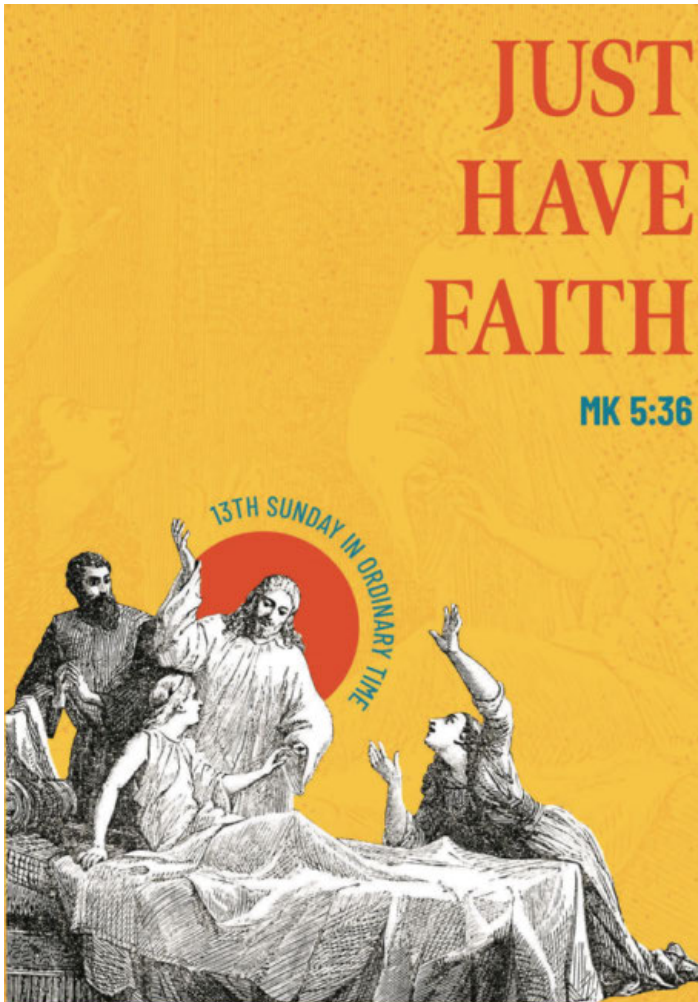


June 30, 2024

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Approach Jesus with Expectant Faith.

People in desperate or helpless circumstances were not disappointed when they sought Jesus out. What did a grieving father expect Jesus to do for his beloved daughter who was at the point of death?

Jesus gave supernatural hope to a father who had just lost a beloved child. It took considerable courage and risk for the ruler of a synagogue to openly go to Jesus and to invite the scorn of his neighbors and kin. Even the hired mourners laughed scornfully at Jesus. Nonetheless, Jesus took the girl by the hand and delivered her from the grasp of death.

Jesus shows personal concern for the needs of others and his readiness to heal and restore life. In Jesus we see the infinite love of God extending to each and every individual. He gives freely and wholly of himself to each person he meets. Approach the Lord with confident expectation that he will hear your request and act.

... Don Schwager at <https://www.dailyscripture.net>



Church of the Nativity

1061 Folly Road

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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 This Week

Mon. through Fri.	11:30 am Mass
Saturday Vigil Mass	5:30 pm
Sunday Mass	9:00 am and 11:30 am

Weekly Hour of Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday	12:00 noon
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Weekday Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet in the Church

Mon. through Fri.	12:00 noon
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Church is open Daily for Private Prayer and Devotion

Weekdays: 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:15 to 5:00 pm and by appointment

Office Hours This Week

Monday - Wednesday: 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

Office closed Thursday and Friday

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

e-mail: Office@NativityCharleston.org

Stay in touch with us at Nativity

Web page: <https://nativitycharleston.com/>

You Tube: <https://www.youtube.com/ChurchoftheNativity>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/NativityCharleston>

and <https://www.facebook.com/groups/NativityFamily>

I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

...Today's Psalm PS 30

THINGS TO KNOW

Nursery: Is offered to children age 6 weeks to 4 yrs. old during the Sunday 9:00 am Mass. It is located on the right side of the school's breezeway entrance. **The Nursery is temporarily closed until site renovations are completed.**

Religious Education Programs: Nativity School serves students in grades K4 through 8. The Parish School of Religion (PSR) is offered for other parish children, grades K4 through 8, enrolled in non-parochial schools. For more information, please contact Mary Smith at 843-795-3821 x 104.

