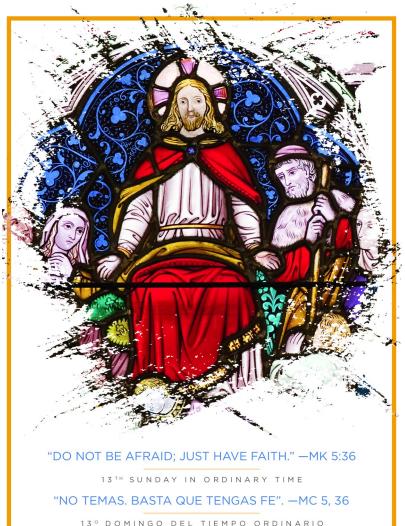


ST MARY OF THE ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH



SUNDAY, JUNE 30, 2024 - 13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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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 June 2024

For migrants fleeing their homes

We pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence, find welcome and new opportunities in the countries that receive them.

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.

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:

- Mac n cheese
- Jelly in plastic bottles
- Boxes of cereal
- Peanut Butter
- Empty egg cartons

THANK YOU

Minster Schedules

29 Kathy Barrington 30 Beben (P) / Brocklebank

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

We are seeking volunteers to serve on a committee to establish We have a need for at least 4 persons to help clean and maintain Emergency Response Procedures and prepare a Parish Safety & Security Guide for St. Mary of the Angels Parish.

Once we have a list of interested individuals, we will schedule a meeting of the group to begin the planning process, provide a suggested guide, and invite a representative of the Anderson If you are interested in serving the parish in this area, please contact officesma@charlestondiocese.org

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.

Parish Chorus Practice

Mondays 6:15pm - 7:00pm MusicallyHeather@gmail.com

Weekly Collections

June 22-23, 2024 **Operating: \$7952.00 Buildings and Grounds: \$5.00**

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.

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@charlestondiocese.org

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - CHURCH CLEANING

the church.

Church cleaners assist in reducing the maintenance cost of the church by providing light housekeeping and cleaning of the altars, holy water fonts, tabernacle area, and sacristy. They ensure that the church is clean, organized and welcoming to visitors. Members of this team (2 or 3 members on a team, 4 or 5 teams per month) are scheduled to cover one week per month. Average time is 1.5 hours per week, once a month.

If you are interested and willing to devote an hour or so a week once a month, please contact the Parish Office or e-mail:

pbinninger@charlestondiocese.org to learn more about this activity.

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 Any questions please contact:

officesma@charlestondiocese.org

Religious Education Registration begins: June 4, 2024 Registration ends: July12, 2024

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

But by the envy of the devil, death entered the world. (Wis 2:24)

Psalm:

I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me. (Ps 30)

Second Reading:

Not that others should have relief while you are burdened, but that as a matter of equality

- your abundance at the present time should supply their needs,
- so that their abundance may also supply your needs, that there may be equality. (2 Cor 8:13-14)

Gospel:

He took the child by the hand and said to her, *"Talitha koum,"* which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise!" (Mk 5:41)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Talitha koum. Girl, arise! Jesus said this to the dead daughter of the synagogue official, and she obeyed. Listen for his voice when you are weighed down, burdened with doubt or misery, for he says it to you, too. Arise!

Observances for the week of June 30, 2024

Sunday:	13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	St. Junipero Serra, Priest
Wednesday:	St. Thomas, Apostle
Thursday:	Independence Day
Friday:	St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest;
	St. Elizabeth of Portugal
Saturday:	St. Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr
Next Sunday:	14th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saint of the week

Venerable Antonietta Meo, born in Rome, died of bone cancer at just 6 years old. In her short life she wrote hundreds of little letters to Jesus and Mary displaying a deep spiritual maturity and had a profound understanding of the redemptive value of suffering.

Prayer for Our Government

Dear Lord,

Guide and direct those who serve this country in positions of leadership and power. Give them Your wisdom and clarity as they make decisions for our nation. Amen.

