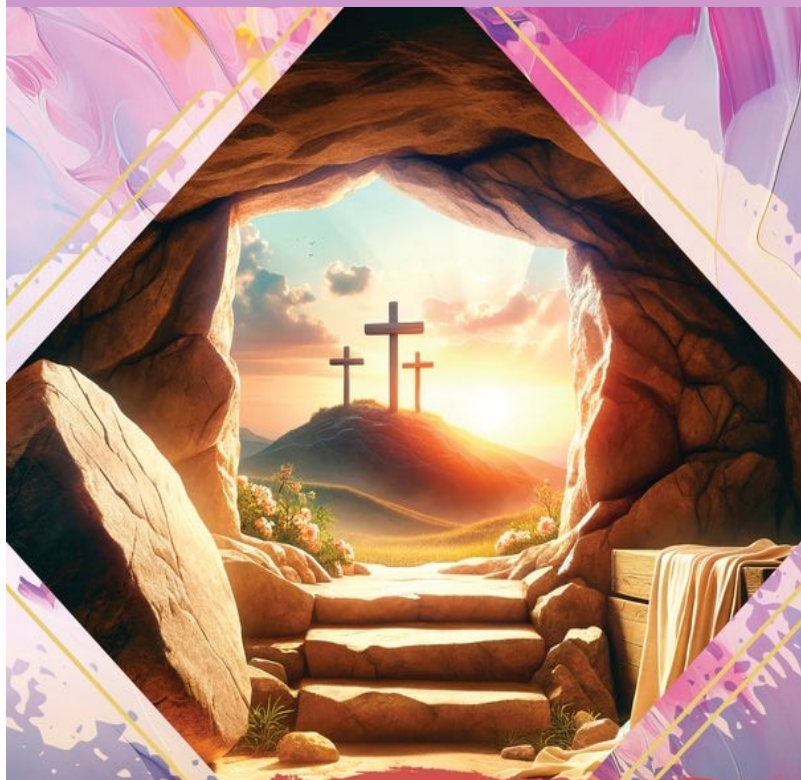




ST MARY OF THE ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH

SUNDAY, APRIL 20 2025– EASTER SUNDAY



EASTER SUNDAY

They found the stone rolled away from the tomb.
- Lk 24:2

DOMINGO DE PASCUA

Encontraron que la piedra ya había sido
retirada del sepulcro. - Lc 24, 2

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Mission Statement

St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Church, Anderson SC was founded in 1943 by the Franciscans of the Holy Name Province, New York. The intention then and today, was and is to, in the spirit of Jesus Christ and St. Francis, minister in and with the African American Catholic community and to reach out to the African Americans of Anderson County. Furthermore, all who come to St. Mary's from whatever background and ethnicity with a desire for Christian family will be regarded as brothers and sisters to us. We also see ourselves as called to live in Gospel relationship to the alienated and the poor of this community.

The Holy Father's prayer intention for the month of April 2025

For the use of new technologies

Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times.

Mass Schedule

Sunday: 9 A.M. (English) 12:30 P.M. (Español)
Tuesday - Friday: 8 A.M. (English)
Wednesday & Friday: 7 P.M. (Español)
Saturday: 4 P.M. (English)
Confessions: 1/2 hour before each Mass.
Holy Hour/Adoration: Thursdays (all day)

Food Pantry

Drop off any non-perishable food items in the church or parish hall bin. The following are food supplies we need to restock:

- Boxes of cereal
- Canned Beans
- Ramen Noodles

THANK YOU

Parish Chorus Practice
Thursdays at 6:00 pm
HeatherJCHiley@gmail.com
Heather Brown, Music Director

Would you like to be an altar server?

Being an Altar Server, means serving God and God's people at Mass. This liturgical ministry is open to those to who have made their First Holy Communion.

Altar Servers assist the priest during Mass. There is no age limit

Homebound Ministry Visitation Available

This ministry, through volunteer effort, visits residences, nursing facilities and other home situations of parish members. Reasons for visits range from providing spiritual support to a friendly visit to someone who just wants to make a new friend.

The goal is to offer parishioners an encounter with other parishioners to experience God's goodness through the kindness of others. Any questions please contact:
officesma@charlestdiocese.org

Weekly Collections

April 12-13
Operating: \$ 8680
B&G: \$ 25
Food Pantry: \$ 50

Knights of Columbus

We are a Catholic men's organization serving our parish and community through donations of funds and time.

Anyone interested in finding out more can call Mike Massey at
864-314-3622.

Women's Council

3rd Monday of the month - 5:30 P.M. Parish Hall

The Women Council is a ministry of service to the parish and community. All women in the church are welcome.

Men's Club

1st Wednesday of the month - 5:30 P.M. Parish Hall

The Men's Club was organized as a fellowship for the men in the parish. All men in the church are welcome.

ST. MARY'S PRAYER WARRIORS

Calling all Prayer Warriors and those in need of intercessory prayers! Anyone can pray. You don't have to have transportation or attend a meeting. You just have to be willing to add the names of those requesting love and your help to your daily prayers.

