



**Pro Populo: for the people of the Parish;
living & deceased**

Monday, February 8
7:30AM..... Marion Savard †
12:15PM..... John Ryan †

Tuesday, February 9
7:30AM..... Alan Moran family †
12:15PM..... Florence Hanus †

Wednesday, February 10
7:30AM..... Laurie Grover †
10:00AM..... Marilu Degnan †
12:15PM..... Charles Polhamus †

Thursday, February 11
7:30AM..... William Giblin †
12:15PM..... John Cappello Gallo †

Friday, February 12
7:30AM..... Harry Thompson †
12:15PM..... Robert Hamel, Sr. †

Saturday, February 13
8:00AM..... Ann Reynolds †
5:30PM..... Rita Tierney †

Sunday, February 14
7:30AM..... Marilu Degnan †
9:00AM..... Miriam Oppenheimer †
10:30AM..... Bob Dancer †
12:15PM..... Pro Populo

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK:
Sunday, February 7 thru
Sunday, February 14**

Sunday	Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8	-----	Luke 5:1-11
Monday	1 Kings 8:1-7, 9-13	-----	Mark 6:53-56
Tuesday	1 Kings 8:22-23, 27-30	-----	Mark 7:1-13
Wednesday	1 Kings 10:1-10	-----	Mark 7:14-23
Thursday	1 Kings 11:4-13	-----	Mark 7:24-30
Friday	1 Kings 11:29-32; 12:19	-----	Mark 7:31-37
Saturday	1 Kings 12:26-32; 13:33-34	-----	Mark 8:1-10
Sunday	Jeremiah 17:5-8	-----	Luke 6:17, 20-26

HELP WANTED: We are in need of a person who would be willing to **volunteer as a facilitator to conduct the VIRTUS Protecting God's Children classes** for the parish and school. Facilitators attend a 3 day facilitator training session in Columbia in February. If you are fluent in Spanish, that would be a plus as it would allow us to offer sessions to our Spanish speaking community. For more information about what is involved or for an application, contact our Safe Environment Coordinator, Mitzi Weaver at 681-6350 x 248.



We will not be collecting blessed palms this year for use on Ash Wednesday. To dispose of old palms, burn them and bury the ashes or simply bury the palm.

Sunday, February 7

9:00am **FAMILY MASS**
After 9, & 10:30 Masses **FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY**
Family Center
10:15am **RELIGIOUS ED. – PK-1 & HS Confirmation Prep.**
Family Center/Mitzi Weaver 681-6350 x 248

Monday, February 8

7:00pm **WOMEN OF ST. FRANCIS**
Family Center

Tuesday, February 9

4:00pm **MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP**
Family Center/Alison Griswold 384-4762
7:00pm **RCIA**
Family Center/Katie or Sean Bolchoz 815-5974 or 816-0707
7:15pm **CHARISMATIC PRAYER**
Art Center/K. Strub 689-2760/L. Scarpello 342-2251

Wednesday, February 10

6:15pm **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**
Family Center/Mitzi Weaver 681-6350 x 248
6:30pm **HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP**
Alison Griswold 384-4762

Thursday, February 11

8:00am **MARIAN CENACLE**
Family Center/Betty Purdy 681-6106
9:00am **ACTS BIBLE STUDY**
Family Center/Jim Hyland 681-6871 or John Grauer 681-5646
TBD SANCTUARY CHOIR
Church/Jonathan Davis 681-6350 x 245

Saturday, February 13

6:30pm **SECULAR ORDER OF DISCALCED CARMELITES**
Holy Family/Pat Sanderson 681-5876

Today is Fellowship Sunday. Refreshments will be available in the family center after the 9am and 10:30am Masses. At the gathering after the 10:30 Mass, you will have an opportunity to wish Terry Conway best of luck as he retires from his position as Parish Administrator of St. Francis and to welcome his successor Dion Jenks.

Dion is originally from Michigan, graduating from Michigan State University with an accounting degree with major emphasis in supply chain management. Dion comes to us from Georgia with his wife Monica and their two children, 2 year old Breeanna Marie and 4 month old Augustine Joseph. Please stop by the family center Sunday, February 7 to welcome him and his family to our family of St. Francis.

