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# ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC CHURCH

309 Gower Street Greenville, South Carolina 29611

Parish Office: 864-233-7717

Welcoming all people to worship God in the genius of **African American Catholic Spirituality** 

# THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

November 24, 2024



www.stanthonysgvl.org

## **PARISH INFO**

#### WELCOME TO ST. ANTHONY'S!

We welcome all new members and visitors to our parish. Please email Kyle Hall at kyle.hall@charlestondiocese.org if you would like to register. Please visit www.stanthonysgvl.org for more information.

#### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening: 5 PM

Sunday: 8 AM, 10 AM and 12 PM (Noon)

#### **HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION MASS**

11 AM & 6 PM

#### **WEEKDAY MASS**

Tuesday - Friday: 11 AM

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Wednesday: 12 PM (Noon) - 1:00 PM

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 PM Or by Appointment

#### HEARING ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

Please see an Usher before Mass

#### PARISH OFFICE

Physical Location: 204 Douthit St. Monday thru Thursday 9 AM - 4 PM

Friday 9 AM - 12 PM Phone: (864) 233-7717

Website: www.stanthonysgvl.org

#### ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Phone: (864) 271-0167

Website: www.stanthonyschoolgvl.org

#### CHILD PROTECTION SERVICES

Diocesan Office: (843) 261-0430

#### DO YOU NEED HELP?

Financial Assistance: (864) 233-7717 ext. 0

Catholic Charities: (864) 331-2626

Food Pantry: (864) 233-7717

#### PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

The men and women that serve in the armed forces do so with a form of sacrificial love for our countryand the world. Lifting them up in prayer to the Lord must be our humble, and yet great support for them.

Lord, may your love encircle our military as they

work across the world to install justice and peace for all. And be their hope through the difficulties and stresses they face each day.

#### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

#### SATURDAY, 11/23

• 5 pm Dr. Jon Geren

#### SUNDAY, 11/24

- 8 AM • 10 AM
- 12 PM John Robert Pitts

#### **TUESDAY**, 11/26

• 11 AM Edward Way

#### WEDNESDAY 11/27

• 11 AM

#### THURSDAY, 11/28

• 11 AM

FRIDAY, 11/29

• 11 AM

#### SATURDAY, 11/30

• 5 PM

#### **SUNDAY, 12/1**

- 8 AM
- 10 AM
- 12 PM

It is a wonderful Catholic tradition to request a Mass Intention for loved ones; living or deceased. In fact, asking for Mass intention for the deceased is not only Catholic tradition, it is biblical (2 Maccabees 12: 38-46).

Mass intention is also a wonderful gift for any special occasion: birthday, anniversary, in thanksgiving for a prayer answered, etc.

Please call the parish office to schedule a Mass Intention.

#### TOGETHER WE PRAY FOR:

#### **Individuals**

Alice Rigler Ann Fournier Hazel Hill Ann Moore Jen Duhe Ann Nechodom Annette Martin Anthony Davis Bill Higgins Juliet Roy Carl Sunderlin Charlene Palmer Chester Williams Clarice Hanly Lillie Davis David Burnett Dee Dee Dzikowicz Donna Neeley Donna Nickels Dorothy Baker Drew Butterfield Elaine Greggs Ellaniose Johnson Eric Kuhn Erica Hardy Billy Mayes

Gregory Kuhn Jonathan Turner Joseph Neito Jovce Croce Julius Pinson Jr. Laura Drummond Laurie Rappl Lori Cortese Lori McGinley Malik McCauley Margaret Morris Marie Therese Isdiore Marilvn Dalv Martha Cotel Mary Cormican Mary Curran Matthew Bryson Maureen Lukovic Megan Counihan

Melvin Armstrong Michael Davis Olivia Brown Rhonda Brown Richard Cortese Richard Palmer Sabrina Walker Sammy Huguet Sandra McNaughton Sharon Bryant Sharon Patton Sherri Hoffman Stephan Pleasant Steve Miller Stuart MacNaughton Tara Cleary Thelma Williams Tom James Troy Koon Tyler Daly Korybski Wilbert Morgan Willie Davis Ruth Henderson

