



FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2021

"Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb."
— From this Sunday's Gospel Reading



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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:00PM
Sunday 8:00, 9:30 & 11:30AM

DAILY MASS

Monday, Tuesday 9:00AM
Wednesday 12 Noon
Thursday 9:00AM

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:30-4:30PM
or by appointment

HOLY DAYS

Check the bulletin and website

OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday 9:30AM - 4:00PM

HYMNS

December 19 · 4th Sunday of Advent

Processional Hymn: *O Come, O Come Emmanuel* #38

Offertory Hymn: *Hail Mary, Gentle Woman* #706

Communion Hymn: *Lo, How A Rose E'er Blooming* #78

Recessional Hymn: *People Look East* #42

POST-MASS PRAYERS

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all evil spirits who prowl throughout the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.



Sacred and Immaculate Hearts
of Jesus and Mary, *Protect us*



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

◆ I am a student with the St. Benedict Religious Education program (GREP), _____ grade

◆ I am a student at Christ Our King School, _____ grade

Being a good steward of God's gift of time, I am attending Church on the Lord's Day on (date:) _____ at (Mass time:) _____

Student's Printed Name

Student's Signature

Please complete and tear or cut out and drop in the collection basket.

If you attended Mass at another parish, please bring that

THE ORDER OF MASS

Introductory Rites

Entrance Antiphon

Drop Down De from above, you heavens, and let the clouds rain down the Just One; let the earth be opened and bring forth a Savior.

Penitential Rite

I confess to almighty God, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do, [*strike breast*] through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

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Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

For Scripture readings of the day, please refer to the missalette

Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, [bow] and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Communion Antiphon

Behold, a Virgin shall conceive and bear a son; and his name will be called Emmanuel.

Mass Intentions & Mass Schedule

For the week of Dec 11 –19

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| Sat 18 | 5:00 PM | Rudolf Tobitsch+ |
| Sun 19 | 8:00 AM | Barbara Dedeian+ |
| Sun 19 | 9:30 AM | St. Benedict Parishioners |
| Sun 19 | 11:30 AM | Betsy Mason+ |
| Mon 20 | 9:00 AM | Charles Rogers+ |
| Tue 21 | 9:00 AM | Barbara Adams+ |
| Wed 22 | 12:00 PM | Kathleen O'Shea Daniels+ |
| Thu 23 | 9:00 AM | Joy Brokes+ |
| Fri 24 | 4:30 PM | <i>Christmas Eve</i> |
| Fri 24 | 7:30 PM | <i>Christmas Eve</i> |
| Fri 24 | 10:00 PM | <i>Christmas Eve</i> |
| Sat 25 | 10:00 AM | <i>Christmas Day</i> |
| Sat 25 | 5:00 PM | The St. Benedict Parish Staff & Their Families |
| Sun 26 | 8:00 AM | Mary St. Jean+ |
| Sun 26 | 9:30 AM | Fran & Dave Richardson |
| Sun 26 | 11:30 AM | St. Benedict Parishioners |



UPCOMING SPECIAL CONFESSION TIMES...

In addition to our usual Saturday afternoon Confession times, Father Mark will be opening up some additional Confession times for the time being:

- ⇒ **On Wednesdays at 11:30 AM** (before the noon Mass)
- ⇒ **On Wednesday evenings at 5:30 PM** (ONLY on GREP class weeks)



Holiday Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve - Friday, Dec 24th
Masses at 4:30pm, 7:30pm and 10pm

Christmas Day - Saturday, Dec 25th
Mass at 10am

**The Solemnity of Mary, The Mother of God -
January 1st**
Vigil Mass at 6pm on Dec 31
Jan 1st - 9:00 AM

A Special Christmastime Note About Holy Communion

Holiday seasons are times when families gather and attend Mass together, and thank God for that! While it is a blessing, many of our family members who have not been attending Mass regularly may not be properly disposed to receive Holy Communion.

Grave sin or any lack of full unity with the Church may prevent one from receiving sacramental Communion at this time. We remind those members that the Lord invites all people of faith and good will to express their love for him in their hearts, but those who are not properly disposed should refrain from receiving the Blessed Sacrament, so as not to sin against God or against the Mystical Body of Christ.

If you need Confession, please check the bulletin or website for Confession times, or make a special appointment by contacting Dan Lord at dlord@charlestdiocese.org

Thank you for your understanding,
and God bless!

Is God calling you?

