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in Service to God and One Another*

November 26, 2023
Christ the King

Christmas Giving Trees



The Giving Trees will be in place December 2 and will be in place through Sunday, December 10. These trees contain removable tags that request a specific gift for a child or a monetary donation to one of the many charities this parish supports. We place these trees every year in order to help those in need in our community. Instructions are on the tags. All gifts to children must be returned to the church or parish office by December 11. If you have any questions, please email sue@tuvell.net.



Taizé Prayer, Thursday @ 10:00AM

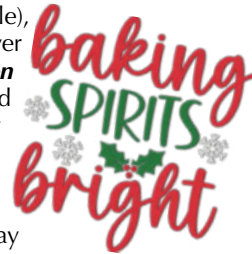
We will offer our monthly "Prayer in the Style of Taizé" this **Thursday, November 30**, in the chapel. Please note that this month the Service will be held at **10:00 AM only**. All are welcome!

Christmas Bake Sale... and then some!

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9, 6:15–7:30 PM • SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 9:30 AM–2:00 PM

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."** You won't want to miss this! 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 liturgical 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.

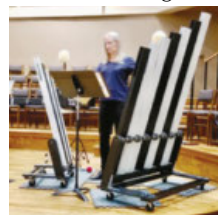


Campus Edge Concerts Presents —

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7 • 7:30 PM • SAINT ANDREW CHURCH



The Carolina Bronze handbell ensemble will again delight us with a concert of holiday favorites, sacred and secular. Plan now to attend this free family Christmas concert in the main church building.



Invite your family and friends. The church is handicapped accessible, and convenient parking is available.



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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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To sign up for weekly parish-wide emails, go to
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Livestream

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

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

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

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 25

5:15 PM †Ed Skrocki
†Theresa Gardzalla
†Joe and †Fran Macy
†Bob Bowen
†Barry Bowen

Sunday, November 26

8:30 AM †Steven Meyer
The Brown Family
11:00 AM †Russ Hébert, Jr.
†Mila Cabanero
5:15 PM Lisa DuBose

Monday, November 27

5:15 PM Fr. Chuck Kullman (birthday)

Tuesday, November 28

5:15 PM Holly Butler

Wednesday, November 29

5:15 PM The Smoak Family

Thursday, November 30

The Feast of Saint Andrew

5:15 PM †James Ferry
†Ken Smith

Friday, December 1

5:15 PM †Sandra Najera

Saturday, December 2

5:15 PM †MaryBeth Sheing
Sandra Harbin

Sunday, December 3

8:30 AM †Jan Schueren
†Edward M. Sandford
11:00 AM †Roberta Swift
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 group meeting will be **Sunday, December 17, 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

In the midst of the “roaring 20s,” as waves of nationalism and secularism were on the rise, Pope Pius XI instituted the Solemnity of Christ the King in 1925 as a reminder that Christ reigns. While human governments will fade away, Christ’s remains eternal. To acknowledge Christ as king is to put our trust in his care, to fit our plans into his, so that his will is done *on earth-in us-as it is in heaven*.

Pope Benedict XVI noted, “It is in the very offering of himself ... that Jesus becomes King of the universe.” His sacrifice for all humanity reminds us to follow his example and offer ourselves in service of others. Pope Francis remarks: “The kingdoms of this world at times are sustained by arrogance, rivalries and oppression; the reign of Christ is a “kingdom of justice, love and peace ... Jesus is the center of creation; and so the attitude demanded of us as true believers is that of recognizing and accepting in our lives the centrality of Jesus Christ, in our thoughts, in our words and in our works.”

For a Christian, speaking of power and strength means referring to the power of the Cross and the strength of Jesus’ love, a “harsh and dreadful thing in action” which remains steadfast and complete, even when faced with rejection.

The kingship of Christ is often symbolized in art by draping Jesus in the regalia of national and imperial monarchs. Which does no justice to Jesus. The symbols of his kingship are the lives each of us lives.

To that end, as we complete one Church year and begin another, we might borrow a secular custom of making “new year’s” resolutions to ensure that in our Church’s new year we not only give voice to our faith, but also turn that voice into action: working to overcome bashfulness at Mass and singing (which is really praying); being a better educated Catholic for the work of being “salt, light, and leaven” in everyday life by staying connected to the news and assessing it in light of the Gospel; enriching our confessions by concentrating on attitudes and actions that cripple our relationships and so warrant what the sacrament offers – Reconciliation; prepping for a day’s work by determining one or two things that insinuate Gospel values into tasks, evaluations, plans, and relationships with co-workers.

