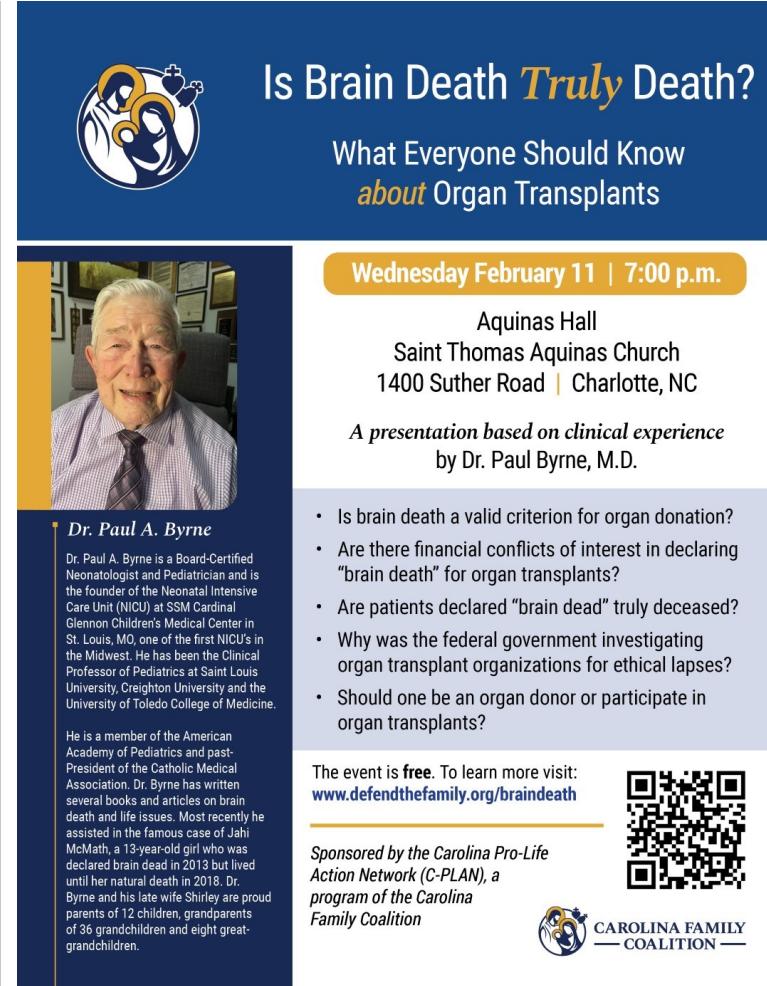




FEB 6-8
At Heart Ridge Retreat Center in Sunset, SC
A Better Marriage RETREAT
ONE WEEKEND TO MORE INTIMACY, CONNECTION, AND JOY
USING SACRAMENTAL GRACE AND HUMAN WISDOM
A WEEKEND RETREAT WITH WORKSHOPS, ACTIVITIES, TALKS, ALL LODGING AND FOOD LED BY KEITH AND TAMI KISER GOTTMAN LEADERS OF THE SEVEN PRINCIPLES 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>



Is Brain Death *Truly* Death?
What Everyone Should Know *about* Organ Transplants

Wednesday February 11 | 7:00 p.m.
Aquinus Hall
Saint Thomas Aquinas Church
1400 Suther Road | Charlotte, NC

