



Diocese of Charleston

Church of the Nativity

1061 Folly Road
Charleston, South Carolina 29412

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 7, 2010

Mission Statement:

We strive to be a faith-centered, Catholic community. By virtue of Baptism, we are called forth to minister to one another the Gospel message of Jesus Christ through education, evangelization, social justice and ecumenism. We reach out in love, respect and support for all as we seek to do the will of God.

Mass Schedule:

Saturday Vigil:	5:30 pm
Sunday:	9:00 and 11:30 am
Weekdays: (Mon, Tues, Wed)	5:15 pm
(Thurs)	9:30 am
(First Sat)	9:00 am

Confessions: (Sat) 4:15 - 5:00 pm or by appt.

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Office: 843-795-3821 / Fax: 843-795-2714

e-mail: nativityc@bellsouth.net

website: www.nativitycharleston.org

Emergencies requiring a Priest:

843-724-6593

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat	06	9:00 am	Deceased Members of the Ladies' Guild
		11:00 am	Memorial Mass for Mary O'Shaughnessy Sullivan+
		5:30 pm	Special Intention
Sun	07	9:00 am	For the People
		11:30 am	William Egan+
Mon	08	5:15 pm	Lia Marx+
Tues	09	5:15 pm	Mary and Reinhard Plumer+
Wed	10	5:15 pm	For Promoting Harmony
Thur	11	9:30 am	Ruth Easlert+
Fri	12	5:30 pm	STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Sat	13	5:30 pm	Mark Walsh+

OFFERINGS

FEBRUARY 28, 2009

Collection	\$ 10,055.00
Budget	\$ <u>10,936.00</u>
+/-	\$ - 881.00
Children's	\$ 26.33

Registered Households: 712

Envelopes Used: 242

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

Please use your envelopes. If you need envelopes, call the parish office, 795-3821. An active parishioner is one who has registered with the parish, attends Mass regularly, and uses parish envelopes to make regular contributions for at **least 3 months**.

New Parishioner Registration Form / Address Change

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Please drop this information into the Offertory Basket

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to our parish family! Please call the church office, 795-3821 to register or fill out a registration form located in the church vestibule and place it in the collection basket when completed.

NURSERY

Nursery is available during the 9:00 am Mass. It's located at the right hand side of the school's breezeway entrance. For more information or to volunteer in the Nursery Ministry, please contact Amy Gilsenan, 406-0237 or agilsenan@gmail.com.

BAPTISM

Contact Mary Smith, 795-3821 ext. 24 to schedule a Baptism preparation class. A parent should be an active parishioner.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples must contact the priest at least six months prior to the proposed wedding date.

(RCIA) RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

This program is for adults who wish to become Catholics. For information or to register for RCIA, call the church office, 795-3821.

CARE OF THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Please notify the parish office, 795-3821 if you wish to have a pastoral visit. We care about you.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Nativity School serves students in grades K4 thru 8. The Parish School of Religion (PSR) for other parish children, grades K3 through 8, is offered during the school year on Sunday mornings in the School Building from 10:00 to 11:15 am. To register, call Mary Smith, 795-3821, ext 24.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

This is offered to 4 year olds - 5th graders during the 9:00 am Mass. Children are dismissed after the opening prayers and re-join their parents for the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

SACRAMENTS OF FIRST RECONCILIATION, FIRST EUCHARIST, AND CONFIRMATION

There is a two year preparation period required for these sacraments. If you would like to have your child receive sacraments in the 2nd grade, they must have participated in a 1st grade PSR or Catholic school program. If you plan to have your child receive the sacrament of Confirmation in the 8th grade, that child must also have participated in a 7th grade PSR or Catholic school program. Please contact Mary Smith, 795-3821 ext.24 with any questions.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES MARCH 13-14, 2010

5:30 PM MASS

GREETERS: Mary and Paul Tew
Joe and Julie Wise

ALTAR SERVERS: Elena and William Smith,
Joshua White

E.M.: Claire and Ernest Bergstrom, Ed
Frederick, Terry Harris, Sister Julia,
Joe and Julie Wise

LECTOR: Eileen Easler

USHERS: Emmett Alphonse, Jon Benthall,
Donald Blevins, Leroy Hulseberg

9:00 AM MASS

GREETERS: Lisa Savage
Delores Wrenn

ALTAR SERVERS: Corey Clancy, Joseph and
Kathleen Hart

E.M.: Jimmy and Wendy Craven, Ashley
and Sharon Dale, Judy Daugomah,
Suzanne Decker, Donica Dennis

