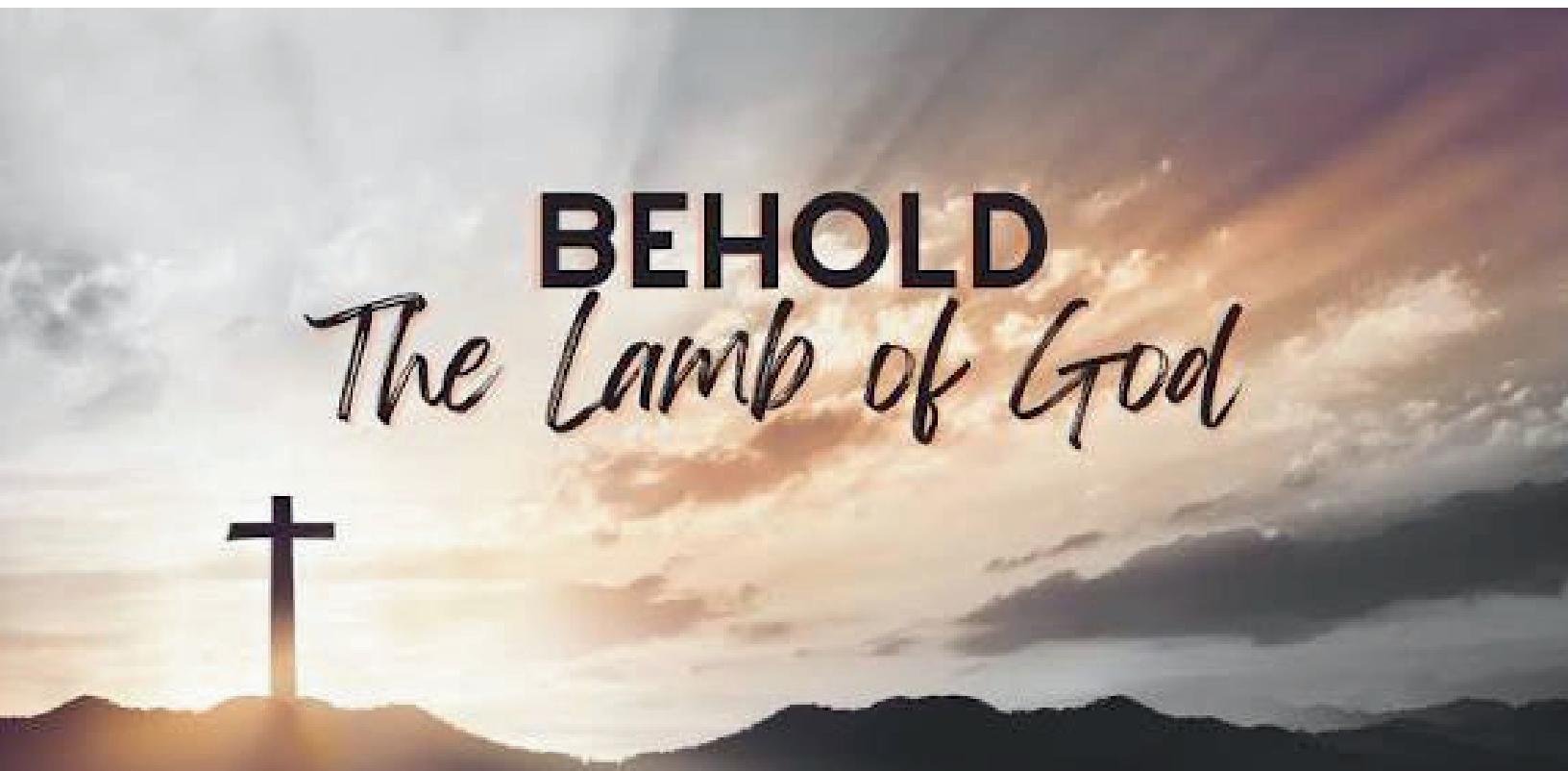




St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

WELCOMING ALL PEOPLE TO WORSHIP GOD IN THE GENIUS OF
AFRICAN AMERICAN CATHOLIC SPIRITUALITY

January 18, 2026

A photograph of a sunset or sunrise over a range of mountains. The sky is filled with warm, orange, and yellow hues. In the foreground, the silhouette of a cross is visible against the bright sky.

BEHOLD
The Lamb of God

SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

309 Gower Street
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PARISH INFORMATION

WELCOME TO ST. ANTHONY'S!