This feast day is just that – a day. What we celebrate is a way of life.

Fr. Dan

Christmas Service Event

Christopher Kerfoot · christopher@saclemson.org

An important pillar for any ministry is service – putting our faith into action to help those around us. Every year our Youth Ministry partners with *The Seneca Journal* to serve with their charity “Christmas for Kids.” This charity provides Christmas gifts for local children who may otherwise not receive any. Our students help assemble toys and organize gift collections to be delivered to children in the community. Basically, they get to be like Santa’s elves for an evening! Our students really enjoy this annual service event because it reminds them of how blessed they are and it gives them the opportunity to make sure that kids like them get to experience the joy of seeing presents under the tree. Our youth participation has grown over the past few years and now we have enough volunteers to serve twice this year! Saint Andrew Youth Ministry students will serve at Christmas for Kids on December 7 and December 14.

Christ Renews His Parish Men’s and Women’s Weekends

MEN: FEBRUARY 10–11 • WOMEN: MARCH 2–3 • NO OVERNIGHT STAY

In the Lord, I’ll be ever Thankful; in the Lord, I will rejoice; Look to God, Do not be afraid; Lift up your voices, the Lord is near. This reflective Taizé chant reminds us that the Thanksgiving spirit is with us each moment of our lives. Ask the Lord if this year is the time for you to set aside a Saturday/Sunday with the men and women of the parish to further enhance your relationship with Christ. 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.


Little Blue Books for Advent

These popular daily devotionals, in both English and Spanish, are available in the vestibule beginning this weekend. Please consider a \$2 donation to help offset costs.

Faith Formation

Laura Witt · laura@saclemson.org

FAITH FORMATION REMINDER: NO CLASS this weekend due to Thanksgiving Break.

 **JESSE TREE:** Please be sure to join us at 11:00AM Mass on December 3 for the Elementary presentation of the Jesse Tree. This is a special Mass for our children to attend this sacred chronicle of God’s presence and the first day of Advent.

FAITH FORMATION COOKIE SWAP DECEMBER 10: Each child brings one dozen cookies to Faith Formation and leaves with a dozen assortment of cookies. Please be sure to enjoy the Bake Sale in the Parish Hall including fun crafts for children 3rd grade and under while parents shop.

Christmas Carols for Kids

Jamie Dean · jamie@saclemson.org
SATURDAYS, DECEMBER 3, 10, and 17 • 11:00AM–NOON

Do you have a child who would like to learn to sing Christmas carols with other children? Sign 'em up! Jamie, our music director, is offering three carol-singing practices for all children, 4K thru 5th grade, whether or not they are participating in the Christmas Eve pageant. The one-hour sessions will be held in the main church from 11:00AM–Noon on Saturday mornings December 3, 10, and 17. Parents should sign in their children, and parents of 4-year-olds are asked to stay. You can send Jamie an email at jamie@saclemson.org if you have any questions.



The Schola at 5:15

Jamie Dean · jamie@saclemson.org

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 3 to experience this opportunity to pay attention to the change of liturgical seasons.

Healing Prayer Ministry

HEALING PRAYER IS NOT OFFERED THIS WEEKEND DUE TO THE HOLIDAY

Dear God, when I have food, help me to remember the hungry. When I have work, help me to remember the jobless. When I have a warm home, help me to remember the homeless. When I am without pain, help me to remember those who suffer. And in remembering all of these people, help me to destroy my complacency and stir my compassion. Make me to be concerned enough, by word and deed, to help those who cry out for what we take for granted every day. In the name of Your son, Our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen. (Samuel Pugh adapted)



Walking With Purpose

All women of the parish are invited to our annual Christmas party on Wednesday, **December 6, from 6:00–8:00 PM** to enjoy fellowship, fun, food! There is always an open chair for you! For all planning to attend: You are welcome to bring your favorite dessert to share. All bakers who bring a contribution for the Parish Bake Sale to be held on December 9–10 will be eligible for a special "Thank You" drawing in addition to our normal prizes. Please see the announcement in the bulletin for types of goodies and wrapping instructions. Please join in our festivities. Everyone is welcome to come just as they are, bakers or not. The extra chair is meant for you! For information please email Debbie Larsen at Larsen.deb@icloud.com.

