

# SAINT ANDREW CATHOLIC CHURCH

We Are a Stewardship Parish  
*Gratefully Giving Our Time, Talent, and Treasure  
in Service to God and One Another*

February 18, 2024  
First Sunday of Lent

## Christ Renews His Parish Women's Weekend

MARCH 2-3 • SAINT ANDREW NEWMAN HALL • NO OVERNIGHT STAY

*One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.* On this first Sunday of Lent, ask the Lord if this year is the time for you to set aside a Saturday/Sunday with the women of the parish to further enhance your relationship with Christ. One participant said, "This CRHP weekend helped me open myself up to the Lord. I have been away from a personal relationship with God and this weekend has helped me renew myself to keeping God alive in my daily life. Thank you, Lord, for giving me this time to spend with you." Is Jesus calling you to rest a while?

**Relax and Renew...** There are still spots available and the time to register is now. For more information, please contact Kristen Lawson, [kristen.n.lawson@gmail.com](mailto:kristen.n.lawson@gmail.com) or 803-760-2848, or visit [www.saclemson.org/christ-renews-his-parish](http://www.saclemson.org/christ-renews-his-parish).



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### Mailing Address

PO Box 112  
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### Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:15 PM  
Sunday 8:30 AM, 11:00 AM, 5:15 PM

5:15 PM Daily Mass

Monday–Thursday and First Fridays  
Communion Service remaining Fridays

### 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  
Martin Hall

### Office Hours

Monday–Thursday 10:00 AM–5:00 PM

### After Hours

### Pastoral Emergencies

Call 919-699-6323

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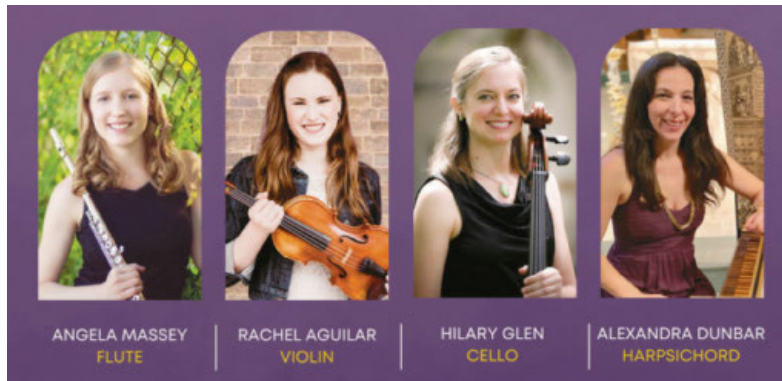
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## Campus Edge Concerts Presents – Astralis Chamber Ensemble

For our next Campus Edge Concert at Saint Andrew Church on **Wednesday, March 6, at 7:30 PM**, the award-winning musicians of the **Astralis Chamber Ensemble**: Angela Massey (flute), Rachel Aguilar (violin), Hilary Glen (cello), and Alexandra Dunbar (harpsichord) will present "Baroque Legends."

The concert will include works by legendary composers from the Baroque period: J.S. Bach, Vivaldi, Couperin, Corelli, and Telemann. Trios, quartets, and solo repertoire will be included to feature each performer. Join us for an unforgettable evening of music with the *Astralis Chamber Ensemble* in our church. Admission is free.



**REMINDER: The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, February 19,**  
in observance of Presidents Day. Daily Mass will be as usual at 5:15 PM.

## Parish Staff

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

Rich Campana, *Deacon*

John Leininger, *Deacon*

Gordon Snyder, *Deacon*

Tony Wagner, *Deacon*

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## Livestream

**Saint Andrew Sunday Mass at 11:00AM 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, February 17

5:15PM Our Parish Family

Sunday, February 18

8:30 AM †Margaret Neubeck

†Raphaela & †Clarence Meyer

†Bob Fajardo

11:00 AM †Peter Szmurlo

†Fr. Richard and †Ronald  
Czajkowski

†Shirley Andrews

5:15PM Our Parish Family

Monday, February 19 – OFFICE CLOSED –

5:15PM Our Parish Family

Tuesday, February 20

5:15PM †Hector Arredondo

Wednesday, February 21

5:15PM Our Parish Family

Thursday, February 22

5:15PM Our Parish Family

Friday, February 23

5:15PM Communion Service

Saturday, February 24

5:15PM †Sophie Czaplicki

Sunday, February 25

8:30 AM †Herman Cancienne

†Anna Hereth

11:00 AM †Joan Virginia Kienle

5:15PM 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 is **THIS Sunday, February 18**, 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 (rosaries, keys, jewelry) are being held in the office.