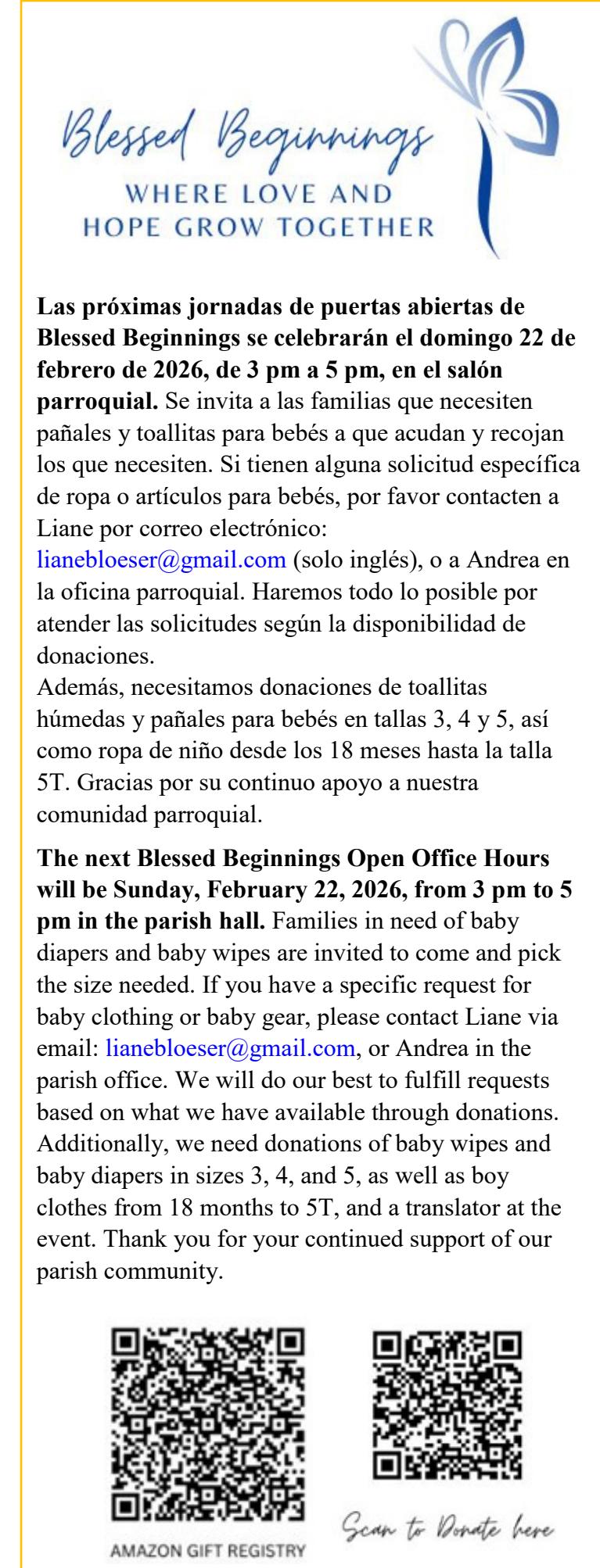
A presentation based on clinical experience by Dr. Paul Byrne, M.D.

- Is brain death a valid criterion for organ donation?
- Are there financial conflicts of interest in declaring “brain death” for organ transplants?
- Are patients declared “brain dead” truly deceased?
- Why was the federal government investigating organ transplant organizations for ethical lapses?
- Should one be an organ donor or participate in organ transplants?

The event is **free**. To learn more visit: www.defendthefamily.org/braindeath

Sponsored by the Carolina Pro-Life Action Network (C-PLAN), a program of the Carolina Family Coalition

 CAROLINA FAMILY COALITION



Blessed Beginnings
WHERE LOVE AND HOPE GROW TOGETHER

Las próximas jornadas de puertas abiertas de Blessed Beginnings se celebrarán el domingo 22 de febrero de 2026, de 3 pm a 5 pm, en el salón parroquial. Se invita a las familias que necesiten pañales y toallitas para bebés a que acudan y recojan los 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, February 22, 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.

