



DIVINE REDEEMER CATHOLIC CHURCH AND SCHOOL

Established June 17, 1956

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The Most Reverend Jacques Fabre-Jeune, CS
Bishop of Charleston

Reverend Father Raynier Q. Dabu, CRS
Pastor

Reverend Father John Valenzuela, CRS
Parochial Vicar

Deacon Thomas Provost Deacon Jesse Schuman

Deacon Jim Baker Mrs. Beth Martyn, Principal

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord April 5, 2026

He is Risen! Salvation has been won; the power of death is broken. Be inspired by Christ's triumph over death that you might be a confident witness of His Resurrection.
(Matthew 28:6-7)



"Do not abandon yourselves to despair. We are Easter people and hallelujah is our song."
+St. Pope John Paul II

Divine Redeemer Catholic Church Vision/Mission Statement
Guided by the Holy Spirit, Divine Redeemer Church envisions that by 2030 we will be a community steadfast in proclaiming the Gospel, deeply formed in catechesis, fully engaged in the celebration of the Sacraments and liturgies, growing in our service to the people of God with a profound sense of mission as disciples of Christ the Redeemer.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: Saturday 3:30 – 4:30pm in the Church, during Adoration on FRIDAYS during Lent at 6:00pm, and by appointment only during church office hours.

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (OCIA): Call Deacon Thomas Provost at 843.327.5548, to discuss conversion to the Catholic Faith. Classes have begun. Please call for information.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION: Contact the church office for Marriage Preparation, Baptism, and Tribunal Cases. Please know that you must be a registered, attending and contributing parishioner of the parish before any arrangements are made.

Parish Membership

Active members of our parish are identified by their generosity of time, talent and treasure. Stewardship at is determined by:

- 1.) Being registered for at least 3 months (required of everyone who is at least 18 years of age) and the weekly participation in worship, unless ill or homebound.
- 2.) An identifiable financial support of the Parish. Please use the parish envelope system or OSV Online Giving. If you do not have the means to make a financial contribution, please place an empty envelope in the offertory basket so your attendance at the weekend Mass can be counted.
- 3.) Involvement in at least a ministry, a program, an activity or an organization in the parish.

These criteria listed above are used to appraise or verify parishioner status for sponsorship, parochial schools, participation in sacramental, educational, pastoral and social ministries, activities and enrichment programs, and use of facilities and services. Members will be marked "Inactive" after 6 months of inactivity and/or failure to use the envelope system or OSV Online Giving.

Church and School Staff:

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Church Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 9:00am to 3:00pm
Closed Wednesdays and Holidays

Mass Times

Saturday Vigil- English 5pm and Spanish 6:30pm
Sunday- English 8am and 10:30am. Spanish 1:00pm
Tuesday & Thursday- 6pm
Wednesday & Friday- 7am
First Saturday- 9am

School Office Hours

Monday-Friday from 7:30am to 3:30pm
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HAPPY EASTER

Wishing you and your family a most blessed and joyous Easter from Fr. Ray, Deacon Jim, Deacon Tom, Deacon Jesse, and the church office staff!

EASTER HOLIDAYS

The church office will be closed from Holy Wednesday through Easter Monday; we will re-open at 9:00am on Tuesday, April 7th.

Divine Mercy Chaplet



All are encouraged to join the Divine Mercy Chaplet that Began on Good Friday and Concludes next Sunday April 12th on Divine Mercy Sunday. This short but beautiful prayer was given to St Faustina by Jesus himself, to spread the news of His unending Mercy to All Mankind.

MANY THANKS TO MANY PEOPLE!

Thank you to all of the Lectors, Ushers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Altar Servers who offered to serve during Holy Week and the Easter Masses. If you heard the voices of angels, we can thank Miss Nicole Arsenault and her dedicated choir members, Ms. Nancy Samson and the Marian Choir, and Mr. Juan Arroyo with the Spanish Choir for all of their preparation to provide beautiful Sacred music during Holy Week and every week. And thank you to the many hands that helped prepare, clean, and decorate the church for the Easter Triduum.

The Prayer Chain at Divine Redeemer

STAY CONNECTED WITH FELLOW PARISHIONERS!

Have you ever been disappointed to hear too late of the illness or passing of a fellow parishioner? Have you ever wanted to offer prayers for those struggling or celebrate moments of joy?

If you answered YES!, consider adding your email to the parish prayer group, DRstandinginthegap@gmail.com! Request prayers for yourself or pray for the requests of others. To join the Prayer Chain, call Nancy Davis at 843.554.6089.



SAVE THE DATE! 70TH ANNIVERSARY PARISH PICNIC



Divine Redeemer Catholic Church will be celebrating our 70th anniversary this year! To kick off the celebration, mark your calendars for

our parish picnic on April 12th, following the 10:30am Mass. Our Spanish Mass will be at 4pm! We need volunteers to help set up and break it all down. Do you need volunteer hours? Now's your chance to get them, all while having fun!

*April 12th, 11:45am-3:30pm, on the church grounds

Wondering what you can bring?

*Last name that begins with A-L----Side Dishes
*Last name that begins with M-R----Desserts
*Last name that begins with S-Z-----Drinks and Chips

*Games and activities for the young and the young at heart!

* Set up will begin at 9:30am. Don't forget your lawn chairs and sunscreen!

CCD EASTER BREAK

CCD Easter Break is officially here! There is no class on Palm Sunday or Easter Sunday. We will return on April 12th by attending the parish picnic! We will not meet in the classrooms during regularly scheduled classes, instead we will join the parish celebration. This allows our children to experience the fullness of Catholic life! See you April 12th!



ADULT BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES!

***Join us, as we reflect on the upcoming Sunday readings! The group meets at **11am, Friday mornings** at the Elms Clubhouse in North Charleston. Contact Elizabeth for location questions and details at usmcfan@att.net

***Deacon Tom invites you to dive deeper into your faith using scripture, theology, the saints and more! The class will meet **Wednesday evenings at 6:30pm** in a DRCS classroom. Contact Dcn. Tom at tprovost@att.net for more information.

CCD SACRAMENTAL REQUIREMENTS

Divine Redeemer Church requires a two-year program for sacramental preparation for children receiving their First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Year One and Two FHC will be grades 1st and 2nd. Confirmation Year One and Two will be grades 7th and 8th. Families are to be registered active contributing members of the parish are registered with the parish by the end of April 2026 to register their children for either the English CCD Program or the Spanish CCD Program. **The program is for families who are registered with the parish by the end of April 2026 and regularly participating in the envelope system.**

Vacation Bible School 2026

June 15th - June 19th | 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM

For Rising Kindergarteners - Rising 5th Graders

Registration opens March 28th. An early registration discount is available until April 12th. Please see next week's bulletin for further registration details. We are hosting a maximum of 90 children this year. We are still in need of 20 volunteers. Please register to help at: <https://vbspro.events/p/divinevbs26>
For questions, please email divineredeemervbs@gmail.com

BUILDINGS, MAINTENANCE & UPKEEP



The 2nd Sunday of each month an envelope is provided in your Offertory Envelope packet. You may also give thru Online Giving. Much has been accomplished with your financial and prayerful support of our parish and school. Thank you, in advance, for your donation.

THIS WEEK'S SHORT PRAYER

When we get overwhelmed by life or need help, pray the following. Try to do it at least once a day.

"Dear Lord, You are the resurrection and the life! I know that because I believe in You, I will never die but will live."



DRCS EAGLES' NOTES

DRCS Easter Break

Divine Redeemer Catholic School will be closed for the Easter Holiday beginning with early dismissal on April 1st and will return to classes on April 13th.

AROUND THE DIOCESE/ EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

Another Retrouvaille marriage-saving weekend will be May 1st-3rd in the Charlotte area.

The Retrouvaille ministry has been in operation for 40+ years and ...

- is a non-profit Christian ministry program. Run by volunteers.
- Costs are affordable. We have scholarships available.
- Is strongly supported by the Family Life Office, Diocese of Charlotte.
- Couples of any faith or no faith basis are welcomed.
- Most couples across the nation who have attended Retrouvaille tell us they learned

about this program from their weekly church Bulletin, or a referral from their church's clergy or pastoral team.

- **Retrouvaille has saved thousands and thousands of marriages. Including ours!**

2026-27 HOMESCHOOL CO-OP OPENINGS

Are you interested in a Catholic homeschool co-op? Our Lady Star of the Sea homeschool co-op will meet once a week on Sullivan's Island. For the 2026-27 academic year, there are available spaces in 5K-2nd, 3rd-5th, and 6th-8th grades. For more information, please contact Audrey Vaughan at 843-327-7304 or by email at audrey.vaughan@Ymail.com.

HOME DELIVERED MEALS

Do you know of someone who is a home-bound senior and is in need of a nutritious meal? The senior-in-need (age 60 and older) is asked to call 843.554.2275. An assessment will be completed, and if eligible, a five day supply of frozen meals will be delivered to their door. The Trident Area Agency on Aging serves the tri-county area and is not affiliated with the Catholic Church.

RESPECT FOR LIFE

A MOST PRECIOUS GIFT...

"Man's life comes from God; it is His gift, His image and imprint, a sharing in His breath of life. God therefore is the sole Lord of this life: man cannot do with it as he wills."

- St. John Paul II, *Evangelium Vitae*



MASS SCHEDULE/INTENTIONS

Rosary 30 minutes before Mass

Saturday, April 4- Holy Saturday

8:20 pm The Great Easter Vigil

Sunday, April 5- Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

8:00 am - † *Felix Cabanting*

-Birthday blessings for Violet and Lila

Barrineau

10:30 am - *Pro Populo*

1:00pm Spanish Mass-

Monday, April 6-Monday within the Octave of Easter

No Mass or Communion Service

Tuesday, April 7- Tuesday within the Octave of Easter

6:00 pm - † *Abraham Francisco*

Wednesday, April 8- Wednesday within the Octave of Easter

7:00 am- † Phero Vo Van Thanh

9:00 am-

Thursday, April 9– Thursday within the Octave of Easter

6:00 pm- † Michel Shahid

Friday, April 10– Friday within the Octave of Easter

7:00 am- † Phero Tran Van Binh

Saturday, April 11– Saturday within the Octave of Easter

5:00 pm- † Lilia R. Miravite

6:30 pm Spanish Mass-

Sunday, April 12- Sunday of Divine Mercy

8:00 am – † Macario Amp

10:30 am – Pro Populo

4:00pm Spanish Mass-

Ushers:	P.Kammerer, R.Ocasio C.Feeley, C.Passarello
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:	D.M.Friedman (Choir Loft)
Altar Servers:	B. Leopold, M.Vo, M.Rangel, Volunteer Needed

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Thank you for your generosity.

Week of March 28-29,2026	
WEEKLY OFFERTORY WITH ENVELOPES AND ALL NON-DESIGNATED CASH	\$6,617.00
WEEKLY OFFERTORY THRU Online Giving	\$2,631.21
HOLY DAY OFFERTORY	\$0.00
* TOTAL WEEKLY OFFERTORY	\$9,248.21 total

Building Fund Donations for the week of **March 28-29, 2026**, thru Offertory Envelopes and Online

Giving is **\$83.00.**

Thank you for your donation!

DIVINE REDEEMER YOUTH GROUP

The Youth Group is open to all youth age 13-18yrs. Contact Deacon Jim at [843.509.1581](tel:843.509.1581) or jbakerlex2112@gmail.com for more information.



FRIENDLY REMINDER...

We appreciate your thoughtfulness, however **do not** leave religious items, advertising, or giveaways, especially burning candles, in the church without permission. Thank you for your understanding and assistance!

CHURCH MINISTRIES APRIL 11-APRIL 12

If you are not able to serve, please remember to call a substitute.

SATURDAY – Special Arrangements for Church Cleaning. Contact Sacristan, Jim Martin, at 843.572.0943 if church is locked.	
Martha Society Ministry: C.Escobar Garcia, R.Ribe, N.Ramirez Gonzalez, A.Torres Escobar, R.Gomez, S.Gonzalez	
SATURDAY – 5:00 pm Vigil Mass	
Lector:	M.Ferdinand
Ushers:	A. Antol, D. Meeks, Sp. Ministr Volunteer Needed
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:	S.Martin (Choir Loft)
Altar Servers:	D. & Y. Chinchilla Volunteer Needed
SUNDAY – 8:00 am Mass	
Lector:	J.Jackson
Ushers:	J.Lowe, O.Cabading T.Wheaton, R.Donovan
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:	Pt.Davis (Choir Loft)
Altar Servers:	N., S., N. Brooks, Volunteer Needed
SUNDAY – 10:30 am Mass	
Lector:	M.Rebuck



DO YOU ENJOY SINGING?

If so, then please consider joining the Adult Choir! All voices 18 years of age and older are invited to join. Choir practice is held in the church on Wednesday evenings from 6:30pm to 8:00pm. All levels of musicality are welcomed! Contact Nicole Arsenault at 843.901.5619 for more information.

The next Diocesan collection, **Holy Land**, will be taken up . We will send 3% of our Sunday Offertory to the diocese for this purpose in lieu of taking up a second collection. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

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LAST CALL!! EASTER FLOWER ENVELOPES

Please place your donation in the envelope that's provided in your set and drop it in the collection **no later than Sunday, March 22nd**. Don't forget to indicate how you would like your donation listed in the bulletin, i.e., in memory of, in thanksgiving for, in honor of, etc. We will be using an assortment of springtime flowering potted plants and green foliage to decorate our church. **PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY.** If you chose to make your donation online, remember to type how you would like your donation listed under "Notes".



FR. RAY AND FR. JOHN ARE WALKING WITH YOU THIS LENT!

Fr. Ray and/or Fr. John are available for you to schedule confession during your Lenten journey! *****March 6th, 10th, 12th, 24th, & 26th from 2pm-4:30pm.**
*Please call the church office to confirm times. Additional times maybe available.

FAST AND ABSTINENCE



Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal. Two smaller meals may also be taken, but not to equal a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards. The Church encourages us to observe the three pillars of Lent: prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

2025 TAX LETTERS

To reduce cost, the church office will not automatically send out tax letters for 2025. Please

call the church office at 843.553.0340 or email office@divinereedeemerchurch.org if you wish to receive a tax letter. We will be happy to provide it for you. **Online givers can download tax information from the OSV website, under the "My Account" tab.**



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TASTE OF GOOSE CREEK

Immaculate Conception Church, in Goose Creek, will have their annual "Taste of Goose Creek" on Saturday, April 18th. The event will take place from 11:00am until 3:00pm. Come hungry and leave happy.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION ON THURSDAYS



English Adoration will be at 6:30pm the first, third, and fifth weeks; Spanish Adoration will be at 6:30pm the second and fourth weeks.

Fr. Ray or Fr. John are available for Confession during Adoration. See the monthly interactive calendar on our parish website for the updates and cancellations.

HELP THOSE IN NEED

With utility bills on the rise, some families have to make difficult choices on how to spend their limited income. If you or someone you know is in need of food or assistance with utilities, please have them contact the St. Vincent de Paul Society at 843.727.1820.

TABERNACLE FLOWERS



Except for major liturgical feasts or parish celebrations of note, altar flowers will be displayed only when a family has requested a dedication. **We request a donation of \$100 to cover the cost of the flowers.** The check is to be made payable to "Divine Redeemer Church" and received at

least 2 weeks prior to the requested weekend. If you wish to provide altar flowers, we ask to have in writing how the

dedication should read. This amount will be considered a gift to Divine Redeemer Church and will be reflected on your tax statement. For proper recordkeeping, it must be indicated who is giving the donation and when the flowers were in the sanctuary.



Please remember in your prayers all the sick of our parish and ill family members and friends whose names have been inscribed in our Book of the Sick and Homebound located in the church. We invite you to add names of those who are ill or homebound. All those names listed in the book will be remembered at Mass. Please continue to pray for those people who are struggling spiritually, financially, emotionally or who have to make tough decisions that they will be comforted by the love of Jesus.

LENTEN SCHEDULE



On Fridays during Lent, Mass on Fridays are at 5pm (Moved from 7am), Stations of the Cross will be at 5:30pm. Eucharistic Adoration will begin at 6:00pm, followed by Via Crucis at 7:00pm. Fr. Ray will be available to hear confessions from 6:00pm to 7:00pm during Adoration.

** Please continue to regularly check our calendar at www.divineredeemerchurch.org!

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HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE



Holy Monday & Tuesday, Confessions are from 4:30pm-5:30pm, Mass will be at 6pm. Holy Wednesday, Mass is at 9am and 6pm, confession available from 4:30pm-5:30pm. Holy Thursday Mass is at 6pm, Adoration from 7pm-11pm. Good Friday Service is at 3pm followed by Stations of the Cross at 4:30pm, followed by Eucharistic Adoration at 6:00pm, followed by Via Crucis at 7:00pm. The Great Easter Vigil is at 8:20pm and will begin outside at the basketball court.

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER POTLUCK AND ADORATION

Fr. Ray will have the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Thursday, April 2nd at 6pm. Please break bread with us following the Mass with a parish potluck in Caddell Hall. Adoration will be available until 11pm in the church.