Prayer requests should include the person's name, the specific prayer request or just that he/she needs prayers. All intentions will be confidential within the prayer group. We will pray for each person every day for a week unless the petition is requested for a longer period.

Please contact Judy Hanson at jahans1010@gmail.com if you would like to be a SMA Prayer Warrior or if you or a loved one is in need of our prayers.

If you would like to place an announcement on the bulletin please send it to the parish office by Wednesday 12 noon for approval.

"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

He went about doing good
and healing all those oppressed by the devil,
for God was with him. (Acts 10:38)

Psalm:

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.
Or: Alleluia. (Ps 118)

Second Reading:

If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above,
where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. (Col 3:1)

Gospel:

So she ran and went to Simon Peter
and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved,
and told them,
"They have taken the Lord from the tomb,
and we don't know where they put him." (Jn 20:2)

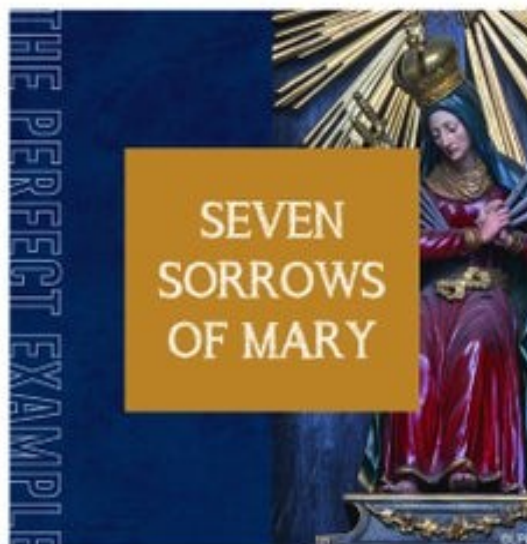
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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

There is an invitation in the empty tomb and the abandoned burial cloths. What great things could we accomplish, if we only believe that Christ has conquered death? Go forth this Easter season, boldly embracing the hope of the resurrection.

Observances for the week of April 20, 2025

Sunday: Easter Sunday
Monday: Monday within the Octave of Easter
Tuesday: Tuesday within the Octave of Easter; Earth Day
Wednesday: Wednesday within the Octave of Easter;
Administrative Professionals' Day
Thursday: Thursday within the Octave of Easter
Friday: Friday within the Octave of Easter; Arbor Day
Saturday: Saturday within the Octave of Easter
Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)



Devotions, *Explained!*

The Seven Sorrows of Mary helps us to unite our own sufferings with those of Jesus, following Mary's perfect example, as we meditate upon the great sufferings endured by Our Lord and his Blessed Mother.

Prayer for Easter

Blessed be God who has triumphed over the grave!
Our Lord is victorious!
Alleluia, alleluia!
May the joy of Easter fill every part of our lives!
Amen.

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of April 20, 2025

Sunday:

Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/
Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12

Monday:

Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8,
9-10, 11/Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday:

Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/
Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday:

Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/
Lk 24:13-35

Thursday:

Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/
Lk 24:35-48

Friday:

Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24,
25-27a/Jn 21:1-14

Saturday:

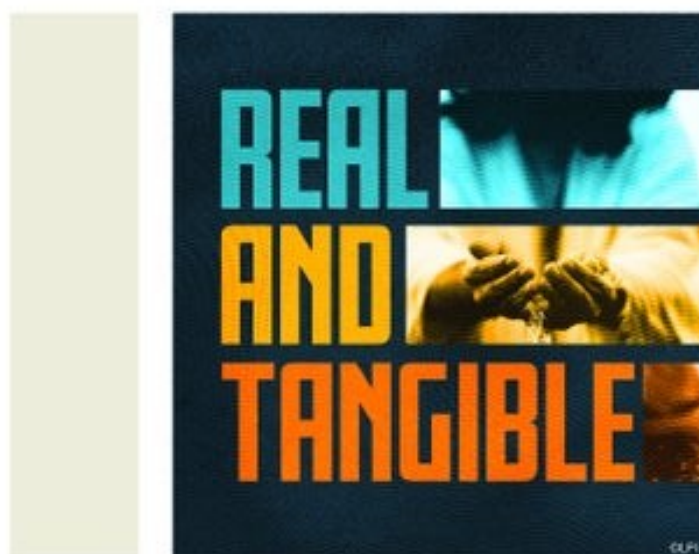
Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18,
19-21/Mk 16:9-15

Next Sunday:

Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)/
Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

When I was a young boy, my parents told me about their wedding. Then a few years later, they showed me my mother's wedding dress and my dad's suit. It was astonishing to see and touch garments that connected me to the event that led to my existence. Of course, I already believed they were married based on their word. But these holy garments made the event real and tangible for me.

Something like this is at play when St. John reports encountering in Jesus' tomb, **"the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place" (John 20:7)**. Those two separate cloths, for his head and for his body respectively, meant a great deal to St. John and to the early Christians. Some years after the resurrection, there surfaced reports of two cloths with unusual characteristics, one bearing the image of a crucified man's body, another smaller one with the image of a wounded man's face. Some call them the Shroud of Turin and the Veil of Manoppello; they both can be seen today.