Creating Safe Environments: All volunteers who minister in programs involving children at Nativity Parish or School are required to complete the Safe-Haven Online Abuse Prevention Training program. To complete this program, please visit <http://charleston.CMGconnect.org>. For more information please contact Mary Smith at 843-795-3821 x 104.

Baptism: To schedule a Baptism preparation class, a parent should be an active parishioner. For more information please contact Mary Smith at 843-795-3821 x 104.

Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation: A two year preparation period is required for these sacraments. Children planning to receive First Reconciliation and First Eucharist in the 2nd grade, must also have participated in a 1st grade PSR or Catholic school program. Children planning to receive the sacrament of Confirmation in the 8th grade must also have participated in a 7th grade PSR or Catholic school program. For more information please contact Mary Smith at 843-795-3821 x 104

Alpha: is a place to connect with other people who are open to exploring life, faith, and meaning. Each weekly session includes a time to connect with others (over a free meal), presents a brief video on an element of the Christian faith, and provides an opportunity for each person to share their own thoughts and questions in a small group setting. All are welcome and encouraged to participate. For more information and/or to sign up, please visit www.nativitycharleston.org/alpha. **Online option available.**

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): is an opportunity to come together in a small group online to learn more about our faith with sessions focused on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare adults to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. To inquire, please contact Vicki Vázquez at 843-813-4238. **Online option available.**

FORMED.org: is a digital platform that gives our parish access to video-based study programs, feature films, audio presentations, and eBooks from the Church's foremost presenters. You just need an e-mail to sign in. No password.

Sacrament of Marriage: Couples need to contact the priest at least six months prior to the proposed wedding date. Please contact the parish office at 843-795-3821.

Care of the Sick and Homebound: We care about you. To arrange for a pastoral visit, please contact the parish office at 843-795-3821.

Sacrament of the Sick: Anointing of the Sick is the sacrament that is received by those suffering from a potentially life-threatening illness, those planning to have serious surgery and those in advanced years. Please do not wait until the 'last minute' to request the Anointing of the Sick. To request this sacrament, contact the parish office at 843-795-3821.

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843-853-2130 x 209

Diocesan Victim Assistance Minister:
800-921-8122

Note from the Finance Council

You can provide for the needs of future generations of Catholics by remembering Nativity in your will. You may also choose to make a gift through a charitable trust or an annuity. For more information about joining the newly established Catholic Heritage Society or to learn more about legacy gifts, please contact Carrie Mummert at (843) 261-0435 or email cmummert@catholic-doc.org. All inquiries are handled in confidence.

An Active Parishioner

- is registered with the parish for at least 3 months,
- attends liturgies weekly
- makes regular and identifiable contributions by using parish envelopes or myEoffering.

These criteria are used to verify parishioner status for Weddings, Sacramental Preparation, Parish School of Religion enrollment, Sponsor Certificates for Baptism and Confirmation, and to receive parishioner tuition rates at Catholic schools. An extended time with no activity will place a person or family on inactive status.

Please be an active parishioner

New to Our Community?



To register in our parish, please fill out a registration form on our web site: www.nativitycharleston.org.

Forms are available at the church entrances. However, for immediate access, just scan this image with your smart phone ———>>>>

For more information, please call the parish office at 843-795-3821.



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Liturgical Ministers for July 6 — July 7

Please arrange for a substitute if you are unable to fulfill your ministry as scheduled.

