

TRANSFIGURATION CATHOLIC CHURCH

"Lord, how good it is that we are here."

January 21, 2024

Rev. Msgr. James L. LeBlanc Pastor

Deacon John Tempesco Deacon David Shinn

Sunday Mass:

Saturday at 4:00 p.m. Sunday at 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Daily Mass:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday at 6:00 p.m. & Wednesday at 4:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Tuesdays
5:00 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.
Saturdays
3:00 p.m.–3:45 p.m. & by Appointment

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Call the Office-(803) 735-0512

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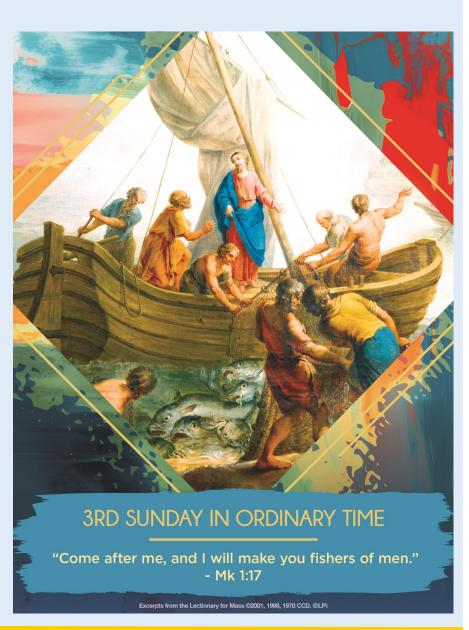
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The Sanctuary is located at the corner of Wilson Boulevard and North Pines Road.

Our Parish Office is open Monday-Friday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. We are located in the white farmhouse at 9720 Wilson Blvd.

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		Parish Activities
Sunday, January 21	9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Elementary Religious Ed. K4-5th (Lg ClassrmPLC, Tan & Blue Bldgs.) Confirmation Class (RBB) Youth Group Grades 6th-12 (RBB) RCIA (Large Classroom—PLC)
Monday, January 22	6:30 p.m.	Layer Cursillo Grouping (Conference Room—PLC)
Tuesday, January 23	5:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	Evans Cursillo Grouping (Small Classroom—PLC) Men's Cursillo Grouping (Large Classroom—PLC)
Wednesday, January 24	4:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Children's Choir Practice (Small Classroom—PLC) Service Committee Meeting (Large Classroom—PLC)
Thursday, January 25	7:00 p.m.	Youth Bible Study (RBB)
Friday, January 26	6:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group (PLC)
Saturday, January 27	7:00 p.m.	Trivia Night (PLC)
Sunday, January 28	9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Elementary Religious Ed. K4-5th (Lg ClassrmPLC, Tan & Blue Bldgs.) Confirmation Class (RBB) Youth Group Grades 6th-12 (RBB) RCIA (Large Classroom—PLC)

Parish Directory

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Service Committee	Russ Foss	(404) 518-0323
Ushers	Kevin Cunningham	(847) 691-5897
Youth Ministry (6th-12th)	Mary Beth Vernau	(803) 814-6214

Our Pastoral Council

Our Pastoral Council advises Father and works with him to develop the overall goals and priorities of the parish. It also seeks to help maintain healthy communication within the parish. Members are appointed by Father Jim and currently include:

Greg Arling	Tracy Hair	Gary Matthews
Patty Evans	Karen Hanson	Deacon John Tempesco
Russ Foss	Ed Hogue	Mary Beth Vernau

Share Your Talent!



Cemetery
Clean-Up Day
February 17, 2024
8:00 a.m.—Noon



Join your fellow parish-

ioners at St. Patrick's Cemetery, 1200 Mason Rd, Columbia, SC, for a clean-up day on Saturday, February 17th. Bring your favorite yard tools. Come when you can; Leave when you need to. Questions? Call Bob Wagner at (803) 629-2978.

Vocations Chalice This program is for everyone!

This is an invitation to all parishioners to participate in the Vocations Chalice Program by taking the Chalice home with you for a week of prayer. Having the Vocations Chalice in your home is a powerful, visual reminder of our faith. The prayer booklet is a helpful guide of prayers for all vocations and our personal, spiritual journey. The journal is an opportunity to share your experience with others. Please choose to sign up now! You may sign up on the SignUpGenius.com website, using this link: https://www.signupgenius.com/ go/5080c44aeab2aabfe3-vocations1, or please ask the sacristan or an usher before or after Mass to sign you up. You can also scan the QR code below. This program is for everyone. You should return the Chalice. booklet and journal in the case the following week at the same Mass time as when you received it. If you have questions, please contact

Bob Wagner, 803-629-2978, rswag1971@gmail.com; or Kathy Cunningham, 847-691-5899,

kathy.cunningham@pm.me

Vocations Chalice Schedule

Weekend	4:00 p.m. Mass	8:00 a.m. Mass	10:30 a.m. Mass
Jan 13/14	_	Shubnell Family	Anderson Family
Jan 20/21	Family Needed	Family Needed	Hanson Family



Embrace Your Faith!