These two cloths have a long and complicated history, and scholars debate aspects of them. If you're curious, I encourage you to read about them. To be clear, I believe in the resurrection of Jesus because of the testimony of eyewitnesses and the gift of faith in the Church. Nevertheless, seeing these two mysterious cloths have made the life-giving event of Jesus' resurrection more real and tangible for me. Maybe they will for you, too.

— Father John Muir

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

Mini Reflection: Everybody's trying to find God. They may not admit it. They may not even know it. But the search defines them, and it defines us.

The Search

Everybody's trying to find God. They may not admit it. They may not even know it. They may talk around it, shy away from saying the name, both to others and to themselves: God. But I know for a fact that every person who was ever born into this world spent their lives searching for Him - somewhere, somehow, even if the only place they thought to look was in money or drugs.

It's a comforting fact, really — a reminder of how alike we all are. Catholic, Jewish, Muslim, atheist, rich, poor, Black, white. When it comes right down to it, the history of humanity is a never-ending Easter morning scene that plays in perpetuity. The sorrow, the shock, the confusion. Again and again, as each newborn baby opens his eyes, the search begins anew. *Where did he go? What has happened? Where can I find him?*

Catechesis isn't enough. Even those who learn about Jesus Christ, who accept his word, hang hesitantly outside the tomb, afraid to go in. Jesus' best friend — the disciple whom he loved — ran faster than Peter, so desperate he was to find his Lord. But when he got to the tomb and saw it empty, he got spooked. He froze.

Sometimes, we expect God to be right where we left Him — in a certain parish, with a certain priest, in a certain relationship, at a certain job. We show up, and we're heartbroken to see that our expectations have been turned upside down. *He's left us*, we think dejectedly, but we're wrong.

There is no one who has been abandoned by God. There are only those who stop looking for Him.

Don't let the empty tombs define you. It's the search that defines you

— Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Catholic Life Explained Question:

How do I discern if a call to do something big is really from God?

Answer:

Each day we face plenty of decisions about following God: whether or not to pray, how to treat people, and how to prioritize our time. Sometimes there can be something much more significant we discern: a vocational call, a promotion at work that requires a move, or a new ministry position at church. In addition to a pro-con list or a cost-benefit analysis, here are a few things to prayerfully consider and to talk over with trusted individuals.

Does it conform to God's will revealed in the Church? God doesn't call us to do something that contradicts the moral law. *Will it encourage spiritual growth?* Sometimes we need to choose between multiple good options. Consider the personal impact on you and others you are responsible for, like family. Other times we might be invited to do good for others, but when we assess our other life commitments, we see that saying yes to this would actually impede our prior responsibilities in the long run. *Does the call seem consistent?* This isn't to say that God won't do something new. Even so, consider if the call is consistent with your gifts and abilities. Can you see a "through-line" so to speak, with how your experiences have led you to this point? *Do others confirm it?* Share your reflections with trusted, insightful confidantes. Have they seen the same things you have, or are they bringing up new points to consider? Humbly add their relevant points to your considerations. *Don't forget your gut.* After you've carefully considered everything in your mind, don't neglect your instincts. Does your heart say yes or no?

Prayer

Jesus, you died and rose from the dead so I can share your life on earth and in heaven. Thank you.

Mission for the Week

I will tell someone that Jesus is alive.

Sharing the Gospel

Mary Magdalene was surprised when she found the empty tomb of Jesus. She ran and told Peter and John that his body was gone. Peter and John ran to the tomb. They found no body, just strips of cloth. One piece was the cloth that covered the face of Jesus. Peter and John knew that Jesus was not in the grave, even though they did not understand what it meant to rise from the dead.

Now color the picture! →

Circle the group in each row that has more. Then color in all the pictures.



INDOOR GARAGE SALE

ST. MARY OF THE ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH

DONATIONS ACCEPTED FOR GARAGE SALE
TUESDAY THROUGH FRIDAY FROM 9:30 AM TO 1:30
PM. PLEASE DROP OFF AT PARISH HALL.

GARAGE SALE WILL BE HELD ON JUNE 28



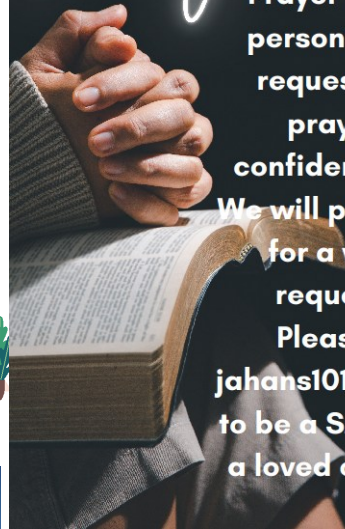
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****MORE DETAILS COMING SOON****



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IN HONOR OF:

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PATRICIA ROSS' GRANDCHILDREN

EASTER SUNDAY

MARY OF MAGDALA
CAME TO THE
TOMB EARLY IN THE
MORNING.

— JOHN 20:1 —

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