5:30 pm Saturday Vigil Mass
Greeters: Patrick Kelley, Kathy Wiley,
Tom & Maria McNamee
Altar Servers: Maisie Lewis, Savanna Owens
Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Bieda, Wendy Bergstrom,
Barabara Coddington, Patty Edwards,
Mary Smith
Lector: Eileen Easler
Ushers: Emmett Alphonse, Patrick Kelley,
Leroy Hulseberg, Lamar Watkins

9:00 am Sunday Mass
Greeters: Pechon Family, Becky Warriner
Altar Servers: Abram Delaney, Teddy Delaney,
Jacob Perry
Eucharistic Ministers: Karen Cellars, Jimmy Craven,
Kathy Murphy, Becky Warriner,
Gary Warriner
Lector: Ainsley Knight
Ushers: Richard Bragieli, George Hill,
Walter Machowski, Steve Molony

11:30 am Sunday Mass
Greeters: Suan La Via, Natalie Zanolli
Altar Servers: Gavin Gilreath, Liam Hale,
Jenna Hasenberg
Eucharistic Ministers: Jackie Doscher, Pam Everitt,
Christine Lewis, Scott Runyon
Lector: Tara Hasenberg
Ushers: Lewis Doscher, Chuck Everitt,
Sheila Griner, Natalie Zanolli

Offerings June 23 — June 30

The weekly offerings information was not available by the publishing deadline for this week's bulletin. The information will be provided in a future bulletin.

Second Collections for June:

June 30: Peter's Pence

Thank you for your Generosity.

Please use your envelopes.

If you need envelopes, please contact the parish office at 843 795-3821

If you do not use envelopes or you are unable to attend Mass, please consider contributing to the needs of the parish. Please place your offering in the collection baskets in the rear of the church,

Or mail your donation to the parish office or make a donation via your myEoffering account.

<https://members.myeoffering.com>

If you are unable to attend Mass, please consider making your regular offerings by mail or online (myEoffering).



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**Don't forget to update your account
with your current credit card expiration date.**

For more information, please contact the parish office.

Let Us Pray

For members of our community who have requested our prayers.

We pray for: Allene Barans, Mary Bieda, Beverly Blevins, Ray Blevins, Leslie Boyer, Don Carcone, Anne Castelli, Ron Connick, Herman Connor, Arlene & Bill Crosby, Sharon Dale, Ed & Vi Defourneaux, William Doherty, Jake DuPree, Kathy Fowler, Angela Harbuta, Terry Harris, James Michael Huber, Dan & Mary Hughes, Myrtis Jenkins, Glenna Kornahrens, Mariano LaVia, Delores Lopez, Ruthie Mallard, Paul Madden, Katherine & William Manning, John Minaudo, Paul & Carole Moran, Charlie Organ, James Parker, Terry Parsons, Brenda Pearson, Ed Pop, Louis Richter, James Romero, Fran Taylor, Barbara Wade, Jerry Wade, Courtney Wilson, Sally Wojcik

For Members of our Community who have recently lost loved ones.

For our parishioners who daily struggle with chronic and/or life-threatening burdens.

For our service men and women and their families throughout the world.

Intentions

Mass: This Week

Sat.	29	5:30 pm	Lawrence Thomas Joyce+
Sun.	30	9:00 am	Mary Jo Ross+
		11:30 am	Mary Jo Ross+
Mon.	1	11:30 am	
Tues.	2	11:30 am	William O'Leary+
Wed.	3	11:30 am	
Thurs.	4	11:30 am	
Fri..	5	11:30 am	
Sat.	6	5:30 pm	Mary Jo Ross+
Sun.	7	9:00 am	Mary Jo Ross+
		11:30 am	

Envelopes for Sanctuary Candle and Mass Intentions are at the church entrances. Please place them in the collection basket. Be sure to include your phone number or email in case of date changes or unavailability. Thank you!

**Intention requests cannot be accepted
more than 3 months in advance.**



Nativity School—dedicated to the academic and spiritual growth of our students.

Do you dream of a school where each child is accepted, included, and valued? Are you looking for a school that stands as the model of academic excellence, moral ideals, and spirituality? Have you searched for a values-based education in the Catholic tradition?