Men's Discernment Retreat

Ages 18-49

January 7-9, 2022

Cost: \$25

Heart Ridge Retreat Center, Sunset, SC

To register or for more information:
vocations@charlestdiocese.org



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Christmas-at-Sea



The annual **Christmas at Sea** project is a very special way to bring some compassionate relief to lonely and isolated mariners at Christmastime.

All standard items will fit inside the 9 X 9 X 4-inch box. The average cost for the items to fill a box is around \$17. Wouldn't it be wonderful to give a gift box to every seafarer that visits the Port of Charleston this Christmas season?

Will you help make this happen? Our goal is to deliver over 3,000 gifts to the seafarers this year.

To join *Christmas at Sea*, adopt a ship, or for more information, email:
chapssmail@gmail.com

Fill the box with only the items listed below, gift wrap the box, and return to the individual you obtained the box from by the first of December.

Gift Box Items (**FULL SIZE CONTAINERS ONLY**):

- 12 oz bottle Shampoo
- 10 oz can Shaving Cream
- Pack of 4 or more Razors,
- 2 Bars of Unscented Soap
- 1- 3 oz Stick Deodorant
- 1- 6 oz tube Toothpaste & Toothbrush
- Bag of candy
- 1 tube Chap Stick
- Sunscreen-small
- Note of Encouragement or Christmas Card
- A small toy like a yoyo, Slinky or card game

Volunteers for Perpetual Adoration Needed! Would you like to sit with Jesus for one hour? Volunteer for our weekly Perpetual Adoration by emailing Dan Lord at dlord@charlestandioocese.org

Currently we have a need for:

| <u>Wednesdays</u> | <u>Thursdays</u> | <u>Fridays</u> |
|-------------------|------------------|----------------|
| 6-7 PM | 2-3 AM | 1-2 AM |
| 7-8 PM | 3-4 AM | 2-3 AM |
| | 4-5 AM | 12-1 PM |
| | 10-11 PM | 2-3 PM |



Men's Emmaus Retreat

Are you willing to put in 48 hours of effort—*just 48 hours*—to become a better husband? A better father? A better son? A better friend? A better brother?

If your answer is YES, then unplug and recharge with a group of men who are local Catholic parishioners like you.

Why? If you want to Advance, you have to Retreat

What? The 15th Annual Men's Emmaus Experience

Where? Seabrook Island -- Camp St. Christopher

When? Friday February 4th through Sunday February 6th, 2022 Between 4:00pm Friday and 4:00pm Sunday

How? To learn more, call Bill Kundering at 843-789-9170 or Mike Fischer at 843-452-0293

Women's Emmaus Retreat

Save the Date!

Women's Emmaus Retreat will be held

Friday, February 18th
- Sunday, February 20th
 at Camp St. Christopher on Seabrook Island.

Registration will open in January.

Questions?

Contact April Johnston
 843-995-1259

apriljohnstonsc@gmail.com

or Cathi Rider

843-437-7823

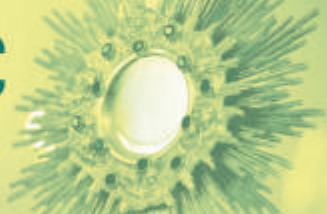
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Financial Stewardship

| Date | Offertory | Online | Weekly Total |
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| No financial information available this week | | | |
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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



Please note that there will be **NO Perpetual Adoration** the weeks of December 22-24 and December 29-31. Adoration will resume Wednesday, January 5, 2022.

On behalf of Father Mark, Louise Henesy, and the entire parish, we would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to the **wonderful GREP teachers** who work so tirelessly to help educate our young ones in the Faith. May you enjoy God's special blessings this Christmas season!



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Please pray for the Sick & Homebound

Bruno Robin, Gayle Langendorfer, Savannah Reed, Jessie Vincent, Kelsey Colker, Dolores Osuna, Len Frenkil, Richard Duggan, Joseph Telecsan, Barbara Keenan, Tricia Osuna, Gwen West Wilson, Cathy Robertson, Patti Mortimer, Bob Walker, Jim Gaydos, Erin Burton, Jayne Loss, Jimmie Brown, Rosemary Koch, James Runey

To add a name of a friend or relative, please ask their permission; likewise, please notify the parish office to delete names.

