



St. Clare's Home

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FEBRUARY 2025

Join us for our 4th Annual
Pink & Blue Gala
Friday, February 21, 2025
Tickets on sale NOW!

Fluor Enterprises dining venue in Greenville starting at 6:00pm

Join us for a Mardi Gras themed evening with fine dining, an open bar and a live and silent auction!

Special Guest Speakers: Bishop Jacques Fabre-Jeune, CS and Fr. Rhett Williams

Find out more here! 

If you are interested in sponsoring or have auction items to donate, scan QR code or visit stclareshomesc.org/pink-blue-gala.

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Pink & Blue Gala is almost here!

In just a few days, we will celebrate our annual Pink & Blue Gala – Feb. 21 at the beautiful Fluor dining venue. The event is shaping up nicely, and guests will enjoy an exciting selection of silent and live auction items that have been donated. We are grateful to our many event sponsors that helped us exceed our sponsorship goal! This year's Presenting Sponsor is Brian Grady of the Grady Group.

We are so excited about our second St. Clare's Home, coming soon to the Charleston area! We have put an offer on a home and are currently working on its zoning. We hope to open the home in the second quarter of 2025. The need is great to help more moms in crisis, and the Hospitaler Sisters of Mercy, who formerly staffed the Carter-May Home, are ready and excited for this new mission.

If you would still graciously like to donate to the new home, please visit our site and specify "Charleston" in the comments: stclareshomesc.org/donate. Or, click the button below!



WEDDING BELLS



ABBY AND AMBER WITH THEIR HUSBANDS AND CHILDREN

Two of our alumni residents surprised us with news of their nuptials! It was wonderful to see our former moms return with their husbands and children.

We continue to emphasize positive family relationships through our classes and nightly community meals with our incredible staff, the Sisters of St. Michael the Archangel.

Christmas & Santa

December 2024



On Dec. 17, St. Clare's Home hosted a festive reunion that brought together alumni, friends, volunteers – plus students from Sacred Heart Hybrid School – along with our special guests, Santa and Mrs. Santa! Santa's presence added a magical touch to the festivities, delighting attendees of all ages with his traditional charm and generous spirit.

This event celebrated the enduring spirit of the St. Clare's community, while uniquely marking the holiday season. Alumni gathered to reconnect and share stories, strengthening the bonds formed during their time in the home.

The celebration featured live music by Doug Piscitelli, fun activities and interactive moments that encouraged participation and fostered a sense of unity. This special gathering rekindled old friendships and showcased the home's commitment to nurturing lifelong community. Our shared history and festive joy continue to play a central role!



Learning Lifesaving Skills

CPR class with moms & staff



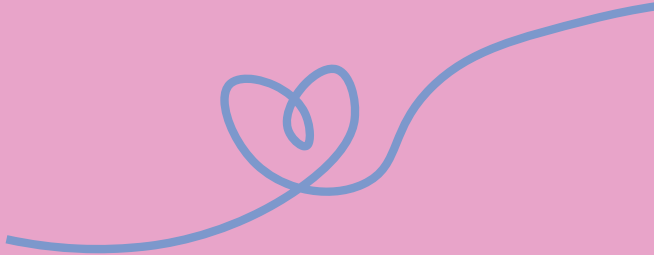
A CPR class was held Dec. 3 at the home, and attended by our moms and staff. Instructors went through the steps for adult, child and infant CPR along with how to correctly use the AED machine.

Crucial training like this equips staff and our mothers to handle an emergency if it arises. We appreciate all those who share their expertise at St. Clare's – it is a blessing for all!



SPOTLIGHT

Stephanie receives her phlebotomy certification!



STEPHANIE SMITH

I am thrilled to take this opportunity to highlight the extraordinary work ethic and determination of Stephanie Smith.

At a time when most would understandably take a step back, Stephanie demonstrated exceptional dedication to her education. Expecting a new baby, she could have easily decided to delay pursuing her Phlebotomy Certification. However, instead of postponing, Stephanie chose to prioritize her future and her baby's well-being, understanding the importance of her career path for both her family and herself.

Throughout the Back-To-Work Program, Stephanie consistently showed up to each class ready to learn and engage. She didn't just passively attend; she was actively involved in every lesson, she was appreciative and she also displayed a remarkable eagerness to absorb new information.

What stands out most about Stephanie is her unwavering drive to achieve her goals. Her commitment to obtaining her Phlebotomy Certification, even in the midst of preparing for such a major life event, is truly inspiring. I am immensely proud of her accomplishments and thrilled to see her achieve this significant milestone. Stephanie's hard work and dedication are a testament to her character, and I have no doubt that she will continue to excel in everything she sets her mind to.

Congratulations, Stephanie, on your well-deserved success, and I am excited to see what the future holds for you and your growing family.

Warm Regards, **Frederica Hutchinson**
Rehabilitation Specialist at Gateway House



Thank you!

Sponsor Shout-Out



“As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God’s varied grace. Whoever preaches, let it be with the words of God; whoever serves, let it be with the strength that God supplies, so that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.”

1 PT 4:10-11

Big Blue Marble Academy on Bushy Creek Road has agreed to prioritize childcare openings for our residents.



Mark Advent of **Advent Home Services** is helping us with our stovetop at the sisters’ convent.





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