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October 17, 2021
Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Time to Register for the Men's CRHP Weekend

NOVEMBER 6 AND 7 • NEWMAN HALL

As we emerge from the worst of COVID and have opened our new church, this is a perfect time to renew our parish life. Over the years, Saint Andrew has found the Christ Renews His Parish weekend experience has done wonders in helping us be a parish making a difference in the lives of others by living the love God.

Men, consider doing yourself, and the parish, a favor by making the weekend on November 6-7. All activities are held on the parish campus. And while that usually includes staying onsite overnight, our ongoing construction means participants can sleep in their own beds. CRHP is a life changer for some. For others, it's time to affirm their active faith. In either case, the team has prepared a weekend worthy of your time.

The registration form is available on the parish website at saclemson.org/christ-renews-his-parish/, by emailing Deacon John at john@saclemson.org, or by calling the Parish Office.

Volunteers Needed – Training Provided

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to manage the sound and video at weekend Masses. One "sound manager" is needed at each Mass to oversee a small tablet that controls the sound, making sure it's optimal for the congregation. One "video manager" is needed at each 11:00 AM Mass to ensure service to those participating virtually. Deacon John Leininger will offer training sessions. If you are interested in serving the parish in this way, please contact Fr. Dan by emailing mcllellan@saclemson.org.

October Clemson Community Care Food Drive

Thank you to all the generous parishioners who are answering the call to share what you can with those who are hungry or do not know where they will get their next round of groceries. Thus far **2,202 pounds** of food have been donated. Suggested food for...

October 24 – tomato sauce and paste, grits, canned or powdered milk

October 31 – paper products, shampoo, soap, toothpaste, toothbrush

College students – donate jars of pasta sauce each week.

As always, any donations of non-perishable food and household needs are welcome.

The negative effects of food insecurity are not relegated to short-term hunger. The long-term health effects, especially for children, truly drive home the importance of addressing this issue. According to Feeding America, the child household food insecurity rate in Pickens County in 2019 was 10.1% and in Oconee County 15.9%. The negative health consequences of food insecurity for children include stunted development, anemia, asthma, oral health problems, and hospitalizations. Children in food insecure households may also experience lower reading and math scores, more significant behavior and social problems, and lower high school graduation rates.



"Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or ill or in prison, and not minister to your needs?" He will answer them, "Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me." – Matthew 25:44-45

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Mass Schedule

Saturday

(Except when Clemson football plays at home) 5:15 PM

Sunday

8:30 AM, 11:00 AM,

(During Fall and Spring Semesters) 7:30 PM

(11:00 AM also livestreamed on Facebook)

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

Religious Education

Sundays, 9:45–10:45 AM

Youth Ministry

Sundays, 5:30–7:00 PM

Office Hours

200 Edgewood Avenue

Monday–Thursday 10:00 AM–5:00 PM

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Sunday Mass at Saint Andrew

As of Septemebr 19, we have moved back home to our NEW church building on Sloan Street for weekend Masses! While some of the finishes are still being completed (stained glass windows, Stations of the Cross, etc.) – it was finally time for us to say farewell to the Madren Center. Please **note the new Mass times**, and remember masks are required indoors.

The livestream Mass continues at 11:00AM 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, October 16

5:15 PM † Michael Martin

Sunday, October 17

8:30 AM † Don Snider

11:00 AM † Ken Roby

7:30 PM † Ed Carman

Monday, October 18

5:15 PM Jessica Dean

Tuesday, October 19

5:15 PM Special Intention for Family

Wednesday, October 20

5:15 PM † Teri Dorsch

Thursday, October 21

5:15 PM † Bruce Cook

Friday, October 22

5:15 PM † Steve Anderson

Saturday, October 23

5:15 PM For those having suffered the loss of a child or grandchild

Sunday, October 24

8:30 AM † Mickey Cosgrove

11:00 AM † Raymond Bolger

7:30 PM † Ed Carman

To schedule a Mass Intention, contact the office.