#### **Families**

Barb & Vern Prinzing Dana Lacher **Duhe Family** Catherine & Michael Branca Doug, Debbie, & Barbara DeLeu Karen Randall & Family

Ronnie Glenn

Scott Cely Family Michael & Ruth Walters Tessa & George Skoniecki Deacon Richard Murtaugh Deacon Steve & Susan Olson Deacon Winston Wright

#### Our Sick & Shut-Ins

Nicole Campbell Little Clenty Fair

#### HELP FOR THOSE IN NEED

If you are sick at home or in the hospital, have a member of your family notify the parish if you are not able to notify us yourself. We care about you and want to help you when you need help from your church family.

If there is someone you would like to be added on the prayer list OR removed, please contact the Parish Office: 864-233-7717 ext 2. Thank you!

### PASTORAL REFLECTION & WEEKLY OFFERTORY RECAP

#### FROM THE DESK OF OUR ADMINISTRATOR

Fr. Emerson Rodriquez Delgado

My dear friends in Christ, as we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King, let us reflect on the profound message that challenges our understanding of the end times. It's not about the chaos and disasters that may come, but about the person at the center of it all—Jesus Christ, the Alpha and the Omega, the one who is, who was, and who is to come.

In a world that often seems uncertain and chaotic, we find comfort in knowing that our lives are anchored in Christ. He is the very heart of our existence, the one through and for whom all things were created. He leads us towards renewal and perfection of all creation.

As we contemplate the kingship of Christ, we are struck by how different He is from earthly rulers. While they often seek power, recognition, and self-glory, Jesus chose a path of humble service and self-sacrificing love. He taught us that true greatness lies in serving others, putting their needs before our own. This is a radical message that challenges the self-centered and referential political leaders so prevalent in our society.

In Hebrew, the word truth "emet" (אמת) conveys a deep sense about God's kingdom. It means faithfulness, firmness, and reliability. Surprisingly, the letters that make up "emet"—aleph, mem, and tav—are the first, middle, and last letters of the Hebrew alphabet. They form an acronym for the phrase "Elohim malak tamid" (אלהים מלך תמיד), which means "God reigns or is king forever." This profound truth is at the heart of Jesus's life and message. Through His words, actions, and ultimate sacrifice, He shows us what it means to put God first in everything we do.

As we reflect on the nature of Jesus's kingdom, we realize that it is not about earthly power or grandeur. Instead, it is built on the pillars of peace, truth, and love. It is a kingdom that grows through service, not force; a kingdom that flourishes through kindness and welcomes everyone, especially those on the margins of our society and church. He came to save and seek the lost.

The choice is ours: Will we embrace the values of Christ's kingdom, or will we walk away? Will we allow His love and mercy to reshape our hearts, enabling us to serve others as He served us?

As a new liturgical year approaches, let us examine the "kingdoms" claiming our allegiance. Do they advance justice and hope? Do their leaders mirror Jesus's servant leadership? Have we remained faithful to His truth and love?

Let us draw strength from the image of our King's throne—the cross. In the moment of His greatest vulnerability and suffering, Jesus demonstrated the depths of His love and the power of His kingdom. As theologian Hans Urs von Balthasar reminds us, "Love alone is credible." It is this self-giving, sacrificial love that has the power to transform our lives and our world

So let us go forth boldly as members of Christ's kingdom, bearing true and faithful witness to His love in all we do. Let us abide in His word, knowing that the truth will set us free. May we have the courage to let Christ reign in our hearts, now and forever. Amen.

#### **BULLETIN CONTENT SUBMISSION**

Anyone parish group/organization wishing to submit items for publishing in the weekly bulletin should send the content to Kyle Hall (<u>kyle.hall@charlestondiocese.org</u>) **by end of day Tuesday** for the coming weekend's bulletin. Submissions may have to be edited due to space constraints.



Please consider taking time with Jesus this week.

#### WEEKLY OFFERTORY PARTICIPATION Collections for November 16-17 Masses

Envelopes/Cash \$17,780.00

Online Giving \$13,612.24

<u>Total</u> \$31,392.24

2nd Collection: Campaign for \$1,737.50 Human Development

<u>Giving Online</u> makes it easier and more convenient to contribute to St. Anthony's Church. Scan the QR code to the right by opening your camera app to start giving online.