## Daily Scripture Readings

Daily readings are available online at [bible.usccb.org/readings/calendar](http://bible.usccb.org/readings/calendar)

## A Note From the Pastor

Each Gospel tells the story of Jesus focusing on his ministry. Yet, with a day to ourselves and some determination, we could read all four Gospels in a day's sitting. Which means each Gospel leaves out a whole lot of the mundane in Jesus' life – the downtime with his apostles, the chatter with folks he met along the streets of each town as he meandered around the places he visited before or after he'd formally taught.

What was it like to meet him in these serendipitous encounters, not unlike our own as we navigate through each day chatting up our miscellaneous encounters with merchants, neighbors, and "around the water cooler?"

This weird thought came to me as I read a line in Paul's Letter to the Galatians where he writes, *You are my children, and you put me back in labor pains until Christ is formed in you.* **Until Christ is formed in you.** Forming Christ in others was Paul's mission. What was the evidence that measured his success – or not?

Most of us have been disciples (aka, "students") of the gospel for a long time. Students are always trying to sift their learning for what they believe to be the essence of the course. What have we sifted out from our encounters with the gospel? Dos and don'ts? What we call "doctrine?"

And yet, while suspecting Paul had those in mind, when he writes to the Galatians, he's seeking different evidence as marks of his success – that his converts be folks who, when met and chatted up by others, leave those others with the same experience those who chatted up Jesus had. A reminder that, important as catechetics might be, more important is what our dispositions learn.

As we head into Lent with hopefully a goal in mind, we might consider giving Paul the satisfaction he hoped to have with the Galatians – that Christ is formed in us.

If Christ were formed in us, we'd almost surely be known as folks who are attentive, patient, understanding, sympathetic, just, compassionate, and enormously forgiving. Folks who were obviously interested in the people we encounter. And then, what would our countless experiences of others – as Christ had such experiences – do in shaping the way we encounter the big issues of the day? Remembering that the big issues – injustice, poverty, discrimination, truth-telling – are not abstract. They have names and faces.

As a teacher, Jesus' subject matter was himself – his own mind and heart. To disciples who'd been raised on the nit-picking of the scribes and Pharisees and Temple priests, Jesus taught a way of sharing life with others. He warned his disciples to do what the scribes taught them, but not to live like them.

Bottom line, Lent is best experienced as a season of the heart and not the mind. Which is why Lent can be tough. It's easier to digest our catechism than it is to fine-tune our hearts to the Eucharist. But Scripture tells us, "... *faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.*"

Fr. Dan

**IMPORTANT SIDE NOTE** – It's tough keeping ahead of hackers. Do not respond to any email from me that asks for money, gift cards, etc. Checking the email address from which the request comes can also reassure you. Mine will always be from a variation of my name "@saclemson.org" or "@hnpfriar.org" If the origin is anything other than those two sources, delete the email. **MOST IMPORTANTLY – IF YOU ARE AT ALL SUSPICIOUS, TRUST YOUR INSTINCTS AND DELETE.**

## Adoration and Stations of the Cross – Fridays During Lent

Each Friday there is Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 9:00 AM–5:00 PM in the church. During Lent, there will also be Stations of the Cross on Fridays immediately following the 5:15 PM Mass or Communion Service. All are welcome.