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ALTAR FLOWERS WERE DONATED:



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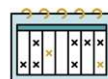


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THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

We meet on the second Tuesday of every month. Our next meeting is scheduled for January 13th, at 7pm, in the church office conference room.

A NOTE FROM THE PARISH OFFICE...

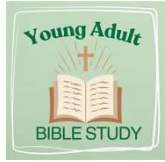


We do our best to keep your calendar up to date and our bulletin accurate, but sometimes things get missed! Please be patient with us when events are missed,

typos occur, or updates are delayed. We now have an interactive calendar on the Divine Redeemer website to help remedy this! Be sure to check in regularly!

THANK YOU!

Fr. Ray, Fr. John, Deacon Jim, Deacon Tom and Deacon Jesse are very grateful for the cards, gifts and well wishes they received during this holiday season. May Christ's Peace be with you!



Young Adult Bible Study

All young adults, +18 yrs. (college), are invited to join the Young Adults Bible Study here at Divine Redeemer! The group meets every **Thursday evening at**

7pm, in the parish office conference room. Please enter through the side door marked #2.

Scan the QR Code to join the DRC Young Adult GroupMe for event updates and information!



A NOTE OF GRATITUDE FROM DRWC...



The Divine Redeemer Women's Club would like to thank you for your generous donations supporting the Lowcountry Pregnancy Center, Birthright of

Charleston, and St. Clare's Home pro-life ministry programs. Thank you for supporting life!

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ATTENTION ALTAR SERVERS!

For those who were unable to attend the altar server refresher course and new training, there will be makeup training on January 10th. Please contact the church office with any questions. Thank you for sharing your time and talent with the parish!



CANDLEMAS BLESSING OF CANDLES

The Feast of Candlemas, exactly 40 days after Christmas, commemorates Mary's obedience to the Mosaic law by submitting herself to the Temple for the ritual purification, as commanded in Leviticus.

The Feast of the Purification is called Candlemas for the traditional blessing and distribution of candles on that day. It is customary to bring candles from home to be blessed -- at least 51% beeswax candles that

one uses for devotional purposes (candles for the family altar, Advent candles, etc.) -- so they can be lit after dusk on All Saints' Day (1 November), during the Sacrament of Unction, and during storms and times of trouble

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH FAMILY!

Welcome to the following families who registered with our parish during the month of December and January: Victorino Carrizal, Cortes



Vargas, Cain, Marrison, Chevez Martinez, Perez We also wish to welcome our newest members of our parish family in faith: **Denisse Miranda-Hernandez, Thiago Yael Melchor-Taperia and Ana Brenda Meza-Reyes** who were baptized during the month of October

Join us as we celebrate the Feast of The Presentation of The Lord with Candlemas! Bring your candle to any Mass the weekend of Jan. 31st- Feb 1st for blessing of candles by Fr. Ray.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY TRAVEL PLANS?



When you are away, your parish's debts and expenses continue. Your donations are needed to help us fulfill our financial obligations. Please have any missed envelopes caught up. May God bless and keep you safe during the Christmas Holiday season.

TABERNACLE FLOWERS WERE DONATED:



In thanksgiving to Mary "Mother of Jesus", from Harry and Kim Nguyen's family.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MASS TIMES



The Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary will be celebrated on Monday, December 8th with a **1:30pm DRCS Mass, 5:00pm English Mass, and 6:30pm Spanish Mass.**

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If you or a family member become homebound or anticipate entering the hospital for major surgery or a prolonged illness, please notify the church office as soon as possible so that the anointing of the sick may be arranged before entering the hospital. The anointing may take place after Mass or in the church office.

Please do not wait until the situation becomes dire before calling for the Sacrament.



Once the soul has left the body, it is too late. If you have already been admitted to the hospital, please alert the hospital nurse or Chaplin that you are Catholic and in need of a priest. They will be able to

contact the priest on the schedule assigned to that hospital and often much faster than attempting to track down a priest after hours. Also, remember according to Church Law, the Sacrament is not to be administered multiple times. Once you or your loved one has been anointed for a specific condition, that is all that is required for one's soul.



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SAVE THE

DATE...

SCCL Pro-Life Weekend will be January 9-10, 2026, in Columbia at the Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center. This year's featured speaker will be Raymond Arroyo.

The Knights of Columbus Council 6726 will be selling Christmas Trees in the Divine Redeemer School Parking lot starting Friday Nov 28th 11am-7pm. 5-6ft trees are \$95 and 7-8ft trees are 105 with Wreaths for \$25. Proceeds from the tree sales will go to Divine Redeemer School and the Wreaths will go to Wreaths Across America.

After opening Day hrs will be
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Sundays 1pm to 5pm
M-F 5pm to 8pm

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KNIGHTS NEWS



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Due to your generosity, a donation of \$271.29 was sent for World Mission Sunday (Propagation of the Faith).

AND REMEMBER....

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph gave of their time, talent, and treasure.

MASS SCHEDULE/INTENTIONS

Rosary 30 minutes before Mass

Saturday, August 2 – St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest; BVM
9:00 am-

5:00 pm Vigil - *Mark Hines*

6:30 pm Spanish Vigil Mass-

Sunday, August 3– Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am - *Pro Populo*

10:30 am – *Deacon Juan Cantu*

1:00 pm Spanish Mass- Leticia and Jose Manuel Guzman Lopez, Wedding Anniversary

Monday, August 4- St. John Vianney, Priest

No Mass or Communion Service

Tuesday, August 5- The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major

6:00 pm- George & Aline Williams

Wednesday, August 6- The Transfiguration of the Lord

7:00 am - Tri Nguyen

Thursday, August 7- St. Sixtus II, and Companions, Martyrs; St. Cajetan, Priest

6:00 pm- George "Skip" Williams

Friday, August 8- St. Dominic, Priest

7:00 am-

Saturday, August 9- Blessed Virgin Mary

5:00 pm Vigil - George "Skip" Williams

6:30 pm Spanish Vigil Mass-

Sunday, August 10- Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am- Pro Populo

10:30 am - George "Skip" Williams

1:00 pm Spanish Mass

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH FAMILY!

Welcome to the following families who registered with our parish during the month of June:

Victorino Carrizal, Cortes Vargas, Cain, Marrison, Chevez Martinez, Perez Leon, Zunun Vazquez, Flores Mallonado, Acero Lopez, and Cambero. We also wish to welcome our newest members of our parish family in faith: **Denisse Miranda-Hernandez, Thiago Yael Melchor-Taperia and Ana Brenda Meza-Reyes** who were baptized during the month of October.



CHURCH MINISTRIES AUGUST 9-10

If you are not able to serve, please remember to call a substitute.

SATURDAY – Special Arrangements for Church Cleaning.
Contact Sacristan, Jim Martin, at 843.572.0943 if church is locked.

Martha Society Ministry:

K.Escobar-Perez, F.Altuzar, F.Gomez, N.Martinez, B.Fuentes, M.Mendoza

SATURDAY – 5:00 pm Vigil Mass

Lector:	A.Lowe
Ushers:	A. Antol, J. Lowe, D. Meeks, Volunteer Needed
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:	S.Martin (Choir Loft)
Altar Servers:	C. & E. Anderson

SUNDAY – 8:00 am Mass

Lector:	J.Jackson
Ushers:	R. Donovan, O.Cabading T.Wheaton, B. Adjor
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:	Pt.Davis (Choir Loft)
Altar Servers:	P. Adjor & H. Walker
SUNDAY – 10:30 am Mass	
Lector:	S.Solis
Ushers:	C. Passarello, J.S.Friedman, R.Ocasio, H.Nguyen
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:	D.M.Friedman (Choir Loft)
Altar Servers:	M., M., & M. Friedman, M.Rangel

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Thank you for your generosity.

Week of July 19-20, 2025

WEEKLY OFFERTORY WITH ENVELOPES AND ALL NON-DESIGNATED CASH	\$4,328.00
WEEKLY OFFERTORY THRU Online Giving	\$4,565.00
HOLY DAY OFFERTORY	\$0.00
* TOTAL WEEKLY OFFERTORY	\$8,893.00 total

Building Fund Donations for the week of July 19-20th thru Offertory Envelopes and Online Giving is **\$15,621.00!**

Thank you for your donation!



Due to your generosity, a donation of \$266.79 was sent to Retired Priests of the Diocese.

Thank you for your generosity!

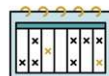
EUCHARISTIC ADORATION ON THURSDAYS



English Adoration will be at 6:30pm the first, third, and fifth weeks; Spanish Adoration will be at 6:30pm the second and fourth weeks. See the monthly calendar for the schedule. ****There will be no Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday,**

Nov. 27th**

A NOTE FROM THE PARISH OFFICE...



We do our best to keep your calendar up to date and our bulletin accurate, but sometimes things get missed! Please be patient with us when events are missed, or updates are delayed. However, with help from our wonderful IT volunteer, Mrs. Krista Leopold, we have an interactive calendar on the Divine Redeemer website to help remedy this! Be sure to check in regularly!

LOST & FOUND



Please place items found in the church in the labeled basket located in the vestibule. Your stuff misses you too! Please check the basket for lost and misplaced items.

THE PATH TO A JOYFUL FAMILY...

“To maintain a joyful family requires much from both the parents and the children. Each member of the family has to become, in a special way, the servant of the others and share their burdens.” – *St. John Paul II*



A MESSAGE FROM YOUR KofC

The Knights of Columbus wishes to thank everyone who participated in the Lasagna Lunch and Dinner!

TABERNACLE FLOWERS WERE DONATED:

In thanksgiving to Mary “Mother of Jesus”, from Harry and Kim Nguyen’s family.



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LABOR DAY

Can you believe the symbolic “end of summer” is upon us? The church office will be closed on Monday, September 1st in observance of the holiday and re-open on Tuesday, September 2nd at 9:00 am.

“When a man walks in integrity and justice, happy are his children after him.”

– *Proverbs 20:7*

Happy
Father's
Day

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If you or a family member anticipate entering the hospital for major surgery or a prolonged illness, please notify the church office as soon as possible so that the anointing of the sick may be arranged before entering the hospital. The anointing may take place after Mass or in the church office. If at all possible, please do not wait until the situation becomes dire before calling for the Sacrament.



Once the soul has left the body, it is too late. Please know that according to Church Law, the Sacrament is not to be administered multiple times. Once you or your loved one has been anointed for a specific condition, that is all that is required for one’s soul.



A FATHER’S LOVE

A father is respected because
He gives his children leadership...
Appreciated because
He gives his children care...
Valued because
He gives his children time...
Loved because he gives his children the one thing they treasure most – himself.

Please pray for God’s blessings upon the union of **Mr. Jamison Nee & Mrs. Rosemary Malaver-Arias**. They were joined together in Holy Matrimony at our parish on May 18, 2024.

OUR CHURCH IS OPEN FOR YOU

While school is in session, the Church will be open from 9:00am until 3:00pm (except on Wednesdays, when the church will be locked at 2:00pm). Please feel free to stop by and visit Our Lord in His Sacred House of Worship.



Mother's Day encompasses more than just the honoring of those who have borne children. It is the celebration of motherhood – the divine nature of women. May we all feel a deeper appreciation for

the great blessing of motherhood, and not just when we celebrate Mother's Day, but every day! Please pray for all mothers today and may we also help the next generation reclaim and respect this incredible gift from God known as motherhood!

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH FAMILY!

Welcome to the following families who registered with our parish during the month of March: Lara, Leming, Sanchez-Montiel, Reyes-Sanchez, Howard, and Lopez-Vazquez.



Thank you for your generosity.

Week of March 23 - 24, 2024	
WEEKLY OFFERTORY RECEIVED	Totals will be available in the next bulletin

What recharges your batteries so you can continue serving? How do you become spiritually renewed so that you can continue to share the gospel? Just as Jesus went off to pray and rest, we invite you to come away and experience renewal and rejoicing during this 3-day retreat at the beautiful Camp St. Christopher retreat center on Seabrook Island, SC.

Anyone who serves in youth ministry, religious education, or is inspired to help spread the influence of Jesus is invited to attend.

2025 Retreat Date:

Monday, May 12 (begins at noon with lunch) through Thursday, May 15 (concludes at 11 a.m.)

Contact Cathy

Roche cathy@charlestdiocese.org for more details

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HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Please refer to the Mass Schedule provided on the back this weekend's Bulletin, the Easter Appointments flyer, and/or the previously provided March Calendar, for the Holy Week schedule. Copies of both the calendar and Holy Week Schedule are also posted on the bulletin board in the vestibule. The information is also available on our website.

EASTER HOLIDAYS

The church office will be closed from Holy Thursday through Easter Monday; we will re-open at 9:00am on Tuesday, April 2nd.

FASTING AND ABSTINENCE

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal. Two smaller meals may also be taken, but not to equal a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

PLEASE PRAY...

Please remember in your prayers those catechumens and candidates receiving sacraments at the Spanish Mass on Easter Sunday.

Come to Heart Ridge Summer Family Camp

Have you ever wanted a vacation for your family that is 1) super fun for everyone 2) reasonably priced, no extras 3) comfortable lodging and great food and 4) truly meaningful and impactful for your family? A week at Catholic Summer Family Camp at Heart Ridge in the mountains of South Carolina is all of these and more. Daily Mass is available. And did we mention, Moms, the cooking is all done for you! Check out Catholic Family Camp at Heart Ridge in the mountains of South Carolina for this summer.

<https://www.heartridgeministries.com/summer-family-camp>

BUILDINGS, MAINTENANCE & UPKEEP

The 2nd Sunday of each month an envelope is provided in your Offertory Envelope packet. You may also give thru Online Giving. Much has been accomplished with your financial and prayerful support of our parish and school. Thank you, in advance, for your donation.



EASTER FLOWER ENVELOPES

Please place your donation in the envelope that's provided in your set and drop it in the collection **no later than Sunday, March 26th**. Don't forget to indicate how you would like your donation listed in the bulletin, i.e., in memory of, in thanksgiving for, in honor of, etc. We will be using an assortment of springtime flowering potted plants and green foliage to decorate our church. **PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY**. If you chose to make your donation online, remember to type how you would like your donation listed under "Notes".



FEAST DAY OF ST. JOSEPH AND THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD MASSES

On Monday, March 20th, the observed Feast Day of St. Joseph, Fr. Ray will celebrate a 6:00pm Mass. On Saturday, March 25th, Fr. Ray will celebrate the Solemnity of The Annunciation of The Lord, with a 9:00am morning Mass. The Masses will be bi-lingual. If you are a Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Usher, or Altar Server, please consider volunteering to serve at the Mass.

Due to your generosity, a donation of \$256.29 was sent to the diocesan collection for Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. The next Diocesan collection, **Black and Indian Missions**, will be taken up this weekend. We will send 3% of our Sunday Offertory to the diocese for this purpose in lieu of taking up a second collection. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

AND REMEMBER....

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph gave of their time, talent, and treasure.

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In thanksgiving to Mary "Mother of Jesus", from Harry and Kim Nguyen's family.

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH FAMILY!

Welcome to the following families who registered with our parish during the month of January: Ferrer, Gonzalez Labato, Armando Avila, Leyua Ortiz, Lemus Hernandez, Guadalupe Gonzalez, Hines, Redndon, Lopez Hernandez, Reyes Quintana, Chuvxol, Leon Doyle.





PLEASE PRAY for the repose of the soul and for the consolation of the family and friends of **Jose Alberto Campo**, brother of Ramon Campo, who died in South America. May he now rest in peace and let perpetual light shine upon him. Amen.



Please remember Daylight Savings Time ends on Sunday, November 5th. Don't forget to "Fall Back"!

DRC YOUTH GROUP

The Youth Group will resume meeting in January 2024.

The next Diocesan collection, **Church in Latin America**, will be taken up the weekend of January 27/28. We will send 3% of our Sunday Offertory to the diocese for this purpose in lieu of taking up a second collection. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Christ gave us a great gift of Himself on Christmas. He calls us to give of ourselves to everyone, especially our spouse. Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and learn how to be the best gift you can be for your spouse. Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends on January 26th-28th in N. Myrtle Beach. Visit <https://SCMarriageMatters.org> to sign up today.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION ON THURSDAYS



English Adoration will be at 6:30pm the first, third, and fifth weeks; Spanish Adoration will be at 6:30pm the second and fourth weeks. Fr. Ray is not available for Confession during Adoration on Feb. 20th. See the monthly calendar for the schedule.



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LENTEN FRIDAY FISH FRY



Mark your calendar! The Knights of Columbus Council 6726 will be having a fish fry at Divine Redeemer Church in Caddell Hall on Friday, March 28th and April 4th. **Adult meals are \$10, children under 10 are \$8.**

"He who died for us is all that I seek; he who rose again for us is my whole desire." - St Ignatius of Antioch, martyr

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DEACON ANDRÉ GUILLET

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PRAY FOR PEACE

Please continue to keep the people of Ukraine in your prayers in their struggle to survive and that the war will end soon. To help Ukraine, visit <https://www.catholicnews.com/update-where-to-give-to-help-ukraine/>

NEEDS OF THE SHUT-IN

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CHURCH MINISTRIES OCTOBER 14 - 15

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if church is locked.

