

**Please help us keep this updated.**

**THE PRAYER LIST:** Please pray for the physical and spiritual well-being of parishioners and friends: Hannah Dugan, Carol Freely, Gloria Hansberger, Lola Plungis, Caitlin Czeh, Noreen Dixon and John Dixon, Teresa Powers, Jim Then, Mary Jean Castro, Rose Kepler, Pam Bosselait, Sean Hayes, Bob Rivers, June Berube, Thomas Todaro, Frank and Donna Kamienski, Ronald Derrickson, Sue Hanson, Mark Hanson, Mark and Cheryl Lauer, Susan Rogers, Salvatore Martorano, Denise Discuillo, Kent Thomson, Nicole Cadavid, Kevin Monahan, Laura Marshall, Carol Lagemann, Bill Lagemann, Priscilla Sibley, Briana Evens DiScuillo, Mark Urban, Roger Mason, Carmen Sherry, Gary Neverick, Charles Hayes, Kathy Linde, James Molenda, William "Bill" Fox, Don Samsel, Heather Shivo, Jean Mauger, Peter Stanich, Elaina Roche, Chelsea Avitable, Daniel Aiden Richardson, Irene, Kelsy Palmer, Bridie Healy, James Dixon, Sam and Debbie Coccia, Kennedy James Kraft, Jimmy Wigal, Loretta Voghel, Ronald Solomon, Beth Miller, Morie and Angie Pollard, Bernard Swann, Thomas Martorano, Katie Molenda, Tim Vance, Kevin Hamilton, Marie D'Andrea, Ronald Blank, Dennis Allen Main, Charles Wokutch, Fran Garrity, Gertrude Delitta, Bob Arias, Terry Youman, Travis Schriff, Phyllis Schaffer, Suzie Gordon, Rebecca Trustee, Joyce Sgro, Guy Aliotta, Daniel Bireley, Kathy Walsh, Brendan Horstman, Lynn Clark, Marion Fallone, Richard Greff, Janette Polon-Ramirez, Ray Kilpatrick, Maggie Heverly, Maureen Florio, Christi Rippy, Susan McGuffin, Devin Rinaldi, Christina Powell, Anna Schwartz, Sandy Lagasse, Joe Hughes, Maria Soto, Marcella Fahey, David Bartlewski, Cheryl Scerba, Andrew Zepada, David Larkins, Joshua Thomas, Bob Gagne, Karen Catania, Arlene Forman, Rachel Wesselius, Rita Williams, Barbara Geschlecht, and Joe Abate.

**WHEN YOU OR A LOVED ONE IS IN THE HOSPITAL:** Would you like an Extraordinary Minister to bring communion? Would you like a priest to administer the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick? Please call the office and let us know.



## St. James New Mission/Vision Statement

***Go and make disciples/Vayan y hagan discipulos***

***A community of joyful disciples/Una comunidad de discipulos alegres***

### Pastoral Staff

*Pastor*.....Father Oscar Borda, ext. 222  
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*Medical Emergency Number—when you need a priest:*  
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*Deacon*.....Tim Papa  
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.....Suzanne McDonough, ext. 234  
*Director of Evangelization*.....Felipe Castillo, ext. 229  
*Youth Minister*.....Taylor Lilly, ext. 235  
*Secretary*.....Kathy Caughey, ext. 224  
*Maintenance Director*.....Earl Videan, ext. 232  
*Director of Music*.....Gene Borkes  
*Organists*.....Bradley Hardee, Laura Candler-White  
*RCIA*.....Sunday, 10:00AM-12:00 Noon  
*Blood Pressure Screening*.....postponed until further notice  
*Eucharistic Adoration*.....Daily in the Chapel  
.....Check the schedules for an open hour  
*Pro-Life*.....Lori Videan, 843-503-3607  
*Ladies Guild*.....3rd Monday, 10:00am (Sept.-June)  
*Knights of Columbus 4th Degree*.....4th Monday, 7:00pm  
*Knights of Columbus*.....2nd Wednesday, 7:00pm  
*Catholic Charities*.....1-855-377-1357  
*Catholic Charities Immigration Attorney*.....803-327-7144  
524 Charlotte Ave, Rock Hill, SC 29730  
*Diocesan Office of Child Protection Services*..843-853-2130 ext. 209  
*Diocesan Victim Assistance Minister*.....800-921-8122  
*Safe Environment Coordinator*.....Taylor Lilly, ext. 235