## Healing Prayer Ministry

**HEALING PRAYER IS OFFERED IN THE CHAPEL AFTER SUNDAY MORNING MASSES**  
*Dear Lord, our lives are hectic, our relationships are complicated, the daily news can be frightening, and the list goes on. May we keep Your promise in our hearts at all times, "Do not fear for I am with you; do not be anxious for I am your God. I will strengthen you, I will help you, and I will uphold you with my victorious right hand."* (Isaiah 41:10)

## Faith Formation

The three Catholic observances we follow during Lent – prayer, fasting, and giving alms – engage us in body, mind, and spirit. Focusing on these traditional observances will bring your family closer to Christ... and to one another. Our Faith Formation students learn Lent is about sacrifice by giving up something or practicing good habits so they can understand the ultimate sacrifice given to us. Our 5K students spent Sunday learning about John 3:16 – Jesus Christ died for the sins of humanity, willingly offering to make a sacrifice to save the world.

Laura Witt • [laura@saclemson.org](mailto:laura@saclemson.org)



## The Sounds and Silences of Lent

Jamie Dean · [jamie@saclemson.org](mailto:jamie@saclemson.org)

During Lent, we observe the penitential nature of the season through increased prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Liturgical music becomes simpler and sparer: the Gloria and Alleluia are omitted; preludes are chant-based or silent; we leave Mass singing Adoramus Te, Christe (We adore you, Christ), and there are no organ postludes. Meditation and quiet prayer are the norm. The piano and organ are less active, allowing the voice of the assembly to dominate our chants, hymns, and responses.

## Our Weekly Parish Tithe

Kristen Lawson · [kristen.n.lawson@gmail.com](mailto:kristen.n.lawson@gmail.com)

The week's tithe goes to **Ripple of One**, an organization that empowers families and young adults to move beyond public assistance and into their God-given potential. This is a 2-year program that helps people to move away from poverty. Ripple of One focuses on education/work readiness, financial stability, emotional stability, and physical health. Through mentoring and incentives, this program motivates the participants to have the courage and financial tools to move beyond poverty. Ripple of One needs volunteers to help mentor participants. It also has a resale store where you can donate any used goods. Or you can always donate money to help this program.

*We remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor promoted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. – Thessalonians 1:3*

## Knights of Columbus Lenten Fish Fry

COUNCIL HALL • 5:00–7:30 PM • FRIDAYS IN LENT • EAT IN OR TAKE OUT



The Knights of Columbus are once again hosting their famous "Fish Fry" on each Friday of Lent (February 16–March 22) from 5:00–7:30PM at the Knights Council Hall 6884, 112 East N. 2nd Street, Seneca.

Adult \$12, five-meal discount booklet – \$55

Child (7–12) \$6, (Under 7– free)

**Menu:** Baked Jumbo Shrimp or Fried Swai White Fish, French Fries, Green Beans, Coleslaw, Bread, Dessert, Beverage, and Mac & Cheese.

**More info:** Contact Bob Brohm, [bohbrom@gmail.com](mailto:bohbrom@gmail.com).

## Neighbors Helping Neighbors

Extra bins are available in the vestibule for the collection of non-perishable food, household products, and toiletries for Clemson Community Care during the month of February to supplement our parish drive in September. There is a particular need for food and supplies during the winter months. All parishioners are invited to support Catholic Tigers in this effort. Email Will Betsill at [wbetsil@g.clemson.edu](mailto:wbetsil@g.clemson.edu) with any questions.



## Welcome Newcomers

**NEW PARISHIONERS:** Martyn Lemon and Hannah Scott

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

## Retreat Into the Passion of Jesus

The Catholic Conference Center in Hickory, North Carolina, is offering a one-night retreat, March 22–23, on the Passion readings found in the Gospel of Mark. The retreat will be a balanced blend of historical, theological, and spiritual reflections, with additional time to walk the beautiful grounds or pray in the chapel. It's a great way to spiritually prepare for the holiest week of the year! Visit [www.catholicconference.org/passion](http://www.catholicconference.org/passion), email [info@catholicconference.org](mailto:info@catholicconference.org), or call 828.327.7441 for more information.



