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The Nativity of the Lord December 25, 2022

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<u>Our Mission</u>: Preparing disciples for the good adventure. <u>Our Vision</u>: One joy-filled family on the good adventure.

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday (Vigil) 4:00 pm Sunday 8:00 am, 11:00 am & 5:00 pm

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 5:30 pm Thursday 7:00 pm (Adoration 6:00 pm) Saturday 9:00 am

Confessions

Thursday 6:00 pm Saturday 2:30 pm Sunday 10:30 am, 4:00 pm & after Masses

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

No Mass Scheduled: Monday, December 26th, Saturday, December 31st at 9:00 am

Feast of the Holy Family: Friday, December 30th at 5:30 pm

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God: Saturday, December 31st at 4:00 pm, Sunday, January 1st at 8:00 am, 11:00 am, and

5:00 pm.

MASS INTENTIONS:

12/24 Saturday 4:00 pm: John Marsalisi, Sr.*

12/24 Saturday 7:00 pm: Leo and Veronica Castillo* 12/25 Sunday 8:00 am: Deacon Ronald LaCasse*

12/25 Sunday 11:00 am: Jack Martin*

12/25 Sunday 5:00 pm:

12/26 Monday:

12/28 Wednesday:

12/29 Thursday:

12/30 Friday:

12/31 Saturday 9:00 am:

12/31 Saturday 4:00 pm:

No Mass scheduled

Angela Martin*

Louis Annunziato*

Michael Matthews*

No Mass scheduled

John Marsalisi, Jr*

1/1 Sunday 8:00 am: CCCF

1/1 Sunday 11:00 am: Priest's Intention

1/1 Sunday 5:00 pm: Prayers for Kimberly C. Hobbs

We are taking Mass Intention requests for all masses. The offering set by the Diocese is \$10 per Mass, \$15 with a Mass card. Please call or email us at ccatcf@gmail.com.

At the 4:00 pm, 11:00 am and 5:00 pm weekend Masses, if a prayer intention was requested by you and you would like to bring up the gifts (bread and wine) please see the Mass Coordinator before Mass begins.

*Repose of the soul



Father David, Deacon Jim and the staff of CCCF wish you and your family a Blessed Christmas season and a Happy New Year! We are excited to continue the *Good Adventure* with each of you and hope to build disciples that spread the caring love of Frassati to those most in need in our community.

<u>Registration</u> - Cards are available as you exit the building or register at <u>www.catholicsatcarolinaforest.com</u>. If your address or phone number has changed, please send an email with your updated information to <u>cd.ccatcf@gmail.com</u>.

<u>Sacraments & Funerals</u> - We offer preparation for all the Sacraments (Baptism, First Confession, Holy Communion, Confirmation & Marriage). If you or someone you know are struggling physically, psychologically, or spiritually or have an upcoming surgery, please call 843-306-3025 to schedule the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick or the Last Rites. Our funerals are typically at Seton School, but sometimes we can arrange for them to be done elsewhere.

<u>Blessings</u> - If you or someone you know is expecting a child, or if you are celebrating a major milestone (5, 10, 15 years, etc.) in your sacramental marriage and would like a blessing after Mass, or if you would like for a priest or deacon to bless your home, please contact us at <u>ccatcf@gmail.com</u>.

<u>Holy Communion for the Sick/Homebound</u> - Please see Deacon Jim or a sacristan before/after Mass to arrange for an Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister to bring Holy Communion to someone you know that is sick or homebound.

<u>Need Prayers</u>? If you would like for someone to be added to our prayer list, contact our intercessory prayer team (Fern Daniels at 843-397-2728 or <u>kefed@aol.com</u> and reference "prayers for the Catholic Community" as the subject of the email).

<u>Safe Haven</u> - The Diocese of Charleston requires a mandatory educational programming ("Safe Environment Training") and resources to create and maintain safe environments, along with training on methods of preventing, recognizing, responding to, and the reporting of misconduct or abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult. Please contact our Safe Environment Coordinator, Susan Cataldo at cccfsafehaven@gmail.com for volunteer training requirements.

<u>Bulletin Deadlines</u> - Bulletin announcements are due no later than Monday at 10:00 am for the following weekend. To submit an article, email Christine Delea at <u>cd.ccatcf@gmail.com</u>.