We welcome all new members and visitors to our parish.

Please email **Kyle Hall** at

kyle.hall@charlestondiocese.org to register, or you can also register online - scan the QR code below by opening your camera app



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

Monday - Thursday: 11 AM

Wednesday : 11 AM & 6 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Wednesday: 4:00 - 6:00 PM

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 PM

Or by Appointment

ADORATION

Wednesday: 4:00 - 6:00 PM

HEARING ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

Please see an Usher before Mass

PARISH OFFICE

Physical Location: 204 Douthit Street, Greenville, SC 29601

Hours of Operation: Monday thru Thursday 9 AM - 4 PM;

Friday 9 AM - 12 PM

Phone: (864) 233-7717

Website: www.stanthonysgyl.org

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Phone: (864) 271-0167

Website: www.stanthonyschoolgyl.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

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

SATURDAY, 1/17

- 5 PM

SUNDAY, 1/18

- 8 AM
- 10 AM Henry & Anne Butow [†]
- 12 PM

Monday, 1/19

- 11 AM

TUESDAY, 1/20

- 11 AM Juliet Roy [†]

WEDNESDAY, 1/21

- 11:00 AM
- 6:00 PM

THURSDAY, 1/22

- 11 AM

SATURDAY, 1/24

- 5 PM

SUNDAY, 1/25

- 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. **Mass intention donations are \$10 each. Please call the parish office to schedule a Mass Intention.**

TOGETHER WE PRAY FOR

Individuals

Alice Rigler	Drew Butterfield	Margaret Morris	Ronnie Glenn
Ann Fournier	Elaine Greggs	Marie Therese Isdiore	Sabrina Walker
Ann Moore	Ellaniose Johnson	Marilyn Daly	Sammy Huguet
Ann Nechodom	Eric Kuhn	Martha Cotel	Sandra McNaughton
Annette Martin	Erica Hardy	Mary Cormican	Sharon Bryant
Bernice Latimore	Gregory Kuhn	Mary Curran	Sharon Patton
Bill Higgins	Hazel Hill	Matthew Bryson	Sherri Hoffman
Billy Mayes	Jason Latimore	Maureen Lukovic	Stephan Pleasant
Clarice Hanly	Jen Duhe	Megan Counihan	Stuart MacNaughton
Charlene Palmer	Jonathan Turner	Mary Ann Turner	Tara Cleary
Chester Williams	Joseph Neito	Melvin Armstrong	Thelma Williams
David Burnett	Joyce Croce	Michael Davis	Tom James
Dee Dee	Laura Drummond	Olivia Brown	Tyler Korybski
Dzikowicz	Laurie Rappl	Ornella Muth	Wilbert Morgan
Donna Neeley	Lillie Davis	Rhonda Brown	Willie Davis
Donna Nickels	Lori McGinley	Richard Palmer	
Dr. Jeff Giguere	Malik McCauley	Ruth Henderson	

Families

Barb & Vern Prinzing	Karen Randall & Family	Susan Olson
Dana Lacher	Scott Cely Family	Deacon Winston Wright
Duhe Family	Michael & Ruth Walters	Juan & Christina Francisco
Catherine & Michael Branca	Tessa & George Skoniecki	Camilla Hertwig
Doug, Debbie, & Barbara DeLeu	Deacon Richard Murtaugh	June Schammel & Family
		Faye Schneider & Family

Our Sick & Shut-Ins

Clenty Fair
Nicole Campbell Little

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!

PARISH REGISTRATION & SACRAMENTS

ACTIVE PARISHIONER

- Weekly attendance at Sunday Mass and on Holy Days of Obligation.
- Volunteer 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 **at least six months** 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. **To register, please email Kyle Hall at kyle.hall@charlestondiocese.org, or you can also register online** - scan the QR code below by opening your camera app.



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.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

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.

COMMUNICATIONS

BULLETIN CONTENT SUBMISSION

Anyone parish group/organization wishing to submit items for publishing in the weekly bulletin should send the content to **Daffodil Behal at dbehal@charlestondiocese.org by end of day Tuesday** for the coming weekend's bulletin. Submissions after the deadline will be included in the Sunday email.

FLOCKNOTES

We are currently in the process of arranging Flocknotes so that multiple people in each household can receive the Parish emails. This will allow us to not duplicate information on our Servant Hearts Flocknote group.

