



My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if you were already there, and I unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

REGULARLY SCHEDULED MASS TIMES

Saturday 7:00 PM (Spanish)
Sunday 9:00 AM (English); 11:00 AM (Spanish, Outside Pavilion); 2:00 Noon (Adoration)
Tuesday & Thursday: 7:30 am Bilingual
Wednesday: 6:30 pm Spanish
Confession Times are Sundays: 8:30-9:00 am; 10-11:00 am; Wednesdays: 7:00 pm



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THE CHURCH OFFICE IS CLOSED! Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic

If you need to talk or come in please call the church number (478) 825-7127 for an appointment.

MUSIC

Gary Deeb, *Music Ministry* (English)
 Daniel Sales, *Music Ministry* (Spanish)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Matilde Morales, *Director of Religious Education (DRE)*

PASTORAL CARE

Erika Rodríguez, *Eucharistic Minister Coordinator*
 Miguel Cervantes, *Lector Coordinator*
 Daniel Yañez, *Altar Server Coordinator*
 Martin Noriega, *Movimiento Juan XXIII*

OFFICE

Michelle Booth, *Records Organizer*
 María Martínez, *Janitor*

New Family Registrations log onto:

www.savannah.parishsoftfamilysuite.com
 Office: (478) 825-7127
 https://myparishapp.com

New Policy in Place

Please note, that if you want to schedule an event at St. Juliana's (ie. Quinceañera, Wedding, Baptism, etc.) you must contact the office to make reservations and/or arrangements. There are registration forms available in the office. Our office number is 478-825-7127 from 12 noon - 5:00 pm M-Th for more information.

St. Juliana's- Policies & Guidelines

Baptism

- Parents and Godparents must attend Baptism Prep Class so, please call the office to register for a class.
- Godparents must be Catholics and if married, Married sacramentally. (Not civil union)
- Out of town godparents must provide a letter from their pastor as to their suitability to exercise this office.

First Communion and Confirmation

- Family must be registered at St. Juliana's.
- Preparation = two years of classes.
- Children must be at least 7 years old to receive First Communion and at least 13 years old for Confirmation.
- Must provide a baptismal certificate to register.

Marriage – Couples must:

- Contact the pastor at least 6 months (or more) prior to desired wedding date.
- Participate in a pre-Cana course or marriage-prep weekend.
- NO wedding date is guaranteed until ALL Diocesan and Parish requirements are fulfilled.

Quinceañeras

- Family must be registered at St. Juliana's and attend mass regularly.
- Preparation = workshop.
- Teen must be baptized, received 1st Communion and Confirmation (or in 2nd year of confirmation classes)

Online Donations

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/stjulianaccgiving>

Parish Website: <https://stjulianacc.org>



Whatsapp (478) 538-3398
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Fourth Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 20, 2020

Gospel: Luke 1:26-38

The annunciation to Mary, and her total Yes to God

That special person

If you were to ask a married couple how they came to fall in love, or asked two good friends how they came to be friends, they may have difficulty answering and might say something like, "It just happened." In one sense that may be true. In another sense it didn't just happen. If two people are in a significant relationship with each other, be it marriage or friendship, it is because they have chosen each other. Why does someone choose one person rather than another as a spouse or friend? Why does someone choose to share his or her life with someone else? This is the mystery of human freedom, human preference. The more significant relationships cannot be forced. Love is freely bestowed by one person on another; the other freely receives what is bestowed and freely reciprocates, and a new relationship is born. There is a depth about all that.



If there is mystery in the relationship of one human being with another, even more so in the relationship between God and us. Why did God choose Mary to be the mother of his Son? Why this particular woman in this small village at this particular time of human history? It was the mysterious freedom and preference of God. Yet, there is a difference between God's choice of Mary and the choice any one of us might make of another. When any one of us chooses another to love or to

befriend, there is always, of necessity, an exclusive element to that choice. We choose this person rather than any number of others. Although we choose several people in the course of our lives in each case our choice of one excludes others.