LECTOR: Mimi Jurgielewicz

USHERS: Jim Anderson, Richard Bragiel,
Jerry English, Austin Taylor

11:30 AM MASS

GREETERS: Abel Girault
Sheila Griner

ALTAR SERVERS: Carly, Ian and Owen Duffy

E.M.: Patty Edwards, Ann Ginn, Abel
Girault, Kathy Hepner, Christine
Lewis, Liisa Machowski

LECTOR: Lee Carey

USHERS: Chuck Everitt, Joe Ginn,
Barry Lingenfelter, Ricky Proveaux

STAFF EMAIL / PHONE NUMBERS

ADMINISTRATOR:

Rev. Thomas Kingsley
pastor_nativity@bellsouth.net, 795-3821

PARISH SECRETARY:

Mrs. Terry Harris
nativityc@bellsouth.net, 795-3821 x 21

FINANCIAL SECRETARY:

Mrs. Cindy Salters
finance_nativity@bellsouth.net, 795-3821 x 22

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

Mrs. Mary L. Smith
mary_nativity@bellsouth.net, 795-3821 x 24

MUSIC MINISTRIES:

Ms. Janet Jones
jjones_nativity@bellsouth.net,
795-3821 x 23 or 343-4093-cell

SCHOOL PRINCIPAL:

Mrs. Patti Dukes
pdukes@nativity-school.com, 795-3975

SCHOOL EDP DIRECTOR:

Ms. Darice Norton, 762-2469

Diocesan Office of Child Protection Services:

843-853-2130 x 209

Diocesan Victim Assistance Minister:

800-921-8122

REMEMBER OUR TROOPS: Please continue to pray for our service men and women and their families throughout our nation. Members of the Armed Services include the Navy, Marines, Army, Air Force, Coast Guard and Merchant Marine: **Col. Joseph Anderson, M.D.; SSGT Michael Brifnek, USAF; Sgt. Major James H. Dennis; Jeremy Dixon, Specialist; Col. Peter B. Edmonds; Jason S. Falcone, 1st Lt., Army; Capt. Robert A. Faustmann, USAF; AE3 Karl Grantham; ISC Patricia Grantham; Sgt. Jesse Johnson; Pvt. Luke Johnson; Lt. Col. Kelly Kanapaux; Michael R. McKenna, 1st Lt., USAF; Capt. Benjamin Pardieck; PVT. Daniel W. Parker, Jr. Army; Capt. Zach Probst; MST3 Tim A. Ross, USCG; Col. Michael Rowland, MD; Hospital Corpsman Daniel Wade Suggs, Jr.; Pvt. Samantha Williams; 2nd Lt. Rachel Young.**

Please call the parish office, 795-3821 with names of your loved ones who are serving in the military.

MUSIC

This is a good time to join a choir, so please contact the Music Director if you are interested. All choirs meet in the church.

Parish Choir

Wednesdays at 7:00 pm
(Sing for the 9:00 am Sunday Mass)

Youth Group

Sundays at 11:00 am
(Sing for the 11:30 am Mass)

Jr. Choir

Wednesdays at 3:00 pm
(Third grade and older)

Primary Choir

Thursdays at 3:00 pm
(K5, first and second grades)

Organists, Pianists, Instrumentalists, (most instruments), can add to the music at all of our masses. Talk to the music director.

Music Director: Janet Jones, 343-4093,
jjones_nativity@bellsouth.net.

PRAYER LIST

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH HAVE ASKED FOR OUR PRAYERS: *Woody Aydlette, Eleanor Bartasek, Kimberly Benn, RoseMary Bouvette, Jim Brodeur, Sarah Bryant, Vera Buckland, Shannon Cone, Libby Conway, Doreen D'Aramo, Bill Dronen, Ed Frederick, Sam Gentile, Ruby Inez Germroth, Jay Ginn, Marilyn Grafton, Lula Grice, Ida Griffith, Bill Groffel, Marjorie Guarisco, Joseph Hand, Angela Harbuta, Donna Hiers, Sandy Honan, Martin Houghton, Vicki Joye, Rachelle Lavelle, Albert and Jero Lutrario, Sister Stella Maris, John Minton, Nan Molony, Marjorie O'Brien, Jackie O'Shaughnessy, Richard Plummer, Terry Pop; Heidi Powers, Caroline Ramsey, Kay Reynolds, Armine Richardson, Sylvia Richardson, Marie Smith, Ashley Starkey, Charlene Teague, Billy Thomas, Gladys Thomas, Tracy Tindal, Bobby Townsend, Rachel Villepontaux, Jimmy Wells, Grady Williams, Delores Wrenn.*

Please call the church office, 795-3821 to add/delete your name to/from the prayer list.

