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February 25, 2024
Second Sunday of Lent

Neighbors Helping Neighbors

Extra bins are available in the vestibule as we continue to collect non-perishable food, household products, and toiletries for Clemson Community Care during the month of February. There is a particular need for food and supplies during the winter months. All parishioners are invited to support Catholic Tigers in this effort. If you have any questions, email Will Betsill, wbetsil@g.clemson.edu.



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Healing Prayer Ministry

HEALING PRAYER IS OFFERED IN THE CHAPEL AFTER SUNDAY MORNING MASSES

Jesus, cast light on the darkness and fear inside of me, and give me strong faith, certain hope, and perfect charity. Holy Spirit, give me wisdom and understanding, that I may carry out the Lord's holy and true commands. Please help me to surrender all that I hold tightly in my hands, my heart, and my mind. May the Father's will be done. Amen.

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.

Christ Renews His Parish Women's Weekend

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

Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone but Jesus alone with them. On this second 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 several spots available and the time to register is now. For more information, please contact Kristen Lawson, kristen.n.lawson@gmail.com or 803-760-2848, or visit www.saclemson.org/christ-renews-his-parish.



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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REMINDER: 2023 Contribution Statements are available
by contacting Nancy at nancy@saclemson.org or call 864-654-1757.

Parish Staff

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

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Gordon Snyder, *Deacon*

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Jamie Dean, *Director of Music*

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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 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

Monday, February 26

5:15PM † Fr. David McGuinness

Tuesday, February 27

5:15PM † Marcela Cegliastro

Wednesday, February 28

5:15PM † Joanne Campana

Thursday, February 29

5:15PM † Jason Brunsman

First Friday, March 1

5:15PM † Rose Stuck

Saturday, March 2

5:15PM † Roger Brown

Sunday, March 3

8:30 AM † Dan Brazinski

† Mary Ann and † Walt Depsky

11:00 AM † Raymond Bolger

† Shirley Andrews

5:15PM † Phyllis Gagliardi

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 Sunday, March 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 (rosaries, keys, jewelry) 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

Jesus tells us to pick up our cross and follow him.

As I mentioned in a homily on the Thursday after Ash Wednesday, this command is not about shouldering the unpleasant tasks of everyday life. It's not about gritting our teeth and going forward with life hampered by illness or any other debilitating personal condition.

What Jesus' command **is** all about is living each day in a way that brings on the cross.

Crucifixion was a painful and humiliating form of death designed for rebels. For those who pushed back against the Roman regime and all it symbolized. Jesus went to the cross because his gospel was a threat to life as Rome believed life ought to be lived.

You and I, then, are called to live a life that threatens whatever in our culture is contrary to the gospel. And answering that call, we should expect to experience the pain and humiliation of the rejection Jesus suffered.

Hardly a way of life any of us wants.

And so many of us domesticate our faith. As a pet lover domesticates a cat or dog to live in a "domus," Latin for "house," so we take the gospel and make it livable in the culture we call "home." We go along to get along.

And lose our souls in the process.

But the pet owner has an advantage over us. The owner knows the signs of "wildness" that need taming. We often don't. Over the centuries, the grindingly slow domestication of the gospel, conforming it to justify a morality that flies in the face of our Church's social teaching, has led many to write-off our social moral teaching as just some political agenda.

And we respond with an insidious effort to promote a personal spirituality that ignores our social teaching. Many well-funded Catholic evangelical movements cheat those hungry for God with a thin gruel that offers little or no encouragement to challenge the Rome we live in. Personal piety becomes a mind-numbing docility in the face of social defects that marginalize the very people whom Jesus said are himself in our midst, (cf. Matthew 25).

The need for repentance – picking up our cross – is at the heart of Lent. The historical penances for the season – prayer, fasting, and almsgiving – are actions aimed at rejuvenating our faith. And **faith is an action**. It's why the words we heard as ashes were imposed called us to "believe in" or "live" the gospel.

And the gospel is the faith and life that leads to resurrection.

