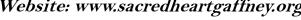
# Sacred Heart Catholic Church

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Sacred Heart Parish Gaffney SC





### Welcome to Our Church

We extend a warm welcome to all who are visiting or are here for the first time. If you attend Sacred Heart regularly and consider this your parish, please take the time to **register** using the forms in the office or the website www.sacredheartgaffney.org You must be an **Active Member** in order to have a child baptized, to receive a sacrament, to be married, to be a sponsor, etc. PLEASE REMEMBER TO UPDATE ANY CHANGES.

#### ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP (Precepts of the Church)

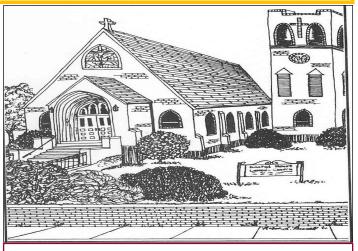
is defined as:

- 1. Registered in the parish for a sufficient length of time. (6 months)
- 2. Attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation and rest from servile labor.
- 3. Confess your sins at least once a year.
- 4. Receive the Sacrament of the Eucharist at least during the Easter Season.
- 5. Observe the days of fasting & abstinence established by the Church.
- 6. Help to provide for the needs of the Church.

#### Holy Days of Obligation

In the Catholic Church, Holy Days of Obligation are the days on which the faithful are obliged to participate in the Mass. They also abstain from unnecessary works, "which hinder the worship to be rendered to God, the joy proper to the Lord's Day, or the suitable relaxation of mind and body." (Canon 1247 of the Code of Canon Law).

All Sundays are obligatory for the faithful to participate in the Mass.



#### PARISH OFFICE STAFF

Rev. James F. Touzeau - Pastor itouzeau@charlestondiocese.org

Rosa Rodríguez-Administrative Assistant/DRE rrodriguez@charlestondiocese.org Tamara Martinez - Youth Minister

### **OFFICE HOURS**

MONDAY: CLOSED

TUESDAY: 1:00PM to 5:00PM WEDNESDAY: CLOSED

THURSDAY: 1:00PM TO 5:00PM

FRIDAY: CLOSED

For emergencies e-mail jtouzeau@charlestondiocese.org

### Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass

4:00 pm Bilingual 6:00 pm Saint Augustine-Union

Sunday

10:00 am English 12:00 noon Spanish

Daily Masses (Church)

Monday 12 noon Saint Augustine-Union

5:00 pm English 7:00 pm Spanish

12 noon Ėnglish Tuesday Wednesday 8:00 am English Thursday 7:00 pm Spanish

8:00 am English / 7:00 pm Spanish Friday sion: Wednesday 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Saturday: 3:00 pm - 3:45 pm Tuesday thru Friday by appointment Confession:

, Wednesday: Adoration: 8:30 am - 9:30 am

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Wednesday 8:30 am - 8:00 pm 1st Friday:

The Catholic Church is committed to respect for the dignity of each human person. Acts of sexual exploitation or abuse, particularly against children or the vulnerable, will not be tolerated by the Diocese of Charleston.



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Saturday	Dec 6	9 am	Lauro G. Hernández
Saturday	Dec 6	4 pm	Parishioners
Saturday	Dec 6	6 pm	Parishioners
Sunday	Dec 7	10 am	†Elizabeth Méndez
Sunday	Dec 7	12 pm	†Efigenia Estrada Morales
Monday	Dec 8	12 pm	Parishioners
Monday	Dec 8	5 pm	Manuel & Nereida Cividanes
Monday	Dec 8	7 pm	Parishioners
Tuesday	Dec 9	12 md	†Eleanor Dahlquist
Wednesday	Dec 10	8 am	†Ruby Marie Higgins
			†Jean Garrett
Thursday	Dec 11	7 pm	Lauro G. Hernández
Friday	Dec 12	8 am	†Crispin Perez
			†Juana Toledano
			†Eugenia Yañez
			†Inés Pérez
Saturday	Dec 13	4 pm	†Daniel Lee Angus
Saturday	Dec 13	6 pm	Parishioners

### Today's Readings

Reading 1, Isaiah 11:1-10 **Psalm**, 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 Reading 2, Romans 15:4-9 Gospel, Matthew 3:1-12

### Daily Readings

Monday Reading 1, Genesis 3:9-15, 20 Psalm, 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 Reading 2, Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12

