

ST MARY OF THE ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17 - 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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"Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away." - Mk 13:31

33ER DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

"Podrán dejar de existir el cielo y la tierra, pero mis palabras no dejarán de cumplirse". - Mc 13, 31

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Mission Statement

St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Church, Anderson SC was founded in 1943 by the Franciscans of the Holy Name Province, New York. The intention then and today, was and is to, in the spirit of Jesus Christ and St. Francis, minister in and with the African American Catholic community and to reach out to the African Americans of Anderson County. Furthermore, all who come to St. Mary's from whatever background and ethnicity with a desire for Christian family will be regarded as brothers and sisters to us. We also see ourselves as called to live in Gospel relationship to the alienated and the poor of this community.

The Holy Father's prayer intention for the month of November 2024

For anyone who has lost a child

We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.

Mass Schedule

Sunday: 9 A.M. (En) 12:30 P.M. (Esp)
Tuesday - Friday: 8 A.M. (English)
Wednesday & Friday: 7 P.M. (Esp)
Saturday: 4 P.M. (En)
Confessions: 1/2 hour before each Mass.
Holy Hour: Thursday 7pm-9pm

Food Pantry

Drop off any non-perishable food items in the church or parish hall bin. The following are food supplies we need to restock:

- Canned chicken **No longer need egg cartons**
- Hearty soups
- Vienna sausage
- Jelly in plastic container

THANK YOU

Parish Chorus Practice

Mondays 6:15pm - 7:00pm

MusicallyHeather@gmail.com

Would you like to be an altar server?

Being an Altar Server, means serving God and God's people at Mass. This liturgical ministry is open to those to who have made their First Holy Communion.

Altar Servers assist the priest during Mass. There is no age limit

Homebound Ministry - Volunteers Needed

Provides a social connection to individuals who would benefit from a visit from a fellow parishioner.

This ministry, through volunteer effort, visits residences, nursing facilities and other home situations of parish members. Reasons for visits range from providing spiritual support to a friendly visit to someone who just wants to make a new friend.

The goal is to offer parishioners an encounter with other parishioners to experience God's goodness through the kindness of others. Any questions please contact:

officesma@charlestandioocese.org

RCIA/OCIA

SUNDAYS 10:30-11:45 AM

Weekly Collections

Nov 9-10

Operating: \$5,674.00

B&G: \$1,731.80

Knights of Columbus

We are a Catholic men's organization serving our parish and community through donations of funds and time.

Anyone interested in finding out more can call Mike Massey at

864-314-3622.

Women's Council

3rd Monday of the month - 5:30 P.M. Parish Hall

The Women Council is a ministry of service to the parish and community. All women in the church are welcome.

Men's Club

1st Wednesday of the month - 5:30 P.M. Parish Hall

The Men's Club was organized as a fellowship for the men in the parish. All men in the church are welcome.

BIBLE STUDY

Every Thursday from 10:00-11:00 am, beginning October 3 and continuing until November 21.

Bible Study exploring the Epistle of James begins October 3. Wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, without uncertainty or insincerity. (James 3:17 - RSV2CE)

Join us as we read and discuss the practical wisdom and spiritual insights of the Epistle of James with our new 8-week Bible study. Sessions will take place Together, we'll explore how to live out our faith through action, navigate life's challenges with what James calls "wisdom from above," and grow closer to God in our daily lives. All are welcome! Contact Charlie Comberrel at charlie ofs@gmail.com to join the email list and receive each week's readings and discussion questions.

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

"It shall be a time unsurpassed in distress
since nations began until that time.
At that time your people shall escape." (Dn 12:1)

Psalm:

You are my inheritance, O Lord! (Ps 16)

Second Reading:

For by one offering
he has made perfect forever those who are being
consecrated. (Heb 10:14)

Gospel:

"And then he will send out the angels
and gather his elect from the four winds,
from the end of the earth to the end of the sky." (Mk 13:27)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

It sometimes feels like God is silent, like he sets himself apart from us and our struggles on earth. But Jesus reminds us of the fig tree, who can feel the coming of spring deep within itself. In the same intuitive way, we know the voice of God. Listen.

