



Good Shepherd Catholic Church

EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 19 & 20, 2025

Mass Schedule:

Wednesday	9 am	Confession	8:15 – 8:45 am
Friday	9 am	Confession	8:15 - 8:45 am
Saturday	4 pm	Confession	3:00 – 3:45 pm
Sunday	11 am		

Livestream Mass on YouTube or Facebook at Good Shepherd Catholic Church McCormick

EASTER SUNDAY READINGS

Glory & Praise Book Cycle C 827

<u>First Reading:</u>	Acts of the Apostles 10:34a, 37-43
<u>Responsorial:</u>	Psalm 118: 1-2, 16-17, 22-23
<u>Second Reading:</u>	Colossians 3:1-4
<u>Gospel:</u>	John 20: 1-9

Welcome

We welcome all 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 an offering in the "Welcome" envelopes located on the back of the pews and drop it in the offertory basket.

Mission Statement

Good Shepherd Catholic Church is passionately committed to service, 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.

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Parish Office Hours: Tues-Fri 9 am-Noon

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 19th 8:30 pm **Easter Vigil Mass**

Missa Pro Popula

Lector: Dick Obermeyer

EM of HC: Pat Kuech

Ushers :Mark Boerner & Ray DeShano

Easter Sunday, April 20th 11 am **+ Charlie Wrobel**

requested by Schmidt Family

Lector: Mark Ficocelli

EM of HC: Elizabeth Ficocelli

Ushers: William & Gretchen Keneson

Wednesday, April 23rd 9 am **+ Dolores Schmidt**

requested by Schmidt Family

Friday, April 25th 9 am **+ Adolf Schmidt requested**

by Schmidt Family

Saturday, April 26th 4 pm **Good Shepherd**

Parishioners requested by the Castle Family

Lector: Tom Popejoy

EM of HC: Bernadette Tarrant

Ushers: Jerry & Barb Wishall

Divine Mercy Sunday, April 27th 11 am **+ Paula**

Wrobel requested by the Schmidt Family

Lector: Blake Arias

EM of HC: Pat Tortorello

Ushers: Dave & Carol McKloskey

UPCOMING EVENTS

Apr 27	Pancake Breakfast
Apr 27	Divine Mercy Sunday 3pm
Apr 30	Parish Dinner
May 03	Spring Bake Sale at Cotton Gin
May 03	WC Kentucky Derby Party
May 03	Shredding day McCormick
May 11	Mother's Day /First Communion
	May Crowning
May 18	Pancake Breakfast



Pray for our Military Members

Sophie Augustine	Sean Avery
Brianna & Stephen Balogh	Christopher R. Balogh
Sarah Balogh	Aaron T. Bird
David Bobier	Chris Brandon
Eric Brandon	Drew Chadwick
Ryan Chemelewski	Paul Cross
Nate Dreslinski	Jake Ivey
Connor Joyce	Ian Leszczynski
Cassie Newkirk	Noah Neuman
Kaylin Neuman	Stockton Obermeyer
Savanna Obermeyer	Declan Pemberton
Aspen Quam	Timothy Shively
Daniel O'Donnell	Daniel & Brandi Stricker
Jonathon Taylor	Cody Tiller
Ashley Wulforst	Thomas Wulforst



Pray for our Sick & Home Bound

Dick Balogh, Matthew Dill, Frank DeRoller, Lana Kittenbrink, Howard Milhoan, Dick Obermeyer, Bobby Passafaro, Paul Ruelle, John & Diane Scardace, Larry Slater, Mary Stirtzinger, Mike Thompson, Skip Tortorello, and Bud Webster

...and those intentions written in our Community Book of Prayer. The recipient or family must clear all requests if possible.

Collection Report

Weekend of April 12 & 13, 2025

<u>Offertory</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>
\$6,310.00	\$5,319.00	+991.00
THANK YOU FOR YOUR REGULAR CONTRIBUTIONS.		
You can mail your contributions to Good Shepherd		
Church, P. O. Box 1468, McCormick, SC 2983		



GRANDMOTHER MINISTRY

The following items are needed for this ministry: fruit cups, canned or microwave spaghetti, mac & cheese, cereal, soup, regular grits, peanut butter and jelly or any other non-perishable items that kids will eat or drink. Please also consider toilet paper, cleaning products, cash and gift cards from Food Lion or the Dollar stores. Please drop off your items in the Life Center marked "Billie". Thank you for your generosity.



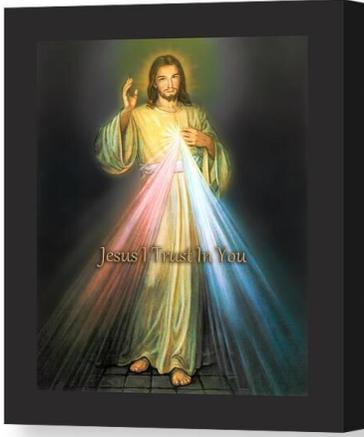
LET'S BE TOGETHER.

