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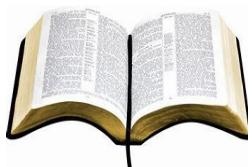
**January 10 & 11, 2026
BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday 4 pm
Sunday 11 am**

No Confession

Glory & Praise Book Cycle A 804



<u>First Reading:</u>	Isaiah 42: 1-4, 6-7
<u>Responsorial:</u>	Psalm 29: 1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10
<u>Second Reading:</u>	Acts 10: 34-38
<u>Gospel:</u>	Matthew 3: 13-17

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

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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MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday, Jan 10th 4 pm + Dorothy Ficocelli
requested by Bob & Marie Ann Hunt**

**Sunday, Jan 11th 11 am 50th Anniversary
celebration of Mark & Mary Ann Klosterman**

Wednesday, Jan. 14th NO MASS

Friday, Jan. 16th NO MASS

**Saturday, Jan. 17th 4 pm + Adolph Schmidt
requested by the Schmidt family.**

**Sunday, Jan. 18th 11 am + Suzanne Rochon
requested by Dave & Carol McKloskey**

Wednesday, Jan. 21st – NO MASS

Jesus is the beloved Son of the Father. He is the light of all nations and Lord of all creation. To Him be all glory and praise.

UPCOMING EVENT

Jan 12	Joyful Journey 3 pm
Jan 14	Women Club/Men's Cub
Jan 16	Spaghetti Dinner
Jan 25	Pancake Breakfast

Pray for our Military Members

Sophie Augustine	Sean Avery
Brianna & Stephen Balogh	Christopher R. Balogh
Sarah Balogh	Aaron T. Bird
Andrew Brandon	Eric Brandon
Drew Chadwick	Ryan Chemelewski
Tyler Clark	Paul Cross
Nate Dreslinski	Jake Ivey
Connor Joyce	Ian Leszczynski
Michael Mathews	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	Glory Matthews



Pray for our Sick & Home Bound

John Atwell, Ron Beech Don Durham,
Lana Kritenbrink, Bobby Passafaro, John Scardace,
Lee Stickdorn, John Stoddard, Bud Webster,
Dave Williams and Linda Wutz.

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

Collection Report

Weekend of January 3 & 4, 2025

<u>Offertory</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>
\$6,883.00	\$6,031.00	+\$852.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR REGULAR CONTRIBUTIONS.

You can mail your contributions to Good Shepherd Church, P. O. Box 1468, McCormick, SC 298

Grandmother Ministry

The following items are needed for this ministry: fruit cups, canned or microwave spaghetti, mac & cheese, cereal, soup, regular grits, peanut butter/jelly or any non perishable items that you know kids will enjoy. Please also consider toilet paper, cleaning products, cash and/or gift cards from Food Lion or the Dollar stores. Put your items in a bag labeled "Billie" and drop them off in the Life Center. Thank you for your continued generosity and support. Billie Tarnosky 864 391 8640.



McCormick Food Pantry Items needed; canned tuna, salmon or chicken – 7-12 oz only. Regular sized box of cereal, crackers, mac & cheese, rice, pasta. Toilet tissue, individually wrapped, bars of soap. Please drop off your items in the parish life center.

We are asking all parishioners who have changed their email address since giving us your information for the new church directory to please send new email address to Ginny Vose at bobginvose@yahoo.com so we can update before printing directory.

We would like to have all these email updates by January 21st. Thank you for helping our committee complete our church directory.



GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH BABYLESS BABY SHOWER FOR CROSSROADS PREGNANCY CENTER

A baby is God's message that life should go on. During the whole month of January, we will be collecting baby shower gifts for Crossroads Pregnancy Center. Please consider donating any of the following items/ baby wipes, disposal diapers (all brands and sizes up to size 5) baby lotion, powder, shampoo and conditioner, Aveeno baby wash and lotion, diaper rash cream, baby oil, breast pump, comb & brushes, thermometer, pacifiers (numbs) receiving blankets, onesies (all sizes) sleepers, hooded towels and wash cloths, crib and bassinet sheets. Mothers also need some pampering and would enjoy calming body wash, shampoo and conditioner and body lotion. There will be a deposit box in the Narthex for you to drop off your donations. If you would rather, there will be empty baby bottles also in the Narthex for your monetary donations. If you have any questions, contact Judy Bowyer at 205-267-7097. Thank you for your support

ROSARY INTENTIONS FOR JANUARY

10th & 11th – For young people feeling a call to serve Christ's Mission in priesthood and religious life, for The grace and strength to follow that call



17th & 18th That children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, to never lose strength and hope.

