

# GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC CHURCH

The Diocese of Charleston

1401 Greenwood Hwy, P. O. Box 1468, McCormick, SC 29835-1468



Church



Rosary Garden

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**Parish Office Hours:**

**Tuesday & Thursday NOON to 3pm**

**Good Shepherd Mass Schedule:**

Wednesday & Friday – 9 AM

First Friday: 9am with Adoration following

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 11:00 am

**Confession**

Saturday: 3:30-4:30 pm or by appointment

**Sacred Heart Mass Schedule:**

Tuesday & Thursday 6 pm; First Friday Mass 6 PM

Sunday – 8:30 am

**Confession:** After the Daily Masses or by appointment

**Baptism:** Please call Fr. Sayer for an appointment

**Marriage Preparation:** Call the parish office at least six months prior to the wedding to schedule an appointment with the Pastor.

**Pastoral Care:** Holy Communion may be received at home, in a nursing home or in the hospital. If you find yourself unable to attend Mass and want to receive Communion, either you or an immediate family member may call the office to make the necessary arrangements.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Anyone in danger of death from a serious illness, an emergency situation or from advanced age ought to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. If you know, in advance, that you will be entering the hospital for a procedure, it is preferred that you receive the Anointing **prior** to entering the hospital. To arrange the reception of the Sacrament, please call Fr. Bob's "Emergency" phone number.

**R.C.I.A. & R.C.I.C** – Call office for class times

**Columbarium Sales:** Please contact the office.

## MISSION STATEMENT

*"Good Shepherd Catholic Church is passionately committed to work, in accordance with the pastoral vision of the Diocese of Charleston, to being servants of God and good stewards of the Sacred Mysteries. We strive to be a holy and God-centered community growing in joyful righteousness and living without fear by the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Empowered by the Spirit, we will help inspire, educate, and support our community and work for unity among the Churches."*

## Third Sunday of Advent December 17, 2017



## LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading .....Isaiah 61:1-2a,10-11  
Response .....Luke 1:46-48,49-50,53-54  
Second Reading.....1Thess 5:16-24  
Gospel.....John 1:6-8,19-28

### WELCOME:

We welcome all our visitors and invite you to join us again for worship. Please sign our guest book and feel free to write your prayer intentions in our Community Book of Prayer. If you would like to help us with the support of our Church campus please place your offering in the "Welcome" envelopes located in the pews and place in the offertory collection basket. Thank you for your support.

### NEW OR MOVING PARISHIONERS:

New parishioners may register by calling the Parish Office or picking up a registration form located in the back of church and placing the completed form in the collection basket. Please notify the Parish Office of any change in family status, address, telephone number, or e-mail address

### MINISTRY TO THE SICK & HOMEBOUND

If you or someone you know is admitted to the hospital, assisted living facility or nursing home, or has become homebound, please call the Parish Office with the information. We can then make arrangements for reception of communion and the Sacrament of Healing.

### PASTORAL CARE VISITS

Because of the Right to Privacy Laws, Good Shepherd is not notified of parishioners who are hospitalized, homebound, or have entered a health care facility. We must hear from you or a family member if you would like to be visited by someone. Please call the office with the necessary information and our pastor will be alerted.

### ASSISTANCE MINISTRY

If you or someone you know needs meals provided or transportation to and from doctor appointments or therapy appointments please call Donna Cone at 391-3188 or the Parish Office at 852-4722 to arrange for assistance. We can't help if we are not notified.

### DIOCESAN OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION

Good Shepherd and the Diocese of Charleston are committed to ensuring a safe environment for children and vulnerable adults. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Father Sayer, the Diocesan Office of Child Protection Services at 843-853-2130 Ext. 206 or the Victims Assistance Minister at 800-921-8122.

### For Traveling Catholics...

For nationwide Mass times and locations: Call 1-410-676-6000 or go to [www.MassTimes.org](http://www.MassTimes.org)

The office will be closed  
from December 22  
through January 2

### PRAY FOR OUR SICK & HOME-BOUND:

Kate Barbato, Mike Morrett, Joyce Zwissler,  
Donna Smith, Helen Slater, Aundrea  
Townsend, Cliff Inman, Mary Domas,  
Carmela O'Day, and those intentions written  
in our Community book of Prayer. **All  
requests must be cleared with the recipient or  
family if at all possible. Names will remain on  
the list for 1 month, unless renewed.**

### MILITARY MEMBERS LIST

#### PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY MEMBERS

Stephen Balogh	Brianna Balogh	Ryan Chemelewski
Dietrich Obermeyer	Daniel O'Donnel	Thomas Wulforst
Ashley Wulforst	Thomas Lamb	Josh Brose
Jamie Hastings	Troy Nelson	Chris Brandon
Tracy Banister	Tiffany Laing	Austin Hobbs
Christopher Hale	Mike Mulvey	Sean Avery
Cody Tiller		

**Lord, hold our troops in your loving  
hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless  
them and their families for the selfless acts  
they perform for us in our time of need.  
Amen.**



**God Bless America, In God We Trust**

## *This Advent journey*

**During the "Christmas shopping  
season" formerly known as Advent,  
we find ourselves surrounded by  
symbols and serenaded by music,  
both sacred and secular, designed to  
evoke joy. Because joy is what the  
human heart most desires, it would  
take a true Grinch to suggest that  
we Catholics should tell others to  
resist the joy that they feel during  
these days just because we  
remember that the Christmas season  
begins, rather than ends, on  
Christmas Day**