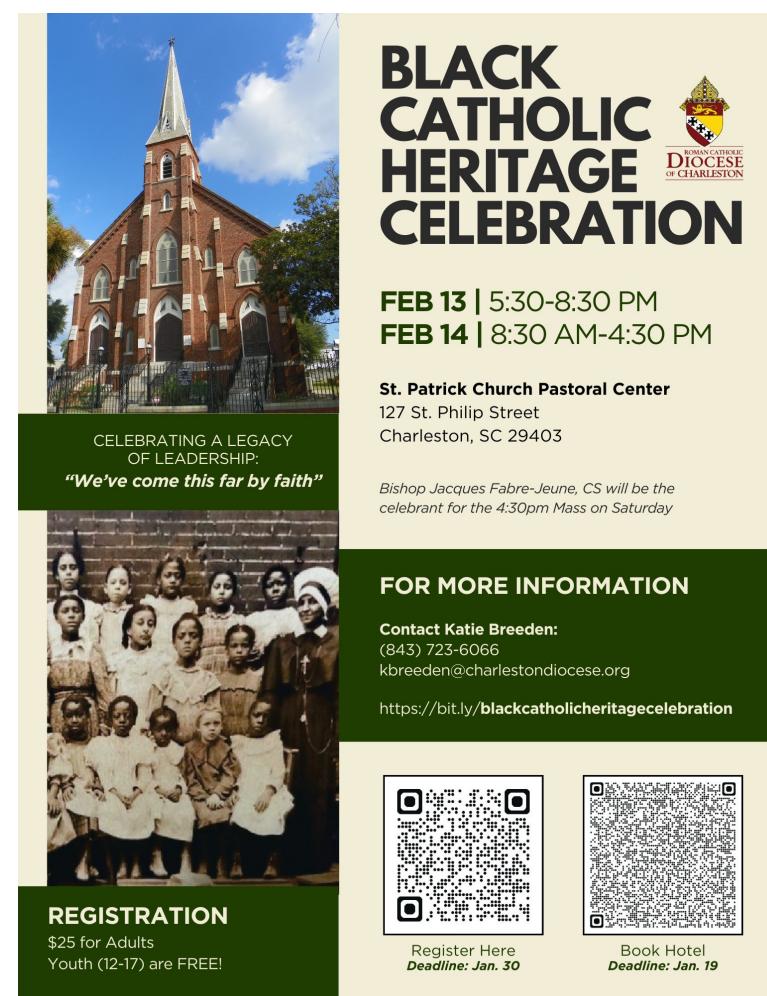

AMAZON GIFT REGISTRY


Scan to Donate here

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.



BLACK CATHOLIC HERITAGE CELEBRATION
ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF CHARLESTON

FEB 13 | 5:30-8:30 PM
FEB 14 | 8:30 AM-4:30 PM

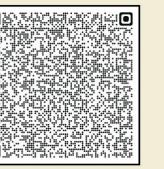
St. Patrick Church Pastoral Center
127 St. Philip Street
Charleston, SC 29403

CELEBRATING A LEGACY OF LEADERSHIP: “We’ve come this far by faith”

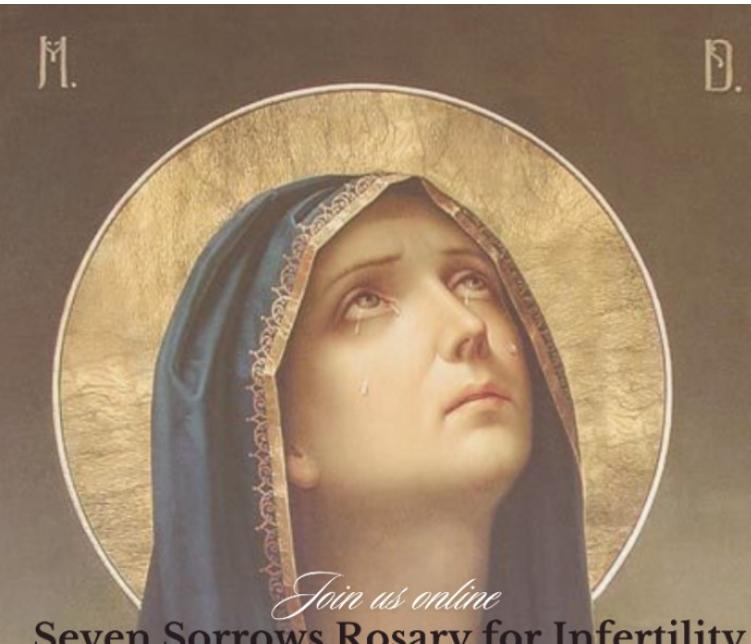
Bishop Jacques Fabre-Jeune, CS will be the celebrant for the 4:30pm Mass on Saturday

FOR MORE INFORMATION
Contact Katie Breeden:
(843) 723-6066
kbreeden@charlestondiocese.org
<https://bit.ly/blackcatholicheritagecelebration>


REGISTRATION
\$25 for Adults
Youth (12-17) are FREE!