Martha Society Ministry:

L. Anderson, P. Guzman, I. Reyes, D. Meeks, S. Maldonado

SATURDAY – 5:00 pm Vigil Mass

Lector:	M. Moore
Ushers:	D. Meeks, A. Antol, Volunteers Needed
Extraordinary Ministers	K. Baker (Choir Loft)

of Holy Communion:	
Altar Servers:	H. Walker, D. Rebeck, S. Martin, Volunteer Needed
SUNDAY – 8:00 am Mass	
Lector:	J. Schuman
Ushers:	P. Stuart, D. Butler, P. Davis, T. Wheaton
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:	Z. Schuman (Choir Loft)
Altar Servers:	S., N., & N. Brooks, Volunteer Needed
SUNDAY – 10:30 am Mass	
Lector:	T. Provost
Ushers:	J. Lowe, H. Nguyen, C. Feeley, C. Passarello
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:	D.M. Friedman (Choir Loft)
Altar Servers:	G. Lopez, B. Leopold, Volunteers Needed

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CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY BREAK

DRS will be closed for the Christmas Holiday Break
Monday, December 18th through Monday, January 1st.
Regular hours resume Tuesday, January 2nd.

SAVE THE DATE...

SCCL Pro-Life Dinner held January 5th followed by SCCL Stand Up for Life March and Rally, held January 6th, both in Columbia, SC. You may visit sclife.org/events for details.

Week of September 30 - October 1, 2023	
WEEKLY OFFERTORY WITH ENVELOPES AND ALL NON-DESIGNATED CASH	\$0.00
WEEKLY OFFERTORY THRU Online Giving	\$0.00
HOLY DAY OFFERTORY	\$0.00
* TOTAL WEEKLY OFFERTORY	\$0.00 total

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Thank you for your donation!

Week of August 26 - 27, 2023	
WEEKLY OFFERTORY RECEIVED	Totals will be available in the next bulletin



Welcome to the following families who registered with our parish during the month of October:

Osorio-Torres, Reyes-Silva, Vilorio-Pozo, Herrera-Alva, Velazquez-Reynoso, Velazquez-Damian, Baker, Mosso-Morales, Vasquez-Alvarado, Diaz-Alvarado, and Pirto.

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PLEASE PRAY for the repose of the soul and for the consolation of the family and friends of **Walter C. Pilarski, Jr.**, father of Wendy Diaz, who died September 20th. May he

now rest in peace and let perpetual light shine upon him. Amen.

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The 2nd Sunday of each month an envelope is provided in your offering envelopes packet; donations are earmarked for the maintenance of our buildings and property. Thank you for your continued financial and prayerful support of our parish and school.



WHEN YOU ARE AWAY...

Your donations are needed to help us fulfill our financial obligations. Please have any missed envelopes caught up. May God bless and keep you safe during your Summer travels.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO KNOW...

To report a crime against a child or a juvenile, first call the Hanahan Police Department at 843.747.5711 then call the Diocese of Charleston at 843.261.0420.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED...

Lowcountry Pregnancy Center is in urgent need of volunteers to facilitate parenting classes. These classes are video-based. Volunteers are responsible for facilitating discussion, helping clients complete worksheets, and showing the love of Jesus to moms and dads. The average class has ten participants. The time commitment for this volunteer opportunity is about two hours, once a week, for ten weeks. We are currently placing clients on a waiting list for parenting classes. Please help us support these new moms and dads by sharing your time and talents. For information, email Kim Incampo at kimincampo@lowcountrypregnancycenter.com

SC ENGAGED ENCOUNTER - HELP NEEDED

Our diocese is blessed with couples who want to build a strong foundation by attending an Engaged Encounter weekend. We would like to offer more options for couples, but we need more presenting teams. If you are willing to share your experiences as a married couple, contact Bob Reimer, rreimer@bellsouth.net

LIVING THE BEATITUDES RETREAT

This retreat will be offered again this year January 26th-28th at the Catholic Conference Center, located in Hickory, NC. In His sermon on the mount, Jesus outlined the secret to true happiness in eight simple yet paradoxical blessings or beatitudes. Deepen your

appreciation of this divine wisdom and learn practical ways you can make these beatitudes a part of your daily life. Please know fills The Beatitude Retreat up quickly. To learn more, email info@catholicconference.org

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PRAY FOR PEACE

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CATECHISM IN A YEAR DISCUSSION GROUP

Are you following "The Catechism in a Year" (with Father Mike Schmitz) offered by Ascension Press? If so, join us as we journey through it together on Fridays from 12noon-1:00pm. To receive the Zoom invite, contact Cathy Roche, Office of Catechesis & Christian Initiation, at cathy@charlestdiocese.org

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Due to your generosity, a donation of \$x.00 was sent to the diocesan collection for Catholic Charities.

Due to your generosity, a donation of \$159.00 was sent to the Catholic Communications Campaign. The next Diocesan collection, **Seminary Collection**, will be taken up the weekend of June 10/11. We will send 3% of our Sunday Offertory to the diocese for this purpose in lieu of taking up a

second collection. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

It's getting hotter and the electric bill keeps getting higher! If you or someone you know is in need of food or assistance with utilities and/or rent, please have them contact the St. Vincent de Paul Society at 843.727.1820.

AND REMEMBER....

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph gave of their time, talent, and treasure.

DRC YOUTH GROUP

The Youth Group is open to all rising 8th to 12th graders. The meetings take place on Sunday from 11:45am to 12:45pm in Classroom 8 of Caddell Hall. Contact Steadman at steadmaniv@gmail.com for more information.

REPLACEMENT SACRISTAN NEEDED

Divine Redeemer Church is looking for a volunteer sacristan to help Jim Martin and eventually take over the ministry. Please call Jim at 843.572.0943 to discuss the requirements of this vocation.

DRC CHURCH DIRECTORY

If you participated in the Parish Directory and haven't already stopped by the church office to pick up your copy, please call 843.553.0340 so we will make arrangements with you.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

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To date, Divine Redeemer Church parishioners have pledged \$272,947, which is 69% of our target goal of \$420,000.00. Every quarter, our parish receives 50% from the diocese of all funds collected from our parish. This will help to pay for much needed repairs at the church and school. For the third quarter, our parish received \$7,441.57 which was deposited into the Building and Maintenance Fund account. You may still contribute to the campaign by using the green envelopes in the OSV package. Please make all checks payable to "Catholic Community Foundation of SC" and drop the envelope into the offertory basket when the Ushers come around.

There are people around the world experiencing the threat of chaos, violence, and war.

Please pray for peace,
not only there,
but even in our own country.
May God's mercy protect us all.



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TABERNACLE FLOWERS

Except for major liturgical feasts or parish celebrations of note, altar flowers will be displayed only when a family has requested a dedication **Due to a cost increase from our florist, as of July 1st, we request a donation of \$150 to cover the cost of the**

flowers. The check is to be made payable to "Divine Redeemer Church" and received at least 2 weeks prior to the requested weekend. If you wish to provide altar flowers, we ask to have in writing how the dedication should read. This amount will be considered a gift to Divine Redeemer Church and will be reflected on your tax statement. For proper recordkeeping, it must be indicated who is giving the donation and when the flowers were in the sanctuary.

There are several places around the world experiencing the threat of chaos, violence and war. Please pray for peace not only there but even in our own country. May God's mercy protect all.

DRC WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY

All are welcomed to join The Adult Bible Study Group. We meet weekly on Fridays at 11:00am in the church office conference room. Please use side door #2 for entry. You can join any time, as the group reviews the upcoming Sunday's readings. Contact Elizabeth Brown at usmcfan@att.net or at 843.696.6966 with any questions.

WHEN IN DOUBT, GIVE US A SHOUT...

The use of the offertory envelopes is the only way to verify weekly Mass attendance and that **you are a registered and active member of our parish.** This will help to avoid any possible misunderstandings when planning baptisms, marriages, or when you have a special request of the parish. Please call the church office if you are not currently receiving your monthly offertory envelopes. We'll be happy to look into it for you!

HELP THOSE IN NEED

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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

With the summer months upon us, some children may not have the opportunity to receive a nutritious school lunch. If you or someone you know is in need of food or assistance with utilities and/or rent, please have them contact the St. Vincent de Paul Society at 843.727.1820.



Welcome to the following families who registered with our parish during the month of September:

Jackson, Ramos-Zavalo, Alva-Lopez, Salazar-Lopez, Avila-Reyes, Nguyen, Ramirez-Lopez, Rios-Gutierrez, Malavey-Arias, Flores-Jimenez, and Chacon-Marquez. We also wish to welcome our newest members of our parish family in faith: **Ezequiel Isidro & Alexander Pablo Reyes-Avila and Jared Jacobo Preciado-Rodas** who were baptized during the month of September.

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Due to your generosity, a donation of \$0.0 was sent to the diocesan collection for Collection for Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SUNDAY SIGN UP

Sign-up sheets for Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Ushers and Altar Servers for the Holy Week and Easter Masses are available in the church vestibule. Thank you for volunteering to serve during the Masses.

The next Diocesan collection, **Catholic Appeal of South Carolina (CASC)**, will be taken up the weekend of February 11/12. **This is not to be confused with the mailing you have received directly from the Diocese of Charleston regarding the Annual CASC collection.** We will send 3% of our Sunday Offertory to the diocese for this purpose in lieu of taking up a second collection. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Due to your generosity, a donation of \$x was sent to the diocesan collection of Catholic Relief Services. This is not to be confused with the mailing you have received directly from the Diocese of Charleston regarding the CASC. The next Diocesan collection, **The Holy Land Collection**, will be taken up April 7th, Good Friday.

THE PATH TO A JOYFUL FAMILY...

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO KNOW...

CCD SACRAMENTAL REQUIREMENTS

Beginning with the 2022-2023 CCD year, Divine Redeemer Church will now require 2-year sacramental preparation for children receiving their First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Year One and Two FHC will be grades 1st and 2nd. Confirmation Year One and Two will be grades 7th and 8th. Families are to be registered active contributing members of the parish are registered with the parish by the end

of April 2023 to register their children for either the English CCD Program or the Spanish CCD Program. **The program is for families who are registered with the parish by the end of April 2023 and regularly participating in the envelope system.**

Due to your generosity, a donation of \$x.00 was sent to the diocesan collection of Bishop's Annual Appeal.

THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

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HELP THOSE IN NEED

If you or someone you know is in need of food or assistance with utilities, please have them contact the St. Vincent de Paul Society at 843.727.1820.

DRC WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY

The Bible Study meets in the church office conference room on Friday at 11:00am. Workbooks are available for purchase for \$20.00. Contact Elizabeth at usmcfan@att.net

LITURGICAL MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS WELCOMED!

If you are a Lector, Extraordinary Minister, Usher or Altar Server that did not sign up, but wishes to serve during the upcoming Sunday and Holy Days Masses, please be ready at the allocated time during the Mass when volunteers are needed.

HUMAN LIFE PROTECTION ACT

To find your State Senator or House member visit: <https://www.scstatehouse.gov/legislatorssearch.php>
We all have an opportunity to make a difference for the protection of Mother and Child and for the protection of the family. Please also keep your efforts and all efforts to save lives in your prayers. Please call your State Senator to pass the Human Life Protection Act H3774 with no further amendments unless to strengthen protections for the

mother and her unborn baby from death by abortion, and pray all life soon will be respected, cherished, and protected.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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2021 TAX LETTERS

In order to reduce cost, the church office will not automatically send out tax letters for 2021. Please contact the church office if you wish to receive a tax letter. We will be happy to provide it for you. You may call 843.553.0340 or email office@divineredeemerchurch.org the church office. Online givers can also download tax information from the OSV website, under the "My Account" tab.

TO AVOID ANY CONFUSION...

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CHURCH OFFICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED...

The church office looking for volunteers that are familiar with the MS program, EXCEL, to help count the offertory. If you have have the time and the experience, please call the church office. Please know you will be required to pass a background check and be screened through Safe Haven before you can volunteer to help.



TABERNACLE FLOWERS WERE DONATED:

In thanksgiving to Mary “Mother of Jesus”, from Harry and Kim Nguyen’s family for the weekend of November 5/6.

The devotion to the memory of the dead is one of the most beautiful expressions of the Catholic spirit.

- St. Francis of Assisi

Our Lord tells us to repay evil with good.

- St. Boniface

Death is not the end of life; it rather is the end of sin in our lives.

- St. Ambrose

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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION ON THURSDAYS

English Adoration will be at 6:30pm the first, third, and fifth weeks; Spanish Adoration will be at 6:30pm the second and fourth weeks.

Fr. Ray is available for Confession during Adoration. See the monthly calendar for the schedule.

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BUILDINGS, MAINTENANCE & UPKEEP

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THE BISHOP’S ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE

The BAA goal for Divine Redeemer Church is \$28,231.00. As of July 31st, the diocese has reported that with 36 households participating, our parish has reached 36.37% of our goal. It is not too late for you to make your pledge! BAA pledge envelopes are available in the magazine rack in the vestibule or you may drop your donation in the offertory basket. Please remember to make your

check payable directly to "Bishop's Annual Appeal".
Thank you.

Due to your generosity, a donation of \$229.50 was sent to Infirm Priest Collection. The next Diocesan collection, **The Catholic University of America**, will be taken up the weekend of June 25/26. We will send 3% of our Sunday Offertory to the diocese for this purpose in lieu of taking up a second collection. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Welcome to the following families who registered with our parish during the month of August:



x,y, and z. We also wish to welcome our newest member of our parish family in faith: **Joseantonio Avila-Hernandez; Ruby Sofia Avila-Hernandez; Kylie Sonia Flores Barrientos; Chelsea Reyes-Victoria; and Tyler Trung Tin Vo** who were baptized during the month of August.

CCD REGISTRATION FOR AUGUST 2022

In order to enroll your child in our CCD program, all families are to be registered, attending and contributing members of the parish at least 3 months BEFORE CCD classes begin in August. Non DRC members and inactive parishioners (those who do not receive and/or use the OSV envelope system weekly) will not be eligible to enroll in the program, even if it is a Sacramental Year. New Parishioner Registration Forms can be found in the church vestibule. Please call the church office at 843.553.0340 with any questions.

SAVE THE DATE

Join the South Carolina Council of Catholic Nurses for our second in-person event which takes place on August 13 at 11:00am. For more information, contact Nancy McGrath at NMGrath@charlestondiocese.org

ALTAR SERVERS TRAINING

If your child has received First Holy Communion and is interested in being an Altar Server, contact Deacon Jim at jbaker@charlestondiocese.org The next training session will be on Saturday, July 16th from 8:00am to 10:00am.

Please continue praying for the protection of all human life and that the day will come when life,

God's gift to us will be respected, cherished, loved and protected.

"Blessed are they who hope in the Lord." As good stewards, firmly grounded in that hope, may we bear fruit in due season – assisting the poor, feeding the hungry, and consoling the sorrow

"How beautiful then is modesty and what a gem among virtues it is."

Thank you for dressing respectfully when attending Mass.

I can do all things in Christ who strengthens me.

- St. Paul

JOIN OUR PARISH FAMILY...

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Disaster Assistance, will be taken up this weekend, August 7/8. We will send 3% of our Sunday Offertory to the diocese for this purpose in lieu of taking up a second collection. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

OPEN WIDE OUR HEARTS

“By our baptism, we are members of Christ’s body and sharers in his mission. Imitating Christ, we must care for all members of our communities, honoring each person as unique, sacred, and created in the image of God.”

- USCCB, “Open Wide Our Hearts”
Bulletin Insert



We wish to welcome our newest member of our parish family in faith, **Micah Blaise Friedman, Ashley Michelle, Christopher Manuel, and David de Jesus Yax-Apolinar** who were baptized during the month of March.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT AT DRC

Divine Redeemer Church is committed to ensuring a safe environment for our children/vulnerable adults and for upholding the “National Charter for the Protection of Children & Young People” as established by the United States Council of Bishops. All adult volunteers must: undergo a background screening, sign and adhere to the DOC “Code of Conduct for Church Personnel and Ministerial Standards and Guidelines for Dealing with Minors and Vulnerable Adults.” (Copy available in church office and online at www.sccatholic.org/child-and-youth), and complete the online Safe Haven and Vulnerable Adult training. **Prior to volunteering**, the parish must receive the clearance paperwork back from the Diocese of Charleston. To learn more, contact Victim Assistance Coordinator, Kristin Eyre, Director, at 843.856.0748 or 800.921.8122.

RACHEL’S VINEYARD RETREAT

Join us for a supportive, confidential, non-judgmental weekend retreat for women and men who have had an abortion experience. The retreat offers a person a chance to explore how they feel about the abortion and an opportunity to find healing and peace. The team is extremely compassionate and understanding and helpful. Our next Charleston retreat will be November 6-8 in. Learn more at Grace4healing@gmail.com

AN AMAZING OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU

The St. Vincent de Paul Society is in need of volunteers to help reach those who have asked for help. The monetary donations given to the Society are vital to the ministry, but more members are needed to help with the disbursement of the funds. Those in our community who are in need, greatly appreciate the work of the St. Vincent de Paul Society. If you would like to learn more, the next meeting will be Tuesday, August 10th at 7:00pm in the church office. All are welcomed to attend.