**Daily Mass updates for Pre-Lenten Mission
February 8-11**

Mon, Tues and Thurs Feb 8, 9 & 11
7:30am Mass
12:15 Mass with mission
Mission at 7pm on Thursday

Wed Feb 10
7:30 & 10am Mass
12:15 Mass w/mission
No 6:30pm Mass / Mission at 7pm



You can make an appointment to have your picture taken for the parish pictorial directory by going to our web site www.stfrancishhi.org and clicking on the link.

LENTEN REGULATIONS

Each year the holy season of Lent provides us a special time of grace and spiritual renewal so that we may become better instruments in sharing the Gospel message.



This year **Ash Wednesday**, the beginning of Lent, falls on **February 17** (There is extra parking in the Hospital Commons parking lot). The present laws of the Church regarding fast and abstinence during the Season of Lent are as follows:

† **Ash Wednesday** and **Good Friday** are days of **fasting**. On days of fasting, one full meal is allowed. Two lesser meals sufficient to maintain strength may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted. Catholics between the ages of 18 and 58 are bound by this law.

† **Ash Wednesday** and all **Fridays of Lent** are also days of **abstinence**. On days of abstinence, meats should not be taken at any meal. The law of abstinence binds all Catholics who have completed their 14th year.

The Obligation to observe, as a whole or "substantially," the penitential days specified by the Church is a serious obligation. The New Code of Canon Law states:

"On these days (of Penance), the faithful are in a special manner to devote themselves to prayer, to engage in works of piety and charity, to deny themselves, by fulfilling their obligations more faithfully and especially by observing the fast and abstinence..."

May this Holy Lenten season provide us an opportunity for deepening our faith, hope and love through a life of deeper prayer, penitential practices, and works of charity.

LENTEN SCHEDULE FIRST WEEK OF LENT



ASH WEDNESDAY (February 17):Masses will be at 7:30am, 10am, 12:15pm, 6pm (English) ...and 7:30pm (Spanish).

Ashes will be distributed during the Mass after the homily.

K of C FISH FRY: (February 19).....5-7 pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: (February 19).....after 7:30 am & 12:15 pm Masses, and 7 pm

RCIA RITE OF SENDING (February 20).....5:30 pm Mass

EVENING PRAYER & HOLY HOUR WITH ADORATION(February 21) 4:00 pm in Church

LIVING ROSARY: (February 22).....8:30 am in family center

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: (February 26).....after 7:30 am & 12:15 pm Masses, and 7 pm

*Why not take the time during this Lenten Season to deepen your spirituality?
Come join our Lord and make this a fruitful Lent.*

Complete **LENTEN CALENDARS** are available in the Narthex.

Christian Formation



ST. FRANCIS CATHOLIC SCHOOL
EXPERIENCE THE EXTRAORDINARY



2010 REGISTRATION FOR NEW STUDENTS

Registration for new students who wish to attend St. Francis Catholic School in 2010-11 begins on Monday, February 1st with application forms being available in the school office and online at www.sfcshhi.org. Completed applications for new students will be accepted beginning February 8th at 9:00 AM at the school office. For further information, contact the school at 681-6501.

SECOND QUARTER HONOR ROLL 2009-2010

Principal's Award: Average of 97-100%

Third Grade: Anna Borelli, Emma Mayers, McKenzie Schubat.

Honor Award: Average of 92-96%

Third Grade: KC Boatright, Megan Bullock, Noah Ehlers, Lindsay Franklin, Hannah Littlejohn, Marko Siyman, Brennen Studenc, Ava VanMarter, Nicholas Zuidema. **Fourth Grade:** Sidney Angner, Sydney Biethman, Lauren Castner, Christina Good, Jack Jolley, Darby O'Donnell, Brad Tigges, Mark Tigges. **Fifth Grade:** Kaylee Ehlers, Allison Hughes, Matthew Tobin, AnnaLisa Wachtel. **Sixth Grade:** Alex Borelli, Ali Cohen, Bailey Fallon, Molly Finnan, Savannah Franklin, Gabriella Garcia, Emanuel Lopez, Thomas MacDonald, Jacqueline Tobin. **Seventh Grade:** Leah Castner, John Michael Good, Dominique Marmeno, Aileen Moore. **Eighth Grade:** Kara Klein, Garrett Novak, Daniela Tawil, Kylie Wilder.