 $\underline{\textbf{Stewardship}} \text{ is not only about the needs of the Church, rather it is about our desire to give back to God in thanksgiving, by sharing with others the blessings the Lord has bestowed on us.}$ 

The true spirit of Stewardship is "Equal Sacrifice and not Equal Giving."



## SACRAMENTS & MINISTRY INFO

#### **ACTIVE PARISHIONER**

The criteria for an Active Parishioner are:

-Weekly participation in worship through attendance at Sunday Mass and on Holy Days of Obligation.

-Volunteer at St. Anthony's on regular basis (**Time**)
-Active involvement in a parish ministry/organization (**Talent**)
-Weekly or monthly use of parish envelopes or online giving (**Treasure**)

#### PARISH REGISTRATION AND SACRAMENTS

Those seeking to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, and Matrimony **must be registered members** for <u>at least six months</u> prior to reception of these

Sacraments. You must be a registered member of the parish to ask for Godparent or Sponsor's form of eligibility.

#### **Infant Baptism Class for Parents**

Parents must be registered and active member of St. Anthony's. Class is offered on the third Thursday of every month. Pre- registration is required. Please call the office to pre-register. Baptisms are not celebrated during the Season of Lent.

#### **First Holy Communion**

Preparation begins in the first grade and continues into second grade for a total of two years of preparation. Registration for Religious Education classes takes place in August. The first day of class is the third or fourth week in August.

#### Confirmation

Preparation begins in the eighth grade and continues into ninth grade for a total of two years of preparation. Registration for Religious Education classes takes place in August. The first day of class is the third or fourth week of August. Adults who have not been confirmed and would like to receive the Sacrament are asked to contact the parish office.

#### Marriage

You must be registered and active member at least six months prior to preparation of the Sacrament. Couples should call the parish office and speak to the priest/ Deacon for pre-nuptial inquiries. Then the couple will begin formal marriage preparations at least six months prior to the wedding date.

#### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

This is a process through which non-baptized adults known as catechumens or baptized adults who wish to convert from other faith traditions enter in communion with the Catholic Church. Classes begins in September. If you wish to become a Catholic, please call the parish office.

# PARISH ORGANIZATIONS & MINISTRY DIRECTORY

Parish Pastoral Council	
Tony Smith, Chairperson	803-727-5072
Mary Lee Tierney, Secretary	
Parish Finance Council	
Sandy Thompson, Chairperson	252-622-1945
Chery O'Malley, Secretary	
Eucharistic Ministers/Scripture Read	
Paul Herr	
Kyle Herr	
Altar Servers	
Marie Paula Jaramillo	864-365-9877
Women's Council	
Carol Moeller	864-380-4155
Men's Club	
Ralston Moore	864-386-4852
David Quast	
Food Pantry	
Carol Moeller	864-380-4155
30's & 40's Group	
JJ Reinheart	607-382-9620
Renee Puckett Smith	
Elijah Cup Vocations Ministry	
Mike Cumby	864-417-8973
Gala School Fundraiser	
Jean Hever	864-608-5256
Health Ministry	
Rita O'Rourke	864-979-7544
Hiking Ministry	
Paul Herr	864-907-9356
Homebound Ministers	
Donna Moerke	404-374-4019
Housing Ministry	
Walt Laiewski	864-354-7670
Knights of Columbus	
Jim Tetor	540-809-7809
Richard Cortese	864-201-8162
Knights of Peter Claver	
Paul Latimore	864-299-0847
Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxilia	ry
Mary Ann Boyd	619-517-2191
Living Waters Bible Study	
Nicky & Lillie Jones86	64-832-4011 or 864-832-4012
Meal Ministry	
Dana Lacher	864-354-0049
Prayer Card Ministry & Prayer Shawl	Ministry
Delores Martinez	864-201-2204
Prison Ministry	
Richard Krainas	864-360-1098
Gwen Whitner	864-297-0123
Young Families	
Ruth Roberston	<u>sapfamilies@gmail.com</u>
Children's Liturgy	
Anna Vukin-Chow	. <u>sapchildrensliturgy@gmail.com</u>
Micah Ministry	
David Quast	864-906-2632

