



ST MARY OF THE ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Sunday November 9, 2025-The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica



THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

His disciples recalled the words of Scripture,
Zeal for your house will consume me. - Jn 2:17

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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 November 2025

For the prevention of suicide

Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

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 9 am to 12 noon, Fridays 6 pm-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:

- Canned Pineapple
- Canned Cranberry Sauce

THANK YOU

Parish Chorus Practice

Thursdays at 6:00 pm

HeatherJCHiley@gmail.com

Heather Brown, Music Director

Bible Study The Sermon on the Mount

*"Do not think that I have come to abolish the law and the prophets;
I have come not to abolish them but to fulfil them." (Matthew 5:17)*

Please join us for a Bible study on selections from Matthew's Sermon on the Mount (Chapters 5-7). Many, many entire books have been written on the Sermon on the Mount and how to live the teachings that Jesus presents. A quick Amazon search finds descriptions like "The key to success in life," "Human flourishing," and "Principles for Kingdom living." In these chapters Jesus proclaims the Beatitudes, the parable of Salt and Light, "Love your enemies," the Lord's Prayer, and many other familiar passages.

We will meet weekly from October 9 through November 20, 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., in the Guadalupe Room in the Parish Hall.

Some questions we will explore:

- How do these teachings of Christ fulfill and expand upon the Old Law?
- What are some deeper meanings found in these readings?
- How do they influence Catholic doctrine and how can we incorporate them into our daily lives?

For more information and to sign up to receive lesson plans before each session, please email Charlie Comberrel at charlie ofs@gmail.com, and include "Bible Study" in the subject line.

We look forward to some lively discussions!

Weekly Collections

November 1-2

Operating: \$ 8,157

B & G: \$ 529

Food Pantry: \$ 1,100

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.

Sirve a la creciente población Hispania/Latina brindandoles atención pastoral y lingüísticamente apropiada. Fomentando su participación y liderazgo en la Iglesia y dandoles la bienvenida a una comunidad Católica mas amplia. Juntas una vez al mes en Jueves. Las fechas para las juntas seran anunciadas.

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.

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

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

Prayer intentions for this week are:

Randy Kolb
Cole Hambidge
Steve Quam
Elvin Young
Baby Francesca
Lenin Flores
Veronica Bueno
Melanie Qualters



Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

Along both banks of the river,
fruit trees of every kind shall grow;
their leaves shall not fade, nor their fruit fail. (Ez 47:12)

Psalm:

The waters of the river gladden the city of God, the holy dwelling of the Most High! (Ps 46)

Second Reading:

Do you not know that you are the temple of God,
and that the Spirit of God dwells in you? (1 Cor 3:16)

Gospel:

Jesus answered and said to them,
"Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." (Jn 2:19)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

"You are the temple of God," Paul tells us.
But in today's Gospel we see how easily even
temple areas become corrupted. Jesus, purge
the greed and selfishness from our hearts.
Make them fit dwellings for your Holy Spirit.

Observances for the week of November 9, 2025

- Sunday:** The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica;
Monday: St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church
Tuesday: St. Martin of Tours, Bishop; Veterans Day
Wednesday: St. Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr
Thursday: St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin
Saturday: St. Albert the Great,
Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Next Sunday: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Devotions, Explained!

Simbang Gabi is a Filipino tradition of nine early-morning votive Masses offered in anticipation of Christmas. Celebrations follow Mass, where delicacies like baked rice cakes and breakfast rolls are enjoyed.

Prayer of Missionary Zeal

Dear Lord,
Give us eyes to see the depth of
grace You provide to Your Church.
May that goodness ignite in us fire
to share the truth of Your mercy
with every soul we encounter.
Amen.

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of November 9, 2025

Sunday:

Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/
1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

Monday:

Wis 1:1-7/Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10/
Lk 17:1-6

Tuesday:

Wis 2:23-3:9/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19/
Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday:

Wis 6:1-11/Ps 82:3-4, 6-7/Lk 17:11-19

Thursday:

Wis 7:22b-8:1/Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135,
175/Lk 17:20-25

Friday:

Wis 13:1-9/Ps 119:1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 18/
Lk 17:26-37

Saturday:

Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Ps 105:2-3, 36-37,
42-43/Lk 18:1-8

Next Sunday:

Mal 3:19-20a/Ps 98:5-6, 7-8, 9 (see 9)/
2 Thes 3:7-12/Lk 21:5-19



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

When I was 22, I entered St. Peter's Basilica for the first time. It floored me. I could hardly take it in, its grandeur, majestic arches, vibrant colors, and the light that danced through its high windows. Somehow, amidst such splendor, I felt an overwhelming sense of belonging, as if I had finally come home.