2024 Pink and Blue Gala

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Join the group of Saint Andrew parishioners who will be attending the upcoming Pink and Blue Gala on **February 3, 2024, at 6:30 PM. at Fluor Enterprises, Greenville.** Prepare for a wonderful Mardi Gras themed event, with dinner, program, and auction.

Our Saint Andrew Walking with Purpose members started supporting St. Clare's Home last year. For more specific information and for carpooling opportunities, call Kay Leumont at 770-330-6733.

To learn more about this wonderful organization and register to get the early bird price, \$100 ticket, go to www.stclareshomesc.org/pink-blue-gala.

Clemson Community Care – Holiday Food Bags

As a reminder, CCC will be giving holiday food bags to our neighbors in the community. They will be putting turkeys in these bags throughout the months of November and December, so donations of turkeys are greatly appreciated. Local stores will typically hold these purchased turkeys for CCC pick up.

Stewardship of Treasure*

Offertory	October 31	Budgeted	Difference
	\$76,761	\$78,621	-\$1,860
Year-To-Date	YTD Budgeted	YTD Difference	
\$301,242	\$283,692	\$17,5511	

* As of October 31, 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.

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.



Saint Andrew Women and friends, **reminder:** November Bunco will be in Newman Hall on the **28th, 1:00–4:00 PM.** Entry fee is \$5, used for prizes. To reserve your spot, contact Jane at jm7.sutter@gmail.com.

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: **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. Any questions, please feel free to contact Nancy at nancy@saclemson.org or call 864-654-1757.

In the Spirit of Christmas

Saint Andrew Giving Tree Program



For years
our parish has
decorated trees with
Giving Tags as ornaments.
Please consider showing your
Love & Support for families & children
living in our own backyard by pulling
Red Ribbon Gift Tags or
Green Ribbon Donation Tags
from our Giving Trees

Beginning Saturday, Dec 2nd, through Sunday, Dec 10th, Tags will be on the Giving Trees located in the vestibule of our new church. Choose your **RED Ribbon Gift Tag** or **GREEN Ribbon Donation Tag**.

Gifts need to be returned with TAG attached. Follow Instructions on the TAG to see if your Gift should be WRAPPED or UNWRAPPED. Please return all Gifts to the church or office no later than Dec 11th.

RED RIBBON GIFT TAGS

Santa Shoppe at the Dream Center of Pickens County

Parents earn and select Christmas Gifts in The Santa Shoppe for their children.

Pickens County School Family Liaison Program

Gifts are for children in need in the Pickens County Schools.

Lutheran Refugee Services

Gifts for refugee children supported by Our Parish Circle of Love.

Christmas for Kids

Gifts for needy children in the Pickens-Oconee counties.

Family Promise of Pickens County

Gifts for homeless children in the Upstate Area

GREEN DONATION TAGS

Send a donation directly to the agency of your choice.

Collins Home Living Assistance for Abused & Neglected Children PO BOX 745, SENECA, SC 29679

Family Promise of Pickens County Shelter for Homeless Families PO BOX 1165, EASLEY, SC 29641

Helping Hands of Clemson Home for Abused & Neglected Children PO BOX 561, CLEMSON, SC 29633

Oconee County Habitat for Humanity Homes for Low Income Families PO BOX 685, SENECA, SC 29678

Our Daily Rest Shelter for Homeless Families 525 E MAIN ST, SENECA, SC 29678

Pickens County Habitat for Humanity Homes for Low Income Families PO BOX 330, PICKENS, SC 29671

Safe Harbor Local Domestic Violence Shelters PO BOX 174, GREENVILLE, SC 29602

Wilderness Way Camp Local Assistance to Troubled Girls 175 CAMP SCHOOL LANE, FAIR PLAY, SC 29643

Golden Corner Food Pantry Local Food Assistance to Low Income Families PO BOX 456, SC 29679

Feed a Hungry Child Pickens County Inc. Assistance to School Children PO BOX 1573, PICKENS, SC 29671

Clemson Meals on Wheels Midday Meals to Shut-ins PO BOX 1415, CLEMSON, SC 29633-1415

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