To email staff members, use  
first initial, last name@stjamesconway.org

**Parish Office Hours:** Monday - Friday 9:30AM - 3:30PM

**Religious Education/Catecismo:** Call office

**Infant Baptism:** The Sacrament is normally celebrated during a weekend Liturgy. Please call the office to register for the preparation process. Suzanne McDonough, ext. 234.

**Marriage:** By arrangement at least six months before the proposed wedding. Paula Loehr, ext. 221.

**Ministry to the Sick:** Call to request visitation. Please let us know when loved ones are in the hospital.

**Bulletin Articles:** Items of communal interest must be at parish office no later than 9:00am Monday. Kathy Caughey, ext. 224.

**New Parishioners:** Welcome! There are several ways you can register, on our website, or by stopping by the church office during office hours.

**Altar Flowers \$150:** Call the office to arrange donations in memory of a loved one, or in honor of a special occasion.

**Religious Articles** are available for purchase Monday-Friday, 9:30am-3:30pm. Special orders are always welcome. Contact the church office at 843-347-5168.

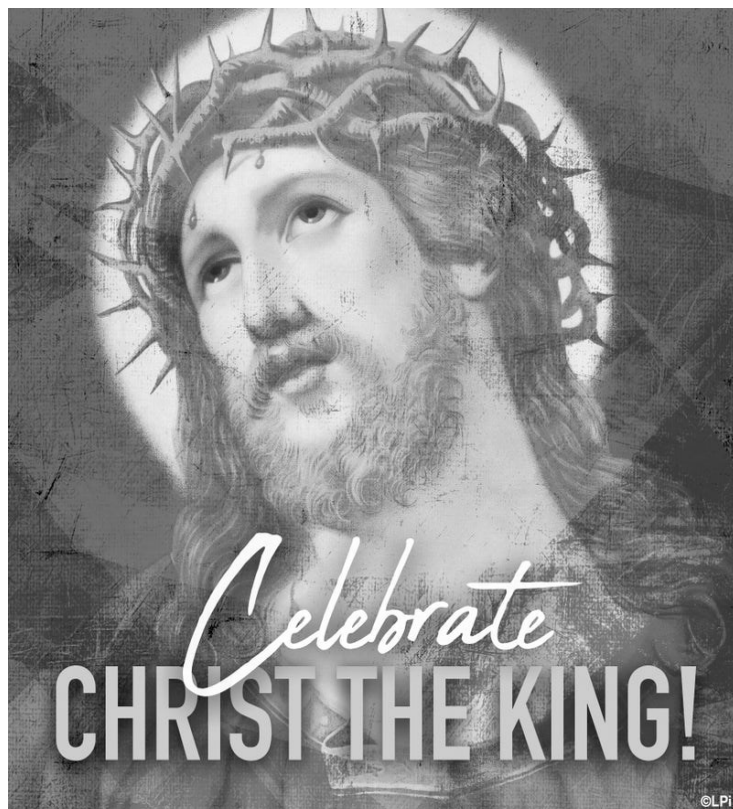
**Columbarium:** Available to all registered Catholics of the Diocese. Call the church office for more information.

**Tree of Life:** This is a great way to remember your loved ones or honor a special occasion. Donations start at \$250. Contact the parish office for details.