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

Name Tags - Are you interested in a name tag to help us recognize you at CCCF? See a greeter after Mass or call Deb Sentz at 843-333-1392. Need your first name and former state for all requests. <u>Cost</u>: \$10

The main office is used as a 'family room' during the weekend Masses, especially at the 11:00 am Mass, where families with young children feel more comfortable attending Mass and their young children have a bit more freedom to move around. There are books, children bulletins, paper, and crayons for the children to use during Mass. Please try to leave this room available for these young families. Thank you.

Our Community is equipped with a **Peavey Assisted Listening System 72.9**. We have four receivers in the sacristy available for use during Mass. Check with an usher or greeter if you need to use one for Mass. You may purchase your own transmitter through FullCompass.com or Amazon. Send an email to ccatcf@gmail.com for order information.



Handicap Parking at Seton is very limited. If you are able-bodied, please consider leaving the parking spaces closer to the front door available for the handicap and elderly members of our parish. Thank you.

Knights of Columbus - The "Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati" Council #17824 meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School. Our next Council Meeting will be on January 18, 2023. The Officers meeting will begin at 6:00 pm and the Membership meeting will begin at 7:00 pm. If you need more information and are interested in joining our Council, please contact Grand Knight Lou Ruocco at 631-942-9269 or 843-742-5332, email louruocco710@gmail.com.

Grief Ministry News – Our Grief Ministry members have been hard at work evaluating ways to serve the needs of our members of CCCF who have lost a loved one and are navigating through their grief. To that end, Father David has endorsed our plans to offer **Grief Share**, a Christ centered video-based support group to assist and comfort people through their bereavement. Grief Share is a 13-week program, and we anticipate beginning the program in February 2023. Please contact Tracy O'Neill at tracyoneill888@yahoo.com if you have questions or would like to register.

Attention Senior Singles – The Senior Singles Dining Group is a community within our larger parish community which provides social and dining experiences for seniors living alone. We plan one dinner and one lunch each month and share breakfast after the 9am Mass the first Saturday of each month. Those interested may attend any or all meals that we offer. We try to accommodate schedules and provide rides for those that do not drive. Contact Rosemary Lusco at 843-421-5531 or trlusco@gmail.com.

FRIENDS OF FRASSATI & OUTREACH



Nursing Home/Assisted Living Visitors - Statistics show that over 60% of residents in long term care facilities never have a single visitor, and 50% do not have any close relatives. Our *Nursing home/Assisted Living Ministry* is planning to visit local long term care facilities to bring joy and

Christian fellowship to the residents on a regular basis. Our next event is a meet & greet on Thursday, December 29th @ 2:00 pm @ Myrtle Beach Manor located at 9547 US 17 Business, Myrtle Beach, SC 29572. Please contact Donna Cislak at dacislak@hotmail.com for questions and to sign up! Thank you for helping us bring joy to the residents of Myrtle Beach Manor during the holidays!



Help us bring dinner to the homeless in Myrtle Beach at the New Directions Men's Shelter on Tuesday, January 3rd. This month we will be serving Jersey Mike's subs, but we still need volunteers to donate food, supplies, and to serve at the shelter.

Visit https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0E4DAEAC283-newdirections3 to sign up. All food will need to be delivered to CCCF (Seton) on Tuesday, January 3rd @ 4:30 pm (please note the new time). Those who volunteer to serve at the shelter will meet at CCCF (Seton) @ 4:15 pm to transport the meals to the shelter, serve and cleanup. If you have questions, please contact cd.ccatcf@gmail.com.



Carlo Florio tells the story: I am now the dean of the almsgivers of St. Paul (I have been an almsgiver for 30 years) and I owe it to him [Pier Giorgio] that I overcame my somewhat cold and indifferent temper. Sometimes I found it unfair that young as we were, we had to climb up to a fifth floor to find nothing but misery and filth. And again he [would say], "Remember always with almsgiving to give a word of Christian faith, to infuse trust and courage, to bring charity to the poor with a sense of warmth."

I remember a discussion about this in the courtyard of the Archbishop, a discussion that ended with my question, "But do you believe there is a bit of fantasy in this your ideal of life?" For [his] full response he gave me a punch on the shoulder with a "Oh, come on!" and a look that one can't replicate. Once, regarding the letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians, I asked him if his own faith was

the basis of his charity and he responded to me, "What would faith be if we did not cloth it in charity?" (Excerpts from La Carita, edited by Luciana Frassati, pg. 43)

Weekly Challenge: Find a way to express your faith in charity to someone to need.