(Week 3 of ordinary time) Jan 22-28 Week 9

Exhortation/Encouragement

Love is to desire the "Good" of another and to do what you can to make it so. God loves you with a perfect, self-forgetting love.

Doctor of the Church: Saint Francis de Sales (Jan. 24)

When one puts all his care on God, and rests wholly upon Him, being careful, meanwhile, to serve Him faithfully, God takes care of him; and the greater the confidence of such a one, the more the care of God extends over him; neither is there any danger of its failing, for God has an infinite love for those souls that repose in Him.----St. Francis de Sales

Doctor of the Church: Saint Thomas Aguinas (Jan. 28)

When you see anyone who desires esteem and honors and avoids contempt, and who, when contradicted or neglected, shows resentment and takes it ill, you may be sure that such a one, though he were to perform miracles, is very far from perfection, for all his virtue is without foundation.---St. Thomas Aquinas

Virtue for January - Perfection

I wish I could persuade spiritual persons that the way of perfection does not consist in many devices, nor in much cogitation, but in denying themselves completely and yielding themselves to suffer everything for love of Christ. And if there is failure in this exercise, all other methods of walking in the spiritual way are merely a beating about the bush, and profitless trifling, although a person should have a very high contemplation and communication with God.

--St. John of the Cross

"May these words from God's holy saints edify us and bring us into more perfect union with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Offertory	Amount
Sunday Collection for January 14	\$8,235.30
Weekly Budget Needs	\$8,600.00
Fiscal Year-to-Date Total	\$237,887.67
Year-to-Date Budget Needs	\$249,400.00
Surplus/Shortfall-to-Date	(\$11,512.33)
Second Collectio	n
Capital Campaign	\$2,872.00

Catholic School Tuition Support

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Signs from God Miracles and Their Meaning Friday, March 1st 7:00 pm - 9:30 pm

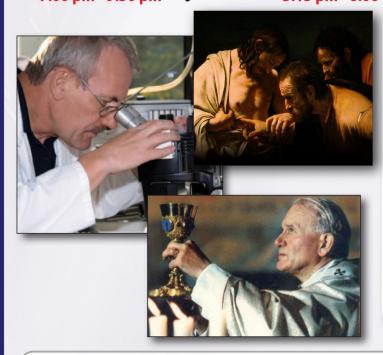
The Power of a Mothers Prayer

How my mother prayed me back in the Church

Saturday, March 2nd

5:15 pm - 6:00 pm

Signs from God Miracles
 and Their Meaning
 Sunday, March 3rd
 12:30 pm - 3:00 pm



Can miracles stand up to the test of science?

- Exclusive film footage of a stigmatist who bleeds from her hands, feet, and head. Are these the wounds of Christ? What does science have to say?
- A consecrated Communion Host becomes living flesh and blood. Is it heart tissue? What does science have to say?
- A scientist (former atheist), an attorney and a famous TV Journalist witness statue of Jesus weeping real tears and shedding real blood. Are these claims true? What does science have to say?

Transfiguration Catholic Church is hosting an **EVENT** for everyone in the area. If you have an "I will believe it when I see it" attitude, don't miss this event!

"Put it this way-this is either the biggest hoax of the 20th Century, in which case it would have to be a fairly huge conspiracy, or the most important moment of the century, if not the whole millennium."

Alastair Thompson New Zealand journalist

Transfiguration Catholic Church 306 N Pines Rd. Blythewood, SC 29016

For detailed information go to www.ScienceTestsFaith.com/SC

Friday and Sunday are the Same Presentation

The Columbiettes Corner



The News and Happenings of the Transfiguration Columbiettes Council 13713

Visit the Columbiettes Website – https://columbiettes13713.org





Valentine's Day is Coming!

John reminds us to "Love one another as He has loved us."

The Columbiettes will again be selling gifts **after each Mass on the weekend of February 10th and 11th.** Single long-stemmed roses, jewelry, stuffed animals, toys and candy for kids of all ages, nuts, household items, and more. Most items are priced at \$5-7.00. Bring some joy to the loves in your life and support the Columbiettes!