REFLECTION

THE MYSTERIOUS ONE

Last Sunday we gathered with Peter, John, and James at the mountain of Transfiguration and were summoned to listen to God's chosen Son. This week the scriptures draw us into the mystery of just who that God is. The first reading, perhaps one of the best known in the Bible, recounts the story of Moses and the burning bush, when the mysterious divine name is revealed. The responsorial psalm is a hymn extolling the attributes of God. Saint Paul and the Lord Jesus describe a God who judges and metes out punishment. No matter the lengths to which the scriptures go, we know that no amount of words will ever come close to capturing who God is. Our lives and our Lents are really journeys toward that mysterious One who will one day welcome us into the heavenly home that awaits those who put their trust in God alone.

CONDOLENCES



Condolences and prayers to Bill and Kay Manning on the recent death of Bill's brother, Carl Manning, who died recently. May he rest in peace!

ST. JOSEPH'S ALTAR

**FRIDAY, MARCH 19,
20 AND 21**

The altar will be in place throughout the weekend. **The blessing of the altar will take place at the 11:30 am Mass on Sunday, March 21.** This altar in celebration of St. Joseph, is sponsored by the *Theresians of James Island* in response to their commitment to the community. You are invited to participate by bringing non-perishable foods to the altar any time during the day, before stations at 5:30 pm on Friday, or before any of the Masses on the weekend. As always, the food collected will be distributed to Our Lady of Mercy Outreach on John's Island. Thank you for your participation in this worthy and meaningful cause and for your generosity.

PARISH NEWS

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

EVERY FRIDAY OF LENT
5:30 PM

MARCH 12th
MARCH 19th
MARCH 26th



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SMALL FAITH COMMUNITY RETREAT AND BOOK EXCHANGE: Don't forget the retreat and book exchange, on March 7th, 1:00-4:30 pm, Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish Hall, 105 West Hudson Avenue, Folly Beach. Please bring only Christian/Catholic books you want to share with other parishioners. Topics for the day will be The Eight Beatitudes, and Spiritual Issues for Small Church Groups. Light refreshments served. Everyone invited. Call Norm Martel for more information, 345.2321

JOIN US! Thursday evenings! All are welcome!

Our Thursday evening Bible study group will be doing one of the Little Rock Bible studies again. Call Ryckie Watkins 795-4194 for any inquiries.

NATIVITY LADIES GUILD: The next Nativity Ladies Guild business meeting will be on **Monday, March 22, at 7:00 p.m.** Our meetings are held at Nativity School. Members, please come if you can, and anyone interested in joining the Guild is also welcome!

2009 BISHOP STEWARDSHIP'S APPEAL

This past week our parish received a check in the amount of \$4,676.67 on behalf of the 2009 Bishop's Stewardship Appeal. As a result of reaching our 2009 BSA target we received 50% of everything raised over our target. Thank you for your continued support of the diocesan annual appeal which benefits both our parish and the broader church in South Carolina.

CYM

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THESE OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **CYM FUNDRAISING DINNER** following Stations of the Cross on **March 19th at 6pm**. Tickets will be sold after all Masses next weekend, March 13th-14th.
- Jr. High Christian Leadership Institute (CLI), June 21st-25th, Camp Kinard.
- High School CLI, July 12th -16th, Camp Kinard, Batesburg-Leesville, SC.
- CLI camps for 2010 cost \$275pp. The camps fill up long before the June deadlines (I'm talking March/April). I mean...Faith...Leadership... Fun...all rolled into one!!! You can reserve your space now with a \$135 non-refundable deposit. Contact Mary Smith for more information or a registration form.

HIGH SCHOOL CYM meets on **Thursday** evenings from **6:30-8pm** in the youth trailer behind the school.

SCHOOL NEWS

NATIVITY SCHOOL'S 50th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION CARNIVAL

will be held this spring on **May 14 and 15**. As part of our celebration, the Nativity School PTO will be



sponsoring a Battle of the Bands for middle and high school bands and solo artists.

On Friday, May 14, 2010 the bands will compete for a full 8 hour day of recording in Mantis Records Recording studio. Judging will be 50% judge votes, and 50% popular votes. Go to www.nativity-school.com and click on the "carnival" tab. The registration forms and official rules can be downloaded. Entrance fee is \$50.00 per band and \$25.00 per solo act.

