

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

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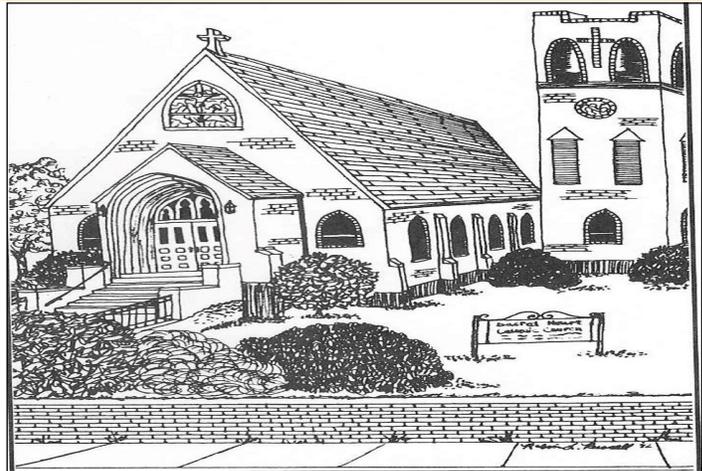
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205 Sams Street Gaffney, SC 29340

Website: www.sacredheartgaffney.org



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

jtouzeau@charlestandiocese.org

Rosa Rodríguez - Administrative Assistant/DRE

rrodriguez@charlestandiocese.org

Tamara Martinez - Youth Minister

OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY: CLOSED

TUESDAY: 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM

WEDNESDAY: CLOSED

THURSDAY: 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM

FRIDAY: CLOSED

For emergencies e-mail jtouzeau@charlestandiocese.org

Mass & Confession 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 No Mass

Tuesday 12:00 pm English

Wednesday 8:00 am English

Thursday 7:00 pm Spanish

Friday 8:00 am English

Confession: Fridays during lent 5:30pm / 6:30pm
Saturday: 3:00 pm - 3:45 pm
Tuesday thru Friday by appointment

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.

FEBRUARY 22, 2026 ~ FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

MASS Intentions

† = in memory of

Saturday	Feb 21	4 pm	†Nord Davis
Saturday	Feb 21	6 pm	Parishioners
Sunday	Feb 22	10 am	Parishioners
Sunday	Feb 22	12 pm	Nadia Marroquin Anaïthe Marroquin
Tuesday	Feb 24	12 md	Parishioners
Wednesday	Feb 25	8 am	†Joe Alvillar
Thursday	Feb 26	7 pm	Parishioners
Friday	Feb 27	8 am	†Carlos Noé Vega
Saturday	Feb 28	4 pm	†Nord Davis
Saturday	Feb 28	6 pm	Parishioners

Today's Readings

Reading 1, Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7

Psalm, 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17

Reading 2, Romans 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19

Gospel, Matthew 4:1-11

Daily Readings

Monday Reading Leviticus 19:1-2, 11-18

Psalm, 19:8, 9, 10, 15

Gospel, Matthew 25:31-46

Tuesday Reading 1, Isaiah 55:10-11

Psalm, 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19

Gospel, Matthew 6:7-15

Wednesday Reading 1, Jonah 3:1-10

Psalm, 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19

Gospel, Luke 11:29-32

Thursday Reading 1, Esther C:12, 14-16, 23-25

Psalm, 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8

Gospel, Matthew 7:7-12

Friday Reading 1, Ezekiel 18:21-28

Psalm, 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8

Gospel, Matthew 5:20-26

Saturday Reading 1, Deuteronomy 26:16-19

Psalm, 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8

Gospel, Matthew 5:43-48

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, 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, Jude Emery 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@charlestandiocese.org



Mass Intentions 2026

Mass Book for intentions is open for 2026. Please call or visit the office to schedule your special intention. Up to 4 intentions per mass if they are by the same person/family.

Suggested Stipend \$10

~ Offertory ~



Collection 2/15 \$ 3,325.00

Online 2/15 \$ 1,485.38

~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.

