

ST. ANTHONY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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December 26, 2021

MISSION STATEMENT

As a community of faith, we the members of St. Anthony Parish are committed to follow Jesus Christ through prayer and the sacraments, the study of His Word, the teachings of His Church, Evangelization, and through reaching out in service to our fellow human beings, parishioners and non-parishioners, with love, respect, and support.

CLERGY

Rev. John Bosco Duraisamy, Pastor
Reginald A.T. Armstrong, Deacon
Michael Woodall, Jr., Deacon
Bruce A. Fortnum, Ph.D., Deacon

CONTACT INFORMATION

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HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	9:00 am
Saturday (Sunday Liturgy)	5:00 pm
Sunday	9:00am and 11:00am (Spanish) 1:00pm
Monday Communion Service	6:30 pm
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday	7:30 am
Friday (when school is in session)	8:15 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 pm and available upon request.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Friday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm



THE HOLY FAMILY

He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man. - Lk 2:51-52

PARISH & SCHOOL STAFF DIRECTORY

Office Manager, Andrea Foyle andrea.foyle@saintanthony.com	662-5674
Parish Secretary, Suzanna Linton office@saintanthony.com	662-5674
Director of Religious Education, Andrea Foyle	662-5674
Music Director, Kevin Verbe	662-5674
Youth Ministers, Lyn and Richard O'Donnell	245-0813
Hispanic Ministry Facilitators, Alex Villalobos & Moraima Romero	662-5674 ext. 227
School Principal, Kristine Galemme	662-1910
School Financial Secretary, Ann O'Donnell	662-1910
School Board Chairwoman, Kathleen Mazick	662-1910

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS/COMMITTEES

Adoration Coordinator, Georgette Falcone	665-2716
Altar Cloths	662-5674
Altar Servers, Calvin Duncan	250-4774
Bible Study, Wedn. Am, Dcn. Bruce Fortnum	662-5674
CYO, Lyn and Richard O'Donnell	245-0813
Disaster Relief Committee, Kevin Casper	662-5674
Embrace Your Neighbor	662-5674
Ecumenical Committee, Marjorie Busscher	667-0859
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Julie Manley	667-0040
Gospel Encounter Group, Suzanna Linton	496-5089
Knights of Columbus, Philip Payment	939-3757
Lectors, Rick Caffrey	303-356-4573
Meals on Wheels, Robin and Michael Tange	260-4735
Ministers of Consolation	662-5674
Ministers of Hospitality, Steve Strutkowski	317-1802
Parking Lot Mission	662-5674
Pastoral Council, Don Manley	667-0040
Prayer Shawl Ministry, Marjorie Busscher	667-0859
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), Dcn. Regi Armstrong	662-5674
Senior Ministry, Sylvia Jeanton	718-581-6844
Seven Sisters Apostolate, Suzanna Linton	496-5089
Sick & Homebound Ministry, Dcn. Bruce Fortnum	662-5674
St. Anthony Men's Club, Doug Amon	861-4586
Transportation Minister, Vincent Rolland	615-1654
Women's Guild of St. Anthony's, Robin Tange	260-4735
Young at Heart, Julie Manley	667-0040
Young at Heart, Georgette Falcone	665-2716

Thank you for your continued support of the parish.

Offertory Dec. 11-12

\$4532.00 envelopes
\$1025.02 loose
\$3272.50 online
\$9829.52 total



\$406.00 Our Lady of Guadalupe
\$2206.00 Immaculate Conception
\$1186.00 Parish Repairs

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IF YOU NEED A PRIEST FOR A SACRAMENTAL EMERGENCY

Call the church office during normal business hours, M-F 8 am to 4 pm at 843-662-5674.

After regular office hours, dial the same number and your call will be answered by our answering service. Emergency calls will be directed to one of our deacons.

In this diocese, all adults who work with children must satisfy the following requirements:

- Consent to a background screening by Law Enforcement
- Complete the Safe Haven—It's Up To You Online Adult Education Program
- Adhere to the Diocese of Charleston Code of Conduct (This document is available in Church office, School Office, Church Library, DRE office & online at www.sccatholic.org)
- Read and acknowledge the Diocese of Charleston Sexual Abuse Policy and Procedures.

The Victim Assistance Coordinator for this diocese is Louisa Storen, LISW.