# SPIRITUAL & PARISH LIFE

#### SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

#### November 24, The Solemnity of OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Dn 7:13-14/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37

November 25, Monday of the Thirty-Fourth Week in Ordinary Time

Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5/Lk 21:1-4

November 26, Tuesday of the Thirty-Fourth Week in Ordinary Time Rv 14:14-19/Lk 21:5-11

November 27, Wednesday of the Fourth-Third Week in Ordinary Time

Rv 15:1-4/Lk 21:12-19

November 28, Thanksgiving Day

Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a/Lk 21:20-28

November 29, Friday of the Fourth-Third Week in Ordinary Time

Rv 20:1-4, 11-21:2/Lk 21:29-33

November 30, Feast Day of St. Andrew The Apostle

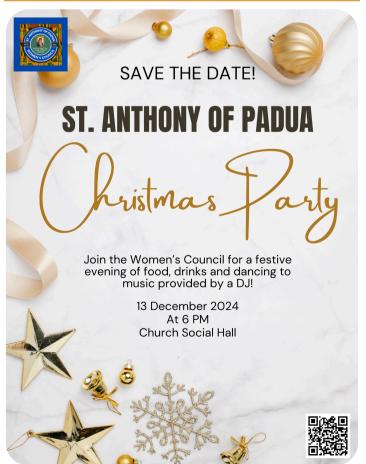
Rom 10:9-18/Mt 4:18-22

December 1, The First Sunday of Advent

Jer 33:14-16/1 Thes 3:12-4:2/Lk 21:25-28, 34-3

Scripture online at https://bible.usccb.org/









## **PARISH LIFE**



Annual Community Children's Christmas Party





#### Party is Saturday Dec 14th 10 AM in the Gym

Donations of New Unwrapped Toys, Sporting Goods, Games, Crafts, Bicycles, Gift Cards, Cash or Electronic Giving are Accepted. http://www.newstanthony.com/

(Click "Giving", "Holiday Giving", "Community Children's Christmas Party")

Donations may be dropped off in the Social Hall following all Sunday Masses Questions? Call/Text Johnny 864-616-0923 johnnypaynegym@gmail.com

> Please make your donations between Sun Nov 24th and Sun Dec 8th











The Children's Christmas Wish Lists
The Children's Christmas Wish Lists will be ready by November 22nd. The lists will need to be filled by December 15th. Do not wrap gifts. but include paper and tape for the parents to wrap them.

**Christmas Hams** 

We will start collecting hams for school families on November 24th.

#### **Christmas School Boutique**

The Christmas Boutique will be held at the school on **December 16-17th**. We will need a lot of elves to help the children shop and also wrap their purchases.

- Sign up sheets for the Wish Lists and Boutique will be in the lobby.
- Any boutique items for men, women and children, may be left in the church lobby in a basket labeled Children's Boutique.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to: Mary McNicholas at 864-630-1081.





# Thank You Dear Fr. Emerson and Church Family,

Thank you so much for honoring me on my 99th birthday!

It was an enjoyable occasion and much appreciated. In fact, it was so nice and enjoyable I am putting my request in for next year, God willing.

> Peace and Love, **Thema Williams**

#### Want to enjoy a healthy holiday meal that doesn't taste "healthy"?

Join us for a cooking class with our own cook Dana Lacher. Learn to cook a 5-course meal in only 1 hour on Thursday December 5th at 6pm. The class is free, but donations are welcome. Class size is limited so register early. Register by

sending an email with your name and mobile # to saphealthministry605@gmail.com.

#### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

#### **NOVEMBER 24- DECEMBER 1**

Sunday,	November 24

9:00am- Men's Club Breakfast SAP Social Hall

8:00am-3:00pm- Women's Council Bake Sale

#### Monday, November 25

1:00pm- Matter of Balance Multi-Purpose Room

#### Tuesday, November 26

6:30 PM- Living Waters Bible Study

#### Wednesday, November 27

6:00pm-Parish Mission SAP Church SAP Social Hall

## **PARISH LIFE**

#### St. Anthony Float in Greenville Christmas Parade - Saturday, December 7

St. Anthony Church & School will have a Float in this year's Greenville, Poinsettia Christmas Parade. Come see the Parade and our Float. Our Float's theme, which you parishioners helped select, is: "The wise ones still seek Him." In addition to Jesus, Mary & Joseph, the Float will feature children from our Church and School seeking our Savior and the St. Anthony School children's choir. The Parade starts at 6:30 PM on Saturday, December 7 and will proceed north on Main Street from River Street to East North Street. Come and join in the fun as we celebrate the birth of Jesus and St. Anthony's Church & School. Thanks to all who have worked so hard to make this a reality.

#### MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEKEND OF: November 30 - December 1, 2024

SATURDA	Y, 11/30: 5PM	SUNDAY, 12/1: 8AM		SUNDAY, 12/1: 10AM		SUNDAY, 12/1: 12 PM	
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Rose Martinez-	RE READERS -Brandon (Lector 1) elliere (Lector 2)	Mamie Bo	E READERS yd(Lector 1) sura (Lector 2)	SCRIPTURE READERS Sandy Thompson (Lector 1) Delores Martinez (Lector 2)  SCRIPTURE READ Gwen Whitner (Lector 2) Yvonne Reynolds (Lector 2)		hitner (Lector 1)	
US Rick Flyod Beth Holcombe Kathy Peot	HERS Jim Tetor Bill Kirkpatrick Mike Hemmert	USF Mike Ayers Robert McDowell Nicky Jones	IERS Lynn Sholl Lillie Jones Jeff Sholl	Bob Dastou Jay Korybski Tom Creagan	USHERS Mike Connor Jim Stavakas Pam Chivers	Tom Moeller Bryant Boyd Ray Lecuyer	JSHERS Mariel Hunkeler Ron Drennon Cynthia Riley

#### **NOVEMBER 24 - DECEMBER 1**

Happy Social Hall  Thanksgiving	Thursday, November 28	<u>Friday, November 29</u>	Saturday, November 30	<u>Sunday, December 1</u>
	Happy Happy Thanksgiving			

# **NEWS FROM OUR SCHOOL**

# **Giving Tuesday**

Giving Tuesday is more than just a day of donations; it embodies the spirit of our community coming together to support and uplift one another. It's a day when we unite to strengthen our school and enhance the educational experiences of our students through collective generosity.

What Giving Tuesday Means to Us:

#### • Community Strength:

It is a celebration of the strong bond within our St. Anthony family, where parents, alumni, faculty, and friends all come together to contribute to a common goal.

#### • Empowerment and Opportunity:

Your contributions directly empower our students by funding scholarships, enriching classroom resources, and supporting vital student programs. It offers opportunities for growth and learning that might otherwise be unavailable.

#### • Support for Excellence:

The funds raised on this day help us maintain and improve our academic programs, extracurricular activities, and facilities, ensuring we provide the best possible education for our students.

#### • Gratitude and Generosity:

Giving Tuesday is an opportunity to express our gratitude for the blessings we have received and to give back to our community. It's a day to practice generosity and witness the positive impact it can have on others.

#### **Ways To GIVE:**

This year we will have different ways on how you can give. You can write a check or money order to St. Anthony of Padua Catholic School, place the "Giving Tuesday" envelope in the offertory basket, bring donations directly to the school or you can use our giving platform called **GIVEBUTTER!** 

Givebutter is a platform for our Giving Tuesday campaign. Givebutter is a user-friendly, transparent, and secure platform that makes it easy for you to donate and for us to track our fundraising progress in real-time. By using Givebutter, we can ensure that every contribution goes directly towards enhancing the educational experience at St. Anthony of Padua Catholic School.

# **Scan Here to Give**





We invite you to join us on this meaningful day of giving and help us continue our mission of providing a nurturing and academically challenging environment for our students. Together, we can make a significant difference in the lives of our young learners. Thank you for your continued support and generosity!