## SA Women's Bunco

If you can throw a set of dice, you can play Bunco! This game is easy and fun to play. It's a great way for us to see old friends and meet new friends. Entry fee is \$5, used for prizes.

**WHO?** The Women of Saint Andrew Catholic Church and their friends.

**WHEN?** Tuesday, February 27, 1:00–4:00 PM

**WHERE?** Newman Hall. Reservations only, no later than Sunday, February 25.

To reserve your spot, contact Jane at [jm7.sutter@gmail.com](mailto:jm7.sutter@gmail.com) or 864-221-8477.

## 2023 Contribution Statements

If you have not already requested yours, contact Nancy at [nancy@saclemson.org](mailto:nancy@saclemson.org) or call 864-654-1757. We appreciate the generous spirit of the parishioners, guests, and visitors at Saint Andrew and ask for your continued support in service to God and one another.

## Baptism Preparation

Contact Deacon John Leininger,  
864-903-0050 or [john@saclemson.org](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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.

## Catholic Appeal of South Carolina

Many have received a mailing on this annual appeal. Otherwise, there are envelopes available in the vestibule, or if you would like to donate online, you may do so at <https://charlestondiocese.org/donate/>. Please be sure to select "St. Andrew's Clemson, 501" in the dropdown for parish. This will ensure your gift will be credited toward our parish's goal of \$61,701, for this appeal. As always, *that* you give is more important than *what* you give.

## Lenten Bible Studies – College Students

Our campus ministry will be starting additional Bible studies during this Lenten season. If you are a university student looking to deepen your faith during Lent and have not yet gotten involved, please consider joining one of these groups. Scan the code to fill out the form and we will connect you with a group that works for you!



## 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](http://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](mailto:nancy@saclemson.org) or call 864-654-1757.



# LET'S BE TOGETHER.

## Pledge Weekend

Please make your commitment to the 2024 **Catholic Appeal of South Carolina** today!

### How to Participate

*In the spirit of Christian stewardship, giving back a portion of our gifts to God, we ask each family to prayerfully consider a contribution in one of the following ways:*

#### ONE TIME GIFT

Payable by cash, check, credit and debit card, securities, or direct debit.

#### A PLEDGE

A pledge may be paid over a period of ten months. Pledges may include down payments, but they are not required. Pledge reminders and a special payment envelope will be mailed to you in accordance with your payment plan.

#### DIRECT DEBIT

A monthly debit from your checking account. Please complete the information on your pledge card or visit [charlestdiocese.org](http://charlestdiocese.org).

#### CREDIT/DEBIT CARDS

A one-time or monthly charge to your credit or debit card for the amount of your gift. Please complete the information on your pledge card or go online.

#### GIFTS OF SECURITIES

Gifts of appreciated stock/mutual funds may afford significant tax advantages. Please contact the Office of Stewardship and Mission Advancement for details: [catholicappeal@charlestdiocese.org](mailto:catholicappeal@charlestdiocese.org) or 843-261-0438.

#### IRA MINIMUM DISTRIBUTION

Direct transfers to charitable organizations offer significant tax advantages. To learn more, contact us: 843-261-0438 or [catholicappeal@charlestdiocese.org](mailto:catholicappeal@charlestdiocese.org).

#### AS YOU MAKE YOUR PLEDGE, PLEASE REMEMBER:


- Payments may be made over a period of ten (10) months.
- Pledges need to be completed by **Dec. 31, 2024**.
- Payment reminders will be mailed to you in accordance with your payment plan. You may also use the CASC envelopes you have received from your parish.
- All contributions to the Catholic Appeal of South Carolina are fully tax deductible.
- Donations and pledges may now be made online at [charlestdiocese.org/donate](http://charlestdiocese.org/donate).
- Please make checks payable to: **Catholic Appeal of South Carolina**.

#### SUGGESTED GIVING PLANS

CAN YOU SACRIFICE	TOTAL PLEDGE	10 MONTHLY PAYMENTS
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\$16.34 /day	\$5,000	\$500
\$8.17 /day	\$2,500	\$250
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