Observances for the week of November 17, 2024

- Sunday:** 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday:** The Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles; St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin
- Thursday:** The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Friday:** St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr
- Saturday:** St. Clement I, Pope and Martyr; St. Columban, Abbot; Bl. Miguel Agustin Pro, Priest and Martyr
- Next Sunday:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



Saint of the week

St. Justin Martyr (c. 100 - 165) was a second century apologist whose detailed texts which show the depth of the Catholic tradition were meant to dispel rumors of the early Church practices during the Roman persecution. An eyewitness account of his martyrdom still survives today.

Prayer of Seasons

As the seasons change,
be with me.
As my life shifts and shapes,
be with me.
As I face what the future holds,
be with me.
As I seek the beauty to be
found today, help me to find
you there.
Amen.

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of November 17, 2024

Sunday:

Dn 12:1-3/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32

Monday:

Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/
Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday:

Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/
Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday:

Rv 4:1-11/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 19:11-28

Thursday:

Rv 5:1-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/
Lk 19:41-44

Friday:

Rv 10:8-11/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/
Lk 19:45-48

Saturday:

Rv 11:4-12/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Lk 20:27-40

Next Sunday:

Dn 7:13-14/Ps 91:1, 1-2, 5 (1a)/Rv 1:5-8/
Jn 18:33b-37



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

I recently moved into a new neighborhood. On my first evening I went grocery shopping and could not find my usual favorite Greek yogurt. Strangely, my heart started to race. All the losses of my previous life hit me. So many of my old friends, habits, comforts, and predictable experiences had fallen away. There I stood, a grown man, crying like a little boy whose world was falling apart in the dairy aisle.

This week, Jesus describes what to do when one world ends, and another begins. Does it apply to the end of time? Yes. Does it apply to the end of our individual lives? Yes. It also applies to every "world" we inhabit throughout our lives, in school, family, friendships, work, play and so on. First, the sun, moon, and stars fall. The old, familiar ways of running things suddenly stop working. Light fades. Things fall apart. It's awful. But, second, Christ comes "in the clouds." Jesus, the Son of Man, replaces those old powers with himself as the prime governing principle. Third, he sends out his angels to "gather his elect from the four winds." He re-integrates the fragments into a new integrated whole. "Summer is near," he concludes. A new world begins.

Is your world crumbling? Are your sun, moon, and stars falling from the sky? Learn to discern the pattern of the Cross and Resurrection at work in it. This is the power we touch in the Mass. Jesus is coming precisely in this transition from the old to the new world. It doesn't make our losses easy. But it does make it possible to glimpse the dawning of a summer, a new beginning, the life of the world to come.

— *Father John Muir*

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

The End of the World

"It's not the end of the world."

If I had a brick for every time my mother said this to me growing up, I could have built a castle. One that comes complete with a moat whose bridge I could dramatically pull up so I could sulk, in the window of the highest turret, sighing loudly so every passerby would know how I suffered.

Because sometimes we act like it's the end of the world — whether we are a little kid angered by a playground snub, a teenage girl flipping out over an assignment for English class or a college student distraught that she got scheduled for four opening shifts in a row at the coffee house where she works (yes, these are all examples taken straight from my life, why do you ask?).

And sometimes, it really *does* seem like the end of the world. We lose someone we love to cancer. We miscarry a child before we even get to see his tiny face. The rent is due, and the bank account is overdrawn (also all examples taken straight from my life).

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us that when the sun is darkened and the moon no longer gives light, we must look for him, because his time is near.

He's talking about *The End of the World*. The big one, the apocalypse. But why do I think he's also talking about the end of the world — those sufferings large and small, real and imagined, that make us feel like the sky is caving in?

In both instances, he draws near to us.
So let us look for him.

— Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

Why do Catholics pray to Mary and the saints?