Pray for Active Military/First Responders

- All critical Skill Operators/Special Ops personnel who cannot be named or listed for security reasons.
- LCpl Alec Brimmer**—USMC, Twenty Nine Palms, CA
- Officer Max Fuentes**—Chicago Police Dept.
- Staff Sgt Daniel Gilroy**—Security Forces, U.S. Air Force, serving at McGuire AF Base New Jersey
- Sr Airman Ryan Hill**—U.S. Air Force, serving at Travis AFB California
- Officer Richard Jones**—North Charleston Police Dept.
- Travis Langan**—Fire fighter Ladder 123, Crown Heights Brooklyn, NY
- LCpl Michael Maggiano**—USMC, New River Marine Air Base, Jacksonville, NC
- Capt David Mancine**—Mount Pleasant Fire Dept.
- Lt. Col. Richard Marby**—USAF, deployed at Prince Sultan, Saudi Arabia
- Officer James Mason, Jr.**—Westerville, OH Police Dept.
- Detective Lawrence Mathew**—St. Louis Police Dept.
- Capt. Paul O'Connor**—Engine Co 14 D.C. Fire and EMS Dept.
- Savannah Reid**—U.S. Navy
- Petty Officer 1st Class Gregory Tessing**—U.S. Coast Guard, Atlantic City, NJ
- LT Andrew Tezza**—U.S. Army, Fort Lee, VA
- LT J. Austin Tortorici**—U.S. Navy
- Jesse Vincent**—U.S. Army, serving in Afghanistan
- Sgt Daniel Waldsmith**—US Air Force Spandagahlem, Germany
- SPC Matthew Waldsmith**—US Army Vilseck, Germany
- Pvt. Connor Wallace**—U.S. Army, Fort Bragg, NC
- LCpl Ilya Watson**—USMC, Twenty Nine Palms, CA
- SPC Max Watson**—U.S. Army, Schofield Barracks, HI
- Cpl. Thomas Witt**—US Army, 2nd Infantry Division, JBLM, Washington

Have a family member who is currently deployed or is a first responder? Send their name, rank, branch, and location to dlord@charlestandiocese.org

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

Active members of our parish are identified by their generosity of time, talent, and treasure. Their stewardship is determined by:

- 1) Being properly registered and active for at least three months**
- 2) Faithful participation at weekly liturgies**
- 3) Regular and identifiable support of the parish**

These criteria are used to verify parishioner status for sponsor certificates; enrollment in parochial schools; participation in sacramental, educational, pastoral, and social ministries, activities and enrichment programs; and use of facilities and services. No activity shown for three months will move a person to inactive status.

The USCCB specifies that all adult members who have contact with youth or vulnerable adults in any parish-related activity are required to be screened by Child Protective Services. Please call the office for details.

SACRAMENTAL POLICY

First Reconciliation/First Communion: Celebrated in the 2nd grade, with 2 year preparation period required.

Confirmation: celebrated in the Fall of 9th grade according to the Bishop’s schedule. The candidate must consistently attend 6th, 7th, and 8th grades.

Marriage: Engaged couples must be active parishioners for at least 6 months prior to the wedding and successfully complete the marriage preparation program.

Baptism: Parents should be registered and active for at least 6 months. A Baptism Preparation class must be taken by one or both parents if this is your first child, or if it has been over three years since you’ve taken a Baptism class. The class can be taken either here or at another parish. Forms indicating the eligibility of Godparents (16+yrs of age, baptized/confirmed Catholic in good standing) must be received prior to setting the date for the baptism. Assistance in finding a suitable Godparent can be arranged upon request.

HEARING IMPAIRED

Listening devices are available. Please ask an usher for assistance.

HOSPITALIZED/HOMEBOUND

Call the Parish Office to arrange for prayer, visitation, and Holy Communion. Please request the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick prior to entering the hospital. Do not wait until a loved one is critical to inform the staff! A priest is not always available to respond to emergency situations.

PARISH INFORMATION

Brochures, fliers, registration packets, educational materials, and other items can be found on our Information Wall located across from the Parish Office.

To receive parish emails and/or texts, go to our website (stbenedictparish.org) or to flocknote.com/StBenedict6 or text “ROME” to 84576

Parish Office Staff & Emails
(@charlestdiocese.org)

- Pastor: **Fr. Mark Good**.....stbenedict
- Deacon Ed Long**.....stbenedict
- Deacon Stan Aviles**.....stbenedict
- Religious Education: **Louise Henesy**.....lhenesy
- Pastoral Associate: **Dan Lord**.....dlord
- Office: **April Johnston**.....ajohnston
- Maintenance:
- Reception/Liturgical: **Virginia Falcone**.....vfalcone
- Youth Minister: **Ryan Altenbach**.....raltenbach
- Music: **JoAnne Killingsworth**.....stbenedict



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Financial Assistance Helpline:

843-727-1883

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