Envelopes for 2026 are available in the Parish Hall



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
\$30,000.00	\$30.00
\$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

Use of Facilities (Hall/Basement)

- Always schedule meeting or event with the office (Fill Building Usage Form)
 - Return everything to its place and clean
 - Trash goes in the **green** trash cans
 - Only recycling in the **blue** trash can
 - **RE, OCIA & Youth Group have priority over any other ministry**
- NO PRIVATE EVENTS ALLOWED**

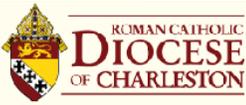
If you wish to serve in a ministry (Ushers, Sacristans, Lector, Extraordinary Minister, Cleaning, Catechism, money counter, finance committee, etc) contact the office for more information. If you are a volunteer and you are not sure if your paperwork is up to date please go to www.virtus.org and login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

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

Volunteer Sign Up



Sacred Heart Church Parish Life



YEAR OF CATECHESIS UNDERSTAND THE FAITH

205 Sams St.
Gaffney, SC



	Lunes/Monday	Jueves/Thursday	Viernes/Friday
	Español - 7pm	English - 7pm	Español - 7pm
Leaders	Grupo Oración / Coro	Nancy Davis/Father Touzeau	Emaus/Lectores/Ministros/Ujieres
Episode 1	Feb 23	Feb 26	Feb 27
Episode 2	Mar 9	Mar 12	Mar 13
Episode 3	Mar 23	Mar 26	Mar 27
Episode 4	Apr 6	Apr 9	Apr 10
Episode 5	Apr 20	Apr 23	Apr 24
Episode 6	May 4	May 7	May 8
Episode 7	May 11	May 14	May 15

English Retreat May 16, 2026, in the Parish Life Center 8 am to 3 pm. Mass at 4 pm.
Retiro Español 23 de mayo de 2026 en el Salón Familiar de 8 am a 3 pm. Misa 4 pm.

For more information call 864-489-9453/Para más información llame al 864-489-9453.

Thank you!!

To all those parishioners who have been contributing 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.

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. Brienne 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!



URGENT:

Sponsors needed

If you would like to sponsor flowers for the altar, sanctuary candles, Hosts & Wine please call the office at 864-489-9453.

PROMISE TO PROTECT



PLEDGE TO HEAL

BELIEVE IN THE POSSIBILITY OF HELP AND HEALING. THERE IS HOPE.

Your local Victim Assistance Coordinator is available to help you or anyone who has been abused or victimized by someone representing the Catholic Church. We will listen to your needs and support you. We will help you make a formal complaint and arrange a personal meeting with the bishop, or his delegate, if desired. We encourage you to come forward and speak out.

The Victim Assistance Coordinator in your diocese is:

Kristin Eyre, MSW, LISW-CP
(843)856-0748 OR (800) 921-8122:

RESPECT LIFE

Prayer & Action

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INTERCEDE



May married couples generously live out their vocation with openness to the gift of new life.

suppress their fertility couples harm their unity. For serious reasons, couples may choose to avoid pregnancy for a time or indefinitely. Natural Family Planning (NFP) can help married couples identify and utilize the naturally infertile times in a woman's cycle, all while cooperating with God's design.

In today's culture, living out God's plan for married love and opening our hearts to the gift of children can be difficult. It can often require great generosity and trust in the Lord. But as Christ repeatedly exhorted, "Be not afraid!" The Church's teaching on married love is an invitation to let God transform our hearts, knowing God's plan is far richer than anything the world can offer us.

PRAY

Our Father, 3 Hail Marys, Glory Be

REFLECT

The month of February has traditionally been dedicated to the Holy Family who provide for us a model of marriage and family life. Mary and Joseph perfectly witness to the gift of new life, welcoming the infant Jesus amidst difficult and challenging circumstances. God designed the love of husband and wife to be so complete, so ordered to a lifetime of communion with Himself and each other, that it is open to creating a new human being whom they will love and care for together. Part of God's gift to husband and wife is cooperation with His creative power. In participating in this "great mystery" of love that is total, faithful, and fruitful, married couples become a sign of the love between Christ and his Church (Eph 5:32). Couples who cannot bear children still share in this cooperation. As St. John Paul II affirmed to such couples, "you are no less loved by God; your love for each other is complete and fruitful when it is open to others."