She is available to anyone who needs her assistance. 843-856-0748 or 1-800-921-8122



GOSPEL MEDITATION --

Families can be very difficult things to negotiate. This is true not only of our families of origin, the current family of which we are a part, the family of our Church, our society, and our global family as well. Everything human can be found in family stories. Those stories speak of wonderful life-giving successes as well as painful spirit-robbing abuses. Our greatest joys and our greatest wounds are usually connected with the experience of family. Our needs, experiences, and unresolved baggage often color what we bring to our familiar relationships. They contribute to our level of defensiveness, how guarded and protected we become, and what prejudices we believe.

In order to break the cycle of dysfunction we have to remember that it is not only by human effort that we negotiate the difficult and challenging events of our lives. There is a Divine Effort at work as well. For sure, the human effort can create quite a mess and easily destroy lives. This is true of any family with which we are associated. Today's Feast of the Holy Family serves to help us understand that there is a Divine Story being told as well. It is a story of perseverance in the face of hardship, determination in the face of despair, healing when we see nothing but wounds, and light where there is darkness.

Do we believe that God is always working, guiding, restoring, and leading? Unless we do, we will never be free from the imperfections and wounds that bind us and never be able to understand what it really means to forgive. Pope Francis tells us that the "light which comes from the Holy Family encourages us to offer human warmth to other families." While this is most certainly true, we can only really begin to do this when we realize that we are still works in progress, not anchored to the wounds and sins of our past, and still a leading star in God's continually unfolding story of love. The Holy Family persevered and radiated warmth because they knew they were not alone. We can too. ©LPi

The prayer list will be refreshed in February 2022. If you wish to remain on the prayer list, please call the Church Office *no later than January 31*. Thank you.

Lord, Hear Our Prayer

ILLNESS:

Hsin Yi Armstrong, Charles Ball, Pete Balotti, Cadian Benabdallah, Chuck Bender, Joe Bibbo, Gregorio Binuya, John Blackwell, Patricia Bolton, Reed Brandis, Martyna Brodecka, Adam Brodecki, Peter F. Buyck, William Otis Buyck, Margaret Clark, Roselyn Collins, Jean Cutler, Dorota Czarnocki, Irene Darden, Bunnie Dezinno, Mary Jo Dudgeon, Frank, Lee and Robbie Elmore, Bonnie Gensel, Johnny Guerriero, Chip Hancock, Donna Hatchell, Dan & Marge Henry, David Hewitt, Clare and William Jann, Judy Jones, James Lavia, grandson of James Lavia, Kathy Lewis, Judy Lin, Lola Mae, Anthony Mancini, Jr., Mary Lou Martinez, Tony Martinez, Terry Matthews, Lisa McLeod, Dot Mims, Richard Mitchell, Darlene Neel, Ann S. Nichols, George Nichols, Ken Nobbe, Dottie Parsons, Barbara Powell, Johnny Powell, Joan Ratchko, Edgard Sarmiento, Kathleen Schafer, Sara Simons, Susan Speir, Julian Stanford, Elizabeth Sun, Antoni Szczawinski, Peg Tallon, Linda Tarte, Betty Taylor, Meghan Terry, Greg Werner, Dcn. Woodall

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Welcome Visitors!

Interested in becoming a New Parishioner?

Please take a moment and fill out this form. You can either drop it into the collection basket, bring it to our parish office, or mail it to us.

We offer several ways to familiarize yourself with your new community: a welcome packet (yes/no), giving you a call (yes/no), or taking a tour of the parish school and/or church (yes/no)?

Would you like your new home to be blessed?
 _____yes _____no

Please print:

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Phone number _____

Best time to call _____

Email address _____

Holy Mass Schedule and Intentions
For the week of December 27th - January 2nd.

Mass	Intention	Requested by
Mon. 6:30 pm December 27	Communion Service	
Tues. 7:30 am December 28	Happy birthday Marcello R.L. Pereira	Elisa Horst
Wedn. 7:30 am December 29	+George Armstrong	Owen McNulty
Thurs. 7:30 am December 30	+Joan McVey	Diane Barnes
Fri. 7:30 am December 31	+Elizabeth Chupa	Diane Barnes
Sat. 10:00 am January 1	+George Armstrong	Doris Fader
Sat. 5:00 pm January 1	+Precy Cañete	May Hinson
Sun. 9:00 am January 2	+Howard McFann	Diane Barnes
Sun. 11:00 am January 2	+Eugenia Bogdanowicz	Carol Germain
Sun. 1:00 pm January 2	For the people	

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF
 HOLY COMMUNION NEEDED**

We are in need of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC), especially for the Sunday 9AM Mass. Anyone interested, please contact Julie Manley at 667-0040.

