



ST MARY OF THE ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Sunday, September 13, 2026– Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant,
as I had pity on you?” - Mt 18:33-35

24° DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

“¿No debías tú también haber tenido compasión de tu compañero,
como yo tuve compasión de ti?” - Mt 18, 33-35

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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 in New York. The intention then and now is to be a welcoming family of faith where all are invited to encounter Jesus Christ, find a spiritual home, and grow together in love. Nourished by the Eucharist and guided by the Holy Spirit, we seek to worship God faithfully, grow as disciples, strengthen our families, serve those in need, and share the joy and love of the Gospel with all.

The Holy Father's prayer intention for the month of September 2026

For the care of water

Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

Mass Schedule

Sunday: 9:00 am (English) 12:30 pm (Español)

Monday: No Mass

Tuesday: 4:00 pm (English)

Wednesday-Friday: 8:00 am (English)

Wednesday & Friday: 7:00 pm (Español)

Saturday: 4:00 pm (English)

Confessions: 1/2 hour before each Mass.

Holy Adoration: Thursdays after morning Mass until 10 am, Fridays 6-7 pm

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:

- Cans of Spaghetti Sauce
- Plastic Jars of Jelly
- Shelf Stable Milk
- Boxes of Cereal

THANK YOU

Parish Chorus Practice

Thursdays at 6:00 pm

HeatherJCHiley@gmail.com

Heather Brown

Prayer Warriors:

We are a group of parishioners who pray for you, your family, and / or friends.

To join our faith filled ministry or to request prayer, please contact Judy Hanson at 434-944-2636

Kenneth Manuel

Joe Inglema

L. C. Davis

Pennye Rose

Steve Hughes

Susan Wiker

Babies Beckett and Francesca

Scarlet, Jessica, Ashley, George, and Mark

Kris LeCompte

Linda Firner

Renee Rei

Randy Kolb

Rhonda Davis

Lynette Casey

Lori Prine

Roy Mack

Larry Binninger

Betty Mann

Brigitte Weitzig

Agapita Pena Martinez

Father John

Family members of Maria Fritz devastated by the Columbia earthquake and all people affected by floods, landslides and storms.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Sherry and Bill Lentker. May they rest in peace forever, through the mercy of God, Amen.

Weekly Collections

August 29-30, 2026

Operating: \$ 6,467

Buildings and Grounds: \$ 495

Knights of Columbus

We are a Catholic men's organization serving our parish and community through time and support of charitable organizations

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

Hispanic Ministry / Ministerio Hispano

Serves the growing Hispanic/Latino population by providing culturally and linguistically appropriate pastoral care, fostering their engagement and leadership in the Church, and welcoming them into the broader Catholic community. Meetings are once a month on a Thursday.

Meeting dates will be announced.

Women's Council

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

St. Mary of the Angels Women's Council call all Catholic women to come together to lead and serve with a united voice in matters affecting the Catholic welfare, communication, and spiritual growth. We encourage personal talents and support new membership for the benefit of all.

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.

Safe Environment:

Safe Environment/Virtus Program: St. Mary of the Angels Parish is committed to ensuring a safe environment for our children and vulnerable adults and for upholding the "National Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People."

All Volunteers who serve at Masses (Ushers, Lectors, Sacristans, Eucharistic Ministers, Choir) and all parish office, Food Pantry and religious education volunteers must undergo a background screening and complete VIRTUS online training. The parish must receive clearance notification from the Diocese of Charleston prior to a volunteer beginning service.

