



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>



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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>

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Sunday, December 27, 2020

Gospel: Luke 2:22, 39-40

The child Jesus was presented to God, then lived at home in Nazareth

Family harmony

This feast might set too high an ideal for families, if the homilist lauds the virtues of the Holy Family, without also showing that they had to face many issues not unlike those of our own households. Fortunately the Gospel tells us something quite different about the childhood of Jesus, in a down-to-earth way.

Even though we honor them as the Holy Family, it does not mean they never had problems to face, as every family must. Just as every Christian has a share in the cross of Christ, the

Holy Family also experienced the cross in their shared life. To mention just a few examples, we can imagine how misunderstood both Mary and Joseph must have been about the conception of Jesus before they came to live together. Joseph was even planning to divorce Mary privately before being assured that it was the work of God.

Nine months later, the birthplace of Jesus was an animal shelter, since no better lodgings could be found.

Today's Gospel from St Matthew shows how the little family had to flee as refugees to Egypt because the child Jesus' life was in danger from king Herod, in much the same way as refugees from war-torn countries have to flee to save their lives. This prompts us to be more aware of, and show more empathy towards, those refugees in our own day who seek a safer life among us than they had in the countries from which they fled.

St Luke has another story to illustrate what trials were faced by Mary and Joseph, in trying to understand the development of Jesus as a young person. When he was twelve, they were shocked to lose him for three days and then had to deal with the unsatisfactory explanation that he "had

to be about his Father's business." Still, he returned with them to Nazareth and was subject to them, in the quiet rhythm of family life in their village. We do not hear of Joseph any more after that so we presume that he had died before Jesus began his public ministry. Then too, the public life of Jesus must have taken its toll on Mary. In the Temple when he was an infant, old Simeon had predicted that a sword of sorrow would pierce Mary's soul. How she must have been pained to hear his enemies say that Jesus was a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax-collectors and sinners, and at the end, when Mary watched her son die in public disgrace, on the cross.

What sustained the family of Nazareth through all of these trials and crosses? What holds

families together in times of difficulty is love and trust. Whenever families are happy, it is where love and respect are highly prized among them. We pray for an outpouring of those qualities in our families today. A major threat to family life nowadays is that we don't spend enough time together, in friendly conversation. We are so busy working, socializing, using our electronic gadgets or



watching TV that we have no time to talk to each other.

A barrister, a busy career woman, was living just ten kilometers from her old, widowed father. But months often passed between her visits to him. When her father texted to ask when she might bring his grandchildren to visit him, she listed lots of reasons that kept her from doing so, court schedules, meetings, new clients, etc. Her father then asked her, sadly, 'When I die, will you come to my funeral?' The daughter was indignant. "Dad, how can you ask me that? Of course, I'll be there!" He smiled and said, "Aah! Then please forget my funeral and come to visit me now. I need you now more than I will then." Message understood – and the daughter began to visit him regularly after that.

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 28th
Office Closed

Tuesday, December 29th
Office Closed

Wednesday, December 30th
Office Closed
7:00 pm Rosary via YouTube (Sp)
7-9:00pm Spanish Choir (HC)

Thursday, December 31st
Office Closed
7:00 pm New Year's Eve Mass (Bilingual)

Friday, January 1st
Happy New Year
Office Closed

9:00 am New Year's Day Mass (English)

Saturday, January 2nd
7:00 pm Mass (Spanish, Inside)

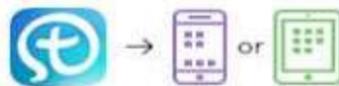
Sunday, January 3rd
8:30-9am Confessions (English)
9:00 am Mass (English)
10-11am Confessions (Spanish)
11:00 am Mass (Spanish outside)
2:00 pm Adoration

***(HC)* denotes Scheduled Hall Classroom

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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

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.

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.

Gold and Silver Wedding Jubilee Anniversary Mass

All couples celebrating their Silver or Gold (25th or 50th) Wedding Anniversary in 2021 are invited to join The Most Reverend Stephen D. Parkes, Bishop of Savannah, for a special Mass at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday — February 7, 2021 at the Cathedral Basilica of St. John the Baptist in Savannah, Georgia. Those wishing to attend should: register online at <https://www.diosav.org/gold-and-silver> or, contact the parish office of St. Patrick @478-987-4213 by December 21, 2020 in order to receive the formal invitation with detailed information. Questions? Please call the Diocesan Office of Marriage, Family, and Respect Life at 912-201-4068

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.

VIRTUS Online 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

- Go to www.virtus.org
- Click "First Time Registrant" for training in English
- Click "Español: Acceso o Inscripción" for training in Spanish
- When prompted for a location, choose "Savannah, GA (Diocese)"
- Complete all other questions and choose the training you prefer. For more questions, call Michelle in the church office at 478-825-7127 or use Whatsapp at 478-538-3398

Update Regarding COVID -19 Dispensation from Sunday Mass Attendance

by The Bishop of Savannah, The Most Reverend Stephen D. Parkes, DD, ...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.

Pray for Vocations

"O God, hear our prayer and let our cry come unto You. Bless our Diocese of Savannah with many vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, & religious life. Give the men and women You call the light to understand Your gift and the love to follow always in the footsteps of Your Priestly Son. Amen."

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 -5pm.



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



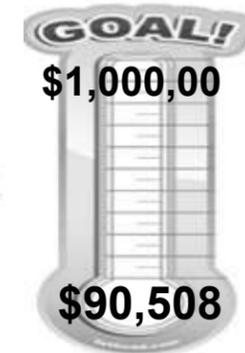
New Year Prayer:

Thank you Lord for giving me the brand new year ahead.
Help me live the way I should as each new day I tread.
Give me gentle wisdom that I might help a friend,
Give me strength and courage to a shoulder I might lend.
The year ahead is empty, Help me fill it with good things
Each new day filled with joy and happiness it brings,
Amen

+ Sacrificial Giving + Week of December 14-20, 2020		
General Offertory	Week	\$ 2,355.05
Building Total Pledged & Given	Since 09/16/18	\$90,508.00
Goal- \$ 11,266.00	2020 Annual Catholic Appeal Pledge to Diocese & Collected	\$11,273.00
	Balance-	\$ 0.00
We Met our Goal!!!!!!		
<i>God will never be outdone in generosity. Thank you!</i>		



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>

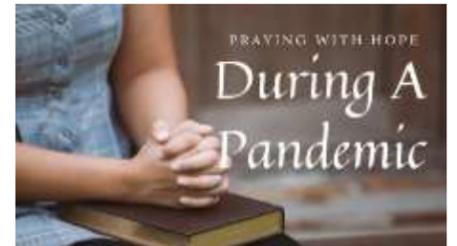


Abuse Hotline Number To report sexual abuse of a minor by a Diocese of Savannah employee or volunteer, call the abuse hotline number at 888-357-5330 or the Office for the Protection of Children and Young People, 912-201-4074. To read the diocesan policy on sexual abuse of minors, go to [ww.diosav.org/childyouthprotection](http://www.diosav.org/childyouthprotecti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



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.