Do you have a heart for serving others as Pier Giorgio Frassati did? Would you be interested in volunteering to help the poor and the needy in our community? If so, we invite you to be a 'Friend of Frassati.' Modeled after the life of Pier Giorgio, Friends of Frassati will provide support to parishioners in need and serve the poor throughout our community. If interested, please contact Christine Delea at cd.ccatcf@gmail.com.

Rosary Ministry - We will be **visiting local nursing homes** at least once a month to pray the rosary with residents. If you are interested, have any questions, email Rose Schaetzl at <u>roseschaetzl@gmail.com</u> for additional information. If interested in learning how to make rosaries, please email Rose as she will be coordinating a class in January.

Catholic Charities of SC - For I was hungry, and you gave me food" (Mt 25:35). We collect food each Sunday for Catholic Charities of the Pee Dee. They are in <u>URGENT NEED</u> of canned goods, especially peas, corn, yams, potatoes, chicken, spam, Vienna sausages, tuna, soup, ravioli/pasta meals, granola bars, chips and cookies are also needed, as well as bars of soap, shampoo, conditioner, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant (travel & regular size), adult diapers, toilet paper, tissues, paper towels, unscented laundry detergent, dryer sheets, bleach, white vinegar,

disposable razors, baby powder, foot powder, socks, children's books, coloring books and crayons. PLEASE CHECK DATES ON DONATED FOOD. The pantry is also in need of plastic grocery bags. Thank you for your generous donations!

DISCIPLESHIP & FAITH FORMATION

Family Faith Formation will resume on Sunday, January 29, 2023, at 9:30 am. Our next Confirmation workshop will be held on January 10th @ 6:30 pm at Seton. Please contact Jeff Vehige at jeffvehige09@gmail.com for more information.

Scripture Study Resumes in the New Year! How about making a Scripture Study program one of your New Year Resolutions? We will continue our Crawl, Walk, Run theme with a 4-lesson program that walks through the New Testament. Experience how a Scripture Scholar unravels the threads of Divine Revelation that the Holy Spirit wove into the tapestry of the New Testament readings we hear at each Mass. There will be a brief introductory session on January 11th. The fourth lesson will be on February 8th. Meetings will be in a parishioner's home about 2 miles from Seton. Materials not more than \$17. Meeting times Wednesday at 11:00 am, with sufficient interest also 6:30 pm. Contact Ed Duffy iiietd43@gmail.com. Three clicks to more information: Click www.catholicsatcarolinaforest.com click Ministries scroll down to LRSS Click more info! Easy as pie! "Can there be a more fitting pursuit in youth or a more valuable possession in old age than a knowledge of Holy Scripture? In the midst of storms, it will preserve you from the dangers of shipwreck and guide you to the shore of an enchanting paradise and the ever-lasting bliss of the angels." —St. Boniface



The Catholic Community at Carolina Forest has a subscription to **FORMED**. We will be using several movies, Bible studies and programs for our faith formation going forward. They also have free faith-based audiobooks and electronic books. Sign up for FREE at <u>formed.org/signup</u> and select "Catholic Community at Carolina Forest". If you need help signing up, call us or send us an email.

DIOCESAN NEWS

Marriage Enrichment Conference - Saturday, February 11th 11:00 am – 6:00 pm, Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church, Charleston, SC | Early Bird Couple: \$54 | Early Bird Individual: \$35 Early Bird discount available through January 9th. Scholarships are also available | Register now https://forlifeandfamily.org/events/th23-chsc/

Eucharistic Devotion and the Liturgy (*virtual*) - *Wednesday*, January 11th | 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm

To register for this FREE webinar offered by the Office of Catechesis and Christian Initiation, email cathy@charlestondiocese.org or call 843-261-0504.

The Book & Gift Shop of Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church in North Myrtle Beach is a ministry serving religious and spiritual needs, offering gifts of faith. Hours: Monday through Friday ~ 8:30 - 10:00 am, Saturdays ~ 3:00 - 6:00 pm and Sundays before & after the 8:00, 10:00 & 12:00 noon Masses. Special orders and gift certificates are available.

SETON NEWS

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School (SEASCC) and the **Catholic Community at Carolina Forest (CCCF)** are separate diocesan entities. CCCF pays rent to utilize the SEASCC building for Masses and various meetings after normal school hours/functions. CCCF parishioners and volunteers should not be on SEASCC property during normal school hours/functions without prior permission from school personnel. We appreciate CCCF parishioners and volunteers abiding with this requirement. Any donations to CCCF should be made payable to the **Catholic Community at Carolina Forest**.