Jesus reorients how we Catholics see sacred buildings. In today's Gospel he says, **"Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up" (John 2:13-22)**. His riddle implies, shockingly, that his own body is now the fundamental dwelling place of God and humanity. The temple in Jerusalem has been superseded.

In our churches today — whether they mirror the basilica's grandeur or embrace humble simplicity — we experience architectural symbols of Christ's risen body. It is no accident we call them "churches": they make visible in brick-and-mortar Christ's body which is made up of the living stones we call Christians. Each church building, like St. John Lateran in Rome, or St. Peter's, or any other, is meant to be a vibrant sign of Christ's resurrected body. We should cherish and protect our churches as places where heaven touches earth, where we, as a community, are raised to the fullness of life in Christ.

— *Father John Muir*

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

Mini Reflection: It matters why you do something, not just how you do it. Are we allowing our worship to transform us, or are we only concerned with transforming our worship?

Modern Money-Changers

The "liturgy wars" are something of a hot topic in contemporary Catholic circles.

Latin chant or guitar hymns? Communion on the tongue or in the hand? Chapel veils or bare heads? Surplice or alb? It's giving me a headache just writing it all out.

I don't mean to say that none of this matters. The worship of the Almighty God, especially in the context of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, is no trifling matter. It is good for people to be concerned about whether or not their worship is pleasing to God. I am happy that Catholics care enough about these things to have an opinion.

I'm not going to say where I fall on this spectrum of liturgical sensibility (the headache intensifies thinking of the emails I would get). And I won't pretend it's not something I feel passionate about, in my own way.

But too often I find myself sniffing dismissively at the "other camp," the folks who are drawn to a different style or tradition. Too often I see them sniffing dismissively back to me. We are, both groups, obsessed with the form of a thing — so much so that we risk forgetting the function of it.

And when I stop to think about it, I wonder if Jesus shouldn't crack the whip at us all, the modern money-changers of the temple, who have allowed worship to become a transaction (I offer *x* sacrifice, I am rewarded with *y* feeling of fulfillment and satisfaction).

I look at the Gospel today, and I can see the purpose of the money-changers. It could be argued that, in a way, they were facilitating the laws of Moses, making possible the temple sacrifices stipulated by God.

But it matters *why* you do something, not just *how* you do it.

What good is any act of worship, if at its conclusion we do not more closely resemble the One before whom we kneel?

— Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

Can Catholics be cremated?

Answer:

As the practice of cremation becomes more and more common, it's important to know what the Church asks of families who have chosen this for a loved one who has died.

As the US Bishops observe on their website, "Ideally, if a family chooses cremation, the cremation would take place some time after the Funeral Mass, so that there can be an opportunity for the Vigil for the Deceased in the presence of the body." However, if cremation takes place before the Funeral Mass, the cremated remains can be present at the Funeral Mass and the appendix to the Order of Christian Funerals provides adaptations for the texts and rituals that are part of the Funeral Mass and the Committal.

The primary concern is that the cremated remains should be treated with the same respect given to any human remains. The Order of Christian Funerals instructs, "This includes the use of a worthy vessel to contain the ashes, the manner in which they are carried, and the care and attention to appropriate placement and transport, and the final disposition. The cremated remains should be buried in a grave or entombed in a mausoleum or columbarium. The practice of scattering cremated remains on the sea, from the air, or on the ground, or keeping cremated remains on the home of a relative or friend of the deceased are not the reverent disposition that the Church requires" (no. 417).

It is becoming more and more common for parishes or diocese-sponsored cemeteries to include columbaria to house cremated remains in a way that respects Church teaching, allowing family and friends the opportunity to honor the remains of the one they have lost with dignity, reverence, and care.

Year of **Evangelization** | Año de la **Evangelización**


VIA FIDELIS:
THE FAITHFUL WAY

MONTHLY ACTIVITY
ACTIVIDAD MENSUAL



charlestdiocese.org/via-fidelis

November | Find

Find ways as an individual, family, or a parish group to find Jesus in your brother(s)/ sister(s) and to serve with love and joy.

Noviembre | Encuentra

Como individuo, familia o grupo parroquial, busca maneras de encontrar a Jesús en tus hermanos y hermanas a través del servicio con amor y alegría.

