

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Daily Mass** every Thursday at **9:30am** (**Rosary @ 9:10**)
- **Bible study sessions** are currently cancelled. Updates in future bulletin. Discussions are currently going on. Please give us your input.
- **Women's' Club Meetings** meet regularly each **Second Monday** of the month /11am . Any & All women of the parish please join us .
- **Sunday May 3rd**—The First Holy Communion of **Joseph Gonzaga** and the reception of full communion into the church of **Dalton Pearson**
- **Sunday May 10th Mother's Day**— **AND the Crowning of Mary before 12:30 mass.**
BRING FLOWERS! Reception to follow mass.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL BABY BOTTLE DRIVE



Baby Bottles are available at each entrance of the church. We are looking for anyone who would like to fill the bottles with loose change, dollar bills, checks etc... Whatever the amount The Spirit inspires you to give. The collected money will be presented to the **Palmetto Women's Center** in Rock Hill, which helps unwed mothers who are frightened and may be leaning toward abortion. They provide many **LIFE** services.

This collection drive will continue through May and will be collected the weekends of **May 30, 31** and then again **June 6,7**. Thank you

Checks may be written out to: **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Council 15611**

JOYFUL OCCASION COMING SOON!

The First Holy Communion of **Joseph Gonzaga** and the reception of full communion into the church of **Dalton Pearson** will be made on **SUNDAY May 3rd**. We continue to pray for them and for the growth , both spiritually and in numbers, of our parish. May St. Joseph Parish continue to be blessed

Help St. Joseph Church become financially stable.



Submissions for bulletins must be made by Tuesday to: stjcoordinator@gmail.com

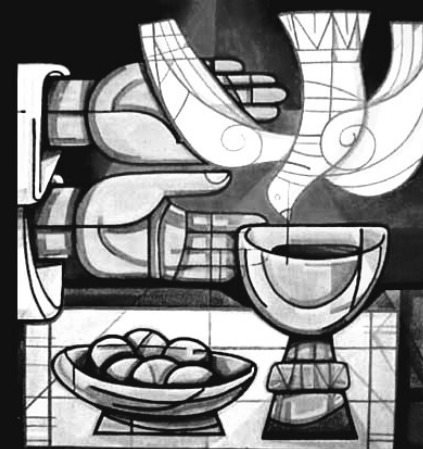
Or to Bob Renaud~ brenaud65@gmail.com



ST. JOSEPH

Catholic Church

April
DEVOTION TO
THE EUCHARIST
AND HOLY SPIRIT



MASS SCHEDULE:

Thursday – Weekday Mass 9:30 am (Rosary 9:10am)

Saturday(Anticipated Mass) 4:00pm

Sunday 12:30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation 3-3:45pm Saturdays
(or by appointment)

All other sacraments please call parish office to inquire.

Rev. Agustin L. Guzman, CO, Pastor

Phone: 803-329-1008 (St Mary Catholic Church, Rock Hill)

Emergency: Home 803-327-2098 Cell: 803-627-5297

John Rodgers, Office/Business Manager

Office Phone – 803-377-4695 (St Joseph)

Office Hours: Wednesday 10 am to 2 pm (John Rodgers)

Thursday 9 am to 10:30 am & Saturday pm (Fr Agustin)

Website:<http://josephchester.org>

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110 W End St, Chester SC 29706



April 26, 2026

4th SUNDAY of EASTER

UPCOMING FEAST

- 26 St. Pedro Betancur**
- 27 St. Louis de Montfort**
- 28 St. Peter Chanel**
- 29 St. Catherine of Siena**
- 30 St. Pius V**
- 01 St. Joseph the worker**
- 02 St. Athanasius**

May this Sunday you see
the invisible, feel the
intangible, accomplish the
impossible and gain a Miracle.
May Lord Grace you with
Energy, Persistence, and
Wisdom to achieve
all your Goals and Dreams.