If you, or have someone in your household that currently does not receive the Parish emails (that are registered parishioners), and would like to subscribe, please email Daffodil Behal at: dbehal@charlestondiocese.org.

Provide the following information:

- Full Name
- Email
- Phone Number

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Weekly Collection for January 10-11, 2026 (28th week of the Fiscal Year)

	Actual	Budget
Weekly Total:	\$38,717.61	\$29,236.53
YTD* Total:	\$859,598.41	\$842,422.84

*Our Fiscal Year starts 7/1/2025, so Year-to-Date (YTD) data is total weekly collections since 7/1/2025

Consider Online Giving:

52% of our YTD giving this year has been online. We want this % to be as close to 100% as possible. Online contributions provide steady, reliable support – even when you are away. Sign-up for online giving by scanning the QR code below:



Leave a Legacy:

Remember St. Anthony's of Padua in your will or estate plan. Your planned gift helps ensure our parish remains a place of worship, education, and community for generations to come.

Every gift matters – together we make a difference!

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

FROM THE DESK OF OUR PASTORAL ADMINISTRATOR

Fr. Emerson Rodriguez Delgado

A Revolution of Tenderness

This Sunday, the Gospel of John presents a story that is both profound and challenging, woven through two striking and evocative images: Jesus as the “Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world” and the Spirit descending like a dove and remaining on Him. At first glance, these symbols—the lamb and the dove—might seem soft and comforting, perfect for stained glass windows. Yet, a closer look reveals their bold, disruptive, and revolutionary nature.

We live in a culture that prizes strength, dominance, and control. We see it in how we argue, how we compete, how we protect our image, how we “win” online, at work, even at home. John’s Gospel, however, confronts this narrative with a startling paradox. God’s power is not about domination or force. Instead, it is revealed in lamb-like vulnerability and dove-like gentleness. That’s right—God’s strength shows up in the most unexpected places: weakness, loss, and yes, even a cross.

The image of the “lamb” may evoke fragility or innocence, but for John the Baptist and for the Jewish imagination, it was rich with meaning: in the story of Abraham and Isaac, the lamb symbolized God’s provision—a substitute sacrifice sparing Isaac’s life. At Passover, the lamb’s blood marked freedom from slavery and protection from death, pointing to an even greater exodus to come. In the Temple, lambs were sacrificed daily, a reminder of humanity’s need for forgiveness, mercy, restoration. And in Isaiah, the Suffering Servant is like a lamb, silent and innocent, bearing the guilt of others.

So when John the Baptist proclaims, “Behold the Lamb of God,” he makes an audacious claim: Jesus is the ultimate sacrifice. Jesus is God’s decisive answer to sin and brokenness. He is the one who deals with sin at the root. This Lamb redefines power—not as control, but as self-giving love that liberates.

Similarly, the dove descending and remaining on Jesus is far more than a serene image. For the Jewish people, it’s carried deep symbolism of creation and new creation. In Genesis, the Spirit of God “hovered” over the chaotic waters, ready to bring order, life, and beauty. In Noah’s story, the dove returned with an olive branch, signaling peace, hope, and a new beginning after judgment and flood.

So when the Spirit descends on Jesus like a dove, it signifies a new creation, a moment of transformation. John’s Gospel highlights two pivotal moments involving the Spirit: At the beginning (1:32-33), the Spirit descends and remains on Jesus, identifying Him as the one in whom God’s presence truly dwells, the living meeting-place between God and humanity. At the end (Jn 20:22), the risen Jesus breathes the Spirit onto His disciples, commissioning them to carry God’s life to the world.

This progression is stunning: Jesus begins as the Spirit-bearer and becomes the Spirit-giver. The Lamb who takes away sin not only forgives; He also fills His followers with God’s very life – eternal life, starting now.

If this is who Jesus is – Lamb and Dove – then the question isn’t whether God is powerful. The question is: what kind of power will I trust? Do I trust the world’s version of dominance and control, or the vulnerable, faithful, self-giving love of the Lamb? Do I think of sin as isolated mistakes, or as a deeper pattern that shapes my heart, habits, relationships, even my culture? Do I believe Jesus carries not only the world’s brokenness but also my own – my shame, wounds, and guilt? Do I live as someone merely tolerated by God—or as a beloved child, being renewed by the Spirit?