Look no further!



Nativity School is accepting applications for admittance for grades K4 through 8 for the 24–25 School Year.

To learn more about Enrollment please visit our website at www.nativity-school.com or our FaceBook page at www.facebook.com/NativitySchoolKnights. or contact the School Office at 843-795-3975

Teaching Values for Life!

So, What is a Prayer Shawl?



A Prayer Shawl provides a sense of comfort, security, and safety, particularly in times of stress,. In many ways it is like the security blanket many of us had as children and may still sometimes need.

A Prayer Shawl is an item of textile art which is designed and hand made by a crafts person of our parish. The maker prays for the recipient at each 'stitch'. Moreover, the prayer shawl is blessed by Father Kingsley upon completion.

A Prayer Shawl is given, free of charge to the recipient who is seeking healing and comfort (illness, grief, crisis, distress).

A Prayer Shawl is not intended to be a vestment to be donned on occasions of formal prayer. **A Prayer Shawl** is intended to be a comfort, a blessing and a gift to a friend who is in distress — **like a spiritual hug** (and who does not need a hug every now and then?)

The Nativity Prayer Shawl Ministry meets the second Wednesday of every month at 1:00 pm in the Nativity Parish Life Center Meeting Room. We are on vacation for the summer but will return in September.

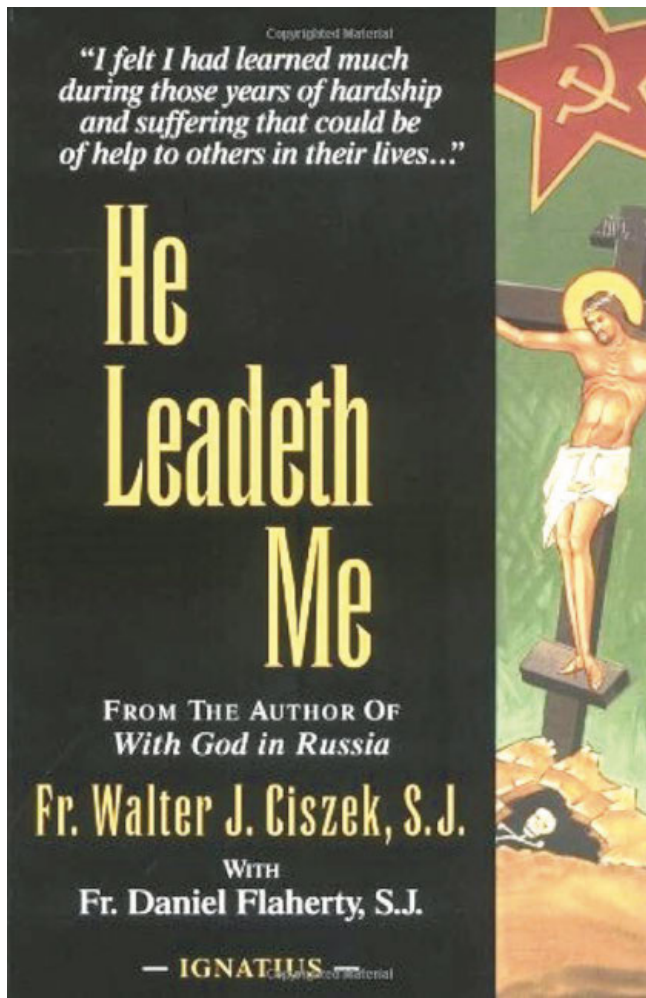
To recommend a friend to receive a Prayer Shawl, or to learn more about the Nativity prayer shawl ministry, please contact Debbie Kennedy at natprayershawl@gmail.com

Everyone can participate in this ministry!



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 6250
TEAMS UP WITH THE NATIVITY LADIES GUILD
FOR 5TH SUNDAY ROSARY
SUNDAY, JUNE 30 AFTER THE 9:00 AM MASS.
EVERYONE IS INVITED TO OIN US.**





Fall Bible Study and Faith Sharing.

