

Good Shepherd Catholic Church

February 17 & 18, 2024

| ass Schedule: | Wednesday | 9 AM | Confession | 8:15-8:45 AM |
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| | Friday | 9 AM | | 8:15-8:45 AM |
| | Saturday | 4 PM | | 3:00-3:45 PM |
| | Sunday | 11 AM | | |

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

First Sunday in Lent

GLORY & PRAISE BOOK 809First Reading:Genesis 9Responsorial:Psalm 25Second Reading:1 Peter 3Gospel:Mark 1:

Genesis 9: 8-15 Psalm 25: 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 1 Peter 3: 18-22 Mark 1: 12-15

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE FOR THE MOST HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

Welcome

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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.

Most Rev. Jacques Fabre-Jeune, Bishop of Charleston

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Office Telephone: (864) 852-4722 (Emergencies Only (843) 329-3030) Address: P. O. Box 1468, McCormick, SC 29835 Email: gschurch@wctel.net Website: www.goodshepherdmccormick.com Parish Office Hours: Tues-Fri 9 am-Noon Saturday, February 17th 4 pm - + Phil Stirtzinger and +Esther Milliron requested by Stirtzinger Family Lector: Jerry Wishall EM of HC: Pat Kuech Ushers: Karen Faaborg & Linda Bumber

Sunday, February 18th 11 am - + Eddie Bryan requested by Gary & Dae Probst Lector: Elizabeth Ficocelli EM of HC:Mark Ficocelli Ushers/Greeters: Dave & Carol McKloskey

<u>WEDNESDAY February 21st 9 am + Greg Holben and</u> + Jane Beller requested by Carol Holben

WEDNESDAY February 21st 4 pm Lector: Dave Lorenzatti EM of HC: Bernadette Tarrant

Friday, February 23rd 9 am Missa Pro Popula

Saturday, February 24th 4 pm – + Rod Wurst requested by Mary Stirtzinger Lector: Bernadette Tarrant

EM of HC: Ginny Vose Ushers: Mark Boerner & Barb Zust

Sunday, February 25 th 11 am + Leonard and Lucille Strange requested by Jane & Chris Strange Lector: Steve LaPonte EM of HC: Carol LaPonte Ushers: William & Gretchen Keneson

UPCOMING EVENT

| Feb 23Stations of the Cross 9:30amFeb 23Stations of the Cross-6:00pmFeb 24Men's Road Clean-up 10:00amFeb 284pm Mass -Feed Your BodyMarch 1Stations of the Cross 9:30am | Feb 21 | 4pm Mass -Feed Your Body |
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| Feb 24Men's Road Clean-up 10:00amFeb 284pm Mass -Feed Your Body | Feb 23 | Stations of the Cross 9:30am |
| Feb 28 4pm Mass -Feed Your Body | Feb 23 | Stations of the Cross-6:00pm |
| . , | Feb 24 | Men's Road Clean-up 10:00am |
| March 1 Stations of the Cross 9:30am | Feb 28 | 4pm Mass -Feed Your Body |
| | March 1 | Stations of the Cross 9:30am |
| March 1 Stations of the Cross 6:00pm | March 1 | Stations of the Cross 6:00pm |
| March 8 Fish Fry 5:00pm | March 8 | Fish Fry 5:00pm |

Pray for our Military Members

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



"The Institution of the Eucharist is found in the four Gospels and other books of the Bible: Matthew 26, Mark 14, Luke 22, John 6 and 1 Corinthians 11

Our participation in the Holy Sacrifice allows us to slip the bonds of time and place and "unites us now to the Church in heaven, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the saints". (CCC #1419) We're not merely attending Mass, we're joining with all of heaven and earth in celebrating that one eternal liturgy.

7 Secrets of the Eucharist. Vinny Flynn

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND FOR BLACK AND INDIAN MISSIONS

Pray for our Sick & Home Bound

Helen Balogh, Karen Boerner, Joyce Chemelewski, Judy Chemelewski, Ford Deese, Ericka Hinners, Lana Kittenbrink, Bobby Passofaro, John & Diane Scardace, Skip Tortorello, and Bud Webster.