Merit Award: Average of 86-91%

Third Grade: Brendan Analla, Rohshaye Lincoln, Healey Lucier, Joey Maffo, Matthew Maldonado, Dillan Montenegro, Valentina Palacio, Chase Phillips, Michael Porter, Rodney Romero. **Fourth Grade:** Matthew Baker, Molly Kate Bockley, Delphia Crawford, Gabby Gray, Kaeleigh Judge, Brendan Lindstrom, Lydia Novak, Lauren Shand, Ryan Pirnat, Maggie Syverson. **Fifth Grade:** Nicole Arnold, Isabelle Boatright, Kendall Bullock, Alma Ceron, Emily Lacombe, Callie Smith. **Sixth Grade:** Jillian Angner, Kaelyn Binns, Austin Borasky, Sydney Conrad, Preston MacTavish, Kevin Palacio, Lauren White. **Seventh Grade:** Miguel Ceron, DJ Green, Alyssa Greenlee, Jake Hoffman. **Eighth Grade:** Carlos Cordero, Claire Lacombe, Marlon Montenegro, Shay O'Reilly, Theresa Tran, Luke Trolan.

Students of the Month January 2010

Virtue: Moderation and Honesty

PK	Mitchell Watson (overall student of the month)	K	Nicholas Gariti
2	Eileen Lundblad	1	Kristen Fielding
4	Eston Parker	3	McKenzie Schubat
6	Sydney Conrad	5	Nicole Arnold
8	Conner Blankenship	7	Alyssa Greenlee

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Friday at noon in writing, 9 days before the Sunday issue.

To email your announcements, send to wendytaylor@stfranchishhi.org



INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is open to those who wish to learn more about, or become a member of, the Catholic Church. Our next meeting is **February 9**, at 7 pm in the Family Center. Weekly meetings will continue until

Easter. RCIA is also open to adult Catholics who have not celebrated the sacraments of First Communion and/or Confirmation and would like to be prepared to do so. For additional information, contact Katie or Sean Bolchoz 843-815-5974 or 843-816-0707.

Youth Group

Middle School Youth Group meets from 4:00 to 5:30 pm every **Tuesday** in the Youth Room.

High School Youth Group meets every **Wednesday** from 6:30 to 8:00 pm. Location varies. Call or text Alison for information at 843-384-4762.

Prayer & Worship

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION TO THE SICK:

Per Fr. Mike, only priests should distribute communion to patients that are in isolation at Hilton Head Hospital.

ADULT FORMATION LITERATURE COMMITTEE

The new literature for February includes the following:

Lent: Opening the Gifts of the Holy Spirit

The spirit of Lent is the Holy Spirit and this issue of Catholic Update provides prayers and ideas for each week of Lent based on the Gifts of the Holy Spirit. "Why is the spirit of Lent the Holy Spirit? Because of the relationship between Lent and the Sacraments of Initiation-Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist-which confer the Holy Spirit. Historically, Lent and Christian Initiation are closely associated. Thomas Richstatter, O.F.M., S.T. D. briefly walks us through each of these sacraments and their relationship to the Holy Spirit and then provides us with prayers for each week of Lent starting with Ash Wednesday.

The Little Black Book

The Little Black Book for Lent provides us with a reading and reflection for each day of Lent and helps us to do some spiritual clean-up in preparation for the Easter celebration.

CENTERING PRAYER: The next session will be **Monday February 22** from 11:00 AM to Noon in the School Library. Please park in the church lot and use the front entrance of the school. Visitors and New comers are welcome. For further information please contact Katie Strub at 689-2760.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP meets on Tuesdays at 7:15pm. Call Lois Scarpello at 342-2251 or Katie Strub at 689-2760 for more information.



PAX CHRISTI-ST. FRANCIS: "We have grasped the mystery of the atom and rejected the Sermon on the Mount."

Gen. Omar Bradley, Former Army Chief of Staff

Our parish peace group, meets in the spirit of the nonviolent Jesus, committed to the exploration of our Catholic tradition and witness of nonviolence, and recognizing the gospel imperative of peacemaking as the responsibility of each Catholic. Join us for prayer, study and action for peace and reconciliation **every first Wednesday**, 11 AM-12:15 PM in the Family Center. For information call 681-4010

Stewardship

Financial Stewardship

Weekly Offertory 1/31/2010:	Year-to-Date Offertory 7/1/2009 – 1/31/2010:
January 31 Envelopes: \$ 16,472	Actual: \$930,662
January 31 Loose: \$5,474	Planned operational budget: \$951,925
January 31 Total: \$21,946	
January Total: \$145,937	Surplus for future needs: -\$21,263

Total Parish Envelopes1550
Offering Envelopes used.....642
Percentage of Offertory envelopes used..... 41%

Charitable Giving News

Our Charitable Giving represents 10% of the planned offertory.