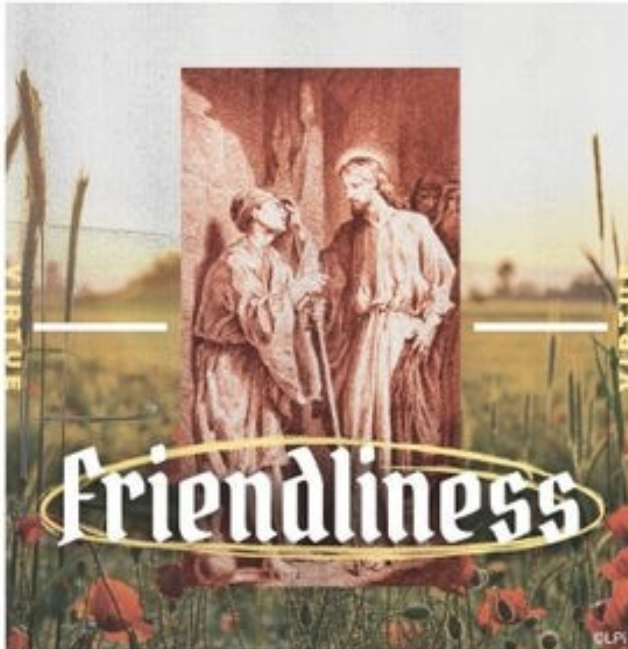
Parish Safe Environment Coordinator: Patricia Binninger, (703-403-5573), or pbinninger@charlestdiocese.org

Diocesan Office of Child Protection Services: Jeniffer Medina, (843) 225-8136

Diocesan Victim Assistance: Mary Nicole Cook (843) 856-0748 or (800) 921-8122 or mcook@charlestdiocese.org

For confidential email: VAC@charlestdiocese.org

Weekly Scripture



Virtues, Explained!

The modern world we all must share seems, in some ways, to be shrinking.

For good or ill, thanks to the internet, the widespread use of social media, and the omnipresence of smartphones, we are finding ourselves interacting frequently with people who live, act, and think differently than we do.

It may well be that the virtue of friendliness, known officially as affability, is more important than ever.

In fact, being attached as it is to the virtue of justice, friendliness is a debt we owe our fellow human beings, writes St. Thomas Aquinas (*Sum.*, II:II, 114, Art. 2). The fact is, we cannot evangelize without kindness. We can see this in the instructions Christ gives his disciples in the Gospel of Matthew: "As you enter a house, wish it peace. If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; if not, let your peace return to you." (Matthew 10:13)

Sunday's Readings

First Reading

Forgive your neighbor's injustice;
then when you pray, your own sins will be
forgiven. (Sir 28:2)

Psalm

The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich
in compassion. (Ps 103)

Second Reading

None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself.
For if we live, we live for the Lord,
and if we die, we die for the Lord. (Rom 14:8)

Gospel

Peter approached Jesus and asked him,
"Lord, if my brother sins against me,
how often must I forgive?

As many as seven times?"

Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but
seventy-seven times." (Mt 18:21-22)

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Live The Liturgy

Inspiration of the Week

We have all been the wicked servant. We
have denied others the same forgiveness
and grace shown to us. This week, let us find
new ways to make the love and mercy of
God manifest in the lives of those we meet.

Worship & Observances

A Blessing for Grandparents

Dear God,
Bless the grandparents in our community.
Stir in them a sense of caring,
thoughtfulness, and kindness toward their
preceding generations. Like St. Anne and St.
Joachim, inspire them to live lives of brave
faith and virtue. Give them and their families
warm memories, happy times, and bright
hope.
Amen.

Readings for the Week of September 13, 2026

Sunday

Sir 27:30-28:7/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Rom 14:7-9/
Mt 18:21-35

Monday

Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38/Phil 2:6-11/
Jn 3:13-17

Tuesday

1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Jn 19:25-27 or
Lk 2:33-35

Wednesday

1 Cor 12:31-13:13/Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 12 and 22/Lk 7:31-35

Thursday

1 Cor 15:1-11/Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28/Lk 7:36-50

Friday

1 Cor 15:12-20/Ps 17:1bcd, 6-7, 8b and 15/Lk 8:1-3

Saturday

1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49/Ps 56:10c-12, 13-14/Lk 8:4-15

Next Sunday

Is 55:6-9/Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/
Mt 20:1-16a



Observances for the Week of September 13, 2026

Sunday

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparent's Day

Monday

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Tuesday

Our Lady of Sorrows

Wednesday

Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

Thursday

St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of
the Church; St. Hildegard of Bingen, Virgin
and Doctor of the Church

Saturday

St. Janarius, Bishop and Martyr

Next Sunday

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catechetical Sunday

Liturgical Life

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples the parable of the wicked servant who failed to forgive the debts of others, despite receiving mercy for his own debt.