This Sunday, let the words “Behold the Lamb of God” land personally. Jesus carries the weight of the world’s brokenness—and yours. When you come forward to receive Him in the Eucharist, pause. Take one quiet breath and pray, simply: “Lamb of God, take away my sin. Spirit of God, make me new.” Dare to believe that the Spirit still hovers over chaos—not to shame you, but to re-create you; not to crush you, but to whisper the truth: **you are beloved.**

Whatever you’ve been through, however far you feel you’ve wandered, this is what John is showing us: **the Lamb cleanses, and the Dove re-creates.** In Jesus, God offers not only forgiveness, but renewal—real change, real life, a true beginning again. Amen.



Celebration Lunch for Juliet Roy:

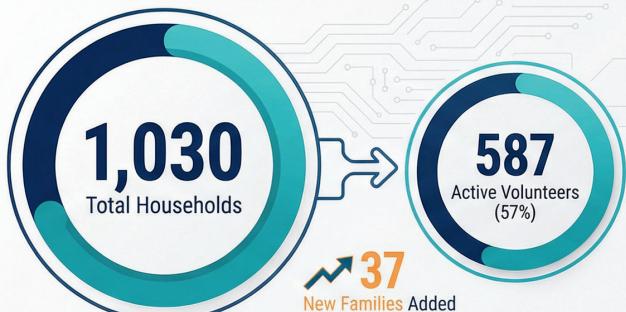
On **Tuesday, January 20th**, following the Communion Service, Mr. Roy will host a Celebration Lunch in remembrance of Juliet, marking one year since her passing. Please join us in this celebration of her life.

Welcome New Parishioners!

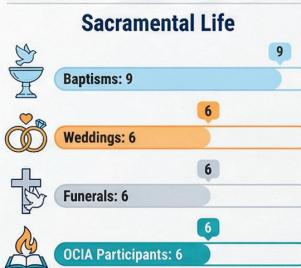
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The O'Connor Family
Erica Smith
The Gundersen Family
The Godwin Family



