

Today's Liturgical Ministers – December 15th
Third Sunday of Advent
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Celebrant

Fr. Raj

Commentator

Lang Rodgers

Altar Servers

Kenneth Way

Isaac Rodgers

Lectors

Becky Elders

Donna Way

Extraordinary Ministers

Jamie Berry

Dana Berry

Next Week – December 22nd

God's Housekeeper

Becky Elders

Commentator

Mike Rodgers

Altar Servers

Jon Rodgers

Aiden Rodgers

Lectors

Steve Miller

Russ Miller

Extraordinary Ministers

Lang Rodgers

Becky Elders

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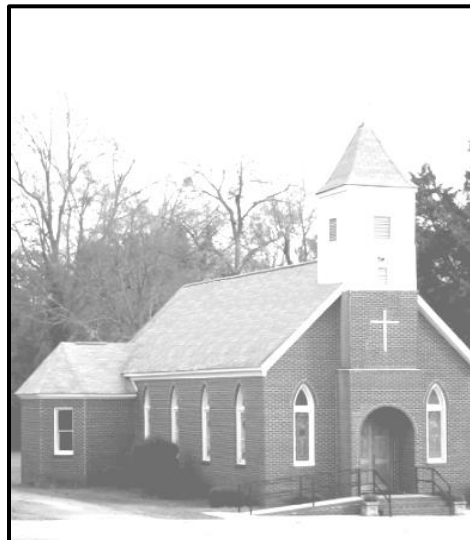
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Third
Sunday
of
Advent

December 15, 2019

Mass Schedule

Saturday

6:00 PM
 Misa en Espanol

Sunday

10:00 AM
 Mass



Welcome to St. William Catholic Church

Sunday, December 15th, 2019 – 3rd Sunday of Advent

This Week's Events

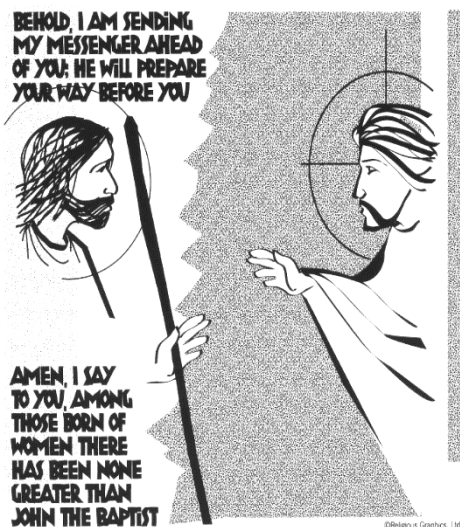
Sunday, December 15th

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

9:00 AM CCD

10:00 AM Mass

5:00 PM Christmas Party



Saturday, December 21st

4:00 PM CCD (Spanish)

6:00 PM Mass (Spanish)

Sunday, December 22nd

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

FIRST DAY OF WINTER

10:00 AM Mass

Prayer List

Don Able	Lynn Allen
Russell Altman	Maria Avila
Corine Bailey	Mollie Bartley
Emma Susie Black	Rita Copeland
Sandra Corder	Gloria Fulmer
R. A. Gibson	Ora Gillian
Gerald Glanton	Kathy Harris
Beth Huff	Rose Kitchings
Jack Koynne	Marco A. Lache
L.M. "Frog" Matthews	Betty Jean Miller
Jackson Miller	Jim Moore
Jack O'Brien	George Pierce
Presley Ponce	Johnny Ray Powell
Marian Richardson	Charles Rodgers
Dale Rodgers	Julia Rodgers
Randy Rodgers	Will Rogers
Richard Rowe	McKinley Simpson
Sara Tompkins	Gena Turner
Kerry Way	

Let us also pray for our servicemen and women, for the unemployed, for the homeless, for our nation, and for all the deceased members of St. William's.

Bicentennial Keepsake Ornament

Celebrate the 200th Anniversary of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Charleston with a beautiful commemorative keepsake! The BICENTENNIAL KEEPSAKE ORNAMENT is designed after the Bicentennial banner, which is displayed in all of the Catholic churches in the Diocese of Charleston throughout this 200th anniversary year! This keepsake is a beautiful Christmas ornament, and makes a perfect gift for recipients of Sacraments: first Communion, confirmation, matrimony, even RCIA. This bicentennial keepsake is also a fitting fundraiser for parish organizations! Order online at: www.charlestondiocese.org/bicentennial

Never was a whimpering bit of humanity so powerful that, while lying on His bed of straw, He could command the very stars to direct whom He wished to visit Him. Never a child so wise or so rich as this little Infant who was full of grace and incarnate truth.