Facilitator: **Sister Kathy Adamski**, OSF, former Director of Spirituality and the Synod on Synodality of the Diocese of Charleston.

We will study the book, **“He Leadeth Me”**, by Fr. Walter Cieslak, SJ.

This is a classic text on Faith and Spirituality. Participants must provide their own copy of the book

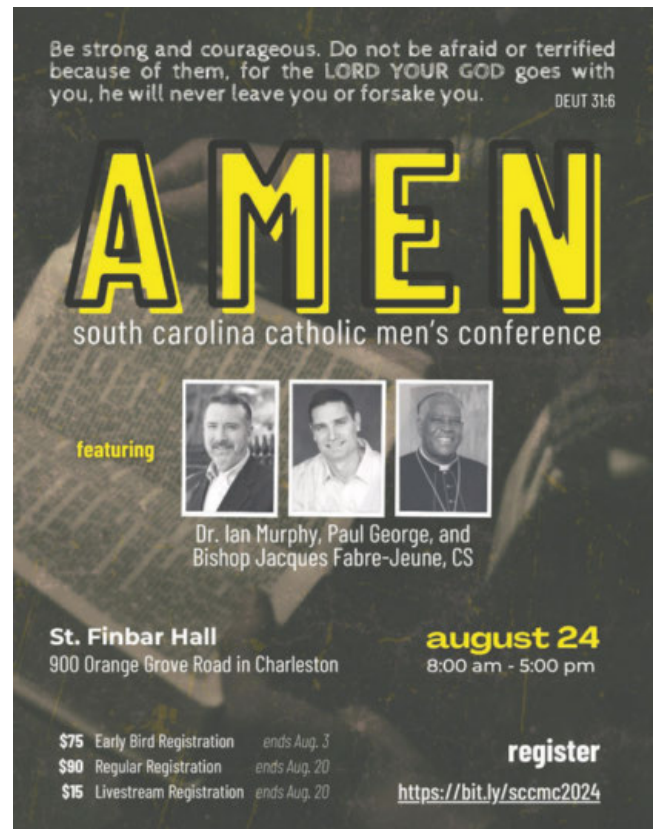
We will meet **1:00 to 2:30 pm**
Wednesday from Sep. 4 through Nov 6.
 at the **Villas of West Ashley**

The program cost is cost is \$50 per participant. Sister Kathy will provide the questions for each session.

Make your payment to “Sisters of St. Francis” and mail to Sr. Kathleen Adamski, 102 Ashley Villa Circle, Apt. C, Charleston, SC 29414

Please contact Sister Kathy at Kathleen.adamski@gmail.com for more informaton.

All are encouraged to attend.



Birthright of Charleston

BoC is needs volunteers who will work with their clients. They are seeking compassionate people whose beliefs align with the BoC charter statement:

“It is the right of every mother to give birth and the right of every child to be born.”

Birthright is an abortion alternative for crisis pregnancies. The Center is located in West Ashley. They offer hope, love and support to any woman who is or thinks she may be pregnant.

For more information, please call 843-556-4403 or email birthrightofcharleston@gmail.com

These Mothers and their babies need your help.



We extend our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of

Keith Tapscott,

whose Mass of Christian Burial was held at Nativity on Monday, June 28th.

May he rest in peace.

