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March 31, 2024  
Easter Sunday

BLESSED  
*Easter*  
TO ALL!



## Healing Prayer

HEALING PRAYER WILL RESUME NEXT SUNDAY MORNING IN THE CHAPEL

*Let us be renewed by God's mercy, let us be loved by Jesus, let us enable the power of his love to transform our lives too; and let us become agents of this mercy, channels through which God can water the earth, protect all creation, and make justice and peace flourish. Amen. (Pope Francis)*

## Parish Staff

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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  
Communion Service on 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

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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. Please see Easter Schedule on page 1 for livestreamed Masses during the Triduum and Easter Sunday.

## Mass Intentions

Holy Saturday, March 30

8:30 PM †Joe and †Fran Macy

Easter Sunday, March 31

7:30 AM †Ken Smith

9:30 AM Emily Armstrong

†Ed Skrocki

†Dotty Smith

†Joyce Frenchette

†Gary Seitz

11:30 AM Our Parish Family

Monday, April 1

5:15 PM No Mass/Communion Service

Tuesday, April 2

5:15 PM Our Parish Family

Wednesday, April 3

5:15 PM †Barbara Barker

Special Intention

Thursday, April 4

5:15 PM Our Parish Family

Friday, April 5

5:15 PM Communion Service (No Mass)

Saturday, April 6

5:15 PM Fran Armitage – 98th Birthday

Sunday, April 7

8:30 AM †Barbara Dooley

11:00 AM †Hazel Adams

5:15 PM †Tony Kelly

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 **12:30–1:30PM the third Sunday of each month**. The next group meeting is **Sunday, April 21**, 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)

**REMINDER: The Parish Office remains closed through Monday, April 1.**

## A Note from the Pastor

Flash mobs. Mosh pits. Game day in Death Valley ... there's nothing like a crowd! Each one made up of individuals, a crowd takes on a life of its own. Get a guy who'd rather lay hot tar in hell in August than sing in church together with ten other guys at a college reunion, and he'll belt out the fight song at the top of his lungs! There's something electric about a crowd and the charge races through everyone.

And so it is that last week when a crowd greeted Jesus at the gates of Jerusalem. Two steps away from crowning him the new "Caesar." What a rush. Yet, before the week was out, another crowd – probably most of the same people – cried for his death.

Today, a new week and a new crowd. Much smaller. Tentative. Bewildered. Standing at the gaping entrance of a tomb that should have been filled. Did the gardener take him?

Today we'll likely be part of a crowd. Most Catholic churches will be filled. But if the crowds are larger, are they any less tentative, bewildered?

I ask that because it's not always evident that we understand what "rising from the dead" means.

Many of us live as "baptized" versions of soldiers in what the pundits call our "culture wars." Individuals and even small crowds armed with a domesticated gospel to push back against threats that Jesus embraced. Supporters of the rich man who, even in hell, wanted the sore-infested Lazarus to do his bidding. Modern day priests and Levites bypassing the mugged man in the ditch, ritual purity more important than mercy. Heirs of apostles startled that the Master would be seen with the multi-married Samaritan woman. Catholics who believe in the Last Supper – except as John's Gospel recalls it.

On the first Easter, the apostles, once eager to shower their opponents with fire, were somber as it dawned on them what real discipleship was going to mean. For them. To live a life that no tomb can hold forever is, as Dostoyevsky said, a "harsh and dreadful thing." And as we'll see during the next 50 days leading to Pentecost, even the Risen Lord among them could not give the apostles what they needed to turn-into-daily-life what "rising from the dead" means. It takes the Holy Spirit to do that.

What those who touched and ate with the Risen Christ did not yet have, you and I do! Which means our Easter should be something it couldn't be for Jesus' inner circle. We know what "rising from the dead" means.

With that in mind, what kind of crowd ought we to be today?

Something to think about!

Fr. Dan

## How One Cookie Can Change a Life

Twice a year an ecumenical group of men prepare for a retreat for the men incarcerated at Perry Correctional Institution in Pelzer, (just outside of Greenville). The Kairos Weekend retreat for these men brings them closer to Christ. This April 18–21, 36 men who are residents at Perry Correctional Institution will have the opportunity to spend four days with Christian men to help them embrace a life modeled after Jesus Christ. To help to bring these men to the table is the bottomless bowl of cookies and home-cooked meals brought in by local churches. To that end, Deacon John is on the Kairos Presentation Team and needs support to contribute 150 dozen home-made cookies. Since many privileges for others are suspended those four days, the team also gives a dozen cookies (with a Scripture verse in the bag) to all 800+ men, as well as all the correction officers at Perry on both Friday and Saturday nights. To that end, the Team needs almost 4,000 dozen cookies. If you are willing, please consider baking 3, 6, or 10 dozen cookies to be delivered to the church April 16 or by noon on the 17th. This is a special ministry that serves some of God's most forgotten children. Directions on how to bake and deliver the cookies can be downloaded from this link: <https://bit.ly/kairos-cookies-sa>.