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of June 30, 2024

Sunday:

Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13 (2a)/2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15/ Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43

Monday:

Am 2:6-10, 13-16/ Ps 50:16bc-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23/ Mt 8:18-22

Tuesday:

Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12/Ps 5:4b-6a, 6b-7, 8/ Mt 8:23-27

Wednesday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 20:24-29

Thursday: Am 7:10-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 9:1-8

Friday:

Am 8:4-6, 9-12/Ps 119:2, 10, 20, 30, 40, 131/Mt 9:9-13

Saturday:

Am 9:11-15/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/ Mt 9:14-17

Next Sunday:

Ez 2:2-5/Ps 123:1-2, 2, 3-4 (2cd)/ 2 Cor 12:7-10/Mk 6:1-6a



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Gospel Meditation Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Sin isn't given its due these days. Downplaying sin is dangerous. But there is also another spiritual misstep in which we make way too big a deal out of sin. It happens, for example, when we persistently wonder if our confessed sins are "really" forgiven, or suspiciously ponder what God "really" thinks about us, behind His merciful face. Or when someone returns to Church, and we question whether his or her conversion was genuine. Or when we commit some sin and put on a sad face for days, thinking, "Maybe my sins are too great for God to deal with." God save us from that attitude!

Well, he does just that, this week, in the raising of Jairus' daughter. The dead twelve-year-old's house is filled with a spirit of excessive moaning and groaning, tumultuous weeping and wailing. They even laugh at Jesus in a mocking tone. It's shocking how *easy* it is for him to raise the dead child. It is equivalent to gently waking a kid from a light nap. And then he sends her off to get some lunch. No big whoop. The overactive drama is actually part of the problem, and removing it is a key part of the miracle.

Friends, sin can and does kill, but Jesus is *always* ready and able to raise us back to life, often without much hullabaloo. His ease of forgiving should never be a pretext for presumption, minimizing sin, or taking lightly the cost he pays for our sins on the cross. But for God's sake, we often need Jesus to put out the weepers and wailers. He's the Lord. And remember, the girl is not dead, she's just sleeping.

— Father John Muir

(PRACTICING)

The Touch of Christ

For a long time, I didn't understand why the virtual Masses of the pandemic were so wearisome to me. Theoretically, shouldn't it be a tired mother's dream, fulfilling her Sunday obligation from the couch, not having to worry how much noise the kids are making?

But it wasn't. Seeing Mass without experiencing it left me hungry. It left me starving.

Then a wise priest explained it to me. "Watching virtual Mass is like taking a virtual shower," he said.

Grace might not be something we can see with our eyes, but it is very much something that is transmitted physically. Jesus has a human body for a reason. He needs to touch people.

We see that nowhere more clearly than in this Gospel. The crowds are pressing on him, everyone trying to get close, everyone trying to share his space. The hemorrhaging woman claws her way through, desperate to make physical contact with him, any part of him, even his cloak. The synagogue official begs Jesus to come and "lay hands" on his daughter, knowing that this is the only way for her to survive. He doesn't ask for Jesus' good thoughts or approving gaze. He knows that isn't what he needs.

In the Gospels, Jesus saves people chiefly through his own touch because he wants to show us — you and me, sitting in the pews — something very important about how we are saved.

But where do you and I find the touch of Jesus Christ? Where do you and I find salvation?

It's in the water flowing over the infant's forehead. It's in the Host dissolving on our tongues. It's in the oil that is pressed to the skin of the confirmand, the dying man, and the brand-new priest. It's in the embrace of the newly married couple. It's in the extended hand of the priest as he says, "Your sins are forgiven."

It's still here, two thousand years later. It's still waiting for us to reach out and grasp it.

"If I but touch his clothes, I shall be cured." — Mark 5:28

- Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

In today's digital world, do we really need to be face-to-face with a priest to confess our sins? Would Facetime or Zoom ever be allowed?

Answer:

The question of whether or not Catholics can celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation virtually (via social media, by phone, or in some other way) is a question that has actually been around for several years. The recent COVID-19 pandemic brought the question back in a new way, especially as many parishes were forced to introduce a sort of "social distanced" confession, with the sacrament being celebrated outdoors.

