



ST MARY OF THE ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH

SUNDAY, APRIL 13, 2025– PALM SUNDAY



PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

“Blessed is the king who comes
in the name of the Lord.”
- Lk 19:38

DOMINGO DE RAMOS DE LA PASIÓN DE CRISTO

“¡Bendito el rey
que viene en el nombre del Señor!”
- Lc 19, 38

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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
- Canned Vegetables

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 5-6
Operating: \$ 9209
B&G: \$ 160
Food Pantry: \$ 80

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.

New Prayer Group "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.

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EMAILS OUT FROM RANDOM EMAIL ADDRESSES. HE
ONLY USES THE DIOCESE ASSIGNED EMAIL
JCALDERON@CHARLESTONDIOCESE.ORG**

"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:

The Lord GOD is my help,
therefore I am not disgraced;
I have set my face like flint,
knowing that I shall not be put to shame. (Is 50:7)

Psalm:

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Ps 22)

Second Reading:

Because of this, God greatly exalted him
and bestowed on him the name
which is above every name. (Phil 2:9)

Gospel:

Then he took the bread, said the blessing,
broke it, and gave it to them, saying,
"This is my body, which will be given for you;
do this in memory of me." (Lk 22:19)

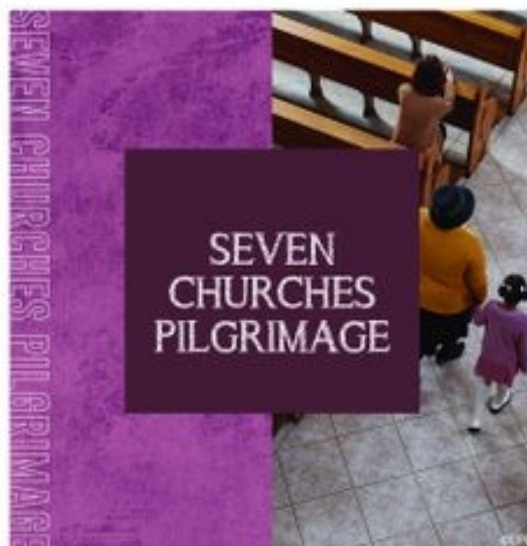
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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

The disciples followed Jesus' careful instructions for his entry to Jerusalem, even though they did not understand his words. Today, we too, look ahead to his arrival. In obedience, let us prepare the way for the King.

Observances for the week of April 13, 2025

Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
Tuesday: Tax Day
Thursday: Holy Thursday
Friday: Good Friday
Saturday: Holy Saturday
Next Sunday: Easter Sunday



Devotions, Explained!

The Seven Churches Pilgrimage is the practice of visiting seven different churches on Holy Thursday, in imitation of the journey of Christ on the eve of his crucifixion, when he asked his disciples to stay with him as he awaited his Passion and death.

Prayer for Holy Week

Dear Lord,
I open my heart to You,
offering every day and night to
You in sacred surrender. I pray
for the grace to accompany
You in a special way this Holy
Week, joining and offering the
trials I encounter on our shared
journey to the cross and to a
victorious hope.
Amen.

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of April 13, 2025

Sunday:

Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/
Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/
Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14-23:56 or 23:1-49

Monday:

Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday:

Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17/
Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday:

Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/
Mt 26:14-25

Thursday:

Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/
Ps 89:21-22, 25 and 27/Rv 1:5-8/Lk 4:16-21

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper:

Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18 (see 1 Cor 10:16)/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

Friday:

Is 52:13-53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25
(Lk 23:46)/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/
Jn 18:1-19:42

Saturday:

Easter Vigil: Gn 1:1-2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 (5b)/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Ex 14:15-15:1/
Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 (1b)/Is 54:5-14/
Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a)/Is 55:1-11/
Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (3)/Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4/
Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 (12a)/Rom 6:3-11/
Lk 24:1-12

Next Sunday:

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



Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

"As he rode along, the people were spreading their cloaks on the road." (Luke 19:36)

Consider how useless it is to spread your clothes on the ground for a donkey to walk on. The clothes get smeared with hooves, and who knows the grimy places where they've been? The animal may leave some unsavory presents on them. They may get stolen by a thief looking to make a buck. The thorns, thistles, rocks and muck of the road will leave stains. The clothes may never be useful again, and you'll probably walk home shivering without your normal covering. Yet this is precisely the gesture the people employ to welcome Jesus and his donkey. Why does this detail matter?

Wastefulness is an essential part of celebration. Consider the unnecessary extravagance of Christmas decorations, confetti and ticker tape parades, baseball players spraying each other with bottles of champagne after a victory, birthday gifts for kids and so on. This wastefulness signals celebration and therefore participation in higher identities (as believers, winners, and parents, to mention the above examples). That's what the wasted cloaks are all about. Those who donate their cloaks participate in Christ's kingship in Jerusalem — and we savor it two thousand years later.