....and those intentions written in our Community Book of Prayer. All requests must be cleared by the recipient or family if possible.

§ Financial Report

Weekend of February 10 &11, 2024

Offertory
\$5,187.00Budget
\$4,337.00Variance
+ \$850.00THANK YOU FOR YOUR REGULAR CONTRIBUTIONS.
You can mail your contributions to Good Shepherd
Church, P. O. Box 1468, McCormick, SC 29835

<u>Retreat into the Passion of Jesus:</u> The Catholic Conference Center in Hickory, NC, is offering a one-night retreat on the Passion readings found in the gospel of Mark. The retreat will be a balanced blend of historical, theological, and spiritual reflections, with additional time to walk the beautiful grounds or pray in the chapel. It's March 22-23 - the day before Palm Sunday – and a great way to spiritually prepare for the holiest week of the year!

Visit <u>www.catholicconference.org/passion</u>, email <u>info@catholicconference.org</u>, or call <u>828.327.7441</u> for more information.



February 18, 2024 First Sunday of Lent

Written by THE FAITHFUL DISCIPLE

Gn 9:8-15 | 1 Pt 3:18-22 | Mk 1:12-15

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Today is the first day of Lent! It is the beginning of a new liturgical season in the Church, a season of prayer, service and self-sacrifice. It is a time of preparation, culminating in the holiest day of the year: Easter. As we embark on our Lenten journey, we hear a reading from Genesis in which God makes a covenant with Noah where he promises, "the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all mortal beings." The Lord has said that no matter our disobedience, sin and rebellion, he will never destroy us! Saint Peter explains how the story of Noah, "in which a few persons ... were saved through water," prefigures baptism, and baptism, as we know, marks us as the Lord's own forever. We are sealed with a sign that can never be relinquished. So, just as the great flood signaled a rebirth for the world, our baptism is a rebirth of our soul in Christ. We are washed clean of our original sin, and the door to salvation is opened for us. It is fitting that at the beginning of our Lenten journey we hear the story of the beginning of our eternal covenant with the Lord. Both the covenant, and Lent, will be fulfilled in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

As a child, Lent meant lentils for dinner, Stations of the Cross on Fridays, and no TV ever. For a 10-year-old, it was a time to be endured. Now, as an adult, Lent can still be hard, but I recognize it as a time of opportunity as well. It is a chance to strip away all the excess in my life and focus on what matters most. While I am not exactly jumping for joy at the thought of fasting, I can't deny that it is easier for me to spend time in prayer when I'm not mindlessly grazing on chips and chocolate all day long. I may grumble at times, but with God's grace I have grown in understanding of the Church's wisdom in encouraging us to fast, pray and give alms during Lent. All three practices invite us to reflect on the great sacrifice of the Lord and prepare our hearts to receive him each Sunday in the Eucharist, as well as on our final judgment day.

PRAY Lent is the perfect time to take stock of your current spiritual practices and add new ones to your daily routine. Remember the words we heard from Jesus today: "The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." Start off your Lenten season right by taking time to receive the sacrament of reconciliation and designating a time each day to pray. If you aren't sure what to say to God during this time, choose a verse or two of Psalm 6 and let your heart take it from there.

OBSERVING THE SEASON OF LENT

- * Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 14th.
- * Ashes will be distributed during the 9 am and 4 pm Masses on Ash Wednesday.
- * Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence.
- * Fast (ages 18-59 inclusive and in good health) one regular meal and two smaller meals. Eating between meals is not permitted.
- * Abstinence-(14 years of age and older) no meat or meat derivatives.
- * All Fridays during Lent are days of abstinence.
- * Stations of the Cross will follow the 9 am Mass on Fridays. Stations of the Cross will also be offered at 6 pm on Fridays.
- * All Wednesdays during Lent the 4 pm Mass will be followed by Feed Your Body Feed Your Soul.
- * Lent and Easter season booklets will be available in the Narthex. (one per family please.)