**Prayer Chain Request:** If you have a special need we would like to help you pray. Simply call Shirley at 843-397-2318.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 21, 2021****Las lecturas de la semana del 21 de noviembre de 2021****Sunday:** Dn 7:13-14/Ps 93:1, 1-2, 5 [1a]/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37**Monday:** Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 [52b]/Lk 21:1-4**Tuesday:** Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61 [59b]/Lk 21:5-11**Wednesday:** Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Dn 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67 [59b]/Lk 21:12-19**Thursday:** Dn 6:12-28/Dn 3:68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74 [59b]/Lk 21:20-28**Friday:** Dn 7:2-14/Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81/Lk 21:29-33**Saturday:** Dn 7:15-27/Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87/Lk 21:34-36**Next Sunday:** Jer 33:14-16/1 Thes 3:12—4:2/Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14 [1b]/Lk 21:25-28, 34-3**GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER  
UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE****November 21, 2021****Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

We often come to life expecting all of the pieces of the puzzle to nicely fit together. We want and expect harmony, order, and fairness, the achievement of rewards for good behavior, good health, and happiness. We can more easily accept death when it comes naturally after a good long life, but have a real difficulty comprehending the meaning of it all when it is cut short. Willing to put in a good measure of effort, we desire positive results. When things go wrong and life gets hurtful, unjust, and downright ugly, we become unsettled and can quickly fall into despair. This is especially true if we are people of faith who believe in a God who sees things on our terms and works in favor of our life agenda. What happens to our faith when we find ourselves sitting in a mess? Does it help to know that God understands and that hardship, failure, disappointment, injustice, confusion, and all of life's ugliness do not make faith irrelevant or irrational? God is wonderfully and surprisingly creative! He turns the tables on not only our understanding of life, but of what it means to be a king. God sends us a king who is not exempt from life's ills but embraces them. The king that God gives to us knows what it means to be poor, suffer insults, be ridiculed, face rejection, endure suffering, be betrayed, and face a most unjust and horrific death. This is our king. Jesus is not a king of prestige or grandeur but a king who brings light to darkness, hope to despair, sinners to mercy, and new life out of death. Christ dances before us pleading with us to hold on, cling to love, avoid being negative, stop feeling cheated, and be strong in faith! There may be hardship and disappointment now but there are more surprises to come. Once we understand this truth, we will also understand that we are on a most incredible and awesome universal journey to Christ and becoming one in Christ. We all carry within us the image of God, the image of our suffering king. The One who lives in us also lives in all of our brothers and sisters. Failing to see this universal Divine Presence in all is one of the greatest mistakes we can make, for we also fail to see God, our king, as well. There are many things that can bring hardship to life. If we keep our head about us and do not lose hope, we can persevere and strive for the greatest degree of justice possible. Even though there are ample things that can challenge our faith, we also know that our deepest joy comes from union with God and our brothers and sisters. One day, the fullness of that joy will be ours to have when we are all eternally one with Christ our King forever. ©LPi

**VIVIR LA LITURGIA - INSPIRACIÓN DE LA SEMANA**

¡Dios es maravillosa y sorprendentemente creativo! Él cambia las tomas en nuestra comprensión de lo que significa ser un rey al enviarnos un rey que abraza la pobreza, los insultos, el sufrimiento, el ridículo, el rechazo e incluso la muerte. Este es nuestro rey. Jesús no es el rey de prestigio o grandeza, sino el rey que trae la luz a las tinieblas, la esperanza a la desesperación, los pecadores a la misericordia y una nueva vida de la muerte. Dios danza sobre, alrededor, en y a través de todas las necesidades y la fealdad del mundo, llevando a toda la creación a la danza eterna de nueva vida y esperanza. Ya sea que lo aceptemos ahora o esperemos que algún día lo hagamos, Cristo es el rey del universo. Cristo es el alfa y el omega, el principio y el fin. Todo ser humano, incluso aquellos que lo despreciaron y rechazaron y no lo vieron en el más pequeño de nuestros hermanos y hermanas, lo mirarán. Solo aquellos que entienden la verdad comprenderán que estamos en este asombroso viaje universal hacia Cristo. Es un camino de sorpresas, pero también un camino de iluminación cuando un día veremos y experimentaremos con la más profunda alegría nuestro ser en Cristo. Estaremos inquietos hasta que estemos todos un día juntos unidos en Cristo nuestro Rey. ©LPi



# ADVENT



## HOPE. LOVE. JOY. PEACE.

### Begins next Sunday, November 28

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