While a couple does not need to seek to have a child in every act of intercourse, they should never act to reject the life-giving power granted by God through the use of contraception. In deliberately acting to

ACT (choose one)

- Offer a [Prayer for Married Couples \(usccb.org/prayer/prayer-married-couples\)](https://usccb.org/prayer/prayer-married-couples) for this month's intention.
- If you are married, participate in this 2026 *At-Home Marriage Retreat* anytime during the month of February (bit.ly/marriage-retreat-2026).
- Offer some other sacrifice or prayer that you feel called to do for this month's intention.

ONE STEP FURTHER

Learn more about God's plan for marriage and how husbands and wives are called to fully live out their vows in *Married Love and the Gift of Life* (bit.ly/married-love).

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respectlife.org/prayer-and-action

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Eucharistic Adoration

WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT?

In the most basic terms, adoration is the worship of the Eucharist outside of Mass. The Eucharistic Host is displayed in a monstrance on the altar so that all can see and pray in the presence of Christ.

Why do we have adoration?

1) To acknowledge Christ's true presence in the Blessed Sacrament 2) To lead us to a fuller participation in the Holy Mass 3) To praise, worship, and offer thanksgiving to God.

How long do I need to stay?

You can go to adoration for a few minutes, a half hour, or several hours. There are no rules about this. Many people make it a practice to keep a "holy hour".

What do I do in adoration?

Pray and listen! You can meditate silently by gazing at Jesus. You can speak to Him in your heart. You might also read Scripture or a spiritual book. Many people recite the rosary silently. It is a time of silence – God is always speaking to you and this is a time to listen.



Volunteers Needed For First Friday Adoration List

What am I volunteering for?

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.

Adoration times: Wednesday 8:30am to 9:30am
Wednesday 6:00pm to 8:00pm
1st Friday: 8:30 am - 8:00 pm



MONTHLY ACTIVITY

February | Podcast

Try listening to a Catholic podcast – there are many excellent free options available.



UNDERSTAND THE FAITH YEAR 2 STUDY GUIDES

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

FEBRUARY 2026

SCRIPTURE

Read: Proverbs 2:1-22

REFLECT:

1. This poetic chapter of Proverbs discusses the importance of seeking wisdom and understanding. What does this passage say about this task? Do any particular portions of this passage resonate with you?
2. In what ways can we avoid following the wrong path in life? How do we ensure that we are truly following God's will?
3. What is the connection between knowledge, understanding and wisdom on the one hand, and how we live and act on the other?

READ: A selection from *Via Fidelis* – Chapter 1

2026: Understand the Faith. In our second year, we will focus on refreshing our knowledge of the faith as a diocesan family, which will also clarify our shared mission. Once we make an effort to understand our beliefs, we will be more equipped to explain it to others who want to learn more about the profound mysteries of faith.

REFLECT:

1. In this very brief selection from the early part of the bishop's pastoral letter, the bishop gives a brief description of the upcoming year two of *Via Fidelis* (which begins Ash Wednesday), dedicated to understanding the faith: catechesis. What are your personal hopes and goals for this coming year?
2. The bishop here connects the task of understanding the faith with that of proclaiming the faith. What is this connection? Why must these two things go together in the Christian life?
3. What are some ways that you can help others grow in their understanding of the faith?



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THEME - The Good News: God the Father Sends His Son to Save Us

FEBRUARY 22: FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7 | Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19 | Mt 4:1-11 | CCC References 464-467, 469

JESUS CHRIST: TRUE GOD AND TRUE MAN

- By taking on our humanity and dying and rising for us, Jesus shows us God's love for us
- In his words and deeds, Jesus also shows us how to be truly human
- Through Baptism we are united with Christ and made adopted children of God
- Jesus' life, death and resurrection make possible for us a new life of communion with God

In what way is Jesus Christ true God and true man? Jesus is inseparably true God and true man in the unity of his divine Person. As the Son of God, who is "begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father," he was made true man, our brother, without ceasing to be God, our Lord. (Compendium #87)