Mercy You Can Feel

"You qualify for forgiveness," I heard the woman on the other end of the phone tell me, and I surprised myself by starting to weep.

I had called the hospital system's financial services department to set up a payment plan on a balance I owed after having some unexpected scans and tests. I was hoping to minimize the dent our family's savings took — transform one devastating wallop into a series of more easily absorbed blows, so to speak.

Imagine my surprise when I realized the hospital was pulling its punch. If you have ever had a financial debt forgiven, you know the relief that came over me in that moment.

It wasn't until a little later that the guilt set in. I know so many people who have medical debt. Why was I able to get out of paying, and they were not?

But the cold, hard truth is that I didn't "get out" of anything. My insurance, for which I pay, had given the hospital enough money to cover the true cost of the procedures.

That balance would merely have increased the hospital's profit.

Make no mistake: capitalism does not forgive.

If you describe the Sacrament of Reconciliation to someone unfamiliar with theology, chances are they'll think God is a chump. "You get to go in, say you're sorry, and leave — and everything's just fine?" someone once asked me in disbelief.

Well, yeah. That's forgiveness.

Real mercy cannot be budgeted. It must be given recklessly, extravagantly, against all reason. It must cost the giver. It must scandalize any accountant worth his salt. And no one "qualifies."

If I can't wrap my head around the idea, it might mean I'm stuck in a for-profit paradigm of justice. It might just mean that I need to engage more in real mercy. Mercy I can feel.

-Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman



Kids Corner

Sharing the Gospel

Jesus says to forgive each other seventy times seven or 490 times. That's forgiving once each day for more than a year. Put 490 jelly beans in a gallon "Forgiveness Jug." Each time you forgive someone, eat a jelly bean. When you realize that God has forgiven you, it is easier to forgive others from your heart. God fills you with his love, which is even better than jelly beans. Then you can forgive without holding a grudge.



**Now color
the picture!**

Prayer

Lord, help me forgive other people completely and quickly.

Mission for the Week

I will forgive those who hurt me because God has forgiven me.





VIA FIDELIS:

THE FAITHFUL WAY

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Catechesis

Grow deeper in the knowledge
of our Church's teachings.

2026

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My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

This month's *Via Fidelis* activity is to "Participate in one faith formation opportunity offered by your parish or by the diocese." This could be revisiting OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults), even though you are a cradle Catholic, to sharpen your understanding of the faith. Perhaps join a family-focused retreat or even a single evening of Bible study at your parish. Whatever you choose, the goal is simply to keep growing in the knowledge and love of this treasury of our Catholic faith.

OCIA is designed for you to ask any type of question about Catholicism, maybe one you have been interested to explore deeper for years. The process follows the liturgical season to include reflections that draw us closer to God during Lent and especially leading up to the Paschal season. Through it all, it helps us remember that our formation in the faith is never truly finished. We are all, in some sense, perpetual *catechumens* — a word from Greek meaning "one who is instructed." We are always being shaped and drawn deeper into the mystery of Christ.

As we read in the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, "It is intrinsic to faith that a believer desires to know better the One in whom he has put his faith" (CCC 158). This longing in our hearts manifests as a life in which we continue to seek Jesus at every opportunity.

I encourage you to take up this month's activity with an open and willing heart. Speak with your pastor, investigate what your parish or the diocese is offering, and take that next step on the *Via Fidelis* — the faithful way.

May your efforts this month draw you closer to Christ, "that you may grow in the knowledge of God" (Col 1:10).

In Christ's love,

Most Rev. Jacques Fabre-Jeune, CS
Bishop of Charleston



UNDERSTAND THE FAITH YEAR 2 STUDY GUIDES

Monthly study guides can be used in personal prayer and for small group reflection.