Weekly Scripture Readings

Psalter 1

Sunday, October 17

Is 53:10-11/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [22]/

Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45

Monday, October 18

2 Tm 4:10-17/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18

[12]/Lk 10:1-9

Tuesday, October 19

Rom 5:12, 15, 17-19, 20-21/Ps 40:7-8, 8-9,

10, 17 [8 and 9]/Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday, October 20

Rom 6:12-18/Ps 124:1-3, 4-6, 7-8 [8]/

Lk 12:39-48

Thursday, October 21

Rom 6:19-23/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps 40:5]/

Lk 12:49-53

Friday, October 22

Rom 7:18-25/Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94

[68]/Lk 12:54-59

Saturday, October 23

Rom 8:1-11/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 6]/

Lk 13:1-9

Sunday, October 24

Jer 31:7-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/

Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52

A Note From the Pastor

The folks who own the place where I stayed these last two weeks have a nice bookcase of the usual beach fare. But it also carries a small sampling of Alabama history. I was drawn to one book by its size, a real doorstopper. It's a history of the state during the 20th century, and a quick skim hooked me. It's a fascinating, sympathetic – yet critical – insight into what makes or breaks public life. The author, an Auburn history professor, unfolds the century in light of the state's 1901 Constitution, a document that pretty much rejected local governance (the locals were too poor, uneducated, or Black) in favor of state lawmakers. It was a constitution that had no time for almost anything – schools, health care, business investment, roads – we'd think necessary for a "good society."

Happily, things have improved via hundreds of home-grown amendments, federal laws, economic carpetbaggers, and local embarrassment. But vestiges of late 19th century provincialism, class consciousness, and discrimination remain (this constitution is still in effect) hurdles as Alabamians claw their way toward a better society.

At the same time, I re-read a book written by a Franciscan classmate of mine whose ministry has been teaching the moral theology of public life. Such a theology goes back to Constantine's conversion to Christianity and his move from Rome to Constantinople. These events – and a chain to follow – stimulated the thought of Christian theologians like Eusebius, Ambrose of Milan, Augustine, and Thomas Aquinas in creating a framework for folks like us to use in living the Gospel as disciples and citizens. The read is a reminder that early Christian theologians and bishops were conscious that the Gospel and secular politics had something to offer one another.

I found both readings timely in light of this weekend's Gospel. Alabama's 20th century story and the Church's 20 centuries of history offer us reminders of what we should be looking for in growing a personal relationship with Jesus and shouldering our vocation to fulfill the "great commission." As Genesis reminds us, it's not good to be alone. By nature, we're social. And as the theologians cited above knew, the societies we form are deserving of certain values and strategies to live those values. We call the work of adopting values and devising strategies to promote them "politics" from the Greek, *polis*, meaning "city").

We Christians find our values and the road map to living them in the life and Gospel of Jesus. Not a messiah after the manner of a king, but of a servant. One whose values for a good society were love, compassion, and mercy and whose strategy for living those values was sacrifice. Thus, a suffering servant.

That Jesus was God's "suffering servant" was rejected by his disciples – until they saw that such servanthood led to resurrection. Given the scar of self-centeredness that we all bear, thanks to what we call "original sin," each of us has to go through the same conversion process as the first disciples. Our personal vision and values make us the "living stones" of the "kingdom of God" as Jesus understood that kingdom.

Just as our new church required its builders to follow the architect's construction documents for making all the specific materials fit together, "renewing the face of the earth" as we pray the Holy Spirit to do with and through us, requires "living stones" to be fit together that, as a people, our minds and hearts are shaped by the "suffering servant."

While both Alabama and the Church relied on personalities, heroic in their vision and values, the "good society" – be it Church or state – relies on everyone. Alabama is set to begin work next year on a new constitution to capture their 20th century learning for future generations. And the Church has embarked on a worldwide synod to do the same. Success to both!

Fr. Dan

Faith Formation

Laura Witt • laura@saclemson.org

Our Faith Formation classes took part in lessons provided by the Creation Cares team to celebrate the Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi. During the "Season of Creation" our Church has reflected on God's love and our response to it through our care for our common home– the earth and all that is in it. The children have learned about a family in another country that is struggling due to the lack of care for the earth. The lessons are to help our children see creation not as a "thing" to be used, but as our home to be cared for. By families talking about life in other countries, children in prosperous countries will learn that not all children have what they have.

Our families can model and teach gratitude for food, water, energy, and housing by conserving and caring for these resources. They can involve the children in care for gardens, picking up litter, recycling, and composting. We can always pray as a family for those who suffer from disasters and lack of resources.

That weekend, our 4K students took a nature walk to thank God for his creation during Faith Formation class Sunday.



The Book of the Names of the Beloved Deceased

Throughout the month of October, a special memorial book will be available in the vestibule where parishioners may write the names of those who have passed away. This volume will become a special part of our worship environment from All Souls Day, November 2, through Christ the King, November 21. For those participating virtually, you may send names to Barbara Ramirez at bjram@clemsun.edu, and we will see that they are included in the book.