PLEASE CALL, WRITE OR EMAIL...

The State Legislature is in session in Columbia. Help make the protection of human life a TOP priority in our State. Find your State Senator or House member at <https://www.scstatehouse.gov/legislatorssearch.php>. We all have an opportunity to make a difference for the protection of Mother and Child and for the protection of the family. Please also keep your efforts and all efforts to save lives in your prayers.



Sharing our talents arises from the fact that God has given each of us the ability and gifts to do certain things well, and we are to develop those talents for the good of others.



WHEN YOU ARE AWAY...

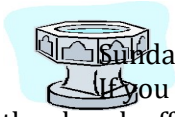
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I see the dawning of a new missionary age which will become a radiant day bearing an abundant harvest.

- Pope St. John Paul II

Week of July 24 - 25, 2021	
WEEKLY OFFERTORY RECEIVED	Totals will be available in the next bulletin

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM



Baptisms are performed on Sunday after 10:30am Mass.

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The next Diocesan collection, **Catholic Home Missions Appeal**, will be taken the weekend of April 24/25. We will send 3% of our Sunday Offertory to the diocese for this purpose in lieu of taking up a second collection. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

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Due to your generosity, a donation of \$0 was sent to the Infirm Priest Collection.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Thank you for your generosity.

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In thanksgiving to Mary "Mother of Jesus", from Harry and Kim Nguyen's family for the weekend of August 1/2.

A REMINDER...



"May the infinite depth and breadth of Christ's Divine Mercy remind us that no wound is too great for God to heal." -*Pray for Life: April 2016 USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities*

IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO KNOW...

To report a crime against a child or a juvenile, first call the Hanahan Police Department at 843.747.5711 then call the Diocese of Charleston at 843.261.0420.

The next Diocesan collection, **World Mission Sunday**, will be taken up next weekend, October 17/18. We will send 3% of our Sunday Offertory to the diocese for this purpose in lieu of taking up a second collection. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

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HOPE FOUNDATION FUNDRAISING EVENT

The KOC Council 6726 Annual Oriental Lunch and Dinner will be held on Friday, October 16th. Lunch will be ready for pick-up from 11:00am to 1:00pm. Dinner from 5:00pm to 7:00pm. The meal includes delicious Pancit, Fried Rice, Egg Rolls and BBQ. Cost is \$10.00 per meal. RSVP to Alan Chambers via text at 843-513-7394 before 5:00pm October 9th.

NEW CHURCH OFFICE HOURS



The Church Office is now closed on Wednesdays. Our new office hours are 9:00am to 3:00pm, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday.

STAY CONNECTED WITH FELLOW PARISHIONERS!



Have you ever been disappointed to hear too late of the illness or passing of a fellow parishioner? Have

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welcome

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HUNGER NEVER TAKES A VACATION...

Some families may have to make difficult choices on how to spend their limited income during this time of the year. If you or someone you know is in need of food or assistance with utilities, please have them contact the St. Vincent de Paul Society at 843.727.1820.

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The next Diocesan collection, **Bishop's Annual Appeal**, will be taken up next weekend, February 15/16. We will send 3% of our Sunday Offertory to the diocese for this purpose in lieu of taking up a second collection. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

IF YOU ARE A LECTOR...

Please see Jim Martin after Mass to pick up your 2021 Lector Workbook. Thank you for sharing your time and talent with our parish!

ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

If your child has received First Holy Communion and is interested in serving as an Altar Server at any of the Masses, please plan to attend the

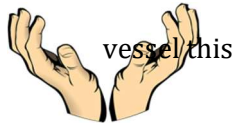


training session with Deacon Jim on either Saturday, April 2nd or 9th. The session will be from 8:00am until 10:00am. **This training is available for new altar servers and older servers who want a refresher. We plan to use incense in the near future. Training is required for everyone.**

Additional training dates will be scheduled if needed. Parents are asked to remain in the church during the training session. Space is limited. Contact Deacon Jim at jbaker@charlestdioocese.org to sign-up.

NEVER FORGET...

God provides. Are you His week or His recipient?



ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If you or a family member anticipate going into the hospital, please notify the church office as soon as possible so that the anointing of the sick may be arranged, either after one of the masses or in the church office. If at all possible, please do not wait until the situation becomes dire before calling for the Sacrament.

welcome

Welcome to the following families who registered with our parish during the month of July:

Hernandez-Avila and **Carmona-Cruz**. We also wish to welcome our newest member of our parish family in faith, **Chloe Dayana Montalvo**, **Cindy Abigail Montalvo**, **Victoria Angela Rangel-Gonzalez**, and **Juan Junior Lozada Vera**, who was baptized during the month of July.

"How beautiful then is modesty and what a gem among virtues it is."

As quoted by St. Bernard, Confessor and Doctor of the Church. Thank you for dressing respectfully when attending Mass.

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Due to your generosity, a donation of \$x.00 was sent to the diocesan collection for Bishop's Annual Appeal. The next Diocesan collection, **Collection for Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe**, will be taken up on Ash Wednesday, February 26. We will send 3% of our Sunday Offertory to the diocese for this purpose in lieu of taking up a second collection. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

SAVE THE DATE....

For our Parish Picnic! The picnic will be held at Wannamaker County Park in North Charleston on Sunday, June 14th! Please plan on being a part of our parish's celebration of the Diocese of Charleston Bicentennial and of Divine Redeemer Church's 64th year anniversary! Msgr. Hofmann will celebrate a bilingual Mass at the park. The 10:30am and 1:00pm Spanish Masses will be canceled. The 5:00pm Vigil Mass and 8:00am Mass will be celebrated at Divine Redeemer Church in Hanahan. More information to come.



FRIENDLY SMILES NEEDED!

We are in need of additional Ushers for the 5:00pm Vigil Mass on Saturday and also the 10:30am Mass on Sunday. Couples are welcomed to help in this important ministry! Please call the church office at 843.553.0340 for more information.

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ANOINTING OF THE SICK

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that they bring as contributing member of the Body of Christ." To receive your copy of *Encountering Christ in Harmony: A Pastoral Response to Our Asian and Pacific Island Brothers and Sisters*, visit <https://store.usccb.org>, the USCCB's online store. Remember to use product code number 7-576 when placing your order.

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ENCOUNTERING CHRIST IN HARMONY

According to the USCCB during its Plenary Assembly in June 2018, approved this formal statement: "The goal of this response is to make Asian and Pacific Island Catholics feel at home, both in the Church and in the United States, while being able to preserve the richness of the spiritual and cultural backgrounds

The next Diocesan collection, **Infirm Priest**, will be taken up the weekend of July 13/14. We will send 3% of our Sunday Offertory to the diocese for this

purpose in lieu of taking up a second collection. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

We meet on the second Tuesday of every month. Our next meeting is scheduled for January 10th, at 7pm, in the church office conference room. New members are always welcomed.

PRIEST CONVOCATION

There will be a diocesan priest convocation beginning Monday, January 9th until Thursday, January 12th. While Msgr. Hofmann is away, Deacon André will have a 7:00am Communion Service beginning Tuesday, January 10th until Thursday, January 12th. Deacon André will also have an 8:00am Communion Service for the students of Divine Redeemer Catholic School.

Diocesan Pastoral Center located at 901 Orange Grove Rd. in West Ashley. Contact Gary Ludlam at 843.364.2729 or ludlamg@gmail.com for more information.

Welcome to the following families who registered with our parish during the month of March: **Torres-Ayala, Kirkland, Tran, Martinez-Gonzalez, Lopez-Fuantes, Orihuela, Xitumul-Raymundo, and Tesillos-Elemente.** We also wish to welcome our newest members of our parish family in faith who were baptized during the month of May: **Yerik Brandon & Brenda Haley Victoria-Feria, Jack Contreras-Garcia, and Ryan Jimenez-Gomez.**



Tabernacle Flowers were Donated:

In thanksgiving to Mary "Mother of Jesus", from Harry and Kim Nguyen's family for the week of July 6/7.



SAFETY FIRST!

Msgr. Hofmann asks while driving through the church and school parking lot that you:

- Follow the correct traffic pattern flow when entering or exiting the grounds.
- Always adhere to the posted 5MP speed limit.
- Triple check before backing up, even after the weekend masses. Some of us are moving a little slower these days while others are still darting about.

Thank you for helping to keep our church and school families safe.

The next Diocesan collection, **Collection for the Holy Father (Peter's Pence)**, will be taken up the weekend of June 29/30. We will send 3% of our Sunday Offertory to the diocese for this purpose in lieu of taking up a second collection. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

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VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!

Coastal Catholic Charities is in need of volunteers for a very busy food pantry, located at 1662 Ingram Road in West Ashley. The days that volunteers are needed are either Mondays or Thursdays from 10:00am until 1:00pm. Call 843.531.5570 or stop by to find out more.



PRE-CANA MARRIAGE FORMATION

The next pre-cana session, "Living A Joy Filled Marriage", will be held on Saturday, November 9th, at the



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difficulty being certified as an active parishioner of Divine Redeemer Church.

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Jesus asks us to commit ourselves to be good stewards of the gifts entrusted to us, to share our time, our talent and our treasure as an outward sign of the love and gratitude we have for Him.

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LOST & FOUND

Please place items found in the church in the receptacle located in the vestibule.

7:00 pm - *For the Intentions of the
Confirmandi of
Divine Redeemer Church*

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THE PARISH ENVELOPE SYSTEM



All are urged to use the parish envelope system if you do not give online. The use of offertory envelopes is not primarily about money; the envelopes provide a record of Mass attendance. When the office staff is asked to verify "Active Parishioner Status," they first look to the frequency of envelope use, not the total amount given. If you cannot make the expected contribution, be sure to drop in an envelope every Sunday, even if it just contains a minimum contribution. With a record of regular Mass attendance, you will not have

ENGAGED ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

The best time to attend is 3-6 months before your wedding. Weekends are scheduled for: June 8th-9th at Our Lady of the Hills in Columbia; July 27th-28th at St. Andrew's in Clemson; and October 5th-6th at St. Michael's in Myrtle Beach. Please register on our web site cee-sc.org. If you need additional information please call Bob & Mary Reimer 864.420.2633.



**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROOFS
AND CERTIFICATES**

If your child received First Holy Communion with the English CCD Class on Saturday, May 4th, the proofs and certificates are available for pick up in the church office during regular business hours.

Due to your generosity, a donation of \$x.00 was sent to the diocesan collection of Bishop's Annual Appeal. This is not to be confused with the mailing you have received directly from the Diocese of Charleston regarding the BAA.



Tabernacle Flowers were Donated:

In thanksgiving to Mary "Mother of Jesus", from Harry and Kim Nguyen's family.

Welcome to the following families who registered with our parish during the month of August:

, and. We also wish to welcome our newest members of our parish family in faith: and who were baptized during the month of August.



BUILDINGS, MAINTENANCE & UPKEEP

The 2nd Sunday of each month an envelope is provided in your Offertory Envelope packet. You may also give thru Online Giving.

As you can see, there have been Many improvements made to the church and school grounds. Many thanks to all for your continued financial and prayerful support of our parish and school.



HOUSEKEEPING NOTE: ALTAR FLOWERS

It is appreciated when donated flowers are placed in the vases on the Altar in front of the statues of Mary and Joseph. Due to their strong fragrance, we ask that roses and/or lilies not to be included in the arrangement. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

WORKS OF MERCY

Corporal – Welcome a stranger; Care for the sick; Feed the hungry; Give drink to the thirsty; Shelter the homeless; Visit the imprisoned; Clothe the naked; Bury the dead.

Spiritual – Instruct the Ignorant; Counsel the doubtful; Admonish the Sinners; Bears wrongs patiently; Forgive offences willingly; Comfort the afflicted; Pray for the living and the dead.

Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit – Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Knowledge, Fortitude, Piety, and Fear of the Lord.

PLEASE CONSIDER.....remembering our Parish in your will. For further information, please call Timothy Dockery, Office of Stewardship & Mission Advancement, at 843.261.0445.

BUILDINGS, MAINTENANCE & UPKEEP

The 2nd Sunday of each month an envelope is provided in your Offertory Envelope packet. You may also give thru Online Giving. Much has been accomplished with your financial and prayerful support of our parish and school. Thank you, in advance, for your donation.

ENGAGED ENCOUNTER

The Engaged Encounter program is held in various Catholic churches around the state. The best time to attend is 3-6 months before your wedding. For the latest information about weekend schedules, availability, or to request a brochure visit www.cce-sc.org.

The next Diocesan collection, **Catholic Relief Services (American Bishops Overseas Appeal)**, will be taken up the weekend of March 30/31. We will send 3% of our Sunday Offertory to the diocese for this purpose in lieu of taking up a second collection. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

HOME DELIVERED MEALS

Do you know of someone who is a home-bound senior and is in need of a nutritious meal? The senior-in-need (age 60 and older) is asked to call 843.554.2275. An assessment will be completed, and if eligible, a five day supply of frozen meals will be delivered to their door. The Trident Area Agency on Aging serves the tri-county area and is not affiliated with the Catholic Church.

The Hanahan Senior Center, located at 3100 Mabeline Rd., offers a variety of activities, programs, classes and events. The center also offers many new programs including field trips to some very interesting sights. The facility and fitness room is open on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays 7:00am until 6:00pm and on Thursdays 7:00am until 8:00pm. For more information, call 843.266.0958. Come and check us out, where it's cool to be a senior!

MASS INTENTIONS are available for deceased loved ones, in thanksgiving, or for personal intentions. The stipend for all Mass Intentions is \$10. We ask that you call or email the church office to see if the requested date is available. You may then drop the Mass Intention envelope, found in the magazine rack in the vestibule, in the offertory basket on Sunday. Please note that no more than 10 Mass Intentions (space permit-ting) per family can be made more than two months in advance. If the Mass Intention needs to be rescheduled to another day because Mass is canceled, the church office will notify you.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If you or a family member anticipate going into the hospital, please notify the church office as soon as possible so that the anointing of the sick may be arranged. If at all possible, please do not wait until the situation becomes dire before calling for the Sacrament. Please know that not all area hospitals provide "Clergy Parking" and Msgr. Hofmann does not want to be too late to anoint you or your loved one.



Please note that with the peak of the flu season upon us, Msgr. Hofmann will suspend the use of the Sacred Cup during Holy Communion beginning with the Christmas Masses and until further notice.

The next Diocesan collection, **Diocesan Bicentennial Year**, will be taken up the weekend of August 11/12. A letter from the Bishop is in today's bulletin regarding this collection. We will send 3% of our Sunday Offertory to the diocese for this purpose in lieu of taking up a second collection. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Due to your generosity, a donation of \$x.00 was sent to the Catholic Charities.

The next Diocesan collection, **Church in Latin America**, will be taken up the weekend of January 27/28. We will send 3% of our Sunday Offertory to the diocese for this purpose in lieu of taking up a second collection. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

LOST & FOUND

Please place items found in the church in the receptacle located in the vestibule.



LOST & FOUND

Please check the box located in the vestibule for any misplaced items.

found in the church in the receptacle.

SCAM ALERT

Some members of our parish have received SCAM emails and texts appearing to be from Fr. Ray. These emails/texts are not from our priest. If you receive a suspicious email or text, please do not reply to it. Delete it immediately. Rest assured, no member of our clergy or staff will ever send an email requesting money or gift cards.

PLEASE CONSIDER....

Remembering our Parish in your will. For further information, please call the church office.

"How beautiful then is modesty and what a gem among virtues it is."

As quoted by St. Bernard, Confessor and Doctor of the Church. Thank you for dressing respectfully when attending Mass.

"How beautiful then is modesty and what a gem among virtues it is."

As quoted by St. Bernard, Confessor and Doctor of the Church. With the Summer months upon us, please remember to dress respectfully when attending Mass.

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With the Summer months upon us, thank you for dressing respectfully when attending Mass.

AND REMEMBER....

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph gave of their time, talent, and treasure.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT UPDATE

The Diocese of Charleston requires all volunteers participating in any parish ministry involving children or visiting the sick and/or shut-ins to complete **Safe Haven** training. Anyone, 18 years of age and older, must complete the program. **Safe Haven** training is to be completed online by visiting <http://charleston.CMGconnect.org>. Upon completion of the training, please give your certificate to the DRE or the church office. If you have any questions about the program, please contact Lori Wiegel, Safe Environment Coordinator, at 843.553.1521, ext. 218, or email her at lawiegel@divineredeemerschool.com

SAFE ENVIRONMENT AT DRC

Divine Redeemer Catholic Church is committed to ensuring a safe environment for our children and for upholding the "National Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People" as established by the United States Council of Bishops. Anyone, 18 years of age and older, who works with children must:

- Attend the "Protecting God's Children" Program.
- Be screened by Law Enforcement.
- Adhere to the Diocese Of Charleston Code of Conduct.
(copy available in church office)
- Read and sign the Diocese Of Charleston Sexual Abuse Policy and Procedures.