Prayer

Lord, I will fill your house with prayer, songs, and worship.

Mission for the Week

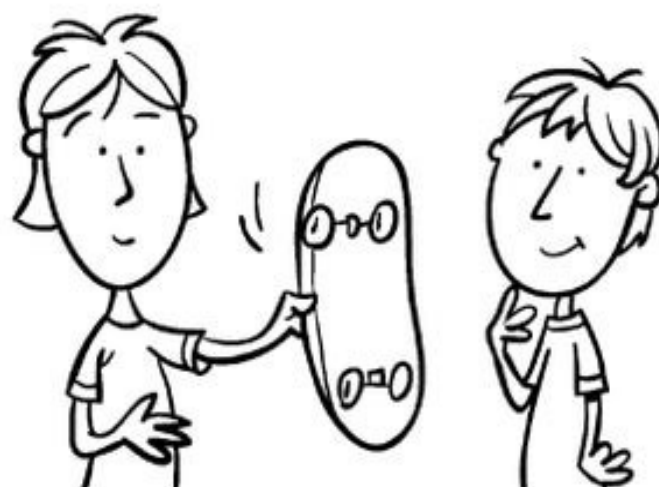
I will respect God's house with my voice, my clothing, and my actions.

Sharing the Gospel

Imagine that in your church on Sunday, there were people near the altar selling cows, pigs, and sheep. A man was selling doves on the right. Bankers were giving change on the left. Your pastor got very angry. He turned over their tables. He shouted, "Get these animals out of here. How dare you turn my Father's house into a market!" They cleaned up and left. Your pastor knelt down and prayed, "Father, forgive them."

Now color the picture! →

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





COUNCIL 8295
ANDERSON, SC

CALLING ALL MEN! JOIN US!

What does it mean to be a Knight?

We are Catholic Men who
**LEAD, SERVE,
PROTECT & DEFEND.**

We share a desire to be better
**HUSBANDS, FATHERS, SONS,
NEIGHBORS, & ROLE MODELS**
and to put charity
and community first.



GALATIANS 5:13

Three of our Confirmation candidates dressed up as a chosen saint for All Saints Day. They shared what they learned of the saint's life with their class. Celsy, Christopher, Melany



ROMAN CATHOLIC
**DIOCESE
OF CHARLESTON**
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Nov. 3, 2025

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

This month in *Via Fidelis*, we turn our focus to seeing the face of God in our neighbors. Sometimes, we get caught up in the day-to-day rush and forget that, despite how we are feeling in the moment, everyone deserves respect as living images of our Creator.

Christ called us to spread the Gospel in every aspect of our lives — not just at church, but at home, at work and in our daily interactions. The fullness of the Good News culminates in Christ's sacrifice on the cross, where he taught us truly how to love one another. "This is my commandment: love one another as I love you" (Jn 15:12). Once we live this instruction, our lives become a testimony to the *kerygma*.

We may find the love of Jesus in every part of God's creation and must especially see that love in our brothers and sisters. Let us focus on recognizing the face of Christ in everyone we meet this month so we may serve them with love, joy and humility. This might mean offering patient words to someone who frustrates us, showing kindness to a worker at a drive-thru, or reaching out to someone who is lonely.

November is dedicated to the saints and the departed faithful. We know that Christ's salvation was offered once and to all, so we pray for those who have gone before us. Their salvation is at hand, and our prayers support their journey to eternal life with God. We are not separated by death from those whom we love.

I encourage you to participate in Mass celebrations, to pray the rosary and to perform acts of charity. What a beautiful gift we can offer through our prayers, and may our understanding of and love for the Gospel bring us and others to everlasting life. As we do these things as a diocese, and continue our personal and parish activities, we will make an indelible mark in South Carolina.

Thank you for answering the call to become disciples of the Lord and seeing his face in the people and the world around you.

**FINANCE COUNCIL
MEETING THURSDAY
NOVEMBER 13
9 AM IN PARISH HALL
EVERYONE IS
WELCOMED**



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CHANGE OF VENUE FOR SANDWHICH MAKING: IT WILL BE DONE EVERY SATURDAY OF NOVEMBER, EXCEPT FOR NOVEMBER 22ND, FROM 9 AM TO 12 NOON AT THE SOUP KITCHEN.



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2025

THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

TAKE THESE OUT OF HERE.

JOHN 2:16