Retirees Luncheon - January 31st

The Columbiettes are hosting the second Retirees Luncheon on Wednesday, January 31, 2024 - from 12 Noon to 2:00 p.m. Sign-ups to attend will be available after all Masses on the weekend of January 20-21. A variety of soups, chilis, stews, breads, and desserts will be served. We hope those who joined us in October will spread the word to others to come and join in fellowship, fun, and food.



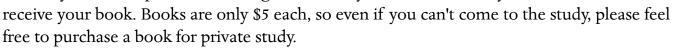
Trivia Night is Saturday, January 27, 2024

Don't miss Trivia Night! Please look for details in another article in this bulletin!

Join Us For a Lenten Study—February 13—March 19, 2024

There will be a Lenten Book study on "I Thirst: 40 Days with Mother Teresa" meeting on Tuesday evenings 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. from February 13th until March 19th in the Conference Room. A light supper will be served.

Based on Mother Teresa's understanding of God's thirst (love) for us, this powerful book makes a wonderful preparation for Easter. Please join us Tuesday, February 13 at 6:30 p.m. to watch a great video by Fr. Michael Gaitley and to



Learn more about the book here: https://ithirst.augustineinstitute.org/optin22620298

Call or email the office to register for the class or reserve a book: 803.735.0512 or vshealy@charlestondiocese.org.

"Ironically, in a world supposedly overflowing with self-esteem, many, many people cannot believe that "God thirsts" for them. This little book makes a convincing scriptural case that it is true! And moves us to love God, ourselves, and others better because of it. It is a perfect gem of spiritual reading." Helen M. Alvaré, Professor of Law The Antonin Scalia Law School at George Mason University



Trivia Night! - Saturday, January 27, 2024! Doors open at 6:15 p.m. We will begin at 7:00 p.m.



We have a couple of tables available if you haven't yet registered!

<u>For registered participants</u>: you will receive an email this week with more detailed information about Saturday night.

This is a potluck-style event. Bring your favorite dish to share, and bring all of your own beverages. We will not have any drinks, (including water) available for purchase. (We will have ice, cups, plates, napkins, and silverware available.)

For more information or to register, please contact Kathy Cunningham at 847-691-5899 or email klcunningham@protonmail.com.



The Archdiocese of Washington, D.C., is sponsoring "The Way" retreats for survivors of abuse. Each offers a path forward for survivors of all forms of abuse (physical, emotional, and/or sexual) to reflect on God's plan for their lives and for healing through prayer and the sacraments.

The men's retreat will take place January 26-28, and the women's retreat will be April 26-28. There is no cost for the retreat. For more information, visit adw.org/the-way-retreat. To register, email Deb McDonald: mcdonald@adw.org. All inquiries are strictly confidential.



New Nursing/Changing Station

We are happy to announce that we have a new nursing and changing station located in the small classroom.

This area has a nice padded changing table equipped with baby wipes and a variety of diaper sizes. There is also a comfy rocking chair, ottoman and boppy to help with all your nursing needs.

Special thanks to the Sukany family for their generous donation that made this lovely and functional space a reality and to Dr. Denise Rudell for shopping for all the necessary baby items.

Bicentennial Beholding His Glory - BHG #1 & BHG #2 **Capital Campaign Update** at December 31, 2023 Our Pledge Goal for BHG #2 (Bicentennial) Campaign \$1,500,000.00 \$1,097,471.12 Total Pledged So Far 12/31/2023 \$402,528.88 Pledges Yet Needed to Reach Our Goal! Number of Families Registered 327 Number of Donors 272 17% Percentage of Families Not Yet Participating \$1,063,831.42 TOTAL Gifts Received 12/31/2023 \$253,125.00 Total Gifts Designated to the Diocese's Bicentennial Campaign paid in full TOTAL Gifts Designated to our BHG #2 Capital Campaign 12/31/2023 \$810,706.42 TOTAL Gifts Designated to our BHG #1 Capital Campaign 12/31/2023 \$1,502,847.40 Total Interest Earned in Parish Savings 12/31/2023 \$91,176.60 12/31/2023 TOTAL Gifts to BHG #1 + #2 - Diocesan Campaign + Interest \$2,404,730.42 Total Construction Costs Paid from 2017 through 1/21/2021 1,785,269.71 Total Funds Now On Hand in our Parish Savings 12/31/2023 \$619,460.71

100% of all funds donated to our Capital Campaign are deposited into our Diocesan Capital Campaign Savings Account earning 2.75% APR. These funds are immediately available to us when we determine our 600-seat sanctuary is needed.



