



Catechist Day of Continuing Education

January 31, 2026

Basilica of St. Peter, Columbia, SC
9 AM - 3 PM | Lunch Included

"The Heart of a Catechist:
"Witness of Faith, Teaching the Mystery, Companion on the Journey"

Speakers Sponsored by William H. Sadler, Inc.

Steve Botsford
Vice President of
Catechetical Learning



\$15 registration includes lunch
Register Online:
<https://tinyurl.com/CatCEOJan2026>



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ENERO 30 - FEBRERO 1
ST MARK CATHOLIC CHURCH
928 Boundary Street
Newberry, SC 29108

Detalles De Día

RETIRO DE PAREJAS

TEMAS

- Fundamentos del Matrimonio
- Razón y Fe
- Finanzas
- Espiritualidad Familiar
- Afectividad Sexual
- Sanación Espiritual



El costo es de \$110 por pareja
Comidas incluidas. Alojamiento no incluido.
Empezamos el viernes a las 6:00 pm
Terminamos el domingo a las 12:00 pm

¿PREGUNTAS?
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Para registrarse en línea
[https://charlestandiocese.flocknote.com/signup/221088](https://charlestandioocese.flocknote.com/signup/221088)



Blessed Beginnings

WHERE LOVE AND
HOPE GROW TOGETHER

La próxima sesión de puertas abiertas de Blessed Beginnings tendrá lugar el domingo 25 de enero de 2026, de 3 pm a 5 pm, en el salón parroquial. Invitamos a las familias que necesiten pañales y toallitas húmedas para bebés a que vengan y elijan la talla que necesiten. Si tienen alguna solicitud específica de ropa o artículos para bebés, por favor contacten a Liane por correo electrónico: lianebloeser@gmail.com (solo inglés), o a Andrea en la oficina parroquial. Haremos todo lo posible por atender las solicitudes según la disponibilidad de donaciones. Además, necesitamos donaciones de toallitas húmedas y pañales para bebés en tallas 3, 4 y 5, así como ropa de niño desde los 18 meses hasta la talla 5T. Gracias por su continuo apoyo a nuestra comunidad parroquial.

The next Blessed Beginnings Open Office Hours will be Sunday, January 25, 2026, from 3 pm to 5 pm in the parish hall. Families in need of baby diapers and baby wipes are invited to come and pick the size needed. If you have a specific request for baby clothing or baby gear, please contact Liane via email: lianebloeser@gmail.com, or Andrea in the parish office. We will do our best to fulfill requests based on what we have available through donations. Additionally, we need donations of baby wipes and baby diapers in sizes 3, 4, and 5, as well as boy clothes from 18 months to 5T, and a translator at the event. Thank you for your continued support of our parish community.




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Call for Catechists for the 2026-2027 Faith Formation Year.

We are making plans for in-person Faith Formation classes and need confirmation from at **minimum 16 parishioners** to be catechists. Contact the parish office to volunteer. Thank you!

Requirements for Catechists

- A Catechist is a role model of Catholic teachings and values and must be an active Catholic in good standing with the Church.
- Participate regularly in Sunday Mass and participate as fully as possible in a sacramental life style.
- Adhere to the Catholic Church's teachings on morality and behavior. The Religious Education program is not a forum for personal beliefs not in conformity with these teachings.
- Be approved by the pastor and work as a team with the DRE, co-catechists, other members of the religious education team, the pastoral staff, clergy and parents and to recognize that parents are the primary catechists of their children.
- Complete the Diocese background check (criminal history record, the United States Department of Justice National Sex Offender Registry, and Social Security Number (SSN) or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) verification), and safe environment training program through Virtus. *These forms are completed online only.*
- Continue own faith formation through participation in Pastor approved workshops, courses, and retreats in order to complete the Basic Catechist Certification from the Diocese of Charleston, form available online and in the parish office.
- Be at least 18 years of age and be Confirmed. Teens are not considered catechist - only classroom helpers.

Saturday, Feb. 28
at St. Joseph's Catholic School
in Greenville, SC

The Belonging Diocese of Charleston
Catholic Conference for Women invites you to:

Love Opens

the heart to truth
Belonging '26

with Keynote Speaker,
Barbara Heil, Workshops, Vendors,
Catered Box Lunch, Music, Adoration,
and Mass.