Gospel, Luke 1:26-38

Tuesday Reading 1, Isaiah 40:1-11

Psalm, 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13

Gospel, Matthew 18:12-14

Wednesday Reading 1, Isaiah 40:25-31

Psalm, 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10

Gospel, Matthew 11:28-30

Thursday Reading 1, Isaiah 41:13-20

Psalm, 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab

Gospel, Matthew 11:11-15

*Friday* Reading 1, Zechariah 2:14-17 or Revelation 11:19a;

12:1-6a, 10ab

Psalm, Judith 13:18bcde, 19

Gospel, Luke 1:26-38 or Luke 1:39-47

Saturday Reading 1, Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11

Psalm, 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19

Gospel, Matthew 17:9a, 10-13

### PLEASE PRAY FOR

Fr. James Touzeau, Dot Batchler, Carli Elliot, Scott Hines, Hank & Connie Battleson, Donna & Tony DeCarlo, Mary Ann Magee, Florence Hinchliffe, Barbara Duricek, Terri Cole, David & Karen Lydon, Jeff Lydon, Ellen Maness, Nathan Nansh, Lani Emma Perez, William Barnes, Esther Melaragno, Robert Bullock, Elaine Eslami, Randy Taylor, Bruno & Jenna Kowalczyk, Roy & Crystal Gaw, Mateo Romero, Davis Family, Lona Brier, Yolanda Castillo, Mara Richardson and all parishioners in need of prayers.

To request a name be "added to" or "taken off" the list, please contact the office by e-mail: rrodriguez@charlestondiocese.org



# ~ Offertory ~



Collection 11/23 \$4.294.00 Online 11/23 \$1.011.77 Collection 11/30 \$9,103.28 Online 11/30 \$1,169.77

#### ~THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY~

When there is more than one collection, please write separate checks. Thank you for your cooperation.

**WEEKLY BUDGET FOR SACRED HEART** 

\$6,500.00

Please do not roll or fold the bills.



# Be generous in giving and grateful in receiving.

www.sacredheartgaffney.org

# **Offertory Guidelines**

If you donate only 5% of your total family income to the church, this is how much you would be giving:

#### **Annual Income (After taxes)** Offering per week

\$30.00 \$30,000.00 \$50,000.00 \$50.00 \$75,000.00 \$70.00

2nd Collection for Buildings & Maintenance Fund every 1st Sunday of the month (Blue Envelope) White with Red border envelopes are for Regular Offertory Colored Envelopes are for Holy Days & Special Diocesan **Collections** 

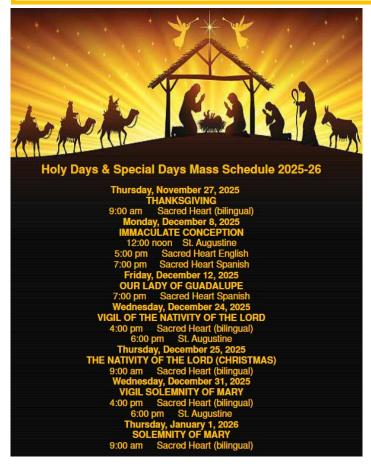


If you wish to serve in a ministry (Ushers, Sacristans, Lector, Extraordinary Minister, Cleaning, Catechism, money counter, finance committee, etc) contact the office for more information. If you are a volunteer and you are not sure if your paperwork is up to date please go to www.virtus.org and login to your account to verify your status. Volunteer Sign Up

Every member in a ministry needs to fill the volunteer paperwork in order to serve.



# Sacred Heart Church Parish Life



#### Thank you!!

To all those parishioners who contributed food for the Gaffney Middle School Weekend Food Program. Your generosity is greatly appreciated & your contributions have helped over 40 food insecure kids in our community.

We made our first delivery on Tuesday, September 30.

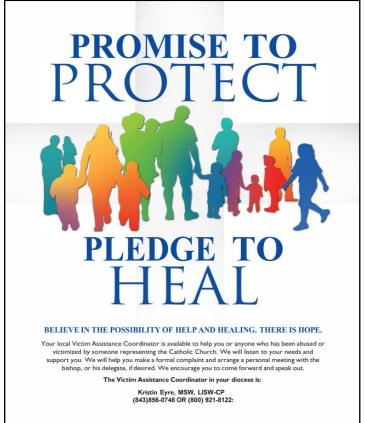
This program will continue for the remainder of the school year, so please keep those donations coming! For those of you who might prefer to make a monetary contribution, please mail checks to:

Mrs. Brianne Allen Hamrick c/o Gaffney Middle School 805 East Frederick St. Gaffney SC 29340 \*\* Please mark on both

the envelope & the check "Weekend Food"

May God Bless You!