Readings for the Week

Monday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 [12]/Jn 20:1a, 2-8 Friday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 [11a]/Jn 1:1-18

Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8 [7]/Mt 2:13-18 Saturday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6 [11a]/Lk 2:22-35 Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-1

Thursday: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [11a]/Lk 2:36-40



We pray for the repose of the soul of Frances Anglin.

Congratulations to Teofilo Quijano and Maria Sierra Rico on their wedding on December 18. May God bless you!



December Mass Schedule

Friday, December 24th
Vigil of the Nativity of the Lord
 4:00 pm
 7:00 pm Bilingual Mass
 12:00 am Midnight Mass

Saturday, December 25th
The Nativity of the Lord
 10:00 am

Saturday, December 25th
Holy Family Vigil
 5:00 pm

Sunday, December 26th
Holy Family
 9:00 am
 11:00 am
 1:00 pm (Spanish)

Saturday, January 1st
Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
 (Not a holy day of obligation)
 10:00 am

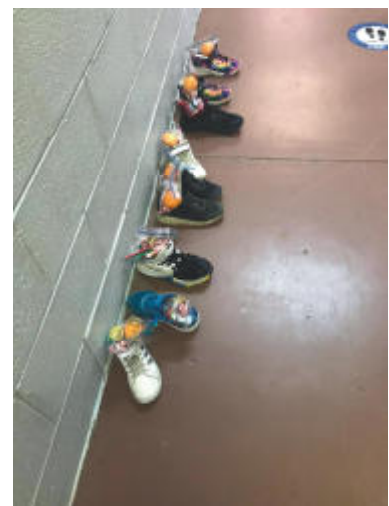
Saturday, January 1st
Epiphany Vigil
 5:00 pm

Sunday, January 2nd
Epiphany
 9:00 am
 11:00 am
 1:00 pm (Spanish)





St. Anthony School would like to wish you and yours a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Your love and support have made possible the wonderful education we offer our children. Thank you!



STAND UP FOR LIFE MARCH & RALLY
Columbia, SC
Jan. 8, 2022

11 AM: Line up for March outside the USC Russell House on Green St.

11:30 AM: March begins

12:00 PM: Rally begins, State House plaza, Gervais St. side

For more information, visit <https://www.sclife.org/proudly-pro-life-weekend>

LIFE PRAYER VIGIL
Jan. 20-21, 2022

The National Prayer Vigil for Life will take place at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. For more information, visit uscgb.org/national-prayer-events-for-life.

SYNOD ON SYNODALITY

From the diocesan website: "Pope Francis invites the whole Church to question itself on synodality, or togetherness: a decisive issue for the life and mission of the Catholic Church. The synod theme is: *For a synodal Church: communion, participation and mission.*"

Everyone is invited to take part in the synod by filling out a survey at the following link: <https://charlestdiocese.org/synod2023/survey/>.

A listening session will be held at on **January 5 at 9 AM** to allow interested parishioners to gather for a presentation and discuss ways in which we can increase communion and participation, and advance our mission as Catholics.

WOMEN'S GUILD OF ST. ANTHONY COOKBOOK

The Women's Guild of St. Anthony is producing a cookbook and your recipes are welcome!

Recipe Submission Forms are available from Guild members and in the church office. The deadline to submit your recipe is January 31, 2022.

ENGLISH CONVERSATION TABLES

Come and practice English in a friendly, relaxed atmosphere through guided casual conversation. Conversation tables are open to English language learners and also fluent English speakers who want to meet new people and learn about other cultures. Twice per month, people will gather together for activities led by a qualified English instructor. For more information, contact Christine Masters-Wheeler at 615-8074.

**HOLIDAY
OFFICE HOURS**

The Church Office will be closed December 31 in observance of New Year's.

RADA FUNDRAISER

The order total for the Rada sale was \$522.45. The profit for the Women's Guild of St. Anthony is \$217.20. Thank you to all those who supported this fundraiser!

Shop online sale anytime at <https://bit.ly/3j7qCyi>.

REGULAR PARISH EVENTS

BIBLE STUDY classes meet on Wednesdays from 9:00-11:30 am in the gathering area. Classes are from September to May.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP If you have suffered the loss of a loved one, this group may be able to help you through their camaraderie. Meetings are the second Tuesday of each month in Classroom A at 1 pm.

CATHOLIC YOUTH ORGANIZATION Meetings are on Sundays from 5-7:00 pm in the family center from September through May.

EMBRACE YOUR NEIGHBOR Call the office if you would like to assist this hospitality ministry.

