

**Please help us keep this updated.**

**THE PRAYER LIST:** Please pray for the physical and spiritual well-being of parishioners and friends: Ben Labunski, Joan Polon, Renee Culbert, Gilda Ducey, Pat Millus, Jasper "Jay" Bonelli, Judy Ponzurick, Keri Martorano, Bob Dorsett, Lynn Olson, Kenny Messemer, John Evans, Stephanie Woods, Jim Besaw, Sharon Vereb, Alexis Kirt, Michael Palumbo, Danny Brown, LaVerne Sadowski, Virginia Lamb, Nancy Conway, Billy Ray Hughes, Sr., Mary Dickerson, Bill Freeman, Lola, Kathleen McGinnis, Joyce Delp, Deborah Garofolo, Charlie Prasad, Mindy Tanner, Linda Buckles, John Higgins, Robert Campbell, Maureen Florio, Helen Alston, George Scerba, Francis Ringkamp, Francesca Moneo, Barbara Rivera, Pat Derrickson, Jane McDonough, Doug Soles, Hannah Dugan, Gloria Hansberger, Noreen Dixon, Teresa Powers, Jim Then, Pam Bosselait, Sean Hayes, June Berube, Mark and Cheryl Lauer, Susan Rogers, Denise Discuillo, Nicole Cadavid, Kevin Monahan, Laura Marshall, Priscilla Sibley, Briana Evens DiScuillo, Mark Urban, Roger Mason, Gary Neverick, Charles Hayes, Kathy Linde, Heather Shivo, Jean Mauger, Chelsea Avitable, Daniel Aiden Richardson, Irene, Kelsy Palmer, Bridie Healy, Sam and Debbie Coccia, Kennedy James Kraft, Jimmy Wigal, Loretta Voghel, Ronald Solomon, Beth Miller, Morie and Angie Pollard, Bernard Swann, Tim Vance, Kevin Hamilton, Marie D'Andrea, Ronald Blank, Dennis Allen Main, Charles Wokutch, James Dixon, Fran Garrity, Gertrude Delitta, Bob Arias, Terry Youman, Travis Schrift, Phyllis Schaffer, Suzie Gordon, Rebecca Trustee, Joyce Sgro, Guy Aliotta, Kathy Walsh, Brendan Horstman, Lynn Clark, Marion Fallone, Richard Greff, Janette Polon-Ramirez, Ray Kilpatrick, Maggie Heverly, Maureen Florio, Susan McGuffin, Devin Rinaldi, Christina Powell, Anna Schwartz, Sandy Lagasse, Joe Hughes, Maria Soto, Marcella Fahey, Cheryl Scerba, Andrew Zepada, David Larkins, Joshua Thomas, Bob Gagne, Karen Catania, Arlene Forman, 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**

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.....Courtney Frappaolo, 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*.....Gene Borkes, Bradley Hardee  
*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. Courtney Frappaolo, 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 SEPTEMBER 4

### Las lecturas de la semana del 4 de septiembre

**Sunday:** Wis 9:13-18b/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33

**Monday:** 1 Cor 5:1-8/Ps 5:5-6, 7, 12/Lk 6:6-11

**Tuesday:** 1 Cor 6:1-11/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 6:12-19

**Wednesday:** 1 Cor 7:25-31/Ps 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17/Lk 6:20-26

**Thursday:** Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

**Friday:** 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6, 12/Lk 6:39-42

**Saturday:** 1 Cor 10:14-22/Ps 116:12-13, 17-18/Lk 6:43-49

**Next Sunday:** Ex 32:7-11, 13-14/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19/1 Tm 1:12-17/Lk 15:1-32 or 15:1-10

## GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

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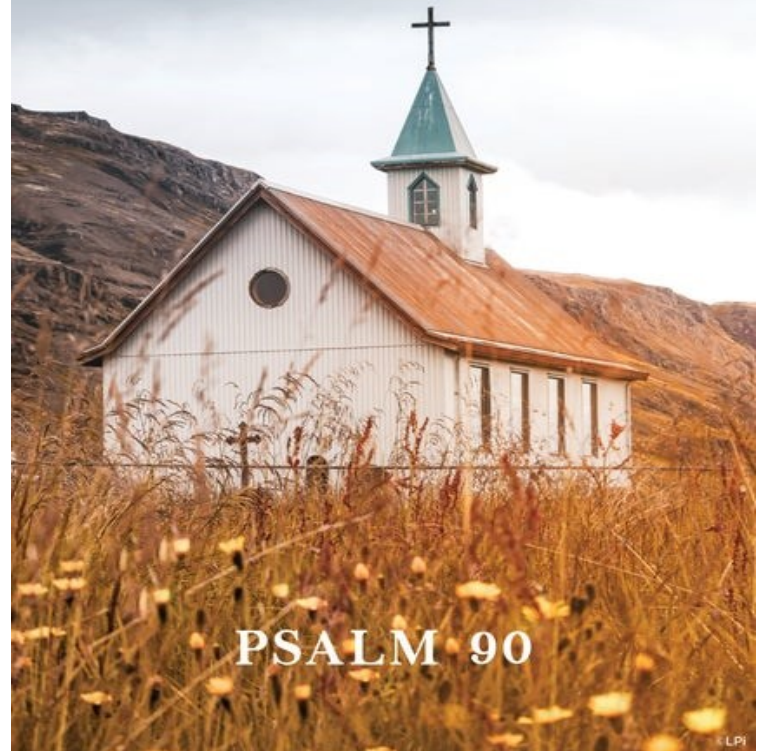
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

What virtue is the cornerstone of discipleship? Love. Jesus preached about it, lived it, and summarized his greatest commandment featuring it. Love is in our DNA. To follow Jesus, then, is to follow the path of love. While this may appear to be an attractive and easy option, it most assuredly is not. Authentic love always comes with sacrifice. It is the complete giving of oneself to another. The sacrificial character of love always requires that we leave something aside and pursue something else. This is at the heart of self-denial. Love asks us to make choices that are often difficult.

There is a reason Jesus asks that the love of God come first. "Charity is the right attitude of mind which prefers nothing to the knowledge of God. If a man possesses any strong attachment to the things of this earth, he cannot possess true charity (St. Maximus the Confessor)." "If anyone comes to me without hating his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple." A devoted disciple must be single-minded in her quest for God. She cannot allow anyone or anything to have more power over her soul than God. When any earthly attachments become more important than Love, we can get ourselves into trouble.

The Gospel calls us to walk boldly into the darkness, confusion, and emptiness of the world clothed in the mantle of love. We are asked to walk with others on their journey, offering a supportive, healing, challenging, and faithful presence. Ours is not to judge. To walk this sacrificial journey means that I must put myself aside and focus on the needs of others. "A sacrifice to be real must cost, must hurt and must empty ourselves (St. Teresa of Calcutta)." Love helps us walk straight and focus to see things more clearly and help others to do so as well. Many folks struggle to find joy and meaning in life. People may simply need someone with the freedom to sit with them in their pain, so they don't feel so alone. Through acts of kindness, gestures of acceptance, and words of compassion, burdens can be lightened. Believe in God's love and seek it above all other things! ©LPi

*In every age,*  
**LORD, YOU  
HAVE BEEN  
OUR REFUGE.**



## VIVIR LA LITURGIA - INSPIRACIÓN DE LA SEMANA

"¡Párate derecho y no te encorves!" Muchos niños han oído estas palabras vociferadas de los labios de su madre. Necesitamos la perspectiva de los demás para ayudarnos a comprender cuándo no estamos caminando tan rectos como podríamos. Dios nos envía el Espíritu Santo para corregirnos y guiarnos para que nuestros caminos por la vida sean rectos. Sin esta ayuda, la forma en que nos vemos y nos comprendemos a nosotros mismos y al mundo que nos rodea es incompleta. También nos faltará la virtud de la fortaleza. Se necesita valentía para escuchar al Espíritu Santo y dedicarnos a la tarea del discipulado. Tenemos que dejar de lado las cosas que el mundo dice que son necesarias y seguir el camino puesto delante de nosotros por Jesucristo. Jesús nos pide que lo sigamos. Debemos considerar lo que tenemos que hacer para ser lo suficientemente libres para hacerlo. ¡Dios necesita que mostremos al mundo una imagen completa de lo que debe ser la vida, corregir su visión y decirle que se mantenga erguido! ©LPi

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