FEBRUARY CHARITIES

- CS&J \$5,000
- Black & Indian Home Missions \$2,000
- Church in Central & Eastern Europe \$1,000
- Pastor's Discretion \$417

ELECTRONIC GIVING

It's never too late...you can sign up anytime!

Go to: <http://www.stfranchishhi.org/autocontributions.html>, or you can pick up an application in the Parish Office.

St. Francis by the Sea collected \$27,940.30 for Haiti.

The Internal Revenue Code requires substantiation for any cash contribution claimed on Schedule A of your personal federal tax return. Any individual contribution of \$250.00 or more requires a statement from the recipient organization indicating the details of the contribution. Individual gifts of less than \$250.00 still require substantiation, through bank documents (cancelled checks) or statements from the recipient organization. **In order to save some money, we will be sending these reports only to those who request them. If you need such a report, please call the parish office and leave your name, address and envelope number, and a report will be sent.**

Evangelization



Every human person is created in the image and likeness of God. The conviction that human life is sacred and that each person has inherent dignity that must be respected in society lies at the heart of Catholic social teaching. Calls to advance human rights are illusions if the right to life itself is subject to attack.

US Conference of Catholic Bishops

Rachel's Corner

Rachel's Vineyard Retreats offer a safe place to work through the pain of abortion and gives HOPE for a peaceful tomorrow.

February 26-28, 2010, Rock Hill, SC
Christy 803 554 6088 Kathy 803 546 6010
1-877-Hope 4 Me

grace4healing@gmail.com

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May the unending love of Our Savior fill your heart with hope, grace and peace. Do not be afraid to reach out for help.

Building Community

THE WOMEN OF ST. FRANCIS General Membership Meeting will be on Monday, February 8 at 7:00 pm in the Family Center. There will be time for food and fellowship, before a brief business meeting. The program to follow will be "How to Identify Your Seafood at Restaurants" presented by David Harter. So come join the ladies for an enjoyable evening out!

The **JUST MAN** is
a light in darkness
to the upright.

Social Outreach

IT IS IN GIVING THAT WE RECEIVE



ST. FRANCIS THRIFT SHOP

6 Southwood Park Drive
Hilton Head Island, S.C. 29926
689-6563

Wednesday thru Saturday 10:00 am till 3:00 pm
closed Tuesdays but donations accepted 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

Donate your gently used furniture, clothing,
household
and office items

Pick up available for large items



HELP US HELP OTHERS VOLUNTEERS ALWAYS NEEDED

THRIFT SHOP GRANTS: Organizations wishing to apply for a grant from St. Francis Thrift Shop may do so by calling Diane Hyland, Grant Director, at 681-6871 and requesting a grant application. Please note organizations may do so even if they have received a grant previously. **The application must be returned by April 30, 2010.**



BOOK LOVERS: The St. Francis Thrift Shop book department has a great new look thanks to the generosity of Walden Bookstore and our donors. We have first editions and special interest, rare books for the collector in your life, even if that collector is you. Stop by and check us out. And also keep us in mind when you're cleaning out your bookcases. We appreciate every donation.

Other Activities



This year, World Marriage Day falls on **Sunday, February 14.** The Diocese of Charleston will sponsor its **TENTH ANNUAL MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION** on that day. The parish of St. Philip Neri in Fort Mill, SC will host this year's Holy Mass at 3:00pm followed by a reception.

TRADITIONAL TRIDENTINE (1962) LATIN MASS will be held at Holy Family Catholic Church September thru May on the 2nd and 4th Sundays at 9:30am.

THE JOURNEY OF HOPE CONFERENCE 2010 will be held **February 27 -28** in Atlanta and will offer resources and advice for divorced and separated Catholics. The conference will address issues of healing, living the Catholic faith and navigating life after divorce. Registration is open to separated and divorced men and woman and those involved in related ministries. For information and to register, visit www.journeyofhopeconference.com or call 404.493.2190.

FUNERAL PLANNING WORKSHOP

Saturday morning **February 20**
beginning at 9:00 am

Holy Family Catholic Church, 24 Pope Ave., Hilton Head, SC.