In reflecting on this question, however, there are a couple points that we want to keep in mind. First, as the Code of Canon Law observes in different places, the faithful have a right to the sacraments of the Church and the Church's ministers have a responsibility to make them accessible. At the same time, however, we always have to be sure that we respect the nature of the sacraments themselves.

Although modern forms of technology and communication can help us in our work of evangelization catechesis, the Pontifical Council for Social Communication has reminded us that, "Virtual reality is no substitute for the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist, the sacramental reality of the other sacraments, and shared worship in a flesh and blood human community. There are no sacraments on the internet" (The Church and the Internet, no. 9).

Although our encounters with others on the internet and via social media can be considered "real" in one sense, in the sacraments we encounter Christ in a personal and ecclesial way. It is never just a private experience but is always grounded in the life of the Church and this means that it must truly be personal, including the contact between the confessor and the penitent. While the convenience or ease of online celebrations might be appealing for many reasons, at heart, we always want to keep in mind the fullness of the Church's tradition and the meaning of the sacraments.

Liturgical Life

Jesus said to the synagogue official, "Do not be afraid; just have faith." When they arrived at the house of the synagogue official, he caught sight of a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. So he went in and said to them, "Why this commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but asleep."

- Mk 5:36bc, 38-39

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Questions of the Week

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading:

Our wisdom writer teaches us that God did not create death, rather, death entered the world from the envy of the devil. How should a Christian think about death?

Second Reading:

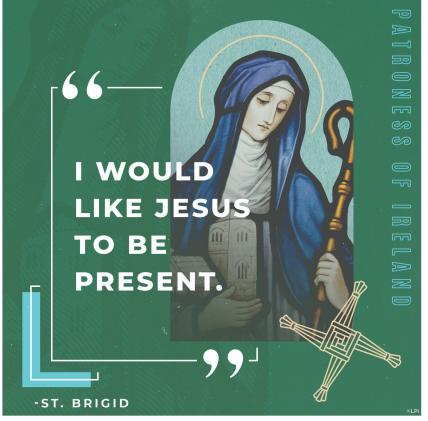
Paul encourages the community of believers in Corinth to share with others out of their abundance as a means of establishing equality. What could you share with others among your family and friends this week?

Gospel:

Mark presents us with independent healing stories of how faith in Jesus saves. What needs healing in your life?



He took the child by the hand and said to her, "Talitha koum," which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise!" The girl, a child of twelve, arose immediately and walked around. At that they were utterly astounded. - Mk 5:41-42 Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.



What's Going on at SMA



BACK TO SCHOOL

The Women's Council will be collecting school supplies for the homeless children in district 5.

There will be boxes in the foyer to collect all donations from June 8th - July 14th. If you have any questions please contact :

Dee Snider at 516-965-8302.



Bowling Group

Boulevard Lanes – July 18, 10a.m











Kayak Group July 6–9AM.

1625 Broadway Lake Road.

Anderson, SC 29621.

We are looking for Sponsors for Saint Mary of the Angels Gala coming up on 2024! Contact us!

St. Mary of the Angels Feast Day Mass

August 2 –10 a.m. (English) Agosto 2 – 7:00 p.m. (Español)

No 8am Mass

Kids Corner

Prayer

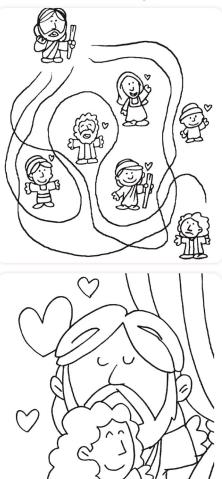
Lord, help me get out of bed quickly to learn about your world.

Mission for the Week Make a Get Well card and give it to someone who is sick.

Sharing the Gospel

In today's Gospel a little girl was so sick that people thought she was dead. However, Jesus said she was just asleep. He held her hand and said, "Get up, little girl." Every day you work hard doing chores at home and learning at school. If you are tired and do not want to get out of bed, Jesus will hold your hand and say, "Get up and enjoy the day."

Now color the picture! Which line will lead Jesus to the sick little girl.



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