- St. Peter Canisius (1521-1597)
Doctor of the Church
Feast Day December 21

Engaged Encounter Weekend

Resolve to give your marriage a strong foundation by attending an Engaged Encounter Weekend. We will provide the tools to help you reach your goal of a life-long marriage. Weekends are scheduled for: February 22-23 at St. Mary Magdalene in Simpsonville; March 27-29 at the Diakonia Retreat Center in Salem, SC; June 27-28 at St. Andrew in Clemson; August 15-16 at St. Mary Magdalene in Simpsonville; and October 10-11 at St. Michael in Myrtle Beach. To register and for additional information please visit our web site www.cee-sc.org or call Bob and Mary Reimer at 864-420-2633.

20th ANNUAL MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Sunday, February 2, 2020, 3:00 p.m.
St. John the Beloved Catholic Church
28 Sumter Avenue, Summerville

The Marriage Anniversary Celebration is an opportunity to honor all married couples especially those in long-term marriages. The married couples will affirm their love and commitment to each. Most Reverend Robert Guglielmone, Bishop of the Diocese of Charleston will be the main celebrant. The Mass will fulfill the Sunday obligation.

Parish News and Happenings

Second Collection Today

There will be a second collection TODAY following Communion for **RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS.**

Many senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests served for little or no pay. Today, religious communities often do not have enough savings to meet retirement needs. Your gift helps provide medications, nursing care, and more for tens of thousands of elderly religious. It also helps ensure younger members can continue the good works of their elders. Please be generous. Envelopes have been provided at the back of the church.

CORRECTION: Weekday Mass

Weekday Mass will be held once a month on the first Wednesday, followed by a parish meeting. Mass begins at 6:30 PM, and the parish meeting will follow at 7:00 PM.

NOTE: Due to New Year's falling on the first Wednesday of January, the next Wednesday Mass and parish meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 8th.

Christmas Party TONIGHT

Join us TONIGHT for St. William's annual Christmas party at 5:00 PM. Please bring finger foods and drinks.

Christmas Card Mailbox

It's time for the St. William's Christmas Card Mailbox! You may bring your Christmas cards for any members of St. William's (stamp-free) and drop them in the box at the back of the church. Deadline is TODAY!



Sacrament of Confession

Fr. Raj and Fr. Emmanuel will begin hearing confessions each Sunday at 9:30 AM.

2020 Calendars

The 2020 church calendars are available at the back of the church, featuring the celebration of the 200th Anniversary of the DOC.

Offertory for December 7th & 8th

\$ _____

Maintenance Fund

\$ _____

Church Calendar

- Tuesday, December 24th
 - CHRISTMAS EVE
- Wednesday December 25th
 - CHRISTMAS
 - Mass: 12:00 AM, 11:00 AM
- Sunday, December 29th
 - HOLY FAMILY
- Tuesday, December 31st
 - NEW YEAR'S EVE



- Wednesday, January 1st
 - NEW YEAR'S DAY
 - SOLEMNITY OF MARY
 - Mass: 11:00 AM
- Sunday, January 5th
 - EPIPHANY
- Wednesday, January 8th
 - Mass: 6:30 PM
 - Parish Meeting: 7:00 PM
- Sunday, January 12th
 - BAPTISM OF THE LORD
 - Maintenance Fund collection
- Monday, January 20th
 - MLK DAY
- Sunday, January 27th
 - Church in Latin America

Wants and Needs

Somewhere in the course of a childhood or a lifetime, we learn to balance expectations and reality. It has much to do with learning the difference between wants and needs. We rarely do this perfectly in our everyday lives. It's even more difficult in the heightened atmosphere of Christmas, whether it's visions of sugar plums dancing in our heads or the bells and whistles of this year's electronics. Sometimes what we imagine as the perfect Christmas present fails to live up to its hype, and we're disappointed. Sometimes something that seems mundane proves to be valuable in ways that go far beyond the glitz and sparkle of Christmas morning.

- from the book *The Peace of Christmas: Quiet Reflections with Pope Francis*



Upcoming Readings & Gospels

12/15	Isaiah 35:1-6a,10 James 5:7-10 Matthew 11:2-11
12/22	Isaiah 7:10-14 Romans 1:1-7 Matthew 1:18-24
12/29	Sirach 3:2-6,12-14 Corinthians 3:12-21 Matthew 2:13-15,19-23