Instrumentalists Welcome

Jamie Dean • jamie@saclemson.org

Saint Andrew Music Ministry is seeking folks who enjoy playing their instruments – guitar, flute, cajon, violin, kazoo, etc... to enliven the congregation's song and enhance prayer time before Mass (the prelude). To serve the liturgy in this way, please contact the Director of Music, Jamie, via email, jamie@saclemson.org. Successful volunteer musicians will have a basic competence with their instrument, the ability to read music and prepare their pieces on their own, and the willingness to arrive at least 30 minutes before Mass for tuning and brief rehearsal.

A rehearsal for guitarists and other instrumentalists is scheduled for Monday morning, November 1, at 11:00AM in the church. Please register with Jamie ahead of time so you can receive your music via email. Printed music will be available on the day of the rehearsal. We'll be playing through music for upcoming liturgies as well as sharing techniques and ideas with one another.

Additional rehearsals, including evening meetings, will be scheduled according to need. Please don't hesitate to contact Jamie to express your interest and set up an individual or group rehearsal. We would love to put together a regular ensemble of players, especially for the 7:30PM Sunday evening rehearsal. A committed group of musicians could expand the repertoire for that Mass which has traditionally been attended heavily by college students.

Peace and Justice

Bob Fennell • rsfennell43@gmail.com

This week's tithe goes to **Pickens County Habitat for Humanity** (PCHF), part of a global, nonprofit housing organization operated on Christian principles that seeks to put God's love into action by building homes, communities, and hope. PCHF is dedicated to eliminating substandard housing locally and worldwide through constructing, rehabilitating, and preserving homes; by advocating for fair and just housing policies; and by providing training and access to resources to help families improve their shelter conditions. Habitat for Humanity was founded on the conviction that every man, woman, and child should have a simple, durable place to live in dignity and safety, and that decent shelter in decent communities should be a matter of conscience and action for all. Learn more at <http://www.pickenshabitat.org/>

Unless the Lord build the house, they labor in vain who build it.

Unless the Lord guard the city, in vain does the guard keep vigil. – Ps. 127:1

Prison Ministry THANK YOU!

Deacon John Leininger • john@saclemson.org

Thanks to the generosity of the good people at Saint Andrew Parish, we have been able to raise the funds needed to provide our share of the October Kairos cookies AND also order holiday care packages for the Catholic inmates at Perry Correctional. This means so very much to these men. There are just not words enough.

In addition, Masses continue to be recorded and uploaded to the SCDCs intranet so that any inmate in SC has the opportunity to see Mass each Sunday. This is especially significant since the institutions have been closed to any visitors for nearly 20 months.

Thank you for the support and continued prayers. You are making a difference.

Campus Ministry Activities

Stephanie Manasa • stephanie@saclemson.org

THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER – A reminder to all our college students that **every Thursday at 6:00 PM** we gather for a free dinner and to share in community with one another! This year we have joined the campus ministry at First Baptist Church across the street (397 College Ave) for meals in their Family Life Center.

XLT – This **Thursday, October 21, at 7:00PM** we are having another night of XLT! Join us in the main church after Thursday Night Dinner for praise & worship music, a witness talk from a visiting speaker, Eucharistic Adoration, and the opportunity for Confession. This is a great way to be joined in prayer with our Clemson Catholic community!

Join the Fun and Adventure of Scouting!

Troops 235 (Boys) and 7235 (Girls) invite all boys and girls at least 11 years old to an **OPEN HOUSE** at the **Fort Hill Presbyterian Church on Monday, October 25, from 7–8:30 PM**. Fire building, S'mores, a review of the programs, and a great campfire with songs and skits run by scouts will round out an evening of fun and information. Parents also invited. No need to register; just come! Meet outdoors in the upper parking lot.



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 gjsnyder@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.

Healing Prayer Ministry Devotion

Prayer for our Community: *O Great Love, thank you for living and loving in us and through us. May all that we do flow from our deep connection with you and all beings. Help us become a community that vulnerably shares each other's burdens and the weight of glory. Listen to our hearts' longings for the healing of our world. [Please add your own intentions.] . . . Knowing you are hearing us better than we are speaking, we offer these prayers in all the holy names of God. Amen (Richard Rohr)*

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Parish Giving

Thank you to all those who have continued to support our parish during this time of limited Mass attendance. 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
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