24th & 25th Individual intentions from the Rosary Box



Mary's Window to the Rosary

Do you know how to pray the rosary? Do you have rosary beads? Does someone you know need them?

The Spirituality Ministry is providing rosaries and prayer instructions for anyone who desires to pray the rosary or would like to share this prayer experience with someone in your life. This is a great way to re-visit this prayer, or to learn a powerful new way to pray. The display is located on the windowsill of the Blessed Mother stain glass window in the Narthex of our church. The rosaries and instructions are there for you to keep, or share.

The Gospel passage begins with a geographical annotation: Jesus goes from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptized by John the Baptist. On His arrival, Jesus does not declare Himself to be the Messiah, He does not preach. Instead, He stands with everyone else there, wanting to be baptized, thus manifesting his solidarity with the sinful people. Jesus does not isolate Himself, but He goes out among the people, even those marked by the wounds of sin. He puts Himself at risk by being with them, just as He put Himself at risk by becoming Man in the womb of Mary. There is, therefore, a consistent design in how Jesus "moves about" along His "itinerary of salvation".

"I need to be baptized by you, and yet you are coming to me?" the Baptist says on seeing Jesus. We witness the prophet's bewilderment who just a few verses earlier expressed himself thus: "The one who is coming after me is mightier than I. I am not worthy to carry his sandals ..." (Mt 3:11). It seems to be the same bewilderment Peter experienced in Caesarea when, having reproved Jesus after the revelation of the Passion, death and resurrection that awaited Him, saying, "God forbid, Lord!", hears the Lord's reply, "Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle to me. You are not thinking as God does, but as human beings do" (Mt 16:22-23). Another time was in the Upper Room when Peter refused to allow Jesus to wash his feet (cf. Jn. 13:6-8). Reactions such as the Baptist's and Peter's reveal our discomfort at seeing Jesus so weak and yielding.

There are moments when it is important to "allow things to happen". What seems so abnormal that John the Baptist feels embarrassed is, however, part of God's plan that will "bring to fulfillment" every righteousness, since Jesus – as He Himself would one day declare – did not come to abolish the law and the prophets (cf. Mt. 5:17), but to bring God's justice "to fulfillment". This justice does not humiliate, does not separate, does not judge. Rather, it unites, breaks down barriers, responds to everyone's needs and respects everyone. God's justice is superior than human justice: He does not use the measuring stick of "how much" – you pay according to the measure that you have offended. Rather, He uses the measuring stick of love, mercy, forgiveness – the only measuring stick that can bridge distances and heal wounded hearts since it is from within that evil intentions are born (cf. Mk. 7:1-23).

Jesus' choice is confirmed with the opening of the heavens, with the gift of the Spirit and the voice of the Father that seals Jesus' mission: "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased". With the opening of the heavens, "justice" cancels the separation between humanity and God, bringing us back to the dawn of creation when the Spirit hovered over the waters. In Jesus, God the Father shows us the New Man, His beloved, the One who pleases Him. It was as if He were saying: "You make me so happy. I am so proud of you". This happiness exists in each one of us because each of us bears God's image within. We are made in his "image and likeness" (Gn. 1:26). No one can ever erase this image for "God looked at everything he had made, and found it very good" (Gn. 1:31). Jesus' coming tells us that God is interested in us. It's like He is saying, "With you, I want to begin a new story of salvation, a new beginning". We are made new to the extent that we learn to recognize life as a gift of love and that we live in this Love.

(Taken from Vatican News)

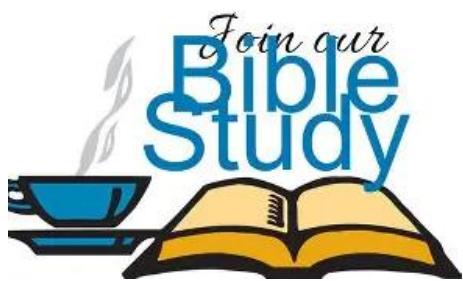
Women's Club Meeting – Wednesday, January 14 at noon. Contact Marie Ring

- mmring1966@gmail.com

The last chance to notify Marie is Sunday, January 11th!



Men's Club Meeting Wednesday, January 14 at 5:30 pm.



Bible Study have resumed for both the Monday evening and Wednesday morning sessions. Monday evening meets at 6:30 pm and Wednesday sessions begin at 9:30 am.



Men's Club first 2026 Pancake Breakfast will be held on Sunday, January 25th from 9 – 12:30 in the Parish Life Center \$8.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children.



SOLD OUT!

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