Fr. Dan



Ecumenical prayer in the style of Taizé is offered in our Chapel at **10:00 AM and again at 7:00 PM on the final Thursday of each month**, that is this Thursday **February 29**. Taizé-style prayer services consist of simple refrains, Scripture, intercessory prayer, and silence. As the brothers of Taizé explain, "A few words sung over and over again reinforce the meditative quality of the prayer. They express a basic reality of faith that can quickly be grasped by the intellect, and that gradually penetrates the heart and the whole being." All are welcome – seekers, believers, Christians, and those of other faith traditions.

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 continue to host their famous "Fish Fry" on each Friday of Lent (February 16–March 22) from 5:00–7:30 PM 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, bobbrohm@gmail.com.

What are Alms?

Laura Witt • laura@saclemson.org

Today, the word is used almost exclusively in the context of a religious obligation. "Giving alms to the poor is one of the chief witnesses to fraternal charity: it is also a work of justice pleasing to God."

Some ways kids can raise money for a cause:

1. Sell lemonade & other goodies
2. Perform a service for pay – weed gardens, clean gutters
3. Birthday for charity – all gifts are for a charity of choice
4. Encourage kids to tithe part of their income

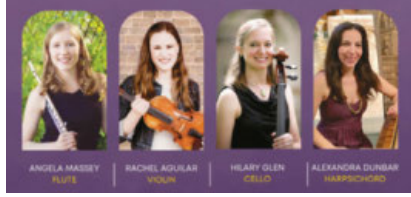
Whatever charity you choose, try to make it personal for your kids. If it's a local charity, try to make a personal visit when you make the donation so kids can connect their hard work to a specific place and face.

SCHEDULE REMINDER – There are No Faith Formation classes NEXT Sunday, March 3.

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 Massy (flute), Rachel Aguilar (violin), Hilary Glen (cello), and Alexandra Dunbar (harpichord) 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.

Our Weekly Parish Tithe

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

The week's tithe goes to **South Carolina Catholic Charities – Immigration Services**. South Carolina Catholic Charities manages many ministries throughout the state to aid those in need. One of the ministries is their Immigration Legal Services. This service provides high quality legal services to those who cannot afford an attorney. The immigration service is affiliated with the Catholic Legal Immigration Network (CLINIC) and attorneys are members of American Immigration League Association (AILA). One of the areas they help immigrants with is in applying for Immigration Status in the U.S.

“...whatever you do for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.” Matthew 25:40



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. Be the ONE to say YES to praying for the least and most vulnerable among us. 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 to others about this important life-saving effort.

Men's Retreat at Heart Ridge

It's not too late to sign up for the Men's Retreat at Heart Ridge Retreat Center in the mountains in Sunset, South Carolina. Perfect for Lent, this retreat will take an in depth study of St. Peter the “Flawed, Forgiven, and Faith-filled” Saint to whom everyone can relate. Besides time for reflection, discussion, and witness talks, there will also be Mass, Confession, and the 2nd annual Brats, Beer, and Bourbon Bonfire for a time of fellowship. Won't you join us for this time away to be strengthened in your faith and encouraged by other Catholic men. It's Saturday, March 3, though Sunday, March 4, with an optional overnight on Friday, March 2. More information is available online at www.HeartRidgeMinistries.com/MensRetreat.

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, email info@catholicconference.org, or call 828.327.7441 for more information.



Women of Saint Andrew Catholic Church & their friends –

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. **Tuesday,**

February 27, 1:00–4:00 PM, Newman Hall. Reservations only, by Sunday, February 25. To reserve your spot, contact Jane at jm7.sutter@gmail.com or 864-221-8477.

Stewardship of Treasure*

Offeritory	January 31	Budgeted	Difference
	\$120,503	\$63,225	\$57,278
	Year-To-Date	YTD Budgeted	YTD Difference
	\$602,844	\$488,763	\$114,081

* As of January 31, 2024

Fiscal Year July 1, 2023–June 30, 2024. Thank you to the many giving early annual donations.

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.

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 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.



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Make your gift today!

Last weekend, our parish conducted Pledge Sunday for the **2024 Catholic Appeal of South Carolina**. Thank you to all who have already made the commitment to support this year's Appeal. If you have not had the opportunity yet, it's not too late to make your commitment! Please use the **donation form below** to make your contribution or **scan the QR code** to visit and pledge securely online!



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