For more information, please contact Victim Assistance Coordinator, Louisa Storen, at 843.856.0748 or 1.800.921.8122.

QUOTE FROM POPE FRANCIS

"I am always wary of decisions made hastily. I am always wary of the first decision, that is, the first thing that comes to my mind if I have to make a decision. This is usually the wrong thing. I have to wait and assess, looking deep into myself, taking the necessary time."

A MOST PRECIOUS GIFT...

“Man’s life comes from God; it is His gift, His image and imprint, a sharing in His breath of life. God therefore is the sole Lord of this life: man cannot do with it as he wills.”

– *St. John Paul II, Evangelium Vitae*

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP...

Christian stewardship provides a spirituality that you can take home from church, exercise at work, and express through personal involvement in the community and church.

IN THE WORDS OF A SAINT...

“The first and most fundamental of all human rights is the right to life, and when this right is denied all other rights are threatened ... A society will be judged on the basis of how it treats its weakest members; and among the most vulnerable are surely the unborn and the dying.” – *St. John Paul II*

DEFEND LIFE

“The effectiveness of our commitment to peace depends on our understanding of human life. If we want peace, let us defend life!” – *Pope Benedict XVI, Morning Address, September 15, 2012, Apostolic Journey to Lebanon*

THE PATH TO A JOYFUL FAMILY...

“To maintain a joyful family requires much from both the parents and the children. Each member of the family has to become, in a special way, the servant of the others and share their burdens.” – *St. John Paul II*

TRUE HOLINESS...

“True holiness does not mean a flight from the world; rather, it lies in the effort to incarnate the Gospel in everyday life, in the family, at school and at work, and in social and political involvement.” – *St. John Paul II*

OUR MOST FUNDAMENTAL RIGHT...

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PRAYER FOR ALL LIFE

“From each tiny child waiting to be born, to individuals nearing death, all are precious and deserve our care and protection. Let’s ask God to make us channels of his loving mercy”. – *Cardinal Timothy Dolan, Chairman USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities*

WORDS OF WISDOM

“When we stand before Jesus crucified, we see the depth of His love which exalts and sustains us, but at the same time, unless we are blind, we begin to realize that Jesus’ gaze, burning with love, expands to embrace all His people.”

– *Pope Francis, Evangelii gaudium, no. 268*

EVERY LIFE IS WORTH LIVING...

Heavenly Father, thank you for the precious gift of life. Help us to cherish and protect this gift, even in the midst of fear, pain, and suffering. Give us love for all people, especially the most vulnerable, and help us bear witness to the truth that every life is worth living. Grant us the humility to accept help when we are in need, and teach us to be merciful to all. Through our words and actions, may others encounter the outstretched hands of your mercy. We ask this through Christ Our lord, Amen. – *USCCB 2015-2016 Respect Life Program Pray Card.*

THE BEST PRAYER...

I used to pray that God would feed the hungry or do this or that,

but now I pray that He will guide me to do whatever I’m supposed to do.

I used to pray for answers, but now I’m praying for strength.

I used to believe that prayer changes things, but now I know that prayer changes us and we change things. – *St. Mother Teresa*

“Any country that accepts abortion is not teaching its people to love, but to use violence to get what they want. That is why the greatest destroyer of love and peace is abortion.”

~ *Saint Teresa of Calcutta* ~

Be mindful of us, Blessed Joseph, and intercede for us! – *St. Bernardine of Siena*

People who suffer have something to offer the good God.

– *St. André Bessette, C.S.C.*

Stewardship is an important concept for our spiritual growth as Catholics. It is a way of thanking God for all His blessings by returning to Him a portion of the time, talent and treasure we have received.

“No sin or crime is greater than God’s mercy. The sacrifice of the Cross reveals that Christ’s greatest desire is to forgive those with a repentant heart.”
USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities “Death Penalty: Catholic Q&A

THE REASON FOR YOUR JOY

“Ensure that, like the wine in Cana, the external signs of your wedding feast reveal the presence of the Lord and remind you, and all those present, of the origin of and reason for your joy.” - *Pope Francis*

A PRAYER VIGIL WITH YOUNG PEOPLE...

Dear friends, may no adversity paralyse you. Be afraid neither of the world, nor the future, nor of your weakness. The Lord has allowed you to live in this moment of history so that, by your faith, His name will continue to resound throughout the world.

- *Pope Benedict XVI, August 2011*

How can anybody be lonely
with Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament?

- Ven. Matt Talbot

As a searching investigator of the integrity of your own conduct, submit your life to a daily examination.

- St. Bernard of Clairvaux

True love rises above creation and is steeped in God.

- *St. Maximilian Kolbe*

“By our baptism, we are members of Christ’s body and sharers in his mission. Imitating Christ, we must care for all members of our communities, honoring each person as unique, sacred, and created in the image of God.” USCCB, “Open Wide Our Hearts” Bulletin Insert

Please continue praying for the protection of all human life; and that the day will come when life, God’s gift to us, will be respected, cherished, loved and protected.

How can anybody be lonely with
Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament?

- *Ven. Matt Talbot*

Do not seek to be spared trials;
ask instead for the grace to bear them well.

- St. André Bessette, C.S.C.

IN THE WORDS OF A POPE...

“As the family goes, so goes the world.”
- *St. John Paul II*

Mercy is the central nucleus of the Gospel message; it is the very name of God, the Face with which he revealed himself in the Old Covenant and fully in Jesus Christ, the incarnation of creative and

redemptive Love. May this merciful love also shine on the face of the Church and show itself through the sacraments, in particular that of Reconciliation, and in works of charity, both communitarian and individual. May all that the Church says and does manifest the mercy God feels for man. ~Pope Benedict XVI, Regina Caeli address, March 30, 2008

To celebrate the Gospel of life means to celebrate the God of life, the God who gives life... In every child which is born and in every person who lives or dies we see the image of God’s glory. We celebrate this glory in every human being, a sign of the living God, an icon of Jesus Christ” (The Gospel of Life 84).

“We must not be surprised when we hear of murders, of killings, of wars, of hatred.

If a mother can kill her own child, what is left but for us to kill each other.”

~ Saint Teresa of Calcutta ~

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A REFLECTION...

Of God’s own reality shines out in the human person, in every person, whatever the stage or condition of his life.

- *Pope Benedict XVI*

ACCOMPLISH THE MISSION OF CHRIST

One notes with sadness, that homes are coming under increasingly adverse conditions caused by rapid cultural changes; by educational programs that trivialize sexuality and by false ideologies. We cannot remain indifferent to these challenges. Christ with His grace, urges us to work with diligence and enthusiasm; to ensure that each family, founded on the indissoluble union between a man and a woman, accomplishes its mission of being; a privileged environment in which human life is welcomed and protected, joyfully and responsibly, from its beginning until its natural end. - *Pope Benedict XVI, Message to the Meeting of Bishops who Head Episcopal Commissions for the Family and Life in Latin America and the Caribbean, March 28, 2011*

MOVED BY MERCY...

“Like the Good Samaritan, may we always treat each person with merciful love and respect that affirms the gifts of his or her life” - *“Moved by Mercy” Reflective Flyer, USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities*

*Faith in action is love;
love in action is service.
- St. Teresa of Calcutta*



If you would like to volunteer as a Lector, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Usher, or Martha Society member (aka. Church Cleaner), please contact the church office. We are especially in need of Ushers at all of the Masses. And thank you for sharing your talents and time with our parish!

PARISH MINISTRY VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

If you are a **Lector, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Usher, or Martha Society member (aka. Church Cleaner)**, please pick up your schedule from the basket located in the vestibule. If you would prefer to receive the schedule via email, please contact the church office. And thank you for sharing your talents and time with our parish!



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PARISH MINISTRY VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

If you are a **Martha Society member (aka. Church Cleaner)**, please pick up your schedule from the basket located in the vestibule. If you would prefer to receive the schedule via email, please contact church office. And thank you for your talents and time with our parish!



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MARTHA SOCIETY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



Please consider spending a few hours on Saturday morning working with others to help keep Our Lord's House clean and tidy.

If you would like to volunteer, please call the church office to sign up.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS WELCOMED!

If you are a Lector, Extraordinary Minister, Usher or Altar Server that did not sign up, but wishes to serve during the upcoming Sunday and Holy Days Masses, please be ready at the allocated time during the Mass when volunteers are needed.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SUNDAY SIGN UP

Sign-up sheets for Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Ushers and Altar Servers for the Holy Week and Easter Masses are available in the church vestibule. Thank you for volunteering to serve during the Masses.

NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED!

We are in need of additional Lectors for the 10:30am Mass on Sunday. If you are feeling “the call”, then please pick up the phone and call the church office at 843.553.0340.

PARISH MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

IF YOU ARE A LECTOR...

Please see either Jim Martin or Agui Caban after Mass to pick up your 2018 Lector Workbook. Thank you for sharing your time and talent with our parish!



ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

If your child has received First Holy Communion and is interested in serving as an Altar Server at any of the Masses, please plan to attend the training session with Deacon Jim on either Saturday, April 2nd or 9th. The session will be from 8:00am until 10:00am. Additional training dates will be scheduled if needed. **This training is available for new altar servers and older servers who want a refresher. We plan to use incense in the near future. Training is required for everyone.** Parents are asked to remain in the church during the training session. Space is limited. Contact Deacon Jim at jbaker@charlestdiocese.org to sign-up.



LOOKING FOR FRIENDLY SMILES!

We are in need of additional Ushers for the 5:00pm Vigil Mass on Saturday and also the 10:30am Mass on Sunday. Couples are welcomed to help in this important ministry! Please call the church office at 843.553.0340 for more information.



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We are in need of additional Ushers at the 5:00pm Saturday Vigil Mass and 10:30 am Sunday Mass. Couples are welcomed to serve in this important ministry. Call the church office at 843.553.0340 for more information.

NO PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE NECESSARY!

We are in need of Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, and Ushers for the 5:00pm Vigil Mass on Saturday and 10:30am Mass on Sunday. Couples are welcomed to help in with any of these important ministries! Please call the church office at 843.553.0340 for more information.



PLEASE CONSIDER....

Volunteering as a counter on Monday mornings. The church office would like to create two teams to alternate weeks. Please call the church office at 843.553.0340 to help.



DO YOU ENJOY SINGING?

If so, then please consider joining the Adult Choir! All voices 18 years of age and older are invited to join. Choir practice is held in the church on Wednesday evenings from 6:30pm to 8:00pm. All levels of musicality are welcomed! Contact Matt Goss at 843.693.4778 for more information.

DRC CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Divine Redeemer Church is starting a Children's Choir. All 3rd through 8th grade singers are invited to join us in making a joyful noise unto the Lord! Practice will be on Wednesdays from 5:00-5:45pm in the choir loft starting November 8th. The children's choir will sing at 10:30am Sunday Mass once a month and at Christmas Eve Mass. For more information contact Liz Stuart at 843.817.4928 or Kathy Wright at 843. 572.1290.

PARISH FINANCIAL STATEMENT

In today's bulletin, you will find a copy of the Parish's Financial Statement, dated July 2022 to December 2022.

PARISH DATABASE UPDATE

With the beginning of the new year upon us, the church office is in the process of updating the Parish Database. Please call the church office if you are not currently receiving your monthly offertory envelopes. The use of the offertory envelopes is the only way to verify weekly Mass attendance. And if you are in doubt, please give us a shout and we'll check it out!

ARE YOU A REGISTERED PARISHIONER?

To avoid any misunderstandings when planning baptisms, marriages, or when you have a special request of the parish, **be sure that you are a registered and active member of the parish.** Registration forms are available in the church vestibule. It may be dropped in the offertory basket or you may bring it by the church office for processing.

WHEN IN DOUBT, GIVE US A SHOUT...

The use of the offertory envelopes is the only way to verify weekly Mass attendance and that you are a registered and active member of our parish. If you choose Online Giving to make your donation, please

continue to drop your envelopes in the basket and mark the "I've Given Online" box on the envelope. The envelopes provide a record of Mass attendance and will help to avoid any misunderstandings when you have a special request of the parish. Please call the church office if you are not currently receiving your monthly offertory envelopes. We'll be happy to look into it for you!

WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE YOU JOIN OUR PARISH FAMILY...

If you are not yet a registered member of our parish, please consider joining us by completing a New Parishioner Registration Form. The forms are available in the literature rack found in the church vestibule or from the church office. It may be dropped in the offertory basket, mailed or brought to the church office. You will then receive offertory envelopes through the mail after you have registered. **Only active registered parishioners will receive a monthly mailing of Offertory Envelopes for Divine Redeemer Church.**

JOIN OUR PARISH FAMILY...

If you are not yet a registered member of our parish, please consider joining us by completing the New Parishioner Form available in the literature rack found in the church vestibule or from the church office. The form may be dropped in the collection, mailed or brought to the office. You will receive offertory envelopes through the mail after you have registered.

DO YOU KNOW ANY RETIRED MILITARY?

If so, please inform them that, in accordance to the laws of the Catholic Church, only Active Duty personnel have the right to fulfill their Sunday Obligation and receive Sacraments from a Military Chapel, such as All Saints Chapel, located on the Naval Weapons Station. All retired military Catholic families are required to register and attend their local parish. Thank you for spreading the word and helping to avoid any future misunderstandings.

PARISHIONER REGISTRATION UPDATE

Is your household growing? Are you living with your parents but over the age of eighteen? Are you now an "empty nester"? Are "your babies" on their own with their own babies? If the status of your household has changed over the years, please call the church office to let us know. The data we provide will help the Diocese to make informed decisions regarding the future direction of our parish. And updating the information will help to avoid any mis-

understandings in the future. We thank you in advance for your help!

HELP US TO HELP YOU

Please notify the church office before you move, if you change your phone number, or when the status of your household has changed. It will facilitate updating our records and help us to better serve our parishioners. We thank you in advance for your help in this matter.

ARE YOU REGISTERED?

To avoid problems or misunderstandings when planning baptisms and marriages, for participation in ministries, or when you have a special request of the parish, be sure that you are a registered and active member of the parish.

1. Are you presently not receiving envelopes?
2. Are you newly married and starting your own household?
3. Are you living with your parents but over the age of eighteen?
4. Are you new to the area?
5. Have you moved away from your parental home?

If you are not a registered member please complete the lavender New Parishioner Form found in the literature rack near the church entrance. Completed forms may be dropped in the collection, mailed, or brought to the church office.



THE PARISH ENVELOPE SYSTEM

All are urged to use the parish envelope system, even if you give envelopes is about money; the envelopes provide a record of Mass attendance. When the office staff is asked to verify "Active Parishioner Status," they first look to the frequency of envelope use, not the total amount given. If you cannot make the expected contribution, be sure to drop in an envelope every Sunday, even if it just contains a minimum contribution. With a record of regular Mass attendance, you will not have difficulty being certified as an active parishioner of Divine Redeemer Church.

Hate writing checks? Misplaced the envelopes again? Consider Online Giving as an option to make a donation to your Parish. Visit www.divineredeemerchurch.org and look for the Online Giving button to learn more. Please continue to drop your envelopes in the basket, but remember to mark the "I've Given Online" box on the envelope. Thank you for your continued prayers and support of Divine Redeemer Church.



As of December 21, 2021:

\$70,738,630

Pledged from **15,606** donors
(118% of \$60,000,000 Goal)

\$36,398,886

Received to-date
(51% of Total Pledged)

DIOCESE BICENTENNIAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

As we enter the final weeks of this monumental effort, let us reflect on all of the blessings that have been made possible through the generosity of over 15,000 Catholic families in South Carolina. To date, Divine Redeemer Church parishioners have pledged \$264,453, which is 63% of our target goal of \$420,000.00. Every quarter, our parish will receive 50% from the diocese of all funds collected from our parish. This will help to pay for much needed repairs at the church and school. You may still contribute to the campaign by using the green envelopes in the OSV package. Please make all checks payable to "Catholic Community Foundation of SC".

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Thank you for your generosity.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

The church office will be closed on Monday, July 4th, in observance of the holiday and re-open on Tuesday, July 5th at 9:00am. We ask that you please celebrate safely.



LABOR DAY

Can you believe the symbolic "end of summer" is upon us? The church office will be closed on Monday, September 4th in observance of the holiday and re-open on Tuesday, September 5th at 9:00 am.



CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

The church office will be closed on Monday, October 11th, in observance of the Columbus Day Holiday and re-open on Tuesday, October 12th at 9:00am.



Please pray for God's blessings upon the union of **Mr. Virgilio Mendoza & Mrs. Camerina Hernandez**. They were joined together in Holy Matrimony at our parish on July 13, 2019.



Congratulations to **Mr. & Mrs. John Ruotolo** on the wedding of their daughter, **Jennifer**. We pray God's blessings upon the union of **Mr. & Mrs. Jonathan Gunnels**.