Answer:

One of the statements of faith we make when we pray the Nicene Creed and the Apostles Creed is that we believe in "the communion of saints." The Catechism of the Catholic Church reminds us that this communion (another word for community) includes all the faithful on earth, the souls in Purgatory, and the blessed women, men, and children who are in heaven. This teaching is grounded in our belief that, through Baptism, we are united with Christ and to one another with bonds that are stronger even than death.

And so from the time of the early Church, Christians have turned to other believers for prayers and assistance, including those who have gone before us, confident that God hears the prayers of all of His children. While we ask the saints (and one another) for prayers and support, we remember that the saints join us in prayer. But it is God who blesses and sanctifies us.

When we think of Mary and the saints in heaven, we have to remember that we can turn to them for intercession and assistance because they were faulted, limited human beings, just like us. This means that they are able to understand our struggles, doubts, fears, joys, and hopes. But as we learn their stories, we can also begin to recognize that they stand out in the history of the Church because they persevered in their commitment to follow Christ. Whether they were ordained, vowed religious, martyrs, husbands, wives, or even children, they show us that holiness is possible. We can not only follow their example but also benefit from their prayerful support.


Our devotion to the saints and gratitude for their witness, prayers, and protection should also be an inspiration for us, especially when we become aware of the needs of others or when others ask us to pray for them. We are called to share the blessings we receive. This is also part of our own journey of growing in holiness.

What's Going on at SMA

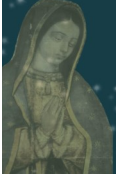

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Our Lady of Guadalupe
Stained Glass Classes

Get to know her story, why she came to be Empress of the Americas; then learn how to draw her image; finally, to make a stained glass image of Our Lady of Guadalupe.



Hosted by: Kitty McDonough
Saturdays 2:30pm
First Day of Class: September 21
For more information:
mjfinet@charlestondiocese.org

Socks for Saints

The Mother Cabrini Secular Franciscan Fraternity of Anderson will sponsor a project to help the less fortunate in our Anderson area.

The project, called Socks for Saints, will run through December 15. Members of the fraternity will collect donations of new socks, scarves, gloves, stocking caps, and rain ponchos. The donations will be distributed at the soup kitchen, Clean Start, and St Mary of the Angels food pantry.

Boxes for collections will be placed in the St Mary of the Angels vestibule.

Your participation in this project will be greatly appreciated!

Martha Comberrel OFS, project coordinator.

Prayer of God's Blessing

Bless me, Lord, mold my heart in imitation of Yours.
Bless me, Lord, help me to see people as You do, and to hear their needs.

Bless me, Lord, replace my understanding with Yours.
Amen.

Sandwich making 2024

The dates are November 2, 23, & 30.
From 9 - 12 am.
Sign up sheets in the Narthex. One for people to sign up to help and one to sign up to bring stuff.

PLEASE SUBMIT ANY ANNOUNCEMENT BY WEDNESDAYS 12 NOON . THEY WOULD BE POSTED IN THAT SUNDAYS BULLETIN. THANK YOU!

Prayer

Dear God, keep me close to you until I live with you in heaven.

Mission for the Week

Invite a friend to come to church with you. Share a meal together, and talk about the promise Jesus made about heaven.

Sharing the Gospel

Today's Gospel reading gives us both a warning and a promise. One day Jesus will come back, so we need to be ready. For those of us who follow God to the end, Jesus promises to take us to heaven. So live every day like you are going to meet Jesus. One day you will.

Now color the picture! →

Kids Corner

Unscramble words from today's Gospel:

shaken	glory	chosen
clouds	angels	leaves
power	gather	heaven

shknae s h a k e n

gthrae _ _ _ _ _

chsnoe _ _ _ _ _

cldsou _ _ _ _ _

glryo _ _ _ _ _

hvneea _ _ _ _ _

pwroe _ _ _ _ _

angsl _ _ _ _ _

lvseea _ _ _ _ _



THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MY WORDS

WILL NOT
PASS AWAY.

— MARK 13:31 —