SEPTEMBER 2026

SCRIPTURE

Read Sirach 1:1-30

REFLECT:

1. This passage from Sirach praises wisdom, saying that all wisdom comes from God. What or who do you think of when you think of wisdom? How is God reflected in that example?
2. In this passage, wisdom and fear of the Lord are closely connected. What do you think this means?
3. How can we best position ourselves to be receptive to God's Wisdom in our lives?

READ: A selection from *Via Fidelis* — Learning the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (pg. 30)

As we have called on all members of the Church to take on the work of the Lord Jesus, so we vehemently call on all Catholic Christians to read, study and pray over the Bible. I ask our parishes to walk the *Via Fidelis* and do their best to provide on-going formation in the sacred Scriptures.

Our parishes should be vibrant places where the Word of God is regularly read and studied. Our parishes should make the faithful aware of the many resources that are available to families, including podcasts, books and other catechetical resources.

REFLECT:

1. In this brief selection, the bishop encourages us to bring Scripture to prayer. Why do you think Scripture is such a vital part of a full prayer life?
2. What are some of your favorite Scripture passages to reflect on?
3. How does reflecting on God's Word in Scripture nourish our pursuit of wisdom, as describe by Sirach?



STATEWIDE



96 parishes



20 missions



32 schools



30 seminarians



109 diocesan
priests



16 campus
ministries



85 youth ministry
programs



246 permanent
deacons



8 Catholic Charities
of SC locations

OPTIONS FOR GIVING

Each family is asked to prayerfully consider a contribution in one of the following ways:

- A ONE-TIME GIFT
- A PLEDGE that is payable over 10 months
- An AUTOMATICALLY RECURRING GIFT that continues until you elect otherwise (*must be fulfilled electronically*).

SCAN QR CODE TO DONATE



To make a donation using stocks or mutual funds, please visit our website for instruction: charlestondiocese.org/catholic-appeal

GIFT PLANS TO CONSIDER

(Based on 10-month pledge)

Daily Sacrifice	Monthly Sacrifice	Total Gift
\$32.68	\$1,000	\$10,000
\$16.34	\$500	\$5,000
\$8.17	\$250	\$2,500
\$5.00	\$150	\$1,500
\$2.50	\$75	\$750
\$1.67	\$50	\$500
83¢	\$25	\$250

NOTE: A 10% down payment is encouraged but not required.

His Garden Society

His Garden Society, offers a special way to join the Bishop as he leads the flock. Members of His Garden Society take a leadership role in supporting the Catholic Appeal of South Carolina with an annual gift of \$1,500 or more, or with a recurring monthly gift.

HIS GARDEN SOCIETY GIVING LEVELS

St. Francis Circle	Any monthly recurring gifts
Camellia Circle	\$1,500 - \$4,499
Magnolia Circle	\$5,000 - \$9,999
Azalea Circle	\$10,000+



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October 10, 2026



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Pick up during the Craft Fair
or
After all masses October 10-11

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ANDERSON, SC

- FOOD
- FUN & GAMES
- BIBLE TALK

AGES 13-17
WEDNESDAY
6:30P-8:00P
VOLUNTEERS WELCOME !!

FAITH. FRIENDS. FUN. YOU BELONG.

Parish Finance Council:

**Finance meeting is
scheduled for**

**Thursday, October 1, 2026
in the Parish Hall.**

Following 8 am Mass.

**Everyone is welcome to
attend.**

Message From Parish Finance Council:

Inserted in this weeks bulletin is the finance balance sheet for the period ending July 31st. If you have any questions please email our Parish Finance Council Chairperson:

Barbara Shipman at
bshipman@charlestdiocese.org
or email parish office



HAPPY GRANDPARENT'S DAY!



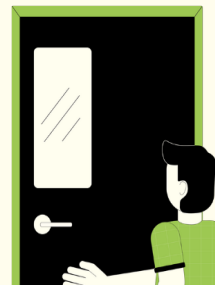
UNDERSTAND THE FAITH | MONTHLY ACTIVITY



September | Fall Faith Opportunities

Participate in one faith formation opportunity offered by your parish or by the diocese.

charlestdiocese.org/via-fidelis



TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MOVED

WITH COMPASSION.

— MATTHEW 18:27 —



— SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2026 —