The lesson? Learn how to "waste" money, time, clothes, and food on Christ. We do this at Mass, but in so many other ways, too, like serving the poor, going on retreats, and doing prayerful study. When we practice this holy wastefulness, Jesus will ride into our lives and we'll be more deeply members of his kingdom.

— Father John Muir

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(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

Mini Reflection: I'm Catholic. I'm proud of being Catholic. But is that wordless witness really evangelization?

The Stones Will Cry Out

I have a complicated relationship with evangelization.

I don't think that we (I'm talking about 21st-century American Catholics here) have had much formation around what exactly it means to proclaim the Gospel. We don't know how to do it. We don't really *want* to do it. It sounds kind of scary and awkward. It sounds like knocking on strangers' doors and yelling through the keyhole, "Have you accepted Christ as your Lord and Savior?" It sounds like arguing with friends and family. It sounds like a real pain.

I'm Catholic. I'm proud of being Catholic. I do my Catholic things in my Catholic house throughout my Catholic life. But is that enough?

All Christians are called to "wordless witness" in how they live their lives, writes Paul VI in the apostolic exhortation *Evangelii Nuntiandi* — but this alone, he says, is "insufficient." We must talk about Jesus. We must name him. We must speak of his life, his promises. We must *proclaim* him.

We must be loud enough that a Pharisee would cringe at us.

And yet — and Paul VI acknowledges this — it's not actually evangelization if we do it so badly that nobody listens. If we "impose" truth on someone's conscience instead of "proposing" it. If we make the mistake of thinking there is one singular way to share Christ with the great variety of personalities that exist in this world.

Dear reader, I am running out of column space, and still I have no answers for you, or for myself. I don't know how to do it well. But I know we have to try. We have to pray. We have to reflect. We have to be patient. We have to be humble. We have to remember it's about him and not about us.

Most of all, when we find ourselves confused and retreating into silence, we must remember Christ's words: "If they keep silent, the stones will cry out."

— Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that?

Catholic Life Explained

Question:

Where do Palm Sunday palms come from and where should they go?

Answer:

The Palm Sunday celebration has ancient origins. Beginning the liturgy "outside" the church, we symbolically reenact Christ's entry into Jerusalem. The crowds in ancient Israel waved palm branches — a symbol of royalty — to welcome Jesus. These days, obtaining palms takes a lot of planning and coordination, as hundreds of thousands of churches worldwide need them on the same day! Many in the United States order palms from Florida, California, Texas, or Central America. Many companies stress the sustainability of their production and the just wages paid to their workers.

The palms used on Palm Sunday are blessed at Mass. This means they shouldn't end up in the trash! Many people weave palms into crosses or families display them in their homes. If you do not plan on displaying your palms throughout the year, they should be burned, buried, or left at the church. In the final case, the palms are burned to provide the ashes for next year's Ash Wednesday service.

INDOOR GARAGE SALE

ST. MARY OF THE ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH
INSIDE THE PARISH HALL

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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We are looking for sponsors who are able to donate items for the silent auction that will be held during the gala. If you wish to donate your time, talents or items please contact the parish office.

HOLY WEEK/SEMANA SANTA

Sunday April 13 / Domingo 13 de Abril

PALM SUNDAY / DOMINGO DE RAMOS

REGULAR MASS TIMES

MISA EN HORARIO REGULAR

Thursday April 17 / Jueves 17 de Abril

HOLY THURSDAY / JUEVES SANTO

7:00 pm Bilingual

Friday April 18 / Viernes 18 de Abril

GOOD FRIDAY / VIERNES SANTO

MASS AT 3:00 PM FOLLOWED BY STATIONS OF THE CROSS

MISA A LAS 3:00 PM SEGUIDO POR EL VIA CRUCIS

Saturday April 19 / Sabado 19 de Abril

EASTER VIGIL / SABADO DE GLORIA

7:00 pm Bilingual

Sunday April 20 / Domingo 20 de Abril

EASTER SUNDAY / DOMINGO DE PASCUA

REGULAR MASS TIMES

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FATHER JAIRO CALDERON
SAINT MARY OF THE ANGELS



Save the Date for:



IN HONOR OF OUR PATRON SAINT:
OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS

HOSTED BY FR. JAIRO CALDERON
ST. MARY OF THE ANGELS PARISH HALL
SATURDAY, AUGUST 2, 2025
MORE DETAILS COMING SOON

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

THE MASTER HAS NEED OF IT.

— LUKE 19:31 —



— SUNDAY, APRIL 13, 2025 —