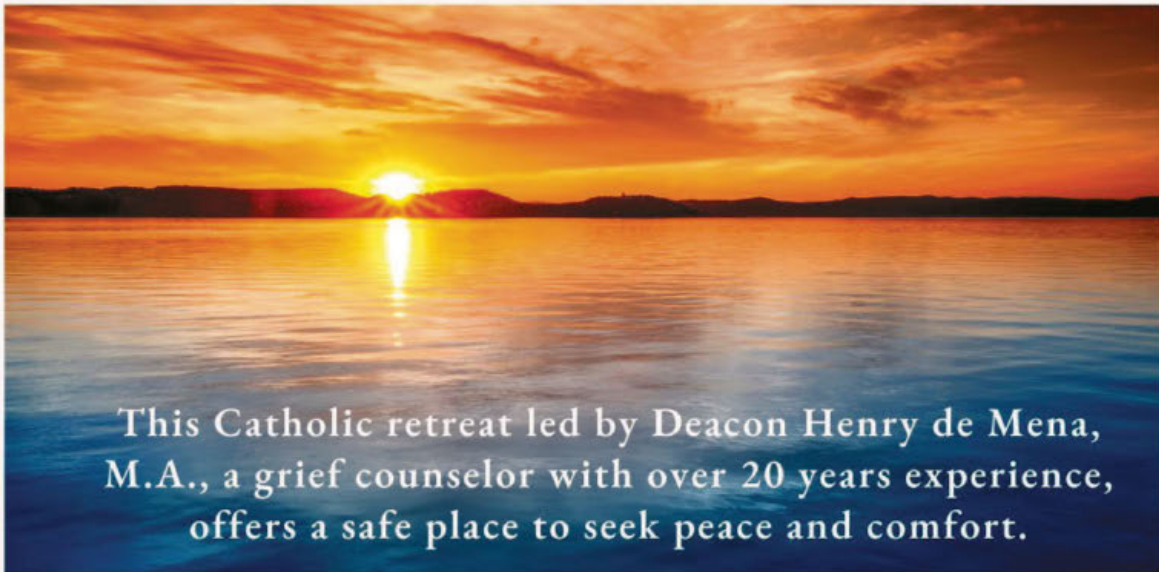
A Walk with Jesus for Grieving Parents

ONE DAY RETREAT

Saturday, July 13, 2024

8:30 AM - 5:00 PM

**Faber Hall -- The Oratory
434 Charlotte Avenue
Rock Hill, SC**



This Catholic retreat led by Deacon Henry de Mena, M.A., a grief counselor with over 20 years experience, offers a safe place to seek peace and comfort.

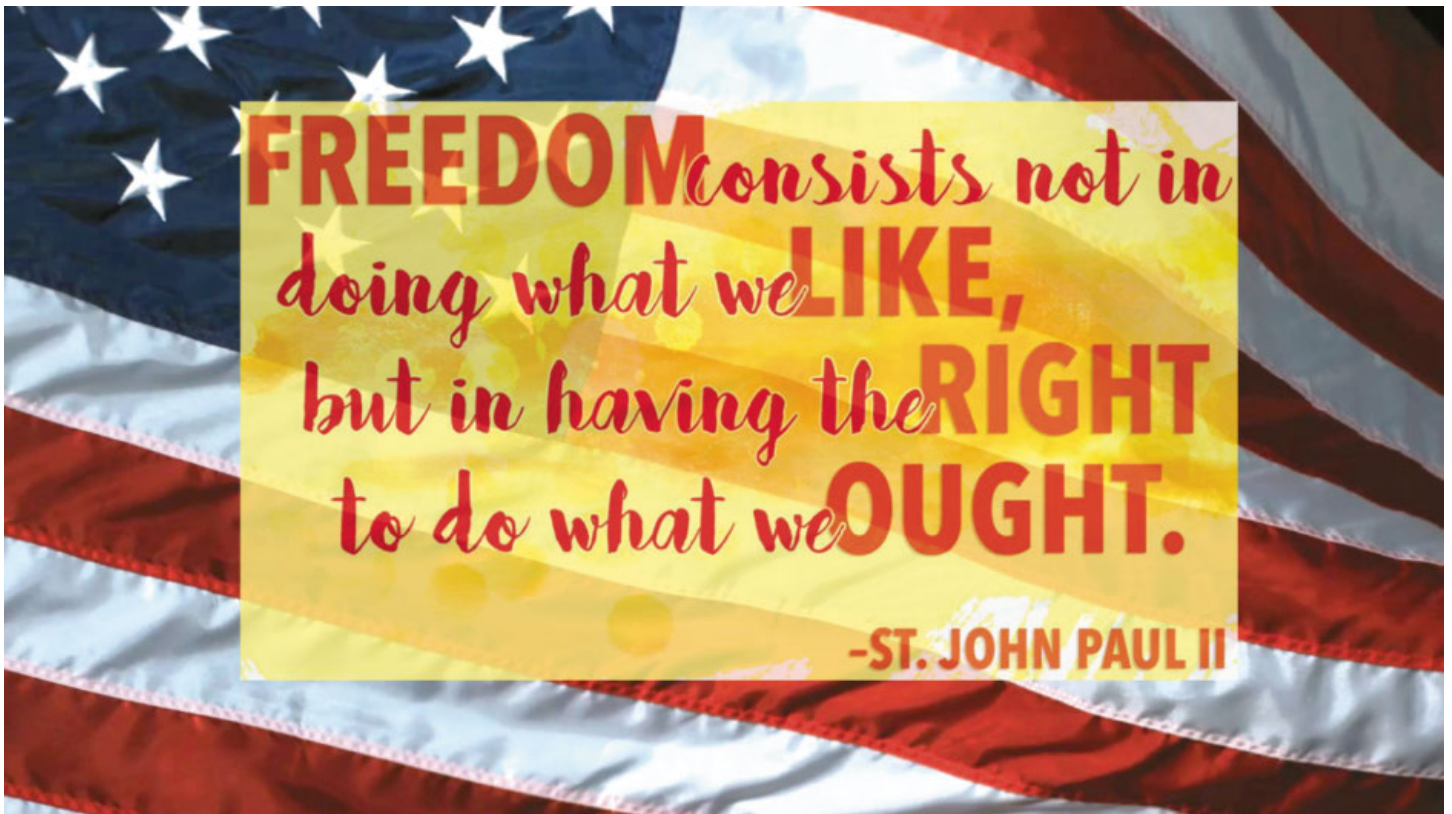
\$20 Registration Fee Includes Lunch & Materials