You are invited to the annual Belonging Catholic Women's Conference. We have an exciting nationally known speaker, Barbara Heil, over 20 workshops, and our wonderful vendors! Mass, music, and catered box lunch all included for one low price. Registration is open now! Join us on Saturday, February 28th, 8:30 am-5 pm at St. Joseph Catholic School in Greenville. To register, go to:
<http://www.HeartRidgeMinistries.com/Belonging>

FEB 6-8
At Heart Ridge Retreat
Center in Sunset, SC

A Better Marriage RETREAT

ONE TO MORE INTIMACY, CONNECTION, AND JOY
WEEKEND

USING SACRAMENTAL GRACE AND HUMAN WISDOM
A WEEKEND RETREAT WITH WORKSHOPS, ACTIVITIES, TALKS, ALL LODGING AND FOOD LED BY KEITH AND TAMI KISER GOTTMAN LEADERS OF THE SEVEN PRINCIPLES OF MARRIAGE



Go on a Retreat with Your Spouse and Renew Your Marriage! **February 7th-8th.** Even couples with the "Best Marriages" need time to rest together, hang out together, and work on marriage skills. Six sessions will be given throughout the retreat based on the "Marriage Experts" Drs. John and Julia Gottman research. The retreat will be led by Keith and Tami Kiser.
<http://www.HeartRidgeMinistries.com/MarriageRetreat>

Did you know the following Ministries & Groups are active in our parish? Please contact the parish office or Fr. Javier to join.

¿Sabía que los siguientes Ministerios y Grupos están activos en nuestra parroquia? Por favor comuníquese con la oficina parroquial o con el P. Javier para unirse.

Altar Linens | Mantelos de Altar, Altar Servers | Monaguillos, Baptismal Classes | Clases bautismales, Blessed Beginnings, Consagración a María | Consecration to Mary, Coros, Emaús (hombres y mujeres), Faith Formation Program | Programa de Formación de Fe, Finance Council | Consejo de finanzas, Grupo de Oración, Homebound Ministry | Visitas a los enfermos, Juan XXIII, Lectors | Lectores, Limpieza y mantenimiento, Parish Pastoral Council | Consejo Pastoral Parroquial, Prayer Shawl Ministry, OCIA | RICA, Sacristans, Social Needs Ministry | Ministerio de Necesidades Sociales, Ushers | Ujieres, Virtual Prayer Group | Grupo Virtual de Oración, Women's Bible Study.



HOPE in Lancaster pantry needs: grits, assorted canned vegetables, instant potatoes, canned fruit, instant pudding, macaroni and cheese, pasta, pasta sauce, jelly, peanut butter, and beef stew. Please, no family sizes or glass jars allowed. Contact 803-286-4673 or <https://hopeinlancaster.org> for information.

If you are looking for a meaningful way to serve and make a difference in our community, HOPE needs you. Contact the Volunteer Coordinator, Tim Howard, at 803-577-5466 or thoward@hopeinlancaster.org or visit [HOPEinlancaster.org](https://www.volgistics.com/appform/1318157734). The Volunteer Application Link is <https://www.volgistics.com/appform/1318157734>. Thank you.

La despensa **HOPE en Lancaster** necesita: sémola de maíz, verduras enlatadas variadas, papas instantáneas, frutas enlatadas, pudín instantáneo, macarrones con queso, pasta, salsa para pasta, mermelada, mantequilla de maní y estofado de carne. Por favor, no se permiten tamaños familiares ni frascos de vidrio. Comuníquese al 803-286-4673 o <https://hopeinlancaster.org> para obtener información.



Lancaster Area Coalition for the Homeless (LACH) Warming Center will need the following items: paper products towels, napkins, plates, toilet paper), plastic spoons and forks, first-aid kit/items, laundry detergent, fabric softener, ziploc

storage bags (all sizes), garbage bags, 10 and 18 gallon storage tubs, toilet plunger, toilet cleaner, multipurpose clener, mop, broom/dustpan, laxter gloves, individually packaged foods (nutrian bars, fruit cups, cookies, chips, nuts, etc.), and bottled water. LACH continues to need travel-size hygiene items such as soap, shampoo, toothpaste, wipes, tissues, combs, washcloths, mouthwash, etc. Please bring all donated items to the parish office during normal hours. Thank you for your generosity. Volunteers are needed, contact Emily Price, LACH Volunteer Coordinator at 803-659-5801 or lachhouse@uwaylcsc.org.