TABERNACLE FLOWERS

If you wish to provide altar flowers, please contact the church office one month prior to requested date. A donation of \$135 is required two weeks prior to the requested weekend. This amount covers the cost of the flowers. Checks are to be made payable to "Divine Redeemer Church" and placed in an envelope marked "Altar Flowers". This is considered a gift to the church and will be reflected on your tax statement.



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Please place your donation in the envelope that's provided in your set and drop it in the collection **no later than Monday, December 10th**.

Don't forget to indicate how you would like your donation listed in the bulletin, i.e., in memory of, in thanksgiving for, in honor of, etc.

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY and limit the number of your request to five. If you chose to make your donation online, remember to type how you would like your donation listed under "Notes".

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EASTER FLOWER ENVELOPES

Please place your donation in the envelope that's provided in your set and drop it in the collection **no later than Sunday, March 21st**. Don't forget to indicate how you would like your donation listed in the bulletin, i.e., in memory of, in thanksgiving for, in honor of, etc. We will be using an



assortment of springtime flowering potted plants and green foliage to decorate our

church. **PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY.** If you chose to make your donation online, remember to type how you would like your donation listed under "Notes".



PLEASE HELP US

We ask your cooperation in not leaving items you receive in the mail (magazines, catalogs, or greeting cards) or religious items (old statues, or Rosaries, etc.) in the church in order to help us eliminate

excessive clutter in the vestibule. Thanks for your assistance and your understanding.

CHURCH OFFICE PARKING

If you have business to conduct in the church office between the hours of 2:00pm and 3:00pm, we suggest that you park in the basketball court rather than drive up. Parents of Divine Redeemer School students pick up their children at that time and the parking lot does become crowded. Thank you for your understanding.

PLEASE KNOW...

Caddell Hall is used as the cafeteria for the school. Now that our new school year has begun, groups will not have access to Caddell Hall during the week days. This includes the use of the hall for receptions after a funeral mass. Groups scheduled to meet in the evenings after 6:00pm will have access to the hall but only if approved by Msgr. Hofmann through the church office. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

DONATED ITEMS LEFT IN CHURCH

If you leave any items in the church (i.e., food, clothing, etc.) that is intended for one of our organizations such as SVDP, Women's Club, etc., **outside of specified collection dates**, please leave a note identifying for whom it is intended so we may contact the appropriate group to come pick it up. Thank you for your cooperation.

BULLETIN AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

If an organization has an event which they would like have published in the bulletin and/or added to the announcements, please provide the information, in writing, to the church office no later than Monday morning. This will help to facilitate getting the information to everyone in our parish. The information may be emailed to office@divineredeemerchurch.org



PLEASE PRAY for the repose of the soul and for the consolation of the family and friends of **Dorothy McGuiness**, aunt of Maureen Morris, who died August 28. May she now rest in peace and let perpetual light shine upon her. Amen.



PLEASE PRAY for the repose of the soul and for the consolation of the family and

friends of **Robert Wiegel**, father of Larry (Lori) Wiegel, who died December 1. May he now rest in peace and let perpetual light shine upon him. Amen.



DRS EAGLES' NOTES

K3-8TH GRADE REGISTRATION FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR

Divine Redeemer Catholic School is currently accepting applications for the upcoming school year. For more information, please visit the website at www.divineredeemerschool.com or call the school office at 843.553.1521.

DRS WISHES TO THANK YOU!!!

Thank you to all who donated to the "Wall of Envelopes"! Our school received \$xx.00 in generous donations from our parishioners.

ATTENTION PUBLIX SHOPPERS!

Support DRS by using Publix Partners. Visit www.publix.com to sign up. Call the school office at 843.553.1521, ext. 201 for more details.

OUR DOORS ARE OPEN FOR YOU!

Our parish school would love to have parishioners get to know our students better. As your schedule permits, please consider visiting school to listen to our younger students read, monitor recess, and greet students as they arrive at school. If you are interested, please contact Dr. Walker pwalker@drcs.co, 843.553.1521 (school office), or 843.607.5370 (cell).

THE BEST INVESTMENT YOU CAN MAKE!

Consider a Catholic education for your children or grandchildren! Divine Redeemer Catholic School will begin registration in the Spring. You can call our School Office at 843.553.1521 with any of your questions regarding our school or visit www.drcs.co for more information.



"PULL" EASE HELP OUR SCHOOL
DRS collects pull tabs from aluminum drink cans as a service project. The



collected tabs are taken to the Ronald McDonald House. You may drop the pull tabs in the offertory basket or you may take them to the school office, between the hours of 8:00am and 3:00pm. Thank you for pulling for our school!

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SAFETY FIRST!

Msgr. Hofmann asks while driving through the church and school parking lot that you:

- Follow the correct traffic pattern flow when entering or exiting the grounds.
- Always adhere to the posted 5MP speed limit.
- Triple check before backing up, even after the weekend masses. Some of us are moving a little slower these days while others are still darting about.

Thank you for helping to keep our church and school families safe.

THE BEST INVESTMENT YOU CAN MAKE!

Divine Redeemer Catholic School will have Face to Face Registration for returning students on Saturday, February 25th from 9:00am until 12 noon and again on Monday March 6th from 6:30pm to 8:00pm. You can call our School Office at 843.553.1521 with any of your questions regarding our school or visit www.drcs.co for more information.

LABOR DAY HOLIDAY FOR DRS

Divine Redeemer Catholic School will be closed on Monday, September 4th in observance of the holiday and resumes regular hours on Tuesday, September 5th.

DRS STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Beginning March 10th, Divine Redeemer School will have Stations of the Cross at 2:15pm on Fridays during Lent.

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On Fridays during Lent, Divine Redeemer School will have Stations of the Cross at 2:00pm, ending on March 23rd. The school invites all to participate.

SUPPORT DRS

THIS EASTER HOLIDAY SEASON

DRS accepts "Box Tops for Education" Labels. So send in those labels from all of your Easter holiday cooking and baking! Just drop it in the offertory basket. Every little bit helps!

EASTER BREAK FOR DRS

Divine Redeemer Catholic School resumes regular hours on Monday, April 4th.

THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

The first day of the 2022-2023 school year will be Monday, August 15th, with an 11:30 am dismissal.

THE LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

The last day of school will be Tuesday, June 4th, with dismissal at 11:30am. After School Care will not be available.

SUMMER TIME CHANGES

During the summer months, the church will be locked after the 7:00am Mass. Once school resumes, the church will be locked at 3:00pm, except on Wednesdays, when the church will be locked at 2:00pm.

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Consider a Catholic education! The Divine Redeemer Catholic School Office is open from 9:00am until 1:00 pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and will be happy to answer all of your questions regarding our school. You may call them at 843.553.1521. The School Office will be closed for vacation July 14th thru July 21st. On August 1st thru 12th, they will be open Monday thru Friday, 9:00am to 2:00pm. The first day of school for the 2016-2017 school year will be Monday, August 15th. You may also visit www.divineredeemerschool.com for more information.

MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY BREAK FOR DRS

DRS and After School Care will be closed on Monday, May 27th, for the Memorial Day Holiday. Regular hours will resume on Tuesday, May 28th.

DRS 8TH GRADE GRADUATION

Divine Redeemer Catholic School will have graduation for the 8th grade class of 2017 on Friday,

May 26th 5:00pm in the church. All are welcomed to attend.

DRS SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Beginning June 11th, the school office will be opened on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 8:30am to 3:30pm. The school office will be closed the week of July 1st through 5th. Regular school office hours of 7:30am to 3:30pm, Monday through Friday, will resume on Monday, August 12th.

KEEPING COLLEGE STUDENTS CONNECTED

The Newman Connection is an outreach program which provides campus ministry to Catholic college students. Our youth are encouraged to embrace the life and mission of the Catholic Church. Yet some of our young adults are leaving the Church because they have not personally encountered Christ and His unending love. If you have a high school graduate entering college this next school year, visit the Newman Connection website at newmanconnection.com

CCD NEWS

Please pass on the Catholic faith and the living Catholic tradition to your children. Give them the gifts of faith, hope and love. Registration fee is \$20.00 per child. **To register for First Holy Communion or Confirmation a copy of your child's baptismal certificate MUST be included with the CCD paperwork.**



CONFIRMATION MEETING

All Parents and Guardians of Confirmation students and Confirmation Candidates are invited to attend a very important meeting regarding the Confirmation requirements and guidelines. The meeting will be held on Sunday, September 9th, after the 10:30am Mass in Caddell Hall. All Homeschoolers and their Parents receiving the Sacrament are encouraged to attend this informative meeting.

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certificate. **To register for Confirmation, a copy of your child's baptismal certificate and First Holy Communion MUST be included with the CCD paperwork.**

FIRST PENANCE

First Penance for students in our 2nd grade CCD program who will be making their First Holy Communion in May will be on Sunday, November 5th, during their regular class time. This is a very special time for these young boys and girls that has been set aside just for them. Please note that Confessions are regularly heard by Msgr. Hofmann on Saturdays from 3:30pm until 4:30pm.

FIRST PENANCE

First Penance for those making their First Communion in May will be on Saturday, November 21 at 10:00am. **Add homeschoolers to all sacramental invites.**

ATTENTION PARENTS OF HOMESCHOOLERS

Any DRC parish family homeschooling a child of age to receive the sacrament of First Holy Communion or Confirmation for this school year, please contact the church office as soon as possible.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROOFS AND CERTIFICATES

If your child received First Holy Communion with the English CCD Class on Saturday, May 7th, the picture proofs are available for pick up in the church office during regular business hours.

CONFIRMATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Confirmation for Divine Redeemer School, English CCD program and Spanish CCD program will take place on Thursday, April 22nd (practice on Wednesday, April 21st at 6:30pm). First Holy Communion for Divine Redeemer School and English CCD program will take place on Saturday, May 1st (practice on Thursday, April 29th at 6:00pm). The Spanish CCD program First Holy Communion will take place on Saturday, May 15th (practice on Sunday, May 2nd after Spanish Mass). **Due to COVID-19 restrictions, only parents and Confirmation sponsors are allowed to attend.**

THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Also known as RCIA, is the process by which both unbaptized adults and those baptized in other Christian denominations learn about the Catholic faith and way of life. If you did not receive all of the Sacraments as a child or if you're curious about the

Catholic faith and thought about becoming a Catholic, the RCIA program is just for you! Adults from all faith traditions, or no religious background at all, are welcome to participate in our program. Classes begin on Sunday, September 9th and are held in the church office from 9:15am until 10:15am. You may contact Jim Baker at 843.509.1581

THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Our next meeting is scheduled for October 9th, at 7:00pm, in the church office conference room. New members are always welcomed.

HELP THOSE IN NEED

With the beginning of a new school year, some families have to make difficult choices on how to spend their limited income. If you or someone you know is in need of food or assistance with utilities, please have them contact the St. Vincent de Paul Society at 843.727.1820.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

With the summer months upon us, some children may not have the opportunity to receive a nutritious school lunch. If you or someone you know is in need of food or assistance with utilities, please have them contact the St. Vincent de Paul Society at 843.727.1820.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

It's getting hotter and the electric bill keeps getting higher! If you or someone you know is in need of food or assistance with utilities, please have them contact the St. Vincent de Paul Society at 843.727.1820.

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YOU can make a difference in the lives of people in our own community. Forms are available in the vestibule to make a special contribution to St. Vincent de Paul in honor of a person, event or as a memorial for a deceased person. Please give your envelope to one of our members after Mass next weekend. Your contribution will be acknowledged.

AN AMAZING OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU

Would you like to experience firsthand the benefit of making a difference in the lives of others? The St. Vincent de Paul Society is in need of volunteers to help reach those who have asked for help. The monetary donations given to the Society are vital to

the ministry, but more members are needed to help with the disbursement of the funds. Those in our community who are in need, greatly appreciate the work of the St. Vincent de Paul Society. If you would like to learn more, the next meeting will be Tuesday, August 8th at 7:00pm in the church office. All are welcomed to attend.

THE WOMEN'S CLUB

All women of the parish are welcomed and encouraged to attend. We meet outside on the first Wednesday of each month. Our next meeting will be held on November 4th. The time and location are to be determined. For more information, contact Jessica Schuman at 803.840.2498 or schumanx5@me.com



WOMEN'S CLUB BAKE SALE

Our Women's Club will be having a Thanksgiving Bake Sale after the Masses next weekend, November 19th and 20th. Be sure that you stop

by and pick up a tasty treat to take home to your family. If you would like to donate delicious homemade baked goods, please bring them to Church before Mass.

A VERY SWEET THANK YOU!

The Divine Redeemer Church Women's Club would like to thank everyone who contributed to and/or purchased baked goods from the Bake Sale last weekend. With your generosity, the ladies were able to collect \$460.00 in donations for their club.

DRC WOMEN'S CLUB

All women of the parish are invited to join our Women's Club, which meets monthly. Call Jessica Schuman at 803.840.2498 to learn more.

STAY CONNECTED WITH FELLOW PARISHIONERS!

Have you ever been disappointed to hear too late of the illness or passing of a fellow parishioner? Have you ever wanted to offer prayers for those struggling or celebrate moments of joy? If you answered YES!, consider adding your email to the parish prayer group, DRstandinginthegap@gmail.com! Request prayers for yourself or pray for the requests of others. Answer the call to stand in the gap for God's children! Nancy Davis can be reached at 843.554.6089 for more information.



ATTENTION ALL LADIES OF OUR PARISH!!

Divine Redeemer Women's Club will host "Relationships" by Catholic Conference 4 Women on Saturday, October 20th from 9:00am until 11:00am in the church office conference room, please enter through the side door. A light breakfast and refreshments are provided. Please join us for a morning of faith, fellowship and fun!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

On Saturday, September 12 there will be a parish volunteer yard day from 8:00 am until 11:00am. Please plan on spending a few hours helping Monsignor Hofmann and bring your yard equipment.

NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED!

We are in need of additional Ushers for the 5:00pm Saturday Vigil Mass. If you are feeling "the call", then please call the church office at 843.553.0340.

Saturday, September 5 – Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

(Not a Holy Day of Obligation this year)

RESPECT FOR LIFE

BIRTHRIGHT – LOWCOUNTRY PREGNANCY

Pregnant and in need? These organizations can help: Birthright at 843.556.4403 or Lowcountry Pregnancy Center at 843.553.3528. Volunteers and donations are always welcomed.

PROJECT RACHEL

We are a confidential Catholic outreach program for women and men suffering from past abortions. If you are hurting, we can help. You may call 888.456.HOPE (4673) or visit www.hopeafterabortion.com.

HELPING AREA MOTHERS AND BABIES

Volunteers and donations are always welcomed at Birthright at 843.556.4403 or Lowcountry Pregnancy Center at 843.553.3528. Call to help!

SC CITIZENS FOR LIFE

Supported by our Bishop, we seek laws to protect pregnant women, unborn children, and the medically vulnerable. Call 803.252.5433 for more information.

BIRTHRIGHT

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40 DAYS FOR LIFE IN CHARLESTON

From September 25th through November 3rd, our state will be joining together for the largest and longest pro-life mobilization in history. For

information about events in the Charleston area, visit www.40daysforlife.com/charleston

PRAY FOR THE HOLY INNOCENTS

The organization, Priests for Life, has called for each Catholic to pray fervently for the closing of their local abortion facility.

Please join Father Joseph V. Romanoski, Pastor at Blessed Sacrament Church, who will lead the Rosary and prayers at the Planned Parenthood Abortion facility at 1312 Ashley River Road (corner of Hwy 61 & Fuseler) on Saturday, May 19th from 8:00am until 9:00am. For information call Stephen Boyle at 843.763.0681.

DIOCESAN ANNOUNCEMENT

The SC Fetal Heartbeat Protection from Abortion Act bill is pending in the SC Senate. This bill prohibits an abortion being performed once a fetal heartbeat is detected. It passed the SC House of Representatives, and sub- and full committees in the Senate last year. This year, the bill is waiting for a vote on the S.C. Senate floor. Grass-roots advocacy is the most effective way for us to ensure life-protecting laws are passed in South Carolina. This is not a political fight: it is a spiritual, moral and humanitarian issue. Visit <https://charlestondiocese.org/south-carolinacatholic-conference/take-action/> for easy and direct access your state senators. We must be a voice for the unborn children who have been conceived with their own soul and are made in the image and likeness of God.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING

Natural Family Planning (NFP) encompasses moral, natural, healthy, modern and scientifically reliable methods of family planning that teach married couples how to identify and understand their signs of fertility which they can then use to plan their families in accordance with God's design and will. The introductory session is taught by Karen Provost. If interested, please contact her at 843.469.3103.



PRE-CANA MARRIAGE FORMATION

The next pre-cana session, "Living A Joy Filled Marriage", will be held on Saturday, July 13th, at the Diocesan Pastoral Center located at 901 Orange Grove Rd. in West Ashley. The cost is \$100.00. Contact Gary Ludlam at 843.860.0292 or ludlamg@gmail.com for more information.

ENGAGED ENCOUNTER

The Engaged Encounter program is held in various Catholic churches around the state. The best time to attend is 3-6 months before your wedding. For the latest information about weekend schedules, availability, or to request a brochure visit www.cce-sc.org.