Saturday, February 24, 2024 Belonging Catholic Conference for Women 8:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.—St. Joseph's School—Greenville, SC

This is a conference for Catholic women of all ages! Many ladies from Transfiguration attend and always come back with wonderful stories of fellowship and enlightenment. They offer workshops—including a Spanish track, demonstrations, confession, adoration, the rosary, and a host of great vendors. This year's conference also features:



Rev. Jacques Fabre-Jeune, CS, was appointed by Pope Francis as Bishop of Charleston. He is a vowed cleric of the religious order the Missionaries of St. Charles, or Scalabrinian Fathers, and became the 14th Ordinary for the diocese. He will be serving Mass for us in the morning.



Sr. Virginia Joy entered the Sisters of Life in 2009. The Sisters of Life are a contemplative active community that take a 4th vow to protect and enhance the sacredness of human life. Sister is a native of South Carolina and she currently serves in Manhattan as the Director of the Respect Life office for the Archdiocese of New York. Sister has also served in the community Visitation Mission working with vulnerable pregnant women in need and in the Vocations mission. Sister will be giving two keynote presentations.



American modern folk singersongwriter Maria Miller who often blends a mesh of modern folk, pop and country. Earlier in her career, her song "Cold" charted on Christian music charts. Her first single from the EP, "You're Not Alone" was

supported by CMT and VH1, and was downloaded over 100,000 times on Amazon.com. Miller's second single "6'2" was featured on ABC's Dancing with the Stars.Both singles "6'2" and "You're Not Alone" received extensive airplay on SiriusXM channel's The Pulse, The Blend, and 200n20. Miller performed for Pope Francis at the Festival of Families in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. As a devoted Catholic, she often sings songs of prayer and healing. Check out her music at https://www.mariemillermusic.com/ Marie will be performing a concert to close the conference.

Click Here To Register!

www.heartridgeministries.com/belonging.html#/

Catholic Women's Day



at the State Capitol

Visit with us at the State House to:

- Learn about the legislative process
- meet with Catholic officials
- Speak with your local representative and senator
- Advocate for pro-Catholic legislation
- Engage in fellowship with Catholic women from around the state

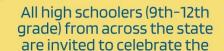
RSVP is required:

akelley@charlestondiocese.org



More information:

sccatholicconference.org



33rd Annual HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH CONFERENCE

March 9-10, 2024

"And do this, understanding the present time: The hour has already come for you to wake up from your slumber, because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed."

2024 Theme - Romans 13:11

KEYN() IE SPEAKERS



Sister Josephine Garrett, CSFN

Sister Josephine was raised Baptist and entered the Catholic Church in 2005. In November 2011, she began formation to become a religious sister and professed final vows as a Sister of the Holy Family of Nazareth in 2020. She is a licensed counselor, serving at a school in Tyler, Texas, and also in private practice. She has served vocations ministry and nationally as a speaker for youth and young adult events.



Bishop Jacques Fabre-Jeune, CS

Bishop Fabre is a vowed cleric of the religious order the Missionaries of St. Charles, or Scalabrinian Fathers. He became the 14th bishop for the Diocese of Charleston when he was ordained and installed on May 13, 2022. He will celebrate Mass for us on Sunday morning and speak after.

FEATURED ARTIST



Josh Blakesly

Josh makes music that moves people to prayer and action. He has been featured on Sirius XM, EWTN's Life on the Rock, KLOVE, and has performed with a variety of Christian artists. He has worked with the Franciscan University of Steubenville, Life Teen Intl. and more, and is a music ministry coordinator at his parish.

DETAILS HERE:

For: All registered members of Lifeteen
(9-12th grades & Confirmation students asked to
attend as part of their formation)
Cost: \$150 (includes registration, housing, meals & tshirt) - financial assistance available
Deadline to Register: February 14th (after that the
cost increases to \$170)