# Mass Intentions

**SATURDAY, DEC 16, 5:00 PM** Mass is in memory of Jack & Peg Kitslaar, requested by Jim & Tami Kitslaar who will take up the gifts

**SUNDAY, DEC 17, 11:00 AM** Mass is in memory of Charlene Wenzel, requested by the Good Shepherd Women's club, Karen Porst will take up the gifts

**WEDNESDAY, DEC 20, 9:00 AM** Mass is offered for the repose of the soul of Stanley Ploszaj, requested by Stephany & Kandy Klein

**FRIDAY, DEC 22, 9:00AM** Mass is in memory of Donna Thomas, requested by Dick & Ruth Thomas

**SATURDAY, DEC 23, 5:00** Mass is in memory of Lucy Castle, requested by the Castle family

**SUNDAY, DEC 24, 11:00 AM** Mass is in memory of Fran DeFalco, requested by Ted & Linda Hanson who will take up the gifts

**SUNDAY, DEC 24, 4:00 PM** Missa Pro Populo, Mass for the people

**MONDAY, DEC 25, 11:00 AM** Mass is in memory of Fred Palmi, requested By Kay & Ed Zeaser who will take up the gifts

**WEDNESDAY, DEC 27, 9:00 AM** NO MASS

**FRIDAY DEC 29, 9:00 AM** NO MASS

## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS & LECTORS

**Sat. Dec 16** Lector: Leslie Welch  
5:00 Mass EM: Karen Boerner

**Sun. Dec 17** Lector: Sharren Nickol  
11:00 Mass EM: Dick Mitchell

**Sat. Dec 23** Lector: Pat O'Haire  
5:00 Mass EM: PatKuech

**Sun. Dec 24** Lector: Ruth Obermeyer  
11:00 Mass EM: Howard Milhoan

**4:PM Mass** Lector: Jerry Wishall  
Vigil EM Barb Wishall

**Christmas** Lector: Pat Stickdorn  
11:00 Mass EM: Lee Stickdorn

## USHERS/GREETERS

**Dec 16** 5:00 pm Linda Bumber/Ed Davis

**Dec 17** 11:00 am Ed & Pat Ford

**Dec 23** 5:00 pm Jerry & Pat O'Haire

**Dec 24** 11:00 am Lee & Pat Stickdorn

**Dec 24** 4:00 pm R. DeShano/Marl Boerner

**Dec 25** 11:00 am Mike & Judy Langevin



# Church News

**"Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the Lord, and He will repay him for his deeds."**

*Proverbs*

**We are indeed a generous people. Your overwhelming response to the Thanksgiving Food Drive provided 94 bags for distribution. Your monetary donations also helped the Food Pantry to purchase 200 canned hams. Your support is greatly appreciated. Thank You !**

*Christine Benedetto on behalf of the Food Pantry.*

Thank you from Helping Hands

**The Board of Helping Hands United would like to thank the caring, generous members of Good Shepherd for their donations to provide Thanksgiving meals for people in need in McCormick County. You made a positive difference in their lives. We could not help people without you.**

## Memorial bricks

**If you're interested in purchasing a memorial or honorary brick for the sidewalk, please check with the Church office for an order form. One more request is needed before we can submit an order. Please consider having a brick placed in our walkway.**

**MAY YOU ALL HAVE A BLESSED AND MERRY CHRISTMAS, AND A SAFE AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR**





Thank you to all "OUR" angels who have donated gifts and monetary donations so that others in our community may have a blessed Christmastime.

The generosity of our parish family is truly phenomenal!!

This is the final weekend the Angel Tree Committee will be collecting donations after both masses. If you would like to write a check, please make it out to the Good Shepherd Women's Club. The collection will be used to provide these families and elderly with Christmas dinners. We are shy of our goal so please consider a donation to this great cause.

This is also the last weekend to bring in the Angel Tree gifts. Please bring your wrapped gifts, with the tag attached to the appropriate gift, to the church no later than this Sunday, December 17th. There is a large box in the narthex for the gifts or they may be placed beside the box.

May you ALL have a Blessed and God-filled Christmas Season.

## MERRY CHRISTMAS!!

POC: Teresa Leszczynski 391-9284/706-799-9284

## Worldwide Marriage Encounter

"The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me; . . ." Let your spirits be augmented by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME) weekend with your spouse. The next weekends are: Feb 2-4, 2018 in Clemmons, NC. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at:

<https://SCMarriageMatters.org> or contact us at [applications@scmarriagematters.org](mailto:applications@scmarriagematters.org) or 803-810-9602.

## SAY A PRAYER

Little Tommy and his family were having Sunday dinner at his Grandmother's house. Everyone was seated around the table as the food was being served. When Little Tommy received his plate, he started eating right away. "Tommy! Please wait until we say our prayer." said his mother.

"I don't need to," the boy replied.

"Of course, you do" his mother insisted. "We always say a prayer before eating at our house."

"That's at our house." Tommy explained. "But this is Grandma's house and she knows how to cook."

## Umbert the Unborn by Gary Cangemi



Names for our 2017 "Spiritually Adopt a Baby" List:  
Dana, Derek, Damon, Alci, Melissa, Joseph, Annie, Julianna, Andrew, Michael, Hannah Rose, Marie, Brailyn, Tiffany, Claire, Timmy, James, Tessa Ann, Chad.