin note) and several states were, indeed, having important local elections.

When I was a kid, my pastor always used the Sunday before elections to impress on us the need to make our voices heard. And while he never named names, he invariably included something to the effect, "And you know who to vote for." But did we?

As we wrap up another Church year, we're getting deeper into the run-up to Election 2024. In the center-stage presidential race, the <u>Blues</u> are running an octogenarian whose platform is of legislative accomplishments that won't bear full fruit for years to come. We don't have attention spans that long. He's for abortion rights, which disqualifies him for many Catholics. He's hugely internationalist. The Reds are running a retread under numerous federal and state indictments whose legislative platform - at least as of today - is 8 years old. Currently his personal goal, if elected, is to punish his personal detractors, righting the outrages against him since leaving office. If elected, the Blues will likely continue staffing the federal government with professionals. If elected, the Reds will de-professionalize the bureaucracy and appoint those loyal to the person of the new president. And try to stem the middle class tax breaks of 2017 that expire in 2025 and 2026. At least a lot of Reds and Blues hope. But seniors of either color will grapple with medical costs that outstrip their inflation-caused bump in Social Security.

All this is taking place as violence rules the day. Violence from the barrel of a gun directed against school kids, bowlers, and shoppers, and violence from the swill of fear so many have of the "other." This leave big segments of our citizenry living in fear because they're the wrong religion, the wrong race, or the wrong something else. Add the consequences of high inflation, and the pre-election "smell" is not unlike that of late 1920s, early 1930s Germany.

The above is a take on the milieu in which Gospel living is meant to be "salt, light, and leaven." Gospel living is meant to continue as it began the first Christmas: God becoming flesh and blood and showing the human family how to make the best - as God sees it - of our own common humanity. Our fellow travelers through everyday life have a right - given who we Christians say we are and what the Gospel is about – to expect from us what Jesus offered to the folks among whom he traveled and whom he taught by deeds as well as words. What he offered was the Cross, which before it became wood was compassion, healing, and justice.

For us, the Cross includes voting.

Fr. Dan

Parish Online Giving Gets a Facelift!

Beginning November 15, you may notice that our online giving page has a new look. Please be assured that nothing else has changed. Any passwords, scheduled transactions, or accounts that have been set up remain the same. Vanco is simply updating their platform with a new format easier to use on current electronic devices. There is even a mobile app available. For most of us, the change won't even be noticed until we set up our 2024 giving. That being said, when you click on GIVE from the parish website, you will first be directed to an overview page so you can get acquainted with the changes. As always, please do not hesitate to contact the Parish Office for assistance.

Christ Renews His Parish Men's and Women's Weekends MEN: FEBRUARY 10–11 • WOMEN: MARCH 2–3 • NO OVERNIGHT STAY

O God of Creation, you have blessed us with the changing of the seasons. As we embrace these autumn months, may the earlier setting of the sun remind us to take time to rest. Step back from the busyness and demands of your everyday life and spend some time with Jesus. We will share Scripture together, pray together, sing together, and celebrate the sacraments together. We will get to know one another, laugh, and maybe shed a few tears. Is Jesus calling you?

Relax and Renew... For more information or to register, contact the parish office or go to www.saclemson.org/christ-renews-his-parish.

Faith Formation

FAITH FORMATION REMINDER:

NO CLASS November 19 and 26 for Thanksgiving Break.



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IN LIGHT OF VETERANS DAY: Let's remember to include our children in a proper acknowledgement and prayer for the brave men and women who have served, and currently serve, our country as members of the armed forces. We thank them for all they have done for America, and we will pray for healing for those who are suffering as a result of conflicts around the world....

Saint Cecilia Sing

Jamie Dean • jamie@saclemson.org

November 22 is the feast day of Saint Cecilia, the patron saint of music and musicians. She is known for "singing in her heart to the Lord," which makes one wonder if that's what's happening when we have a song playing over and over inside our head! (Last weekend's earworm for me was "Saints and Beloved of God.")

Here at Saint Andrew, we'll again celebrate Saint Cecilia in a simple way at Sunday Masses on November 19. Instead of a choral or instrumental prelude, the gathering congregation will be invited to choose songs from our hymnal. Please plan to arrive at the church about twenty minutes early if you don't want to miss this hymn sing. You can start now (before Mass, please not during the homily!) to scan the hymnal's index and jot down the numbers of your favorite hymns. We hope to see a lot of early arrivals next weekend to praise God together in this special celebration of congregational song!