Have you ever thought of your own death and what kind of arrangements would be made for your funeral? Do you realize the grace we have living as Catholics and preparing to meet God when we depart this life? Would your family or friends share your Catholic beliefs in making those funeral arrangements? What about a Catholic living will? Will I be buried or cremated? Where will I be buried? How can I leave an inheritance to my parish? These are a few of the questions that will be addressed at this workshop designed to help YOU to make decisions about YOUR death, to put them on paper. You will hear from Father Robert Morey, Holy Family staff members and a representative of Island Funeral Home. Printed planning information and forms also will be provided. For more information, you may call Deacon John DeWolfe or Linda Hamilton at 843-785-2895.

POSITION AVAILABLE

Regional Coordinator, Lowcountry Office of Catholic Charities (Beaufort, SC)

Primarily responsible for organizing statewide prison ministry efforts of the Diocese of Charleston. Identify gaps in a Catholic ministerial presence at prisons - state & federal, jails, and detention centers. Develop curriculum and conduct ongoing workshops, retreats and other supportive activities for individuals involved in prison ministry around our Diocese. Also responsible for facilitating the social mission of the Catholic church by working with parishes and organizations in the Lowcountry area. Familiarity with the Social Teachings/Doctrines of the Catholic Church expected. Ability to work well with pastors and parish prison ministry teams is essential. Good organizational skills, maturity and ability to function with minimal supervision. Excellent benefits with generous paid time off. For consideration, apply online at www.catholic-doc.org/hr or fax resume to 843-402-5410. Cover letter with salary expectations required as part of application process.

SEPARATED - DIVORCED - WIDOWED

The organization called "**Beginning Experience**," offers a weekend away for a lifetime of change for widowed, divorced, and separated people. The weekend program helps grieving single-again persons emerge from the darkness of grief into the light of a new beginning, and move into the future with renewed hope. The program helps deal with the natural grief process and offers an opportunity, through God, for turning pain of loss into an experience of positive growth. Founded by a Catholic nun and rooted in the Christian tradition, the ministry's open, ecumenical spirit serves those of all faiths. The weekend will be held on **March 19-21, 2010**, at the Oratory in Rock Hill. The total cost is \$175 which includes the program, meals, and lodging. You may apply online at www.pietty.com/tbe. Contact: Patty Shelton (843) 814-8408

COLUMBARIUM DECORATIONS — The license document authorizing inurnment in our columbarium indicates that "Only a 4" clay pot with silk or natural flowers is permitted. All other decorations will be removed."



Various facilities and services are available to our active members. This includes use of the Church for Baptisms, Weddings, and other sacramental events, and includes parishioner status in parochial schools.

ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP

is determined by four things:

1. Being properly registered in the parish for a sufficient period of time.
2. Faithful attendance at Mass on Sundays and Holy Days
3. Use of the envelope or electronic giving system in regular support of the parish.
4. Being active in at least one parish program, ministry, or organization.

Benedictine Military School invites you to attend the annual "**A Night in Ol' BC Auction**", **Saturday, February 27, 2010**. Ticket prices are \$45 per person or \$360 for a table of eight. The price includes dinner and an open bar and the attire is dressy casual. For reservations or to make a tax deductible contribution, please contact Rick Shay at 912.644.7007. Come join us for a night of fun, fellowship and good old fashioned bidding at the silent and live auction all to support BC!

FORDHAM ALUMNI MASS & BRUNCH

Fordham University Alumni Club of Savannah and the Low Country will hold a Mass and Brunch with Reverend Joseph M. McShane, President of Fordham University, on **Sunday February 28, 2010**. Mass will be celebrated in the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist on Lafayette Square at 10:00 am with a deluxe brunch to immediately follow in The Chatham Club located in the DeSoto Hilton Hotel. Graduates of Fordham University as well as other Jesuit Colleges and Universities are cordially invited to attend.

Cost for the brunch is \$25.00 per person and a cash bar will be available. For more information, contact Peter Paolucci (912) 231-1868 or e-mail at petepalu@aol.com or Mary Anne Bastek at (843) 363-5444 or e-mail at marendrich@yahoo.com.

NEWBORNS IN NEED will hold it's monthly meeting on **Saturday, February 27** at 10:00 am. The location is All Saint's Episcopal Church, 3001 Meeting Street, on the north end of Hilton Head, just off Main Street. Newborns In Need supplies clothing, blankets, toys, and essential baby items to infants, toddlers, and young children, in health or economic crisis. If you knit, quilt, crochet or sew, and are interested in volunteering, please contact Terry Simmons at (843) 422-9301.

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