MINISTRY (Sat./Sun.) SCHEDULE :

LECTOR: Sat. A. Jones /S. Robinson

E.M: Sat. M. Hamilton/P. Hamilton

LECTOR: Sun M. Lifsey /R. Whisonant

E.M: Sun. J. Rodgers/K. Hutto

WEEK of April 19 OFFERING:

Envelopes	\$1070.00
Loose	\$115.00
Total: Below Budget	\$1185.00
Other: candle, refurb, special	\$6.00
Weekly Budget:	\$1847.00

St. Joseph online Donation:

<https://www.osvhub.com/stmarysrh/funds/st-joseph-church-chester-donations>

IF YOU ARE ABLE, PLEASE CONSIDER INCREASING YOUR WEEKLY GIFT

ORATORY CENTER FOR SPIRITUALTY

If you would like to have more information about the center or the programs it offers, you may visit the Oratory in Rock Hill.

www.rockhilloratory.org

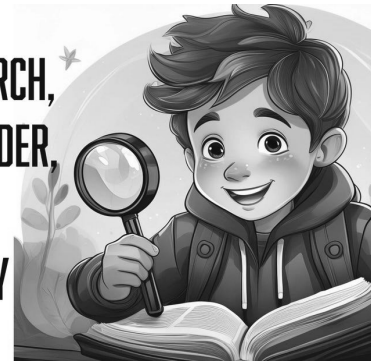
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MEETING THE RISEN CHRIST WHERE YOU ARE

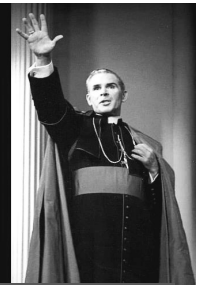
To meet the Risen Christ, one must be baptized in the name of Jesus which involves receiving the sacrament of Baptism and living it out by being immersed in the person of Jesus. This immersion is crucial for a true Easter Experience. The Holy Spirit, given by the power of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, empowers believers to meet the risen Christ and be His witnesses. Prayer, confession, and a renewed commitment to living out one's Baptism are essential steps in this journey.

As St. Patrick prayed, we are to be very conscious of Jesus within us and around us, above and below us, to our right and to our left. We who are baptized into Jesus must say with St. Paul that to us, " 'life' means Christ" (Phil 1:21). As the deer "longs for the running waters" (Ps 42:2), we should seek, pine for, and thirst for Jesus (Ps 63:2).

SEARCH,
PONDER,
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PRAY

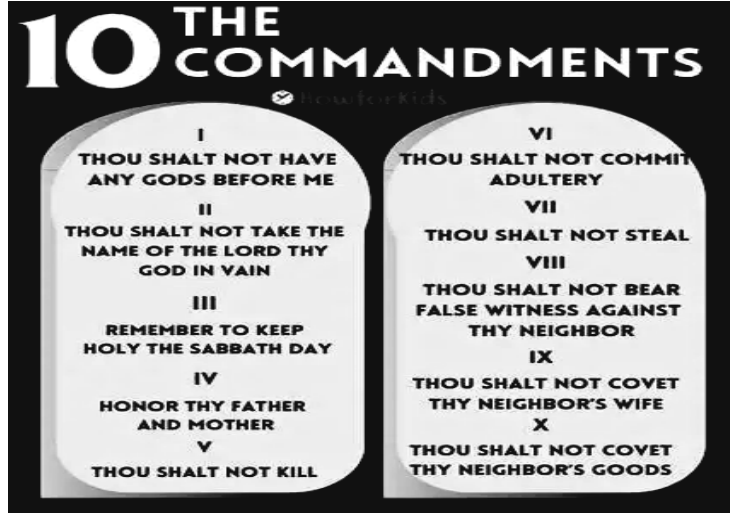


"It is easy to find truth; it is hard to face it, and harder still to follow it."



Archbishop Fulton Sheen

A
Refresher
on
the
Commandments



"Forgive us our debts as we forgive those who call to harass us about our debts..."

THE GREATEST SAINTS, THOSE RICHEST IN GRACE AND VIRTUE WILL BE THE MOST ASSIDUOUS IN PRAYING TO THE MOST BLESSED VIRGIN, LOOKING UP TO HER AS THE PERFECT MODEL TO IMITATE AND AS A POWERFUL HELPER TO ASSIST THEM.

- LOUIS DE MONTFORT -

St. Louis de Montfort, Pray for us!

The souls of our deceased:

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Judithanne Hare	Mona Paragon
Danny McMurray	Warren Dew
Troy West	Jim McGee
Michelle Munnell	Bobbie Kay Lalli
Jim McMurray	Michael Young
Alfredo Guzman	

This Month's Remembrances

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Lou Emma Rowsam	Horace Johnson



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