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December 6, 2020
Second Sunday of Advent

Christmas Giving Trees

Thank you for your generous response to our virtual Giving Tree Program! The Saint Andrew spirit of love and generosity continues despite the lack of a brick and mortar church and through the trying times of a pandemic. Just a reminder that any and all gifts need to be returned either before or after Masses at the Madren Center side entrance on Sunday, December 6, from 8:00 AM–12:45 PM or in the Parish Office parking area on Monday, December 7, from 3:00–5:45 PM. Gifts will be delivered to the four charities on December 8. Those still planning to make a monetary donation to one of the organizations on our “green tag” list, should mail those checks directly to the organization.

Retired Religious Collection Next Sunday, December 13

In good times and bad, senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have dedicated themselves to service and acts of mercy. Today, they pray for an aching world. Yet years of serving for little or no pay have left their religious communities without enough retirement savings. Your gift helps provide medications, nursing care, and other necessities. Please be generous.

Special Thanks

Deacon John • john@saclemson.org

We have received word that the food care packages were delivered to the Catholic inmates at Perry Correctional by SecurePak. In a recent email the coordinator in the chaplain's office wrote, “*I wish you and the parishioners could see their faces...*”

My sincere thanks to all who so generously support our prison ministry. Since we were unable to sponsor our usual Christmas luncheon this year, this was a much appreciated and unexpected sharing of Christmas spirit in a year otherwise filled with COVID restrictions.

Schedule for the Christmas Holiday

Masses for Christmas

Christmas Eve, December 24, livestreamed only
5:00 PM from the Chapel

Christmas Morning, December 25
10:00 AM in the Chapel

Congregation limited to 20, also livestreamed
Communion will be distributed outside the Chapel immediately following Mass

Masses for Mary, Mother of God

December 31, at 5:15 PM and January 1, at 10:00 AM in the Chapel
Congregation limited to 20, also livestreamed

Communion will be distributed outside the Chapel immediately following
There Will Be No Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on December 25 or January 1.

Due to the observance of the **Immaculate Conception**, parish staff
will not be available Tuesday, December 8.

While this year there is **no obligation**, daily Mass is in the Chapel at the usual time.

Parish Staff

Fr. Dan McLellan, OFM, *Pastor/Campus Minister*
Fr. Bob Menard, OFM, *Friar in Residence*
Rich Campana, *Deacon*
John Leininger, *Deacon*
Gordon Snyder, *Deacon*
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Mass Schedule

Saturday *(None at this time)*

Sunday at CU Madren Center
8:30 AM, 10:00 AM, 11:30 AM
(10:00 AM also livestreamed)

Weekdays

5:15 PM in the Chapel

Eucharistic Adoration

Fridays 9:00 AM–5:00 PM in the Chapel

Confessions – Chapel

Saturdays 10:00–11:00 AM

Or by appointment
No Confessions on CU Home Football Saturdays

Religious Education

K4–Grade 5 Fall Semester
Catechist-guided Home Study

Youth Ministry

HS Bible Study Thursdays 7:00 PM
MS & HS weekly Discipleship Groups

(Virtual) Office Hours

200 Edgewood Avenue
Monday–Thursday 10:00 AM–5:00 PM
Friday – 10:00 AM–Noon

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Sunday Mass at Saint Andrew

The dispensation from attending Sunday Mass continues. We will continue to offer in-person Sunday Masses off-site at the Madren Center (in Ballroom A) during the construction of our new church. All are still asked to follow recommended safety guidelines and distancing protocols – **MASKS ARE REQUIRED**).

The livestream Mass continues at 10:00 AM on the parish Facebook page until further notice.

<https://www.facebook.com/saclemson/>

Missed the livestream but don't want to miss Mass? Use the **same Facebook link** to view the video later at your convenience.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 5

5:15 PM No Mass due to construction

Sunday, December 6

8:30 AM † Jim Hertig

10:00 AM † Charlotte Sciortino

11:30 AM † Peggy Leininger

Monday, December 7

5:15 PM † Mel Molina

Tuesday, December 8 (Office Closed)

5:15 PM † Beth Hudson Legette

Wednesday, December 9

5:15 PM Our Parish Family

Thursday, December 10

5:15 PM † Raymond Lee Wenderlich

Friday, December 11

5:15 PM † Fr. Aubrey McNeil, OFM

Saturday, December 12

5:15 PM No Mass due to construction

Sunday, December 13

8:30 AM Our Parish Family

10:00 AM Children and Grandchildren

11:30 AM Special Intention for Family

To schedule a Mass Intention, contact the office.