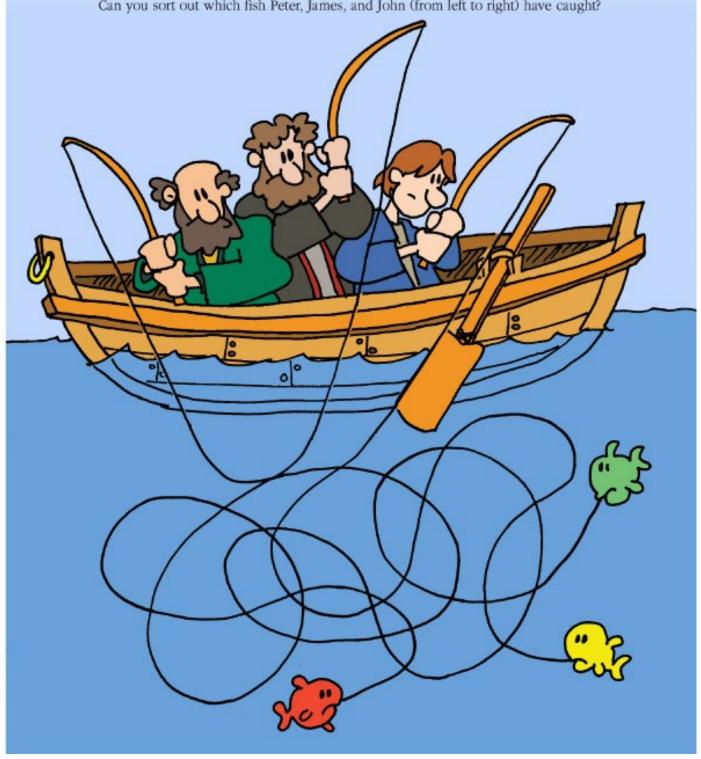
Information packets, including Registration Forms, have been emailed to Youth Group families!

Transfiguration Kids Corner

Fishers of Men

BY ARIE VAN DE GRAAF

Before they were Apostles of Jesus Christ, Peter, James, and John were fishermen. Can you sort out which fish Peter, James, and John (from left to right) have caught?



Worship, Intentions & Prayers



The Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sunday, January 21

Mass Intentions of the Parish 8:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m. Mass Mimi Shinn[†] by Charles & Sharon Cammisa

Monday, January 22—Day of Prayer for the legal protection of unborn children

Eucharistic Adoration 5:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m. Daily Mass **Intentions of Cecil Morrell** by the Shealy Family

Tuesday, January 23—Saint Vincent & Saint Marianne Cope

5:00 p.m. **Eucharistic Adoration**

6:00 p.m. Daily Mass Kimberly Kay Wagner Picciuolo⁺ by the Wagner Family

Wednesday, January 24—Saint Francis de Sales

4:00 p.m. Daily Mass

5:30 p.m. Daily Mass—St. Theresa's

Thursday, January 25—The Conversion of Saint Paul The Apostle

5:00 p.m. **Eucharistic Adoration**

6:00 p.m. Daily Mass Marie Brock⁺ by Jim & Fay Cook

Friday, January 26—Saint Timothy & Saint Titus

5:00 p.m. **Eucharistic Adoration**

6:00 p.m. Daily Mass

Saturday, January 27

3:00 p.m. **Eucharistic Adoration**

3:00 p.m. Reconciliation

4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass John O'Halloran, Jr.+ by Trish Mozdzierz

6:00 p.m. Mass—St. Theresa's

The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dt 18:15-20: Ps 95:1-9: 1 Cor 7:32-35: Mk 1:21-28

Sunday, January 28

8:00 a.m. Mass Intentions of the Parish 10:30 a.m. Mass Dr. Paul Goetowski⁺

by the Wallick Family

Please Pray for the Healing & Safety of Our Loved Ones

Prayer Line Ministry—Jessica Sisco Moore - (803) 477-6255 or jesskah.moore@gmail.com

Prayer for Service & Safety

Lord, we thank you for those who serve daily whether here or abroad and ask that You protect them from harm, give them courage to persevere, and bring them home safely.

Amen



For the healing of...Tom Aiken, Dave Anderson, Fred Branham, Moses Branham, Alex Bringle, Amy Brown, Enrique Caballero Jr., Mary Cammisa, Bill Campbell, Michael Cannon, Mary Causey, Mr. Clark, David Coble, Frank Daresta, Jr., Sherry Haggerty, Kenny Jackson, Kristi Jarvis, Debbie & Ward Johnson, Zachary Komen, Noah Langan, Amy Leonard, Rosie & Robert Leonard, Boyd Marivittori, Kenny Martin, Ava Claire Mates, Patrick McLeod, George Mori, Lib & Ernie Neumeister, Sherri Nichols, Misti Welch Post, Jimmy Phillips, Charlotte Reed, Linda Roush, Dave Strominger, Dick Strominger, Rex & Beth Taylor, Deborah Thomas, Connie Turgeon, Travis Spires, Pat Von Plinsky, & the Wallick Family.

For the safety of.... Robert Furgal, Rachel Graham, Reuben Paul, Alex Piccuiolo, Will Smarr, Danika Verna, all first responders, law enforcement, missionaries, military personnel and their families serving at home and in hazardous locations around the world.



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