Seton Catholic School has open spots at all Grade Levels 6 - 12, and small class sizes. Call the office today, 843-903-1400 to set up a personal tour!

Tax Credit Options for Special Needs Students: The SC Department of Revenue will begin to accept Parental Refundable Credit applications and the Educational Credit Needs Children Fund on February 1, 2023. A tax credit is available for parents or guardians of exceptional needs students. Credits are approved on a first-come first-serve basis. MyDORWAY.dor.sc.gov.

STEWARDSHIP



Our choir sang for over 30 residents and staff at independent living at Indigo on 12/15. It was a beautiful time of fellowship and caroling together. The beautiful voices and instruments brought the spirit of the season to the residents.



Thank you to our parishioner and Jersey Mike's owner, Kevin Satterfield for his continued support of our parish, most recently supporting our monthly dinner for the homeless at the New Directions Men's Shelter scheduled for January 3rd.

Offertory Envelopes - The first batch of CCCF offertory envelopes have been delivered and this mailing included offertory envelopes for January/February. Offertory envelopes will be mailed bi-monthly, so the next batch for March/April will be delivered around the middle of February. If you would like to receive CCCF offertory envelopes, please email Deacon Jim at jhinnerschitz@charlestondiocese.org.



Altar Servers are needed at all Masses - The only requirement is to have made your First Holy Communion and a willingness to help the priest & deacon during Mass. Both, children and adults are welcome to serve in this capacity. If interested, please email Deacon Jim at jhinnerschitz@charlestondiocese.org.



Online Giving - Go to www.catholicsatcarolinaforest.com, click Register/Contact/Giving, click on the Online Giving button. As an alternative, you can use your bank's online payment feature to

mail your weekly tithe, send it to: Catholic Community at Carolina Forest, PO Box 50665, Myrtle Beach SC 29579.

Online Giving Update - Thank you for your generous support of our parish during our One Joy-Filled Family on the Good Adventure Program! We are beginning to see signs that our Sunday offertory collections are growing through the generosity of many, many parishioners. Thank you so very much to all who have chosen to participate in this very important program. If you currently use online giving, please make sure you go into the application and update your giving to reflect your new commitment. If you do not remember what you have committed to or if you need help logging in to the online giving application, please contact Deacon Jim at jhinnerschitz@charlestondiocese.org. Your generosity shows your willingness, as a faithful steward, to be a part of the ongoing mission of the Catholic Community at Carolina Forest.

"As each one has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God." 1 Peter 4:10 As a faith community, we have many needs, and we know each of you have many gifts. Please share your time, talent, and treasure.

<u>Previous week Collection</u>: \$11,151 (includes \$250 iop one-time gifts) <u>Previous week Mass Attendance</u>: 726

Registered Households: 597

Budgeted weekly expenses: \$10,125 (based on Annual Report released 9/16/2022)



Highlights from our One Joy-Filled Family on the Good Adventure Program



\$156,617 in additional offertory commitments (contributions not yet realized) \$46,690 committed in one-time gifts 69% response rate from those actively supporting the parish 37 new families welcomed into our parish community 24 additional electronic giving participants

We are now able to go out more to serve with the spirit of Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati, because so many of you have gone inward and responded to our first stewardship appeal!

THANK YOU! I am humbled and edified by your commitment to the Catholic Community at Carolina Forest, especially during challenging economic times. Through your commitment, our parish will continue its good adventure of bringing others into our spiritual family for healing and growth so that they can go out more confidently as members of the Body of Christ and live their baptismal call to love one another.

God's work is never done! Your prayerful response both materially and spiritually is setting the groundwork for a path forward as we complete the master plan for our property, the architectural layout and renderings of our first church building and plan the continuation and expansion of critical ministries and service programs through Friends of Frassati.

Thank you for your generosity, prayers, and commitment to the Catholic Community at Carolina Forest!

Verso l'alto – Towards the heights!

Fr. David Nerbun

If you have not yet renewed your commitment to our parish, please return your commitment card within the next few weeks. We are looking for 100% participation from our parish families! Each response makes a huge impact!



"A God who became so small could only be mercy and love." St. Thérèse of Lisieux

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