Weekly Scripture Readings

Psalter 2

Sunday, December 6

Is 4:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/
2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8

Monday, December 7

Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14
[Is 35:4f]/Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday, December 8

Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [1]/
Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38

Wednesday, December 9

Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10 [1]/
Mt 11:28-30

Thursday, December 10

Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab
[8]/Mt 11:11-15

Friday, December 11

Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [cf. Jn 8:12]/
Mt 11:16-19

Saturday, December 12

Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/
Jdt 13:18bcde, 19 [15:9d]/Lk 1:26-38 or
Lk 1:39-47

Sunday, December 13

Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 51-54
[Is 61:10b]/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

A Note From the Pastor

As we head into the middle of Advent, I'm keeping my fingers crossed that the prognostications of a COVID surge-upon-a-surge will prove false. Nevertheless, these concerns are shaping the way we celebrate Christmas and feast along the way.

The holy day of Our Lady's **Immaculate Conception** will be observed at the 5:15 PM Masses on December 7 and 8. Our Christmas Eve and Day Masses will be equally simple. Sunday attendance suggests that we won't need our customary several Masses on Christmas Eve – especially without a children's pageant. And with Madren closed on Christmas Day, we'll have Christmas Day Mass in the Chapel.

Christmas Eve Mass will be livestreamed at 5:00 PM *without* a congregation. This will give us a chance to do something special with a small *schola*. And with our "Art & Environment" group poised to do their usual fine job of decorating, my hope is that folks will begin their Christmas Eve with virtual attendance at Mass.

On **Christmas Day**, we'll have a 10:00 AM Mass with a congregation and live-streamed. We'll observe the usual limit of 20 attendees and Communion will be offered after Mass for attendees and all others.

Some of you have already made donations for **Christmas flowers**. These will decorate the Chapel and provide flowers for Madren during the Christmas season.

Since Christmas and New Years are both Fridays, we'll not have Adoration on either of those two days.

This is hardly the Christmas we're used to, and we all wish it were different. Many of you have made similar adjustments to family celebrations in order to celebrate, but also to keep yourselves and others safe.

Thinking through the above dovetails a bit with a book I'm reading, *Citizens of London*. It's about the role four Americans (Harry Hopkins, Averill Harriman, Edward R. Murrow, and John Winant) played in US-British relations, especially in the prelude to WWII. Without getting into the intriguing weeds of the book thus far, I've been intrigued by the influence everyday people had on these four men as the average British city-dweller bore the brunt of what we call the London Blitz. Despite incessant daily German bombing for months that destroyed homes, businesses, and lives, people crawled out of bombed out homes and made it to work. They cleaned up what was left to live in and faced another day, fortified on meager rations thanks to the success of German submarines in sinking merchant shipping.

The people's fortitude so impressed the four "citizens of London" that they mounted a full court press to convert FDR and America's isolationists to stand with the British people.

The diminishments we bear to starve COVID can hardly be compared to what the British went through. Yet, I'd like to think that, especially when it comes to what manifests and nourishes our faith – our parish and the Eucharist we celebrate – our fortitude will impress others and maybe even ourselves.

Fr. Dan

Healing Prayer Ministry's Petition

O God, when I have food, help me to remember the hungry; when I have work, help me to remember the jobless; when I have a home, help me to remember those who have no home at all; when I am without pain, help me to remember those who suffer, and remembering, help me to destroy my complacency; bestir my compassion so that I will be concerned enough to help, by word and deed, those who cry out for what I take for granted. Amen

– Samuel F Pugh

Faith Formation

Laura Witt • laura@saclemson.org

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE – No Faith Formation classes for December 20 and 27.

ADVENT FAMILY CALENDAR ACTIVITY – I will be posting weekly family activities to help our children celebrate this Advent Season. Please email Laura@saclemson.org if you do not already receive the weekly Faith Formation Flocknote and want to be added through Advent in order to receive the Advent Family Activity Calendar for daily preparation and remembrance of Christ's birth. In the meantime, consider this: *During Advent, we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus. Donate baby supplies to a local charity.*

SPRING SEMESTER – After prayerful consideration, we will not return to in-person classes in the spring. There is just too much uncertainty regarding COVID, and construction will add another element of difficulties in meeting. More information will follow concerning the Sacrament Prep classes. We will consider the protocol of other churches in the diocese.

While the church office continues to operate virtually, you can reach me by email (above), 401-662-0310 cell (call or text), or 864-643-2587 (office). I will be checking voicemail daily, but please use cell or email for immediate communication. Please stay safe and healthy. You are all in our prayers.



Music Ministry

Jamie Dean • jamie@saclemson.org

In a message of thanksgiving, the director of the National Pastoral Musicians quoted Billy Joel:

“You know that our soul is full of harmony. I think music in itself is healing. It’s an explosive experience of humanity. It is something we are all touched by.”