To Register just click this link: <https://bit.ly/WalkwithJesusJuly132024>



FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT
Office of Family Life - Christy Brown
cbrown@charlestondiocese.org | 803.554.6088





**July 4th — Have a safe and enjoyable Independence Day—
And appreciate those who have sacrificed so much!**

THE WILD GOOSE

Tuesday Bible Studies

Ancient Celtic Christians depicted the Holy Spirit as a goose, called Ah Geadh-Glas, which translates to “wild goose.” Early Christians had an appreciation for the goose’s unexpected interventions and saw the goose as a fitting symbol for the Holy Spirit.

The Wild Goose program is a 14-part video series featuring Fr. Dave Pivonka. The episodes are intended to lead viewers to explore the transformative power of the Holy Spirit.

These Bible Study sessions are offered in person and online via ZOOM

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Meeting ID: 889 8872 1703 and the Passcode: Nativity

Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study is 12:30 pm to 2:00 pm.

Tuesday Evening Bible Study is 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm.

All meetings are in the Nativity Parish Life Center.

We are planning to complete this series by end of June.

For more information, please contact Ryckie Watkins at 843-795-4194 or at ryckie.watkins@gmail.com

All are Invited to Participate.



MARRIAGE PREPARATION RETREAT

The Diocese of Charleston Office of Family Life invites couples preparing to receive the Sacrament of Marriage to a retreat.

NOTE: This retreat will be conducted in Spanish.

Saturday Aug.24 from 8:00 am to Sunday, Aug. 25, 2:00 pm.

At St. James Catholic Church in Conway, SC
The price is \$120

To register, please visit

<https://bit.ly/retirodepajaaugust>

For more information, please contact: María Romero at 305.979.1573



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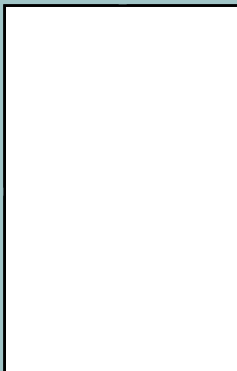
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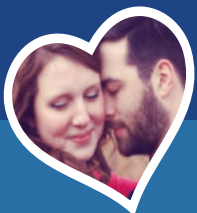



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