#### Come and See The Secular Franciscan Order (OFS)

A Way of Life for Everyday Disciples

Are you longing for a deeper relationship with Christ? Do you admire the joy, simplicity, and love of St. Francis of Assisi? If so, the Secular Franciscan Order (OFS) may be for you!

#### Who We Are:

The OFS is a worldwide community of lay men and women, single, married, or ordained, who live the Gospel in the spirit of St. Francis. While remaining in their everyday jobs and families, Secular Franciscans seek to bring peace, joy, and care for creation into the world.

#### What We Do:

Grow in prayer and fraternity
Live simply in a busy world
Serve the Church and those in need
Care for God's creation
Follow the Gospel with the heart of Francis
Where - St Paul the Apostle Parish Center, Spartanburg, SC
Please call Paula 269/626-4205

# NATIONAL NIGHT OF PRAYER IN REPARATION FOR ABORTION

Please join us for adoration and prayer in reparation for abortion on December 8th from any time after the five o'clock mass until 10:00pm. Please commit to one hour during this time.



# Diocese of Charleston News & Events

# December | Evangelize with Symbols of our Faith

Use Church seasonal symbols to invite someone to parish events. such as Our Lady of Guadalupe, las Posadas, Nativity plays or other parish festivities.





Novena to Our lady of the Immaculate Conception & Our Lady of Guadalupe

November 30, 2025 to December 12 at 6:00 pm December 12 Mañanitas 6am to 8am Mass 8am English ~ Novena 6pm ~ Mass 7pm Spanish



# PROCLAIM THE FAITH YEAR 1 STUDY GUIDES

Monthly study guides can be used in personal prayer and for small group reflection.

# DECEMBER 2025

#### SCRIPTURE

Read Ephesians 4:17-24

#### REFLECT:

- 1. This passage from Ephesians discusses renewed life in Christ. Why is it important for us, as Christians, to constantly seek renewal? What does this renewal look like?

  2. This passage contrasts life in Christ with "former" ways of life, outside of life in Christ. What is the difference that Christ makes in our own lives? How does that affect how we act outwardly?

  3. In what follows this passage in Ephesians, we are told about forms of renewal in both individual and facility life. What does the passage life to the passage in Ephesians. and family life. What does it mean as communities and as families to seek renewal in Christ?

#### **READ:** A selection from *Via Fidelis* — Chapter 3

St. Paul teaches us that every family receives its name from God (Eph 3:15). The family, therefore, is sacred. Every good thing passes through the family. The first place where evangelization occurs is in the family. As such, our *Via Fidelis* is about honoring, supporting and walking with the Christian

The Second Vatican Council teaches us that "the family, is, so to speak, the domestic church. In it parents should, by their word and example, be the first preachers of the faith to their children; they should encourage them in the vocation which is proper to each of them, fostering with special care vocation to a sacred state" (Lumen Gentium, #11).

As a Church, we place a special emphasis on praying for the families of our diocese and we dedicate them to the Holy Family. In our *Via Fidelis*, our Office of Family Life will continue to support and encourage the Christian family through its events and programs.

In our *Via Fidelis*, I call upon all the faithful of the diocese to invite friends and family members to come back to Mass. I encourage you to be open to difficult conversations as you walk with loved ones and work to bring them back home. We all need to show patience as we seek to evangelize and welcome back those who have fallen away, especially those who are dear to us.

- 1. In this passage, the bishop discusses the importance of the family in evangelization. Why is the family so important in this regard? How can we respond to this vision in our own lives?

  2. The bishop here cites the Second Vatican Council and its description of the family as the Domestic Church. What do you think the Council means by this designation? How does this Domestic Church fit into the life of the local Church and that of the Universal Church?

  3. At the and of this selection the bishop sales up to invite our fittles are fittles.
- 3.At the end of this selection, the bishop asks us to invite our fallen away Catholic friends and family back to Church. What might this invitation look like? Can you think of anyone to whom you would like to extend this invitation?





### **Volunteers Needed**

For First Friday Adoration List

# What am I volunteering

You will be called or texted once every month or two to see if you would be able to do adoration at a specific time.

# Why?

This is to make sure that someone is with the Eucharist throughout the time it is on the altar.

If you think you would be able to help us out, just text Cecelia at 864-525-6074. She will add you to our adoration list.

charlestondiocese.org/via-fidelis