“Our faith communities could use some healing of our spirits We need to sing. Amidst the government and diocesan restrictions during COVID, there has been so much creativity in arranging for instrumental music, safe singing, outdoor liturgies, and even robust humming! This creativity will continue and **I give thanks that cantors and choirs and instrumentalists** will lead an ‘explosive experience of humanity.’ That when we gather in worship and sing praise to God, our communities and our souls will be ‘full of harmony.’” – **Bob McCarty, D. Min.**

I was intrigued with Dr. McCarty’s mention of robust humming. We often use humming as part of our choirs’ warmup rituals. The next time you are worshipping at “Saint Madren’s” or in the chapel, and you hear a familiar tune but do not have the words memorized, perhaps you’ll feel the Spirit moving you to hum along. It is amazing how even the quietest act of music making can lift the soul – which, as Mr. Joel stated above, is “full of harmony.”

Peace and Justice

Bob Fennell • rsfennell43@gmail.com

This week’s tithe goes to **Clemson Community Care** serving the Clemson, Central, and Pendleton communities. Services offered by CCC include food programs, SNAP applications, heating/cooling/power/water assistance, rental assistance, homeless support, a holiday program, back to school supplies, home repair, and referral service. Last year, thanks to community generosity and support, CCC helped 345 families keep utilities on, 82 avoided eviction, and 2,783 families received food assistance. Overall, 7,599 individuals (3704 families) received assistance and 225,395 lbs. of food were distributed. The goal is to help clients become self-sufficient. There are some, however, who because of physical or mental limitations will always need a little help. For more information, go to www.clemsoncare.org.

Christmas Rosary Rally

DECEMBER 19 • 2:00 PM • FALLS PARK (downtown Greenville)

Pray a rosary in honor of Christ’s birth, thanking God for all his many blessings and asking like little children for the triumph of Mary’s Immaculate Heart in our world. Sponsored by America Feeds Fatima® and 40 Days for Life™.

CARES Act Reminder

To encourage more charitable giving during the pandemic, the CARES Act of 2020 provides additional tax relief for individual and corporate donors.

For individual taxpayers who **do not itemize and therefore use the standard deduction**, the Act creates a \$300 deduction per individual taxpayer.

For individual taxpayers who **do itemize deductions**, the Act modifies the deductibility of charitable contributions from 60% of Adjusted Gross Income to 100% of Adjusted Gross Income.

For corporations, the deductibility of contributions moves from 10% to 25% of Adjusted Gross Income.

Some, or all of these modifications may continue beyond tax year 2020 but at this point each are due to end with tax year 2020 on December 31. As always, please discuss with your tax professional and as well be aware of the last day of the year that the parish office will be operating to accept your contributions.

Saint Andrew Holiday Fundraiser

November 1 – December 21 • All Proceeds to Benefit Our Building Project

Working with UnitedScrip, Inc. in Seneca, Saint Andrew will benefit from the purchase of gift cards through this program that can be **used as holiday gifts or used for the purchase of holiday gifts or groceries**. To date, over \$400 has been raised through the participation of just 20 people. Imagine how much more could be raised if even half of our parish families participated. And remember, there is no cost above the card’s actual face-value. **This is truly “free Money.”**

Please go to this link, <http://bit.ly/2020holiday-flyer-orderform>, for more details. We plan to place two more orders – the **next deadline is noon, Monday, December 7**, for cards that will be available by December 11. Our final deadline is December 14.

If you have any questions, please contact:

Sheila Hogan at 864-207-1132 or hogan_family@bellsouth.net or Nancy Leininger at 864-903-0021 or nancy@saclemson.org.

Baptism Preparation

Contact Deacon John Leininger, 864-903-0050 or john@saclemson.org

Marriage Preparation

Contact Deacon Gordon Snyder no fewer than six months prior to the desired wedding date, 262-965-5500 or gjssnyder@charter.net.

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.

Prayer Support

For prayer support, please contact Sandra Harbin at sandra_terry.harbin@yahoo.com or 864-885-9527 and leave a detailed message with your prayer request.

Friday Adoration

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is in the Chapel on Fridays beginning at 9:00 AM and concludes with Benediction at 5:00 PM. Daily Mass follows at 5:15 PM. Masks are required.

Take This Opportunity to Try Out the Parish Subscription to FORMED®

Everyone is reminded that parishioners at Saint Andrew have full access, through our parish subscription, to all media resources for the ENTIRE FAMILY provided by FORMED® to strengthen and enrich our Catholic Faith.

This subscription includes **“The Road to Bethlehem”** with daily Advent reflections and enrichment for the whole family.

Free login at: www.saclemson.formed.org

Parish Giving

Thank you to all those who continue to support our parish during this time of absence from public Masses. Many have sent weekly offertory envelopes with their checks included directly to the office or have gone to our online giving option. If you would like to do the same, you can send your Sunday offerings to:

**Saint Andrew Catholic Church
PO Box 112
Clemson, SC 29633**

or go to www.saclemson.org and click **Give** in the navigation bar. By making your offering online, you continue to support our good works even if you are away.

NOTE: If on your mobile phone, be sure to click **“view full site”** for best results. Any questions, please feel free to contact Christy Hébert at christy@saclemson.org or call 864-356-2406.

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