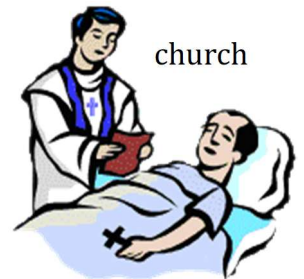
WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER



A new year can bring new beginnings. Why not begin with a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend? The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience is on Jan 29-31, 2021 in North Myrtle Beach, SC and Apr 15-May 6, 2021 in VIRTUAL 3RE, SC. To learn more, visit <https://SCMarriageMatters.org>

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If you or a family member anticipate entering the hospital for major surgery or a prolonged illness, please notify the church office as soon as possible so that the anointing of the sick may be arranged before entering the hospital. The anointing may take place after Mass or in the office. If at all possible, please do not wait until the situation becomes dire before calling for the Sacrament. Once the soul has left the body, it is too late. Please know that not all area hospitals provide "Clergy Parking" and Msgr. Hofmann does not want to be too late to anoint you or your loved one.



WE ARE HERE TO SERVE YOU!!

We are now very fortunate to have Eucharistic Ministers serving the local nursing homes and homebound parishioners, but we are missing YOU! If you or loved one would like a visit from one of our Eucharistic Ministers, please email Deacon Andre at ferme1943@gmail.com to schedule a visit.

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If you or a family member anticipate having surgery where you will be put under, please notify the church office as soon as possible so that the anointing of the sick may be arranged before the surgery takes place. If at all possible, please do not wait until the situation becomes dire before calling for the Sacrament.

NEEDS OF THE SHUT-IN

Please call the church office if a member of your family is homebound. If you know of a fellow parishioner that is homebound, please encourage them to call the church office so that they too may continue on their Faith journey.

THE ORATORY CENTER FOR SPIRITUALITY

We offer retreats, lectures, film series, religion camps and more. To learn about our many programs contact us at 803.327.2097 or visit our website www.rockhilloratory.com

A MINISTRY MOMENT..

Looking for happy, loving, and fulfilling relationships? Just ask us! Visit our website, <http://sccatholic.org/ministry-moment> You will find many resources to help you to navigate through life.

PERPETUAL ADORATION

St. Theresa the Little Flower, Summerville, invites you to Perpetual Adoration in their chapel. Point of contact: Emmie Turner, 843.851.0098.

YOU DID IT FOR ME....

Conflict continues to plague Afghanistan, forcing many people away from their homes and children away from their schools. But thanks to Catholic Relief Services and the Afghan Ministry of Education, more than 23,000 children are being given the opportunity to find solace through engaging workshops and activities as a way to deal with trauma and to develop their education. If you would like to help, you can learn more at crs.org/you-did-it-for-me



BE INFORMED...

Visit <https://charlestondiocese.org/bicentennial/> for the latest information on Bicentennial events and news in our Diocese.

THE CATHOLIC MISCELLANY

The Catholic Miscellany, the official newspaper of the Diocese of Charleston, is available online at www.themiscellany.org

FOLLOW THE CATHOLIC MISCELLANY...

Did you know The Catholic Miscellany can be followed on social media as well? Follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram for up-to-date news stories and announcements.

INFORM, INSPIRE, UNITE

For over 190 years, The Catholic Miscellany has striven to be an important means of evangelization, a source of local/national news and information, and a way for people to stay connected in the Diocese of Charleston. You too can stay connected by turning in your Catholic Miscellany envelope that is included with your May Offertory Envelope set or pay online. The cost is just \$17.50 per year, and includes the e-edition for your convenience.

CONNECT WITH SC CATHOLICS

Are you interested in Catholic evangelization, news and information as it relates to our state? For just \$17.50, you can keep up with events and news of the Diocese of Charleston with The Catholic Miscellany newspaper. You too can stay connected by turning in your Catholic Miscellany envelope that is included with your June Offertory Envelope set. You can also enjoy the online e-edition with your paid subscription.

THERE'S A NEW WAY TO LISTEN TO CATHOLIC RADIO!

Just dial 1.712.832-2674 (Powered by AudioNow.com), and your phone (standard cell or landline) becomes a personal Catholic Radio listening device. There is no extra charge for this service but your normal call rates and limits do apply. But, as many plans have unlimited long distance or calling, you can essentially listen on your standard phone for free. Check your calling plan to be sure. Please pass this along to all who might enjoy Catholic Radio.

CATHOLIC RADIO IN SOUTH CAROLINA

Catholics can listen to quality Catholic radio programming on WL7Q 730 AM in the Charleston area. Grow in faith by tuning in.

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Catholics can now listen to quality Catholic radio programming from the Eternal Word Television Network (EWTN) Radio (XMSirius 130), the Catholic Channel (XMSirius 129) and more. Visit www.catholicradioinSC.com for more information and programming schedules.

**BRINGING CHRIST TO PEOPLE AND
PEOPLE TO CHRIST**

“Radio offers perhaps the closest equivalent today of what Jesus was able to do with large groups through His preaching. Radio is an intimate medium, which can reach people on the street, in their cars, and in their homes” as quoted by St. John Paul II. Every day, Catholics can listen to quality Catholic radio programming on WLTQ 730 AM in the Charleston area. Grow in faith by tuning in.

DONATE TO CATHOLIC RADIO

You can donate your car, boat, or RV to the Catholic Radio in South Carolina Vehicle Donation Program. The toll-free number is 855.427.2346. A representative will ask a few informational questions and then schedule a pickup. Or you may donate at our website www.catholicradioinnc.com where you'll be able to fill out a secure form online. After you submit the form a representative will call to confirm your online donation.

THE CATHOLIC VIEW FOR WOMEN

Airing on EWTN TV is a television program, “The Catholic View for Women”. Topics that are covered will encourage today’s faithful Catholic women that they can be in the world and not of the world and offer a positive, relevant, and fun alternative to today’s toxic TV shows targeting women. You can also stream EWTN online by going to EWTN.com and clicking the “television” tab. Visit TheCatholicViewforWomen.com for the schedule and topic information.

WORKS OF MERCY

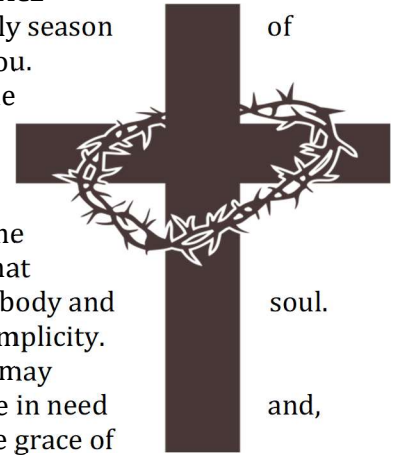
Corporal – Welcome a stranger; Care for the sick; Feed the hungry; Give drink to the thirsty; Shelter the homeless; Visit the imprisoned; Clothe the naked; Bury the dead.

Spiritual – Instruct the Ignorant; Counsel the doubtful; Admonish the Sinners; Bear wrongs patiently; Forgive offences willingly; Comfort the afflicted; Pray for the living and the dead.

Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit – Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Knowledge, Fortitude, Piety, and Fear of the Lord.

A PRAYER FOR LENTEN GRACE

Loving God, during this holy season of Lent, bring me closer to You. Prepare a place in my home and my heart for silence and solitude, so that I may re-discover the gift of a prayer-full life. Help me to fast from those things that threaten the well-being of body and soul. Remind me of the gift of simplicity. Enlarge my heart so that I may cheerfully share with those in need and, in so doing, re-discover the grace of gratitude and generosity. May this season truly be a blessed time for me to rekindle my love for and my faith in You, though your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*



Love our Lady. And she will obtain abundant grace to help you conquer in your daily struggle.

– St. Josemaria Escriva

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Mother’s Day encompasses more than just the honoring of those who have borne children. It is the celebration of motherhood – the divine nature of women. May we all feel a deeper appreciation for

the great blessing of motherhood, and not just when we celebrate Mother’s Day, but every day! Please pray for all mothers today and may we also help the next generation reclaim and respect this incredible gift from God known as motherhood!

MOTHER’S DAY NOVENA ENVELOPES

Please turn in your Mother’s Day Spiritual Remembrance envelopes to the church office before Monday, May 6th. All of the mothers will be remembered during the Masses in the month of May.



A TRIBUTE TO MOTHERHOOD

Mothers are a gift from God. God knew what He was doing when He created women with the ability to nurture life. Mother’s Day honors all our mothers and their enormous sacrifices. Motherhood is a rewarding and often difficult job. A mother is a child’s first teacher and affects a child’s life like few

others can. Loving and selfless mothers can inspire their children to love themselves and others, work hard, make healthy choices, serve causes greater than self, and achieve their dreams. Mothers who protect, teach, and nurture their children with all their hearts strengthen their families and help build a better future for our country.

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A FATHER'S LOVE

A father is respected because
He gives his children leadership...
Appreciated because
He gives his children care...
Valued because
He gives his children time...
Loved because he gives his children the one thing they treasure most – himself.



“When a man walks in integrity and justice, happy are his children after him.”
– Proverbs 20:7

Happy
Father's
Day

NATIONWIDE MASS TIMES AND LOCATIONS

To help you and your family locate a Catholic Church to attend Mass while vacationing during the summer months, please visit www.masstimes.org. May God keep you safe during your travels.



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WHEN YOU ARE AWAY...

Your parish's debts and expenses continue. Your donations are needed to help us fulfill our financial obligations. Please have any missed envelopes caught up. May God bless and keep you safe during your Summer travels.



TRAVEL

When you are away your parish's debts and expenses continue, and we need your donations to meet our obligations. Missed envelopes, while on vacation or at any other time, are asked to be caught up. May God bless and keep you safe during summer vacation; remember to attend Mass while traveling.

THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY TRAVEL PLANS?

When you are away, your parish's debts and expenses continue. Your donations are needed to help us fulfill our financial obligations. Please have any missed envelopes caught up. May God bless and keep you safe during the Thanksgiving holiday season.



CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY TRAVEL PLANS?

When you are away, your parish's debts and expenses continue. Your donations are needed to help us fulfill our financial obligations. Please have any missed envelopes caught up. May God bless and keep you safe during the Christmas Holiday



season.

IN CHRIST JESUS.”

- 1 THESSALONIANS 5:18

NATIONWIDE MASS TIMES AND LOCATIONS

To help you and your family locate a Catholic Church to attend Mass while traveling, please visit www.masstimes.org. May God keep you and your family safe during your travels.

HOLIDAY TRAVEL

When you are away, your parish's debts and expenses continue. Your donations are needed to help us fulfill our financial obligations. Please have any missed envelopes caught up. May God bless and keep you safe during the holidays.

JUST A REMINDER...

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DEACON ANDRÉ GUILLET

Deacon André can be reached at 843.323.2384 or ferme1943@gmail.com. His address is 141 Elm Street, Sayville, NY 11782. He'd love to hear from you!

A GIFT FOR YOU!

Please be sure to pick up a copy of The Little Blue Book for Advent. The book will help to guide you along your Advent journey. Copies are available after Mass in the vestibule.

THANKSGIVING WEEKEND MASSES

Thank you to the Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Ushers and Altar Servers who are serving during this Thanksgiving weekend. We all appreciate the donation of your time and talent to Divine Redeemer Catholic Church.

THERE IS ALWAYS A REASON TO GIVE THANKS!

COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS INSTEAD OF YOUR CROSSES;
COUNTS YOUR GAINS INSTEAD OF YOUR LOSSES;
COUNT YOUR JOYS INSTEAD OF YOUR WOES;
COUNT YOUR FRIENDS INSTEAD OF YOUR FOES;
COUNT YOUR SMILES INSTEAD OF YOUR TEARS;
COUNT YOUR COURAGE INSTEAD OF YOUR FEARS;
COUNT YOUR FULL YEARS INSTEAD OF YOUR LEAN;
COUNT YOUR KIND DEEDS INSTEAD OF YOUR MEAN;
COUNT YOUR HEALTH INSTEAD OF YOUR WEALTH;
COUNT ON GOD INSTEAD OF YOURSELF!



THERE IS ALWAYS A REASON TO GIVE THANKS!

Count your blessings instead of your crosses;
Counts your gains instead of your losses;
Count your joys instead of your woes;
Count your friends instead of your foes;
Count your smiles instead of your tears;
Count your courage instead of your fears;
Count your full years instead of your lean;
Count your kind deeds instead of your mean;
Count your health instead of your wealth;
Count on God instead of yourself!

“In everything give thanks; For this is the Will of God in Christ Jesus.”

- 1 Thessalonians 5:18

ADVENT IS COMING....

Invite someone who has been away from the Church. You will be a blessing and be blessed.

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

We will have a Mass of Remembrance on Monday, November 30th at 7:00pm. This special Mass is for those who have died since last November. **Flyers are to be returned to the church office no later than Monday, November 16th.** All are invited to attend this special mass to remember those who have gone before us during this past year.

ALL SOULS DAY ENVELOPES

The month of November is the month of All Souls. Special envelopes are included in your monthly mailing packet. We invited you to put the names of deceased loved ones on the back of the envelope, then drop it in the offertory basket. We will have a small basket in front of the altar with all of the filled out All Souls Day envelopes, and we will pray for those souls at every Mass celebrated during the month of November at Divine Redeemer Church. If you chose to make your donation online, remember to type the names of departed loved ones under “Notes” and they will be included in the basket.

NOVEMBER MASS INTENTIONS

Mass Intentions will not be scheduled for the month of November. All masses celebrated in November will be for All Souls. There is an envelope in the OSV packet for All Souls. For anyone that sends in an envelope (even empty), the masses will be for the repose of the souls of the departed written on the envelope. If you give online, you may type the names of your departed loved ones in the space provided on



**“IN EVERYTHING GIVE THANKS;
FOR THIS IS THE WILL OF GOD**

the website. The envelopes and online list will be place in a basket in front of the Altar.

CHRISTMAS SEASON SIGN UP

Sign-up sheets for Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Ushers and Altar Servers for the Christmas Masses, Christmas weekend, and the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God are now available in the church vestibule. Thank you for volunteering to serve during the Masses.



May the love, peace, and joy of this beautiful Christmas Holiday Season remain in our hearts throughout the New Year.....

ENGAGED ENCOUNTER

Catholic Engaged Encounter is a national and international marriage preparation program that provides engaged couples an intense weekend opportunity to prepare for the sacrament of matrimony. The weekend covers a variety of life topics threaded through 5 major themes: Family, Communication, Values, Intimacy, and Sacramental Marriage. The weekend is open to any engaged couple wanting to prepare for a deeper, more meaningful life together in a marriage recognized by the Catholic Church according to Catholic law. Trust, honesty, and openness are encouraged and key to a successful weekend. The best time to attend is 3-6 months before your wedding. One 3 day retreat weekend a year is offered at Camp Hope in Clemson and 4-5 in-parish/nonresidential 2 day weekends per year. Retreat weekends costs \$250.00 and in-parish weekends costs \$150.00. Partial scholarships are offered. No one is turned away because they cannot pay for the whole weekend. Please visit the website to find out more about the weekends at www.cee-sc.org

LADIES ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS

The Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians, Our Lady of Knock, Charleston division is a charitable Irish Catholic Woman's group. Meetings are held at Stella Maris Church hall, on Sullivan's Island. If you would like to join the group and make new friends, visit www.laohsouthcarolina.com for more information.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!

Coastal Catholic Charities announces the opening of Our Lady's Pantry at 1662 Ingram Road, Charleston. A part of the Wellness Program at Catholic Charities, they strive to provide healthy foods along with behavioral economics education to help clients make a systematic change in their lives. Sign up for a shift to help clients shop Monday through Thursday from 9:00am until 1:30pm. Food delivery volunteers are needed for shifts, once per week, and must be able to pick up and deliver large amounts of food. Must have pickup trucks and/or trailers for deliveries. If you can help by volunteering for this exciting new program, please call Robyn Fick of Catholic Charities at 843.531.5574 for more information.

A GIFT FOR YOU!

Please be sure to pick up a copy of The Little Black Book for Lent. The book will help to guide you along your Lenten journey. Copies are available after Mass in the vestibule

NEEDS OF THE SHUT-IN

Please call the church office if a member of your family is homebound, so that Msgr. Hofmann may bring them the Sacraments during Lent.

FASTING AND ABSTINENCE

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal. Two smaller meals may also be taken, but not to equal a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

Each year, the Holy Father invites Catholics to support fellow Christians and sacred shrines in the Holy Land. In the land where Our Lord chose to be born, where the ultimate loving sacrifice was made, and where His glorious resurrection took place, a cry for help can be heard. Please give generously.

MANY THANKS TO MANY PEOPLE!

Thank you to all of the Lectors, Ushers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Altar Servers who offered to serve during Holy Week and the Easter Masses. If you heard the voices of angels, we can thank Mrs. Paula Clyde and her dedicated choir members for all of their preparation to provide beautiful Sacred music during Holy Week and every

week. And thank you to the many hands that helped prepare, clean, and decorate the church for the Easter Triduum.