El Centro de Calentamiento de la Coalición para las Personas sin Hogar del Área de Lancaster (LACH) necesitará los siguientes artículos: productos de papel (toallas, servilletas, platos, papel higiénico), cucharas y tenedores de plástico, botiquín de primeros auxilios, detergente para ropa, suavizante de telas, bolsas ziploc (todos los tamaños), bolsas de basura, recipientes de 10 y 18 galones, destapador de inodoros, limpiador de inodoros, limpiador multiusos, trapeador, escoba/recogedor, guantes Laxter, alimentos envasados individualmente (barras nutritivas, vasos de fruta, galletas, papas fritas, nueces, etc.) y agua embotellada. LACH continúa necesitando artículos de higiene personal en tamaño de viaje como jabón, champú, pasta de dientes, toallitas húmedas, pañuelos desechables, peines, toallitas, enjuague bucal, etc. Por favor, traiga todos los artículos donados a la oficina parroquial durante el horario habitual. Gracias por su generosidad. Se necesitan voluntarios. Comuníquese con Emily Price, Coordinadora de Voluntarios de LACH, al 803-659-5801 o a lachhouse@uwaylcsc.org, en inglés.

The women of the parish will lead the rosary at 3:30 pm on the *first* Saturdays and at 10:30 am on the *first* Sundays, **January 31st-February 1st**. The rosary is offered for the intentions of the Pope that month. *All parishioners are invited to pray with us.*

The church is not available for private devotion Fridays from 4:30-6:30 pm for cleaning and maintenance.

La iglesia no estara disponible para devociones privadas los viernes de 4:30-6:30 pm debido a limpieza y mantenimiento.

2026 donation envelope boxes are available for pick up in the parish office.

Las cajas de sobres de donación 2026 están disponibles para recoger en la oficina parroquial.

Have you moved recently? Your annual giving statement will be mailed in January for those using donation envelopes. Please notify the parish of your new address as soon as possible. Thank you.

¿Se ha mudado recientemente? Su declaración anual de donaciones se enviará por correo en enero para quienes utilicen sobres de donación. Notifique a la parroquia su nueva dirección lo antes posible. Gracias.

¿Desea celebrar boda, bautizo o quinceañera? En la entrada del Templo se encuentra las hojas con los requisitos. Cuando tenga todo lo que se indica, favor de llamar a la oficina para hacer una cita con el padre. Al menos seis meses antes de la fecha deseada para la celebración de la boda; un año para las quinceañeras y lo más pronto posible para bautizos.

El Grupo de Oración se reúne **los viernes a las 7 pm** para una hora de alabanzas, catequesis y Adoración al Santísimo Sacramento.

Virtual Prayer Group: To join or submit your prayer request, email stcstm@charlestdiocese.org. Prayer requests are emailed on Mondays.

Grupo Virtual de Oración: Para unirse o enviar su solicitud de oración, envíe un correo electrónico a stcstm@charlestdiocese.org. Las solicitudes de oración se envían por correo electrónico los lunes.

Travelling? Wherever your vacation destination, plan ahead to observe your Sunday obligation by attending Mass Saturday evening or Sunday at your place of arrival. Locate the times of Masses at your destination at: discovermass.com.

¿De viaje? Sea cual sea su destino de vacaciones, planifique con anticipación la observancia del día del Señor asistiendo a misa el sábado por la noche o el domingo en su lugar de lalagada. Localice los horarios de las misas en su destino en: discovermass.com.

Proclaim the Word: Join Our Lector Ministry

Do you feel a tug at your heart when the Scriptures are read at Mass? We are seeking parishioners to join our team of Lectors for the 2026 liturgical year.

If you are interested in sharing your voice with our parish, please contact the Parish Office.

“The Lord God has given me a well-trained tongue, that I might know how to answer the weary a word that will waken them.” – Isaiah 50:4



Retrouvaille Marriage Help offers a welcoming and loving space to couples who have been living with the misery of a failing marriage. Retrouvaille offers hope: hope that it is not too late, hope of a different and better marriage. Retrouvaille helps couples to show each other mercy through the opportunities it provides to listen, to forgive, to be reconciled and to move into their futures believing that God loves them and with His help and their efforts, their marriages can be healed and restored. For information about the next program on **March 20-22, 2026** in Raleigh, NC and on **May 1-3, 2026** in Hickory, NC, contact Bill and Lyn Folsom at 727-343-6701 or email: 3062ac@helpourmarriage.org or visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.org.



No matter how long you have been married, you can still have romance in your marriage. The Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience gives you the tools to keep your marriage alive and vibrant. Join us and see how your relationship can grow. Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on May 29-31, 2026 in Hickory, NC**. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: <https://SCMarriageMatters.org> or contact us at applications@scmarriagematters.org or 803-810-9602.