The Schola at 5:15

Last year, we instituted a new choir for the Sunday afternoon Masses at 5:15 PM. Comprising college-age and high school students with a heart for music ministry, these singers spend precious Sunday afternoon time rehearsing in order to elevate the prayers of the upcoming Mass through their leadership of hymns and responses, as well as in prelude music.

On the first Sunday of Advent, December 3, the Schola will present a special, extended prelude to the 5:15 PM Mass, based on the "O Antiphons." Through music and the spoken word, though song and chant, we will explore the elements of "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel," setting a tone of heightened anticipation for the coming of Christ in the Incarnation. Please consider coming at 4:30 PM on December 2 to experience this opportunity to pay attention to the change of liturgical seasons.

Our Weekly Parish Tithe

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

The week's tithe goes to Prisma Health's **Hospice of the Foothills** to provide medical, nursing, spiritual, and emotional care to terminally ill patients and their families. Their goal is to provide the patient with quality care and make them as comfortable as possible in the last stage of life. Hospice care is offered in their facility in Seneca or the patient's home. Care is available 24 hours a day. Hospice also provides emotional support for the families and patients to prepare all for the loss.

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. – John 14:27

Next Week's Special Collection: Campaign For Human Development

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development is the national anti-poverty program of the U.S. Catholic Bishops, working to carry out the mission of Jesus Christ "... to bring glad tidings to the poor... liberty to captives... sight to the blind, and let the oppressed go free." (Luke 4:18). **Please see the insert in today's bulletin** to learn more.

Christmas Bake Sale... and then some!

DECEMBER 9-10 • AFTER MASSES ON SATURDAY AND ON SUNDAY MORNING

In lieu of the Annual Bazaar (due to this year's Clemson football schedule), the parish Bazaar Committee, Alive & Thriving Ministry, and Healing Prayer Ministry are working together to host a "Christmas Bake Sale... and then some." Mark your calendars now! In addition to holiday baked goods and edible stocking stuffers, we will be serving chili or soup meals (eat in or take out), and providing free holiday activities for the children (3rd Grade and younger). Proceeds will be used toward the purchase of sacred vessels and litugical books.



If you are willing to donate holiday baked goods or help out on the day of, please contact Debbie Larsen at larsen.deb@icloud.com.

Advent Retreat for Young Moms

Are you a busy (and tired) mom? Take some time away this Advent on a retreat just for Young Moms. It will be 24 hours to rest, read, journal, listen to a couple of talks, have some fellowship with other moms, hike, and spend some time in Adoration. Friday evening through Saturday evening, December 8–9 at Heart Ridge Retreat Center in Sunset, South Carolina. Go to www.heartridgeministries.com/momsadvent to receive more info or to sign up.

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 offce 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.

Gift Card Fundraiser

Each month members of the parish are invited to purchase gift cards, including grocery cards, with proceeds going to the building fund. Cards are purchased at face value, and while they are used for their full face value, Saint Andrew also receives a percentage – yes, free money! Especially if you plan to give gift cards as gifts this holiday season, please consider purchasing through this fundraiser. To learn how you can get involved, contact Sheila at **hogan_family@ bellsouth.net** or Nancy in the parish office.

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 offce, please send to: **Saint Andrew Catholic Church**

PO Box 112 Clemson, SC 29633

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.



Saint Gerard Majella Council 6884 Activities and Events November 12, 2023



Grand Knight's Corner: Traditionally this is a very busy time of year for the Knights with many fundraisers and service projects. We need every Knight to join in and contribute some time and effort to these projects. A big thank you to everyone who participated in the Oktoberfest and South Cove booths. Now we are in the middle of the Fall HOPE Campaign, one of our biggest charity events. Congratulations to Reed and Cindy Thibodeaux, our Family of the Month, and to our Knight of the Month, Rick Bedard! Vivat Jesus! Tom Zavertnik, Grand Knight < tgzavert@bellsouth.net >

Columbus HOPE Campaign: The Fall HOPE Campaign ("Tootsie Roll" giveaway) is scheduled for November 3-4 at Bountyland locations and November 10-11 at the Seneca WalMart. Volunteers are still needed to help with this important charity work. Checks totaling over \$22,000 from last year's HOPE campaign are being distributed to 22 local schools and 2 private organizations that benefit individuals with mental and physical challenges. Frank Kler < sgostate@gmail.com >

Memorial Mass and Social: The Mass to honor Knights that have gone to eternal rest will be held at Saint Andrew's on November 19 at 5:15 PM. Following the Mass, there will be a social at the Parish Hall (cost \$18pp). All Knights and wives are invited. The widows of Knights that are being honored are also invited as guests of the Council. Please send the number attending to Bob Brohm < bobbrohm@gmail.com > via email or message, so he has an accurate count. You may pay at the door.