KEEPING COLLEGE STUDENTS CONNECTED

The Newman Connection is an outreach program which provides campus ministry to Catholic college students. Our youth are encouraged to embrace the life and mission of the Catholic Church. Yet some of our young adults are leaving the Church because they have not personally encountered Christ and His unending love. If you have a high school graduate entering college this next school year, visit the Newman Connection website at newmanconnection.com For additional information, contact Ms. Cassie Campton, Director of High School Outreach, at ccampton@newmanconnection.com



On Sunday, February 10th at 2:00pm, St. Michael Catholic Church, located in Murrells Inlet, will host a celebration of the sacrament of marriage. The event is sponsored by the Diocese of Charleston Office of Family Life. The Marriage Anniversary Celebration is an opportunity to honor all married couples, especially those in long-term marriages. The married couples will affirm their love and commitment to each other. The Most Reverend Robert Guilielmone, Bishop of the Diocese of Charleston, will be the main celebrant. The Mass will fulfill the Sunday obligation and a simple reception will follow. If interested, please contact the Family Life Office at FamilyLife@charlestondiocese.org or call 803.547.5063 before February 8th.



Please remember Daylight Savings Time ends on Sunday, November 5th. Don't forget to "Fall Back"!

"Through His victory, Jesus has opened to us His kingdom. But it is for us to enter into it, beginning with our life now – His kingdom begins now – by being close in concrete ways to our brothers and sisters who ask for bread, clothing, acceptance, solidarity, catechesis. If we truly love them, we will be willing to share with them what is most precious to us, Jesus Himself and His Gospel."

*- Pope Francis,
Homily on Solemnity of Christ the King, November 23, 2014*



The Longest Married Couple
Worldwide Marriage Encoun-ter is searching for the longest married couple. One national winner and winners from each of the 50 states are recognized each year. This project is held to honor the commitment of married couples and to give hope and inspiration to younger couples that they too can have long and lasting marriages. Nominations must be received by January 10th, 2018. To nominate a couple you know, please visit us at <http://www.earnedmedia.org/wwme1009.htm> or contact us directly at 405.850.4274.

VIETNAMESE MARIAN CELEBRATION

All are invited to join the Vietnamese Catholic's at Our Lady of La Vang Quasi-Parish in Greer, SC, in honor of Our Blessed Mother Mary. This

event will take place on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 13th, from 11:00am until 4:00pm. Contact Michael Tran at 864.704.6559 for more information.

MARIAN PILGRIMAGE

On Saturday, May 5th, the 16th Annual Asian and Pacific Island Catholics Marian Pilgrimage will take place at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, located in Washington, DC. This four hour event will begin at 12 noon. For more information, contact Sr. Myrna Tordillo at Mtordillo@uscgb.org

LOOKING TO SHARE YOUR HERITAGE?

Visit <https://www2.ed.gov/free/features/asian-pacific-heritage.html> to Find 12 Ways To Enrich Kid's Appreciation Of Asian-Pacific American Culture. This information is provided through the U.S. Department of Education and is not affiliated with the Catholic Church.

MEPKIN ABBEY CRÈCHE FESTIVAL SHEPHERDS AND SHEEP

A crèche is a representation of the infant Jesus in the manger, typically surrounded by the figures found in a nativity set. Visitors from around the country flock to Mepkin Abbey, located in Moncks Corner, for an incredible display of unique, handmade nativity sets from around the world. It is a Lowcountry holiday tradition! The monks transform their conference center into a forest of trees and candles which serve as the backdrop for the Nativity sets. The dates for this event are November 12th through 18th and November 23rd through December 1st. Reservations are now being accepted and are required. Visit <http://mepkinabbey.org> for more information.



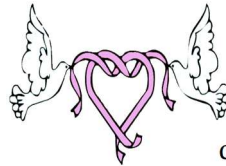
WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A MONK FOR A MONTH OR FOR A YEAR?

Mepkin Abbey, in Moncks Corner, has announced the opening of their new Mepkin Affiliate Program. Would you like to live from your Sacred Center Seeking God in Contem-plate prayer? Would you like to touch the archetype of "Monkhood", a constitutive dimension of human life? Mepkin Abbey offers you the opportunity to enjoy all of these experiences and more in their holistic environment. Visit mepkinabbey.org to find more detailed information. The programs are free of cost.



GOLF TOURNAMENT

Our Lady of Mercy Community Outreach will hold their 25th annual Charity Golf Tournament on Wednesday, April 25th at 11:30am at the Golf Club at Briar's Creek, 4000 Briars Creek Lane. For more information, visit www.olmoutreach.org



WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Don't take a vacation from your marriage! Come learn a technique of loving communication that you can use for the rest of your lives. It is a chance to look deeply into your relationship with each other and with God. Fill your marriage with joy! The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend is July 20-22, 2018 in Fort Mill, SC and August 3-5, 2018 in Chapel Hill, NC. Early sign up is recommended. Call 803.810.9602 for more information.

"I do not believe one can settle how much we ought to give. I am afraid the only safe rule is to give more than we can spare. In other words, if our expenditure on comforts, luxuries, amusements, etc., is up to the standard common among those with the same income as our own, we are probably giving away too little. If our charities do not at all pinch or hamper us, I should say they are too small. There ought to be things we should like to do and cannot because our charitable expenditure excludes them."

- C.S Lewis, English author

CATHOLIC ENGAGED ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

Catholic Engaged Encounter is a national and international marriage preparation program that provides engaged couples an intense weekend opportunity to prepare for the sacrament of matrimony. The best time to attend is 3-6 months before your wedding. The weekend covers a variety of life topics threaded through 5 major themes: Family, Communication, Values, Intimacy, and Sacramental Marriage. Retreat weekends costs \$250.00 and partial scholarships are offered. No one

is turned away because they cannot pay for the whole weekend. There will be a Catholic Engaged Encounter Weekend on the following dates: St. Mary Magdalene, Simpsonville on April 28th and 29th; St. Andrews, Clemson on July 21st and 22nd; and St. Michael's Catholic Church, Murrells Inlet on October 6th and 7th. Please see the website, www.cee-sc.org, to register.

TASTE OF GOOSE CREEK

Immaculate Conception Church, in Goose Creek, will have their annual "Taste of Goose Creek" on Saturday, April 14th. The event will take place from 11:00am until 3:00pm. Come hungry and leave happy.

GIVE YOUR MARRIAGE A SOLID FOUNDATION...

Attend an Engaged Encounter Weekend. Weekends are scheduled for: March 29th-31st at Camp Hope at Clemson University (residential); June 8th-9th at Our Lady of the Hills in Columbia; July 27th-28th at St. Andrew's in Clemson; and October 5th-6th at St. Michael's in Myrtle Beach. Please register on our web site cee-sc.org. If you need additional information please call Bob & Mary Reimer 864.420.2633.

WALK FOR LIFE FUNDRAISER

The 12th Annual Lowcountry Walk for Life fundraiser is, Saturday, November 2nd at 10:00am at the Wannamaker County Park in North Charleston. All parishioners are encouraged to walk with or donate to our team. Our church is registered as "Team Redeem". The money raised will benefit new mothers and their babies in difficult pregnancy situations. For more information, visit www.LW4L.org



THANK YOU FOR YOUR LW4L DONATIONS!

On November 2nd, people came from all over the Lowcountry to support and walk for LIFE! And thank you to all of the walkers and donors who showed their support for this worthy cause. Your donations will help to make a difference at the Lowcountry Pregnancy Center. To date, Divine Redeemer Church donated \$425.00 to the organization. It's not too late if you would like to make a donation. Donations are still being accepted at <https://www.lw4l.org/>

CATHOLIC YOUTH STAND UP FOR LIFE RALLY

On Saturday, January 12th, be a part of Proudly Pro-Life Weekend in Columbia, SC! Gather with Bishop Guglielmo and hundreds of youth from the Diocese of Charleston at the Township Auditorium, located at 1703 Taylor St., Columbia. The key note speaker is Leah Darrow, a mother, wife, author and TV

personality. The Justin Dery Band will provide outstanding praise and worship music. The march begins at 1:15pm at the State House, followed by a rally at 2:00pm, then Mass at 4:00pm with Bishop Guglielmo. All seating is auditorium style with a chair for everyone. There is plenty of parking at the both the State House and Township Auditorium.

SCCL PROUDLY PRO-LIFE WEEKEND

Mark your calendar and be a part of Proudly Pro-Life Weekend in Columbia, on January 7th and 8th. The special guest will be Mississippi A.G., Lynn Fitch, and the musical guest are The 3 Heath Brothers. On Friday, January 7th, a dinner will held at Seawell's Restaurant, located at 1125 Rosewood Drive. Tickets are \$45 each. On Saturday, January 8th, The Stand Up For Life March lines up at USC Russell House on Greene Street at 11:00am. The Rally will begins at 12 noon at the State House plaza on the Gervais Street side. To reserve your tickets, visit online at www.sclife.org/events

LIFT UP - JR. HIGH SCHOOL YOUNG LADIES RETREAT AT CAMP KINARD

Imagine Catholic young ladies, 6th to 8th grades, gathered from all around the state of South Carolina for a weekend that promises to change their life! This retreat will take place at Camp Kinard located in Batesburg-Leesville on March 29th through 30th. This weekend will be a little of everything -crazy games, to powerful talks, to small group discussions, Mass, adoration, reconciliation, and great music. The keynote speakers will be Lorena Robles and Claire Long. The cost is \$90.00. The registration deadline is Friday, March 15th. Contact the Youth Office at Diocese of Charleston at 843.261.0443 to register.

BE COURAGEOUS!

October 25th through 27th, the High School Young Ladies Retreat "Be Courageous" will be held at Camp Kinard, located in Batesburg-Leesville, SC. The retreat is open for young ladies in the 9th to 12th grades. Registration deadline is October 11th and limited to 35 participants. Contact the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry to learn more at 843.261.0443.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!

Coastal Catholic Charities is in need of volunteers for a very busy food pantry, located at 1662 Ingram Road



in West Ashley. The days that volunteers are needed are either Mondays or Thursdays from 10:00am until 1:00pm. Call 843.531.5570 or stop by to find out more.

THANK YOU TO OUR CCD VOLUNTEERS

Please pray for the CCD volunteers as they pass along our Catholic Faith to the next generation of men and women. We wish to thank:

K5 - Mrs. Sarah Friedman

Gr. 1 - Mrs. Natalie Szczepkowski

Gr. 2 - Mrs. Melanie Brooks

Gr. 3 - Mrs. Nancy Davis

Gr. 4 - Mrs. Jessica Schuman

Gr. 5 - Ms. Wendy Diaz

Gr. 6 - Mrs. Donna Butler

Gr. 7 - Mr. Evan Aluise

Gr. 8 - Dr. Kathy Wright, CCD Director

Aides - Kathryn McCready & Victoria Mueller

"100 years from now it will not matter what my bank account was, the sort of house I lived in, or the kind of car I drove, but the world may be different because I was important in the life of a child" – Forest Witcraft



LOVED THE WEDDING. INVITE ME TO THE MARRIAGE. LOVE, GOD
A Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend can help you do that!

Marriage Encounter is 44 hours where married couples can get away from jobs, kids, chores, and phones — and focus just on each other. Attend one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends on January 31st to February 2nd, 2020 in N. Myrtle Beach, SC and July 17th to 19th, 2020 in Beaufort, SC. Early sign up is recommended. Visit our website at <https://SCMarriageMatters.org> or contact us at applications@scmarriagematters.org or 803.810.9602.

FINDING WAYS TO HEAL THE DEEPEST WOUNDS

Foundations of Peace offers a day of healing for survivors and victims of abuse. This program will take place on Saturday, November 30th from 8:30am to 4:30pm at St. Mary Help of Christians Church, located in Aiken. There is no cost for this event.

Lunch and materials will be provided. To register, call the Office of Family Life at 803.547.5063 or email Carole King, at familylife@charlestdiocese.org

4th ANNUAL CONFERENCE ON PRAYER AND THE HOLY EUCHARIST

St. Theresa Catholic Church in Summerville is sponsoring a free one day conference on "True Devotion to Mary" featuring Fr. Hugh Gillespie, SMM, a Monfort Missionary priest, author, and speaker. The conference will be held on Saturday January 25th beginning with Holy Rosary at 8:00am and ending around 4:00pm. Holy Mass will be offered at 9:00am. There will be a complimentary lunch. Please RSVP by January 20th. Contact Emmie Turner at 843.851.0098 for more information.



20th ANNUAL MARRIAGE CELEBRATION

On Sunday, February 2nd at 3:00pm, St. John the Beloved Catholic Church, located in Summerville, will host a celebration of the sacrament of marriage. The event is sponsored by the Diocese of Charleston Office of Family Life. The Marriage Anniversary Celebration is an opportunity to honor all married couples, especially those in long-term marriages. The married couples will affirm their love and commitment to each other. The Most Reverend Robert Guilielmone, Bishop of the Diocese of Charleston, will be the main celebrant. The Mass will fulfill the Sunday obligation and a simple reception will follow. If interested, please contact the Family Life Office at FamilyLife@charlestdiocese.org or call 803.547.5063 before January 30th.



ENCOUNTERING CHRIST IN HARMONY

According to the USCCB during its Plenary Assembly in June 2018, approved this formal statement: "The goal of this response is to make Asian and Pacific Island Catholics feel at home, both in the Church and in the United States, while being able to preserve the richness of the spiritual and cultural backgrounds that they bring as contributing member of the Body of Christ." To receive you copy of *Encountering Christ in Harmony: A Pastoral Response to Our Asian and Pacific Island Brothers and Sisters*, visit <https://store.usccb.org>, the USCCB's online store. Remember to use product code number 7-576 when placing your order.

LOOKING TO SHARE YOUR HERITAGE?

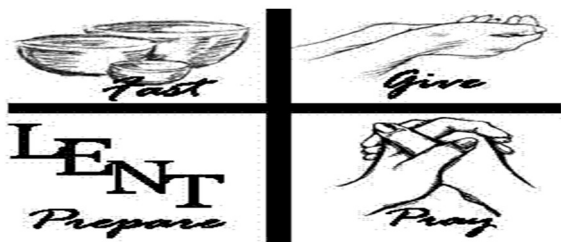
Visit <https://www2.ed.gov/free/features/asian-pacific-heritage.html> to *Find 12 Ways To Enrich Kid's Appreciation Of Asian-Pacific American Culture*. This information is provided through the U.S. Department of Education and is not affiliated with the Catholic Church.

OPEN WIDE OUR HEARTS...

Approved by the U.S. bishops during their Fall 2018 Generally Assembly, *Open Wide Our Hearts: The Enduring Call to Love – A Pastoral Letter Against Racism*, asks us to recall that we are all brothers and sisters in Christ. You may access the letter at <http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/human-life-and-dignity/racism/upload/open-wide-our-hearts.pdf>

THANK YOU, AMAZONSMILE SHOPPERS!!!

Divine Redeemer Church was issued a \$38.79 donation from the AmazonSmile Foundation as a result of AmazonSmile purchases made between October 1 and December 31, 2019. You too can support our church while shopping at Amazon.com. Simply go to <http://smile.amazon>, log in to your account and search DIVINE REDEEMER CHURCH and select us as your charity. Amazon will donate .5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to Divine Redeemer Church whenever you shop. Thank you for your support!



All Catholics, 14 years of age and older, are to abstain from meat on all of the Fridays during Lent.

On Fridays during Lent, Stations of the Cross will be at 6:00pm and Msgr. Hofmann will hear confessions from 6:30pm to 7:30pm. Viacrucis will be at 7:30pm.

The Church urges us to remember and observe the three pillars of Lent; prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.

SISTER HOPE BRINGS HOPE TO ALL...

The pandemic has increased stress and anxiety in many people, and there are limited ways to deal with

these issues productively and professionally. Sister Hope is a text-based chatbot that provides on-demand emotional and spiritual support to help manage stress. This is not formal counseling, but an opportunity to receive support, encouragement, and good mental health practices. Built by experienced pastoral ministry professionals and clinical psychologists, Sister Hope accompanies people on their mental health journey by having text message conversations similar to texting with a close friend or family. Supportive, faith-based conversations with Sister Hope are completely anonymous, available 24/7 and free. Text Sister Hope at 315-276-3157 today!

THE BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE

The BAA goal for Divine Redeemer Church is \$25,260.00. As of March 31st, the diocese has reported that with 24 households participating, our parish has reached 30.54% of our goal. It is not too late for you to make your pledge! BAA pledge envelopes are available in the magazine rack in the vestibule or you may drop your donation in the offertory basket. Please remember to make your check payable directly to "Bishop's Annual Appeal". Thank you.

FIRST FRIDAY COFFEE AND TEA TABLE TALK

On August 6th, at 10:00 until 11:00am, the Friday morning session will take place with the Ethnic Ministries "First Friday Coffee and Tea Table Talk". The focus will be on a variety of topics concerning today's Catholics. For more information, contact Kathleen Merritt at KMerritt@charlestandiocese.com