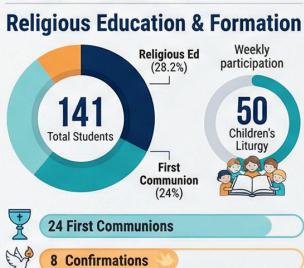
PARISH UPDATE



SACRAMENTAL STATISTICS SECTION



FAITH FORMATION DATA



BOTTOM IMPACT STATEMENT

57% VOLUNTEER PARTICIPATION = WORKS OF MERCY IN ACTION

ST. ANTHONY PARISH MINISTRY INFOGRAPHIC

Annual Impact Report - Data & Statistics

OUTREACH IMPACT VISUALIZATION

Community Outreach Impact

19,208 individual bags



344 family boxes



45% INCREASE RECORD SETTING

Christmas Ministry 330 children served



SERVICE MINISTRIES GRID

Ongoing Service Ministries



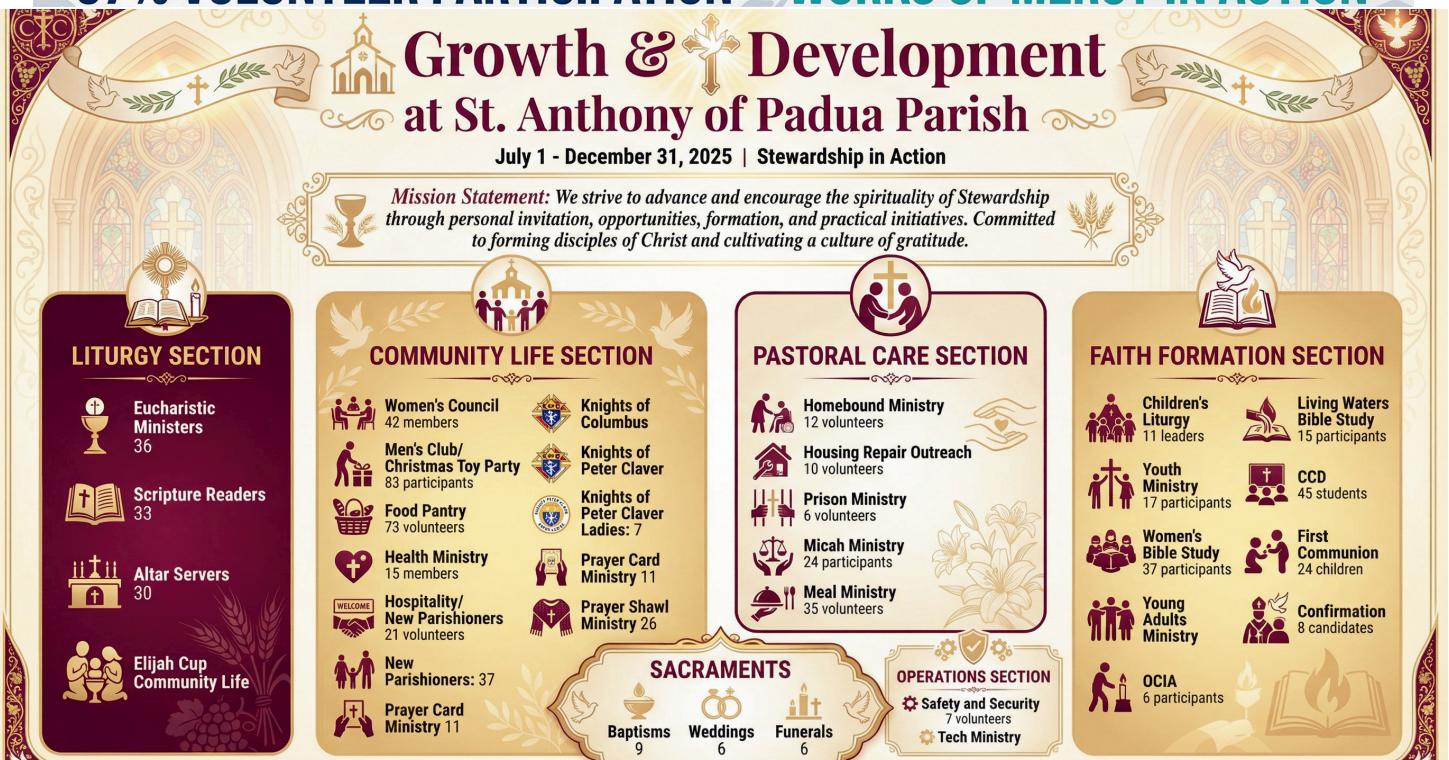
Prison Ministry: 450+ hours/year Perry & Tyler River facilities noted



Meal Ministry: 10+ monthly meals



Community Projects: 22 projects x 10 volunteers



FORMATION

Living Waters Bible Study Update

The Living Waters Bible Study has resumed this past Tuesday and will meet next on Tuesday, January 13th, via Zoom. We will continue our study of the Book of Romans, a rich theological masterpiece from which every Christian can benefit.

All are welcome to join at any point along the journey—whether you are new to the study or returning. We would love to have you with us!

Living Waters Bible Study

Tuesdays | 6:30–8:00 PM
Via Zoom

Zoom Log-In:

Meeting ID: 834 4618 4219
Passcode: LWBS
Participant ID: 529792



Scan QR Code for
Zoom Link

We look forward to gathering again in the new year for faith, fellowship, and Scripture.

Men's Bible Study Is Underway!

All men of the parish are invited to grow in faith and fellowship through our Men's Bible Study, which has already resumed and will meet next on **Wednesday, January 14th, at 7:00 PM via Zoom**.

Join us for meaningful discussion, prayer, and reflection—all from the convenience of home. New participants are always welcome!

For more information, please contact David Quast at thequasts@gmail.com or 864-906-2632.



Scan QR Code for
Zoom Link

Women's Bible Study Has Resumed!

All women of the parish are warmly invited to join our Women's Bible Study, which has resumed and will meet **next Thursday, January 15th, from 9:00–10:45 AM in the Multipurpose Room**.

Come grow in faith through **prayer, reflection, and fellowship** while connecting with other women of the parish. New participants are always welcome!

For more information, please contact **Nancy at 414-736-6290 or Rita at 864-979-7544**.



Diving into the beauty of the Faith has never been easier: at home, on the go, or from any internet-connected device. Discover small group Bible studies, inspiring children's shows, sacramental preparation resources, family-friendly movies, and more! There is something for every member of the family and your Catholic community to help them grow closer to Jesus Christ and his Church.



Scan QR Code for Instructions
to Sign-Up to Formed.org

An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE

Youth Ministry Update

Our Teen Youth Ministry will be hosting a **Welcome Social Night on Sunday, January 18, from 4:00–6:00 PM at Main Event on Garlington Road**. All teens' ages 13–17 are invited to join us for a fun evening of community and connection. Interested teens can **sign up in the church lobby**. If you have any questions about the Social Night or the Teen Youth Ministry, please contact our Teen Advisor, **Kyle Hall, at kyle.hall@charlestondiocese.org**.