Please contact Kristina Connolly, Nativity Carnival Chair, with any questions 843-343-6788 or email info@nativity-school.com.

Registration ends March 31, 2010

TUITION ASSISTANCE: Financial Aid Packets are available in the school office. If you are a member of The Church of the Nativity and would like to apply for assistance, please come by the school office and pick an application. **Completed forms must be returned by March 31st.**

RESPECT LIFE

LENTEN 40 DAYS FOR LIFE: Ash Wednesday, February 17 to Palm Sunday, March 28.

Volunteers will pray 24 hours a day at the local abortion facility at 1312 Ashley River Road. To sign up for a specific time on Nativity parish's designated day (Thursday, March 11), please call Kathleen and Pete Edmonds at 795-7701 or stop by during the 40 days to pray at anytime. Others will always be there. 155 cities coast-to-coast across the United States, 4 Canadian provinces, and 3 Australian states will participate in these 40 intense days of prayer, fasting, and peaceful vigil outside abortion centers. www.40daysforlife.com.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING empowers couples to accurately identify their days of fertility and infertility either to achieve or to avoid pregnancy. **Fertility Care Practitioner:** Karen Provost, RN, CFCP: 745-0740, or Amy Withers, PT, FCPI: 709-9080; **Couple to Couple League:** Joseph and Michelle Shahid: 881-2451 or Kevin and Jennifer Welsh: 569-3612.

PREGNANT? NEED HELP?

LOWCOUNTRY PREGNANCY CENTER

225-3010 IN WEST ASHLEY or
553-3505 IN NORTH CHARLESTON

BIRTHRIGHT: 556-4403

NATIONWIDE TOLL FREE
1-800-395-HELP

www.pregnancycenters.org

COMMUNITY NEWS

PERPETUAL ADORATION at Blessed Sacrament Church has been in continuous operation, 24 hours a day-7days a week for over 25 years. Adorers are needed for the following days and times: Sunday 8 to 9 AM, Sunday 9 to 10 PM and Thursday 7 to 8 AM. If you can commit to spending one hour with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament in the chapel on a weekly basis, please call Charlie Lindsey at 766-2867.

TRI-COUNTY CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP GROUP is a group of single, widowed, divorced practicing Catholic men and women ages 40 to?? who get together socially as well as for spiritual enrichment and community involvement. Watch for upcoming events posted in the bulletin or call Shannon Williams at 460-7223.

DISCERNMENT RETREAT: The Diocese of Charleston and the Oratory are sponsoring a discernment retreat April 15-18 at the Oratory in Rock Hill. The retreat will allow participants to discern a possible vocation to the priesthood, diaconate or religious life. Men and women ages 18-55 are eligible. For more information and application, please call the Vocations Office, 843-402-9115, ext. 22.

LENTEN DAY OF REFLECTION: Columbia - "Has it been all it could be" is the theme to this Lenten Day of Reflection for Young Adults and Young Adult Leaders. Fr. Timothy Valentine will be presenting at Our Lady of the Hills in Columbia March 20 at 9:15- 3pm. Registration is \$15. For more information please contact Deacon James Moore at jmoore@catholic-doc.org or 843.670.2586 or the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry at 843.402.9115 x20.

CHARLESTON ST. PATRICK'S DAY EVENTS:

The Knights of Columbus, together with the Ancient Order of Hibernians, Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians and South Carolina Irish Historical Society, announce the following events:

Wednesday, March 17, 8am, Mass at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, 134 St. Philip Street; 10am, Parade from St. Patrick's to St. John the Baptist Cathedral, via King St; 11:30am, Irish Flag-Raising, etc., at City Hall, Broad & Meeting Sts; and 12noon Irish Luncheon/Entertainment will be at O'Malley's, 549 King Street.

IRISH OR NOT, ALL ARE INVITED. Contact: 556-3578 and/or hurley.jshannon1@gmail.com. Website: www.scirish.org.

DANIEL ISLAND 5K RACE AND WALK:

The 12th Annual Daniel Island 5K Race and Walk will be held at **9:00 am on Saturday, March 20th** at Bishop England High School on Daniel Island. Kids Fun Run at 10am for kids 12 and under. Awards ceremony and festivities after the race. Proceeds to benefit the Bishop England Cross Country and Track and Field programs. Register online at www.actioncarolina.com or for printable forms and more race details go to www.besports.net/behs/5K.