## Faith Formation

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

**SCHEDULE** – No Faith Formation Classes March 31 and April 7 – Have a Blessed Easter!  
**GROWING IN OUR FAITH** – We had a great turnout for our Children's Stations of the Cross. A special thank you to our Youth Ministry volunteer readers. It is a different sentiment when a young child is led by older students in a religious setting. Our Youth Ministry set an example and are role models to our young children in religious education. Also, thank you to Generations in Faith for providing and hosting the simple Lenten supper. It was a true night of community and fellowship through the generations.

## We Are Auditioning a Director of Music Candidate

With our Director of Music position becoming vacant as of June 1 due to Jamie Dean's retirement, a Search Committee is currently reviewing applications for the position.

The first of our finalists will visit the parish on **Monday, April 8**, for an interview and audition. The candidate will lead a group of parishioners in congregational singing, present some solo organ music, and conduct a short rehearsal with members of our Adult Choir and College Schola. **Any interested parishioner is welcome to attend the audition at 7:00 PM in the church.**

## Spring Blood Drive at Saint Andrew

MONDAY, APRIL 15 • NOON TO 7:00 PM • MARTIN HALL

Do you know someone who has had a serious accident or major surgery? A burn victim? Someone who has had cancer or other life-threatening illness? Odds are these individuals' lives were saved in part by donated blood.

If you are healthy and eligible to donate blood, please make your appointment to give during the blood drive at Saint Andrew's Martin Hall on April 15 from 12:00N until 7:00 PM. While you are at it, why not invite a friend to donate with you?

For questions about giving blood, visit the Blood Connection website at <http://thebloodconnection.org/>. To set up your appointment online, go to [https://donate.thebloodconnection.org/donor/schedules/drive\\_schedule/249629](https://donate.thebloodconnection.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/249629). As an incentive, the Blood Connection is offering a \$50 E-gift to donors.

For questions about the blood drive at Saint Andrew, or to sign up to give, contact Verna Howell at 864-650-4755 or [vernaghowell@gmail.com](mailto:vernaghowell@gmail.com).



## Welcome Newcomers

NEW PARISHIONERS: • Stephen and Jaynai Fort

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

## Garden and Grounds Workday

Help needed! Please come to an "Earth Day" garden and grounds workday **April 20 from 9:00–11:00 AM**. Bring a rake, shovel, or wheelbarrow if you have one. At 11:00 AM we will have a short community prayer in the Laudato Si Reflection Garden (on the north side of the church building).

Ongoing efforts of Saint Andrew's Creation Care Ministry focus on sustainability, faith formation, and ecumenical and community outreach.

To get involved, contact Erin Rockenhaus at [erinrockenhaus@gmail.com](mailto:erinrockenhaus@gmail.com) or Bob Fennell at [rsfennell43@gmail.com](mailto:rsfennell43@gmail.com).



## Catholic Tigers Jazzercise Night

Recently, our college women's community enjoyed a fun evening of jazzercise led by parishioners Verna Howell and Carrie Howland. This was a great opportunity to spend time together and to connect more with active members of our parish.

## How Can You Share Your Talents?

With the cooperation of the 2024 Clemson football schedule, the Bazaar Committee has set November 9 as the date for what we expect to be the biggest and best Saint Andrew Parish Bazaar yet. It's a big job, but many hands make light work, and there's a role for every willing heart. Contact Deb Larsen, [larsen.deb@icloud.com](mailto:larsen.deb@icloud.com), for more information and to offer your help. And watch the weekly bulletin for more details, including both suggestions and specific needs, plan updates, and more.



## 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 already received a mailing from the diocese 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 "Clemson, St. Andrew Church, 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.

## Did Someone Say Art Contest?

Anyone is invited to enter. The parish bazaar committee is interested in artwork of our new church building for fundraising items to be made, used, and/or sold to support the good works of the parish. These include such items as notecards, post cards, ornaments, prints suitable for framing, and more. To that end, an art contest is being held. For all the contest details, please go to <https://bit.ly/sa-art-contest>. The deadline for entries is May 6, 2024.

## 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.



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