View Our Parish Calendar

We are excited to launch a shared calendar, please **scan the QR code to view our calendar**



(link will expire on Jan. 23rd):

Important Dates Ahead

- Jan. 19th** – Martin Luther King Jr. Day (Parish Office Closed)
- Jan. 24th** – Annual Prayer Breakfast in the Social Hall – all are welcome!
- Jan. 25th–31st** – Catholic Schools Week
- Feb. 13th–14th** – Black Catholic Heritage Celebration at St. Patrick Church Pastoral Center in Charleston, SC
- Feb. 16th** – President's Day (Parish Office Closed)
- March 14th** – Parish Lenten Retreat: Blessed, Broken & Scared

JANUARY 18TH – 25TH

THURSDAY, JANUARY 22nd

9:00 AM – Women's Bible Study
Multipurpose Room

11:00 AM – Daily Mass
Church

FRIDAY, JANUARY 23rd

Fr. Emerson's Day Off

SATURDAY, JANUARY 24th

10:00 AM – Pickleball
School Gym

4:00–4:45 PM – Confessions
Church

SUNDAY, JANUARY 25th

9:00 AM – Men's Club Breakfast
SAP Social Hall

St. Anthony of Padua Parish Lenten
RETREAT

BLESSED BROKEN & SCARED

Becoming Eucharist
for a Starving World

March 14, 2026

309 Gower St. | Greenville, SC 29611 | Social Hall



Brian is a Catholic lay evangelist, author, and founder of Broken Door Ministries.

BrokenDoorMinistries.org

Through stories, music, humor, and his personal testimony Brian shows how the Last Supper challenges everyone to become Eucharist. The retreat offers hope, healing, and change as it explores the profound implications of God's mercy, forgiveness, and love. Ideally suited for ages 16 and older.

8:30am Donuts and Coffee
9:00am Retreat Begins
Noon Lunch
3:00pm Retreat Concludes

"I've attended many day retreats, go home, and forget all about it. This retreat will stay with me forever."
PAST ATTENDANT

For more information or to sign up, call 864-706-2999, or scan QR code, or email philallen@charlestondiocese.org
A love offering will be accepted.



CELEBRATING A LEGACY
OF LEADERSHIP:
"We've come this far by faith"



REGISTRATION

\$25 for Adults
Youth (12-17) are FREE!

BLACK CATHOLIC HERITAGE CELEBRATION



FEB 13 | 5:30-8:30 PM

FEB 14 | 8:30 AM-4:30 PM

St. Patrick Church Pastoral Center

127 St. Philip Street
Charleston, SC 29403

Bishop Jacques Fabre-Jeune, CS will be the
celebrant for the 4:30pm Mass on Saturday

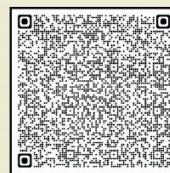
FOR MORE INFORMATION

Contact Katie Breeden:
(843) 723-6066
kbreeden@charlestondiocese.org

<https://bit.ly/blackcatholicheritagecelebration>



Register Here
Deadline: Jan. 30



Book Hotel
Deadline: Jan. 19

Hiking Ministry – Save the Dates!

Our Hiking Ministry is gearing up for spring hikes! **Mark your calendars** and plan to join us for fellowship, fresh air, and faith-filled time together.

Upcoming hike dates (locations TBD):

- Friday, March 28
- Friday, April 25
- Friday, May 16
- Friday, June 6

More details and locations will be shared soon. All are welcome—invite a friend and come walk with us!

What's Happening at St. Anthony's

Sign-up for Flocknote Emails/E-News

Don't miss out on the latest parish news, upcoming events, and faith-filled updates! Sign up for our Flocknote emails (E-News), sent every Wednesday, Friday, and Sunday. It's the best way to stay informed and connected to parish life.

👉 [Sign up today!](#)

<https://AnthonyPaduaSC.flocknote.com>



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www.facebook.com/stanthonypadua

Monthly Rosary Walk



All Women of the Parish are
invited to join the Women's Council
to pray the Rosary on
Friday, January 30th
10:00 am

We will walk from the church
parking lot to the statue of Mary

This month's Rosary will be for Pope
Leo's call for Justice over War

In case of inclement weather, we
will meet in the church lobby