Catholic Appeal Update

The numbers continue to grow as Good Shepherd parishioners show our support for the 2025 Catholic Appeal of South Carolina. The most recent report from the Diocese shows one-time gifts and pledges have reached \$16,105, which represents 80% of our goal. Gifts can be made by mail using the donor card and envelope that came from the Diocese, or you may drop the envelope in a collection basket at Mass. If you choose, you can donate or make a pledge online using your credit card or by draft from your checking account at www.charlestdiocese.org/donate. And remember: if we go over our goal, half of the excess will be returned to Good Shepherd to use for parish projects. "Let's Be Together."

Dave Lorenzatti, Catholic Appeal Coordinator

SECOND COLLECTION APRIL 27TH FOR CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL.



What is Divine Mercy Sunday

The Promise

Divine Mercy Sunday may be the greatest day of the year because of the immeasurable amount of grace Jesus promised to pour forth on this day. In the private revelation accepted publicly by the Church, Jesus made a specific promise to Saint Faustina about Divine Mercy Sunday: “On that day . . . The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment.” (*Diary*, 699)

Conditions

Christ wanted to draw our attention to the immense importance of these two sacraments of Confession and Holy Communion. So much so, that Christ’s promise amounts to offering the graces of a complete pardon, or essentially a second baptism! Jesus reiterated these conditions and promise of a complete pardon at least two other times to her. (*Diary*, 300 & 1109) The “oceans of grace” available to us on Divine Mercy Sunday can make us anew and give us a fresh start again. We simply have to make a good Confession (such as the Saturday before) and stay in a state of grace up to receiving Holy Communion on Divine Mercy Sunday or the vigil Mass. Jesus requested we also do works of mercy whether deed, word, or prayer.

Opposition

But, the devotion was not always so. Initially, the Vatican had received erroneous and confusing translations of Sister Faustina’s *Diary*, and in 1959, censured the devotion and banned her writing. The ban would last 20 years, seemingly fulfilling a prophetic writing in the *Diary* that her work would “be as though utterly undone.”

In 1965, Karol Wojtyla, the Archbishop of Krakow at the time, commissioned one of Poland’s leading theologians, Fr. Ignacy Rozycki, to prepare a critical analysis of the *Diary*. Then, on April 15, 1978, after receiving Fr. Rozycki’s analysis and a better translation of the *Diary*, the Vatican’s Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith lifted the ban.

In the Divine Mercy image, red and white light is issuing from Jesus’ heart, symbolizing the blood and water of the sacraments for Holy Communion and Baptism. One of the main prayers Jesus taught Saint Faustina was “O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus, as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in You.” Jesus is asking us to trust in the sacraments of the Church. The power of the Holy Spirit can make us new creations in Christ, particularly if we partake regularly in Confession and Holy Communion. Why not take advantage of Christ’s great promise this Divine Mercy Sunday?

Divine Mercy services will be held on Sunday, April 27th at 3 pm at Good Shepherd Church

*Then the angel said to the women in reply, "Do not be afraid! I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said.
Matthew 28: 5-6a*



Good Shepherd Benevolent Bake Sale – Saturday, May 3rd
at the Cotton Gin from 10 am to 4 pm



We need bakers to donate baked goods for this fundraising event that will benefit many charitable organizations. Bake goods **MUST** be packaged by the baker, ready for sale, and clearly labeled with contents. See through boxes, plastic containers or bags and plastic wrap tightly secured are all acceptable. Please **DO NOT** use tins or any containers that are not see through, or items that need refrigeration. We suggest that cookies be packaged by the dozen or ½ dozen. Drop your baked goods at the Parish Life Center on Friday, May 2nd between 9 am and 2 pm. If you are not a baker, monetary contributions are always welcome. Questions? – contact Debby Dill at 612-387-9804 or email debby.dill@yahoo.com or Ginny Vose at 617-584-6900 or email at bobginvose@yahoo.com



World Famous Pancake Breakfast sponsored by the Men's Club will be held on Sunday, April 27th in the Parish Life Center 9 am - Noon. All you can eat! Regular and blueberry pancakes, sausage, peaches, coffee and tea for \$8/per adult and \$5/per child under 12.



Join the Women's Club for a fun evening of games, food and prizes along with a live TV presentation of the 151st running of the Kentucky Derby. Wear your Fascinator, or wide brim hats or dress as your favorite jockey but come out and enjoy the Derby without having to travel to Kentucky. There will be a prize for the most "creative" hat, silent auction, games and fun galore. Tickets are still available. Contact Jackie Novak at jackienovak17@gmail.com or call her at 410-322-8769. Don't wait! Only 100 tickets will be sold for this event

JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE

As the Catholic Church celebrates the **Jubilee Year of Hope** this year, Bishop Fabre announced that our diocese has four parishes designated as pilgrimage sites. They are:

- **Cathedral of St. John the Baptist** – 120 Broad St. in Charleston
- **Basilica of St. Peter** – 1529 Assembly St. in Columbia
- **Old St. Mary Help of Christians** – 203 Park Ave. SE in Aiken
- **St. Mary** – 111 Hampton Ave. in Greenville

Pilgrims can receive a plenary indulgence by visiting one of these churches in addition to the normative requirements for obtaining such an indulgence. For more information, please visit charlestdiocese.org/jubilee2025/sc-pilgrimage-sites an



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