Register Here
Deadline: Jan. 30

Book Hotel
Deadline: Jan. 19



Join us online
Seven Sorrows Rosary for Infertility
EVERY FIRST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH

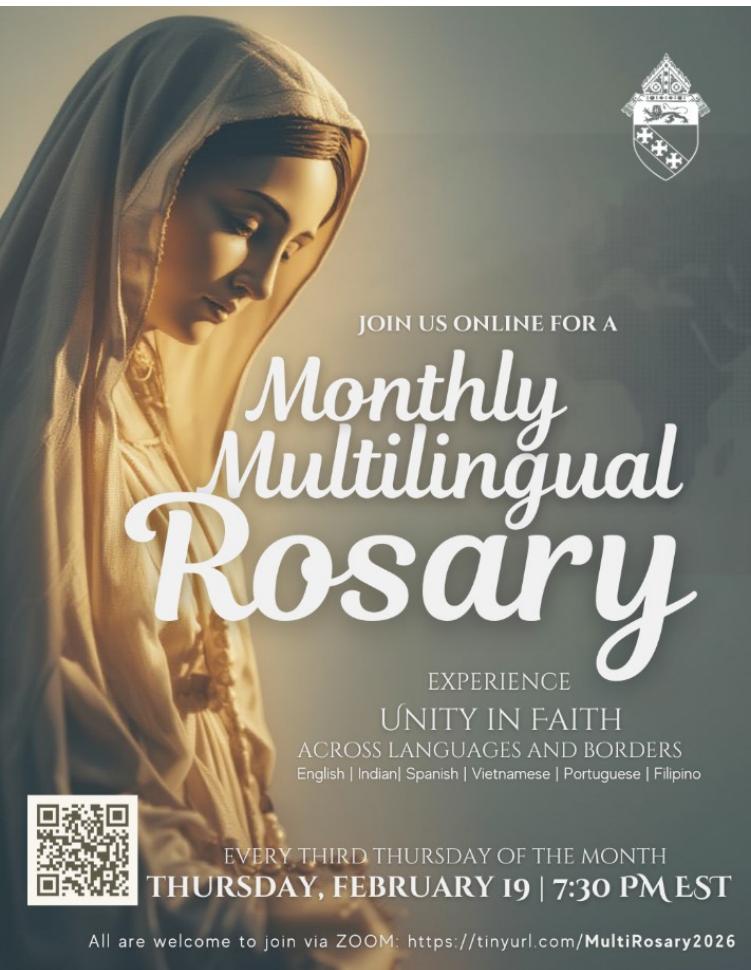
"The prayer itself was the most relevant. It was the first time I've heard it and was very powerful. It made me feel comfortable" - AF

February 3, 2026 | 7:30 PM (EST)

Join via ZOOM: <https://tinyurl.com/1stTueSevenSorrow>



HOPE PRAYER CONNECT INITIATIVE
Be a HOPE couple to request prayers- <https://tinyurl.com/HOPEprayrequest>
Be a HOPE prayer intercessor -<https://tinyurl.com/HOPEIntercessor>



JOIN US ONLINE FOR A

Monthly Multilingual Rosary

EXPERIENCE
UNITY IN FAITH
ACROSS LANGUAGES AND BORDERS
English | Indian | Spanish | Vietnamese | Portuguese | Filipino

EVERY THIRD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19 | 7:30 PM EST

All are welcome to join via ZOOM: <https://tinyurl.com/MultiRosary2026>



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 cleaner, mop, broom/dustpan, laxter gloves, individually packaged foods (nutri 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@uwaylscsc.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@uwaylscsc.org, en inglés.

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 llegada. 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

Be the Face of Christ: Join Our Usher Ministry

Are you looking for a simple yet profound way to serve our parish family in 2026? We are seeking enthusiastic individuals to join our team of Ushers!

This is a wonderful opportunity for individuals and families to serve together with a minimal time commitment. Contact the Parish Office regarding the background & credit check and safe environment training required.

"Welcome one another, then, as Christ welcomed you, for the glory of God." – Romans 15:7

El Grupo de Oración se reune **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@charlestondiocese.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@charlestondiocese.org. Las solicitudes de oración se envían por correo electrónico los lunes.

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.

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.