GOSPEL ENCOUNTER GROUP Meets every second and fourth Monday at 6 PM in the Choir Room. For more information, contact Suzanna Linton at 843-496-5089.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 5194 For more information on meeting times or general information, please contact Philip Payment at 843-939-3757.

LEGION OF MARY meets Mondays at 9:30am at St. Anne. Call Pat Srutkowski at 843-317-1802.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY (Knitting and Crocheting) meets every Thursday from 1:00 - 2:30 pm in Classroom A. Items for the sick or for new arrivals are available by calling the Church office.

ST. ANTHONY MEN'S CLUB meets at 7 pm on the 1st Tuesday of each month in classroom A.

SENIOR'S BINGO will meet in Classroom A on the second Wednesday of the month at 1:00 pm. For more information contact Sylvia Jeanton at 718-581-6844

YOUNG AT HEART meets every third Wednesday at Stefano's restaurant. Be sure to wear your mask upon entering and leaving the restaurant.

WOMEN'S GUILD typically meets on the second Saturday of the month at 10:30 am in Classroom A. Please contact Robin Tange, retange@gmail.com or 843-260-4735 for additional information.

RECONOZCA A DIOS EN SUS MOMENTOS ORDINARIOS

Todos en la familia

A primera vista, a menudo podemos encontrar intimidante la imagen de la Santísima Madre, San José y el Niño Jesús: ¿quiénes somos para aspirar a ese nivel de discipulado? ¿Cómo podríamos esperar conformarnos a ese molde? A veces, incluso puede ser doloroso, tal vez provenimos de una familia rota o luchamos con una relación rota dentro de nuestra familia, o tal vez anhelamos ser madre o padre nosotros mismos y ese estado en la vida se nos ha eludido.

Pero la imagen de la Sagrada Familia es, en realidad, una hermosa invitación para todos nosotros, sin importar nuestra vocación o nuestro estado de vida, y el ejemplo de María, José y Jesús es rico en el simbolismo de la corresponsabilidad.

No necesitas ser una madre biológica que ha llevado a un niño en su vientre para ser una madre en espíritu. ¿Quién en tu mundo necesita que los ames con el corazón de una madre?

Lo mismo ocurre con la paternidad. La Iglesia y el mundo claman por el valiente testimonio de cristianos como San José. ¿A quién puedes amar con la protección inquebrantable y desinteresada de un padre?

¿Quién en tu vida necesita que lo ames con el amor fiel e incondicional de un hijo? ¿Quién necesita tu amor suave y constante como hija? Somos el Cuerpo de Cristo, amigos. Los que nos regocijamos en el cielo, los que sufrimos en el purgatorio y los que luchamos aquí en la tierra. Somos la gran familia. Amémoslos bien.

- Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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"DIOS ES AMOR. QUIEN VIVE EN AMOR VIVE EN DIOS Y DIOS EN ÉL."

S JUAN, APÓSTOL



MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO

La Sagrada Familia

Hoy es un día para celebrar a la familia a la nuestra y a las familias de todo el mundo, de celebrar y gozar a los hijos,

nietos y parientes cercanos y lejanos. Dios quiso nacer en una familia y por medio de ella, se nos ofrece una oportunidad para conocerle mejor y amarle más. Recordemos que es en la familia



donde se forjan los santos y santas de Dios. Y es también en ella donde están los vicios y malas acciones.

¡Cuidado padres de familia! Aprender de la familia de Nazaret es importante. Cada día del año es una oportunidad para continuar la búsqueda de Dios, de Jesús, en nuestro hogar. Podemos vislumbrar, en la Liturgia de hoy, a tres figuras importantes del hogar de Nazaret: una mujer con su pequeño y su esposo, listos para hacer la voluntad de Dios, para orar y platicar en familia.

El papa Francisco nos dice que: "Realmente, hoy es un día hermoso... hoy celebramos la fiesta de la Sagrada Familia de Nazaret. El término sagrada coloca a esta familia en el ámbito de la santidad, que es un don de Dios, pero, al mismo tiempo, es una adhesión libre y responsable al plan de Dios" (12-29-2019). Sé, y busco cuál es el plan de Dios para mi hogar o ¿ni siquiera me importa ese diálogo entre esposa, esposo e hijos?

El tiempo de confinamiento debió ser una oportunidad para crecer en gracia y sabiduría en la familia. ¿Lo ve usted así? Padres de familia, la mejor herencia para sus hijos y nietos es fomentar la fe, la educación, el amor y la unidad en el hogar.

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