God's choice of Mary was not exclusive in that sense. In choosing Mary, he was choosing all of us. He chose Mary for all our sakes. God chose her to carry God's Son on behalf of us all, because her future child was

God's gift to us all. That is why how Mary responded to God's choice of her was not just a matter that concerned herself. It concerned us all. We all had a vested interest in how she responded. Her response would also be our response. In a sense we looked to her to make an appropriate response on behalf of us all to God's choice of us.

The good news is that Mary did not let us down. Although initially disturbed and perplexed by the message, she eventually surrendered fully to that mysterious choice of God. Having been graced in this

mysterious way, she responded wholeheartedly, "Let it be to me according to your word." God freely chose her, and she in turn chose to place her freedom at God's service. God's choice of Mary, and her choice of God in response had the most wonderful consequences for all of us. She went on to sing, "the Almighty has done great things for me." And because of her response to God's choice, we can all sing, "the Almighty has done great things for us." We have all been graced through Mary's response to God's choice of her.

The Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People
 The Charter is a comprehensive set of procedures established by the USCCB in June 2002 for addressing allegations of sexual abuse of minors by Catholic clergy. The Charter also includes guidelines for reconciliation, healing, accountability, and prevention of future acts of abuse. <http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/child-and-youth-protection/charter.cfm>

Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year
 from Fr. Carlos Pinzon, Deacon Hutnick and the staff of St. Juliana's Catholic Church

This Week

Monday, December 21st
12-5 pm Office Open Via phone

Tuesday, December 22nd
7:30 am Mass (Bilingual)
12-5 pm Office Open Via phone
6:00 pm RCIA Spanish (HC)

Wednesday, December 23rd
12-5 pm Office Open Via phone
6:30 pm Mass (Spanish)
7:00 pm Confessions
7:00 pm Rosary via YouTube (Sp)
7-9:00pm Spanish Choir (HC)

Thursday, December 24th
Office Closed
6:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass (SP)
7:30 pm Christmas Eve Mass (SP)

Friday, December 25th
MERRY CHRISTMAS
Office Closed
9:00 am Christmas Day Mass (English)

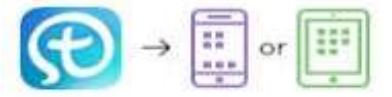
Saturday, December 26th
7:00 pm Mass (Spanish, Inside)

Sunday, December 27th
8:30-9am Confessions (English)
9:00 am Mass (English)
10-11am Confessions (Spanish)
11:00 am Mass (Spanish outside)
2:00 pm Adoration

** (HC) denotes Scheduled Hall Classroom

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Spanish RCIA Classes

Spanish Adult Catechesis (RCIA) classes will be **cancelled until January 11, 2021** for the Christmas and New year's Holidays. The classes are held every Monday at 7:00 pm. If you know someone interested in knowing more about how to become a Catholic, please call the office at (478) 825-7127 or contact Mrs. Matilde Morales at 478-827-1388.

English RCIA Classes

English RCIA Classes are **cancelled until January 10, 2021** for the Christmas and New Year's holidays. The Classes usually are held on Sundays at 10:00 am in the New Church Hall Classroom. Deacon Kenneth Hutnick teaches the class. To register for this class or more information, call Deacon Ken at (478) 832-2722.

Confirmation Classes

Confirmation Classes are **cancelled for December 2020** for the Christmas and New Year's holidays. For more information contact the office at (478) 825-7127 or email us at stjulianachurch@outlook.com.

First Communion Classes

1st Communion Classes will begin again on January 8, 2021. The classes will be on Fridays at 7:00 pm. They meet in the New Church Hall Classroom. For more information contact the office at (478) 825-7127 or email us at stjulianachurch@outlook.com.

Please Take Note...

St. Juliana's Staff or Fr. Carlos E. Pinzon, our Pastor, will never ask you to give them money, gift cards, texted money, or transfer money to them through email, text or via phone. If you received a solicitation for money to send through transfer or gift cards, **PLEASE** do not respond. Call the church office at 478-825-7127 if you have any doubts or concerns.

Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA)

The Diocese of Savannah's Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) for 2020 has been met. **We hit the goal of \$11,266.00.** Thank you for your contributions to this mission. For additional questions? Email the Diocese of Savannah at stewardship&development@diosav.org

Training

VIRTUS training is required for all employees and volunteers in the Diocese of Savannah. Classes are only being offered at this time remotely through ZOOM, or through completion of an online training module (available in Spanish and English). To register for either training, do the following

Update Regarding COVID-19 Dispensation from Sunday Mass Attendance
by *The Most Reverend Stephen D. Parkes, DD,*

Bishop of Savannah,
...As society reopens, mindful of social distancing and other precautions, I make an appeal to you: that you perform an examination of conscience in regards to your everyday activities and consider Mass attendance in that context. If you and your household are frequenting restaurants, your children are attending school, family members are involved in sports, and individuals are attending social gatherings, I believe that Sunday Mass attendance should also resume. Sunday Mass may only be missed with good reason related to personal and communal health as the pandemic continues. As of the First Sunday of Advent, November 29, 2020, the dispensation from Sunday Mass attendance is granted only for the following:
those who belong to vulnerable populations due to age or health;
caregivers and those who live with those in vulnerable populations; those who are sick or have symptoms; those who suffer from extreme uneasiness or anxiety from being in any public places in this time of pandemic.
While we must not forget that we are still living in a time of pandemic, as a Church we are to be guided with a desire to move forward with hope, confident in God's help. We are called to promote a culture of hope, not a culture of fear...

Important information to know..... There is not a charge for sacramental masses or quinceaneras if it is held during a regularly scheduled Mass. Special Masses are required to be requested through the office. Please note there is a fee. Please contact the office for more information at (478) 825-7127 12 noon -5:pm.

December

Christmas Eve Mass (Spanish)

Thursday, December 24th
6:00 pm (Spanish) 7:30 pm (Spanish)

Christmas Day Mass (English)

Friday, December 25th at 9:00 am

New Year's Eve Mass (Bilingual) Vigil of the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Thursday, December 31st at 7:00 pm

New Year's Day Mass (English) Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (Holy Day of Obligation)

Friday, January 1, 2021 at 9:00 am

+ Sacrificial Giving + Week of December 7-13, 2020

General Offertory	Week	\$ 2,050.00
Second Collection	Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA)	\$ 871.00
Building Total Pledged & Given Since 09/16/18		\$90,508.00
2020 Annual Catholic Appeal		
Goal- \$ 11,266.00	Pledge to Diocese & Collected	\$11,273.00
	Balance-	\$ 0.00
	We Met our Goal!!!!!!	

God will never be outdone in generosity. Thank you!



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Capital Campaign 2018-2019



You can use the Capital Campaign Envelopes at the Entrance to pay your pledges. Please put them in the offertory baskets. Also you can give online at <https://stjulianacc.org>

Abuse Hotline Number To report sexual abuse of a minor by a Diocese of Savannah employee or volunteer, call the abuse hotline number at 888-357-5330 or the Office for the Protection of Children and Young People, 912-201-4074. To read the diocesan policy on sexual abuse of minors, go to www.diosav.org/childyouthprotection.



Maggie Garcia
Those sick from COVID-19
Martha Cedillo
For the unborn children
Jackie Reyes
Darren Flannery
Dr. George Shoup
Jane Thompson
Mary Ann Adams
James Teabo (Abuelo)

If you would like to be added to our prayer list or would like us to pray for a love one or someone who is sick, email us at stjuliana.bulletin@gmail.com or call the office at (478) 825-7127.



For an end to the Coronavirus pandemic. For the safety of medical workers, first responders, and all who are working. For all the victims of the pandemic including the repose of the souls of the deceased. For the health and wellbeing of those who are ill, those suffering financial difficulty, and those whose lives are disrupted. We pray to the Lord. Amen



December 2020
For a Life of Prayer
We pray that our personal relationship with Jesus Christ be nourished by the Word of God and a life of prayer.