ABSTINENCE is a penitential practice consisting of refraining from the consumption of meat and is to be observed by all Catholics who are 14 years of age and older. Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and the Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence.

FAST & ABSTINENCE

In addition to abstinence, fasting is to be observed by all Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 years (inclusive). On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, one full meal is allowed. Two smaller meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids are allowed. Note: Those who are unable to observe the above regulations due to ill health or other serious reasons are urged to practice other forms of self-denial that are suitable to their condition.

Stations of the Cross – Friday Evenings

Come and participate on Friday evenings in "Everyone's Way of The Cross". This is an opportunity to add something new to enrich your Lenten experience this year. Together we will walk with Jesus through the 14 Stations of Christ's Passion in a very personal and spiritually moving way.

Come and walk this walk with Him! Friday, February 23 @ 6:00.

March 8 @ 6:30 (Fish Fry).

Friday, February 16 @ 6:30 (Fish Fry). Friday, March 1 @ 6:00. Friday Friday, March 22 @ 6:00.

MEN'S CLUB NEWS

FISH FRY – March 8TH!

Good Shepherd Men's Club will be holding its Lenten Fish Fry on Friday, March 8th, at 5:00 PM. Back by popular demand is the fish we

always used before last fall's fish fry. Tickets for the menu of Deep-Fried Fish, French Fries, Cole Slaw, and Cookies will be available for the price of \$12 for adults and \$7 for children 12 and under.

PARISH DINNER AT RIVER GRILLE

Thursday, March 7th Gathering at 4:30 Dinner at 5:15 Your choice of: SLV Club with house chips- \$12 <u>OR</u> River Burger with fries - \$13 <u>OR</u> Cheddar & Jack Quesadilla -\$12 Add chicken \$3 Add grilled shrimp \$5 Chef's Caesar or House Salad - \$10

Add 7 oz grilled chicken \$7 Add 6 oz. salmon \$10 Add 6 oz. Steak \$11 Add grilled Shrimp \$10 Member Charge or Credit Card (3% fee) Tax & Gratuity not included

Gather with your Good Shepherd family for a great evening! Call with your meal selection no later than March 1st. River Grille Reservation Hotline (864-391-8150) to R.S.V.P .or 864-391-4163 during regular hours of operation

2nd Session: Feed Your Body Feed Your Soul

The 2nd session of Feed Your Body, Feed Your Soul will be held following the 4 pm Mass on Wednesday. We will have a light meal followed by a DVD titled The Lamb's Supper, based on a book by Catholic author Scott Hahn. Reviewers have said his message will help us "see the Mass with new eyes".

2024 Catholic Appeal of SC

When you have decided on the level of your support for this year's Catholic Appeal, please fill out the donor card that came with the mailing from the Diocese, choosing between a one-time donation or a pledge payable over ten months. Mail the card to the Diocese in the envelope provided or place it in a collection basket during the Offertory at Mass. If you have questions, please contact me by email – *daveloren@wctel.net*. Thank you. Dave Lorenzatti, Good Shepherd CASC Coordinator

Relic of St. Jude Traveling in SC

A major relic of St. Jude, the apostle of impossible causes and desperate situations, is coming to multiple locations in our diocese this month. This unique experience is sponsored by the Vicariate of Rome under Cardinal Angelo Comastri, archpriest emeritus of St. Peter's Basilica. Those who attend the event can obtain a plenary indulgence. Please share this opportunity to venerate the relic with your parishioners on the following day and time.

Monday, Feb. 19

St. Gregory the Great Church

31 Saint Gregory Drive in Bluffton Public veneration begins at 1:00 p.m. Mass celebrated in St. Jude's honor at 7:00 p.m. For information, visit <u>apostleoftheimpossible.com</u>









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