Life Events: On November 11 a Novena for Life will begin at Saint Paul with a Rosary at 3:30 PM before the 4 PM Mass. Pray the Rosary during the Novena at home and conclude with a Rosary at Saint Andrew's Chapel on November 19 at 4:45 PM before the 5:15 Mass. During this period, everyone is encouraged to pray to end abortion and other assaults on human life. More info: Kevin Flanagan. < kevinfflanagan@hotmail.com >

Christmas Party: The Council Christmas Party will be held at the Club in Keowee Key on December 19. The menu and costs will be available soon. Please mark your calendar for this fun event and let Tommy Davis know if you are planning on attending. Tommy Davis < tommydavis55@icloud.com >

Coats for Kids: Cold weather is here... the Council has purchased 12 boxes of coats for distribution to needy children in Oconee and Pickens Counties. The Sheriff's Department will distribute in Oconee County and the Family Promise will handle distribution in Pickens County. A big thank you to all the Knights that donated to this worthy cause.

Seneca Christmas Parade: The Council will provide a float for the annual Christmas Parade in Seneca on November 27. If you have ideas or materials to help decorate the float, please let Tommy Davis know. Meet to finish float preparation at 5:30 PM and then join in the parade festivities at 6:30 PM. More Info: < tommydavis55@icloud.com >

Become A Knight in 3 Easy Steps: We are always looking for Catholic men to join our ranks. Together, we're empowering Catholic men to live their faith at home, in their parish, at work and in their community.

 Register to become a Knight, go to https://bit.ly/k-of-c1
Watch the on-demand ceremony of Admission and Advancement, go to https://bit.ly/k-of-c2 to view an orientation video. Provide the required information including our council number, 6884.
Come to a Council Meeting the first Thursday of each month at 6:45PM.
The Council Hall is located at: 112 E North 2nd St. Seneca, SC

"Get it right... become a Knight!"

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT ORKING ON THE MARGINS

LEARN about those living in poverty who are working to improve their communities. • **ACT** and spread the word about poverty by sharing this flier. • **CONNECT** with the work of CCHD by supporting the collection. • **PRAY** for those who benefit from this collection.

or more than 50 years, the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) has supported organizations that combat poverty and improve the lives of people in communities across the United States. Not only do CCHD-funded organizations advocate with civic, business, and community religious leaders to improve access to affordable housing, job and educational opportunities, and rights for immigrants-they also respond quickly to urgent needs when communities experience emergencies.

An effective response to natural disasters begins with effective planning before disasters occur. In New Orleans and surrounding areas in southern Louisiana, CCHD is helping Together New Orleans develop a project called Community Lighthouse, which will equip 85 congregations and community organizations with commercialscale solar power and backup battery storage. This effort will form a network of response centers ready to serve

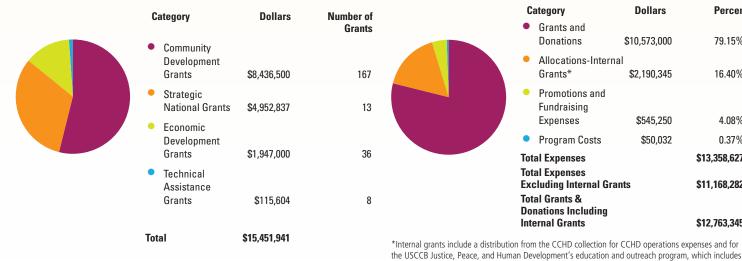
communities in a hurricane or other natural disaster once the solar power equipment is completely installed. By using solar power and backup batteries, the response centers can continue operating in the event of power loss—but they will also be using clean, renewable energy rather than fossil fuels that contribute to climate change and pollution.

When you support CCHD, you help local communities across the country innovate and work together to solve their own unique challenges. Twenty-five percent of your contribution stays in your diocese to support the organizations addressing your community's needs for housing, jobs, and educational opportunities-and for keeping the lights on during a storm.

To learn more about the collection for the CCHD and the way CCHD upholds the moral and social teachings of the Catholic Church, visit www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.

engaging Catholics in our faith-filled call to address the root causes of poverty.

2021-2022 GRANTS



2021 EXPENSES

Category			Dollars	Percent
	۲	Grants and		
		Donations	\$10,573,000	79.15%
	•	Allocations-Interr Grants*	nal \$2,190,345	16.40%
	•	Promotions and Fundraising Expenses	\$545,250	4.08%
	•	Program Costs	\$50,032	0.37%
	Total Expenses Total Expenses Excluding Internal Grants Total Grants & Donations Including Internal Grants			\$13,358,627
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