

**Please Note: The Dispensation From Sunday Mass Attendance has been Lifted.**

Everyone is encouraged to return to Sunday Mass Attendance with the following precautions:

- The wearing of masks inside the church and church buildings is encouraged but not mandatory.
- Hand Sanitizer is available at the entrances and encouraged.
- The Sign of Peace should take place with the invitation: Let us offer one another a gesture of peace or a simple acknowledgement.
- Please continue to maintain at least 3 feet of distance between households
- If you are sick please stay home and call the office if you would like communion if permitted.

**REGULARLY SCHEDULED MASS TIMES**

**Saturday** 7:00 PM (Spanish)  
**Sunday** 9:00 AM (English); 11:00 AM (Spanish);  
**Tues.-Fri.:** 7:00 am Bilingual; **Confession Times are Sundays: 8:30-9:00 am; 10-11:00 am**



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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)

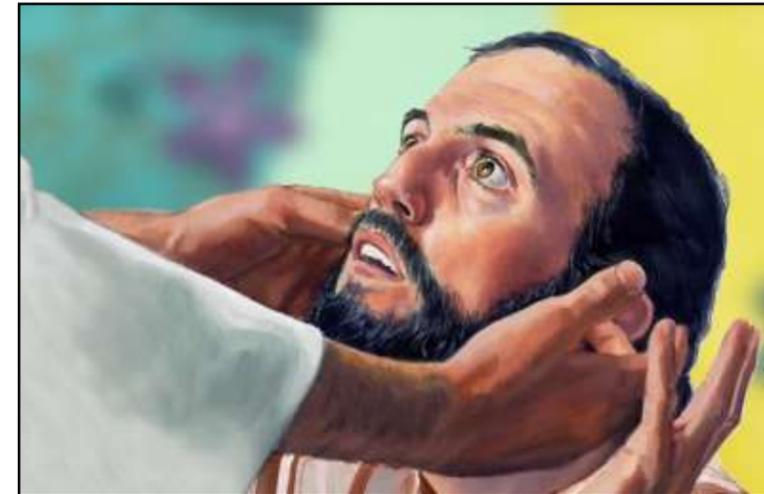
**Online Donations**

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

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



**Whatsapp (478) 538-3398  
 Messenger**



**Gospel: Mark 7:31-37**  
*The cure of a man who was deaf and dumb*

**Healing the Deaf People of God**

Samuel was one of the most remarkable gospel preachers in his village in Africa. This man was blind and never went to school. Later in life he joined the Jehovah's Witnesses and had to memorize large portions of the Bible since he could not read. Samuel's little boy would lead him to your house and Samuel would begin his preaching with the words, "I was blind but now I see!" It was fascinating to see this blind, illiterate man challenging educated and sighted people, and saying, "Now let us turn to John 3:16 and read." His presence bore testimony to the fact that in Christ, seeing and hearing mean much more than the use of the physical senses of the eye and the ear.

The similarities as well as differences between our external senses of seeing and hearing as compared to the internal faculty of knowing and obeying the message of Christ is the key to understanding Mark's use of the healing miracles. Mark wrote to a community of believers under persecution. In such a situation speaking up for Christ was a dangerous thing. It could cost you your life. The story of the deaf-mute in today's gospel is apparently aimed at those members of his community who could not bear witness to Jesus because they would not hear his word. Because they are deaf to the words of Jesus, that is why they have a speech impediment in speaking about him. There is, therefore, a parallel between the deaf-mute in today's gospel and Jesus' disciples. The man can neither hear nor speak properly. The disciples cannot understand the message of Jesus, and this constitutes an impediment in their proclamation. They, too, need healing.

Jesus took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly (vv 33-35). Why did Jesus take the deaf man away from the crowd? And why did he have to go into such a detailed and graphic healing process when he could simply

have said a word and the man would be all right? I think that in these details of the story, Mark is saying something to his readers.

By taking the deaf man far from the madding crowd in order to heal him, Mark is probably saying to them that in order to be healed of their deafness to the word of God they needed to distance themselves from the masses around them, since the healing encounter with Jesus happens in the private intimacy of one's heart and that of their small Christian community. Remember that Christians were then a small minority and their meetings took place not in big churches but in the private homes of members.

This healing is different from the healing of the Canaanite woman's daughter which preceded it. In that story, Jesus did not take any action other than to announce the healing to the woman (v. 29). But in this case he goes into an careful ritual in seven acts: (1) He takes the man aside. (2) He put his fingers into the man's ears. (3) He spits and (4) touches the man's tongue. (5) He looks up to heaven and (6) he sighs. (7) He issues the healing command, "Ephphatha." Why does Jesus go into all this? More importantly, why does Mark record all this? Probably Mark's church was beginning to develop their rituals of anointing and the use of special formulas. In that case this was a way of saying to the readers that by participating in these early liturgical ceremonies they would experience healing. And then, after one has experienced this healing, nothing on earth could stop one from proclaiming Jesus, even in the unlikely circumstance that Jesus himself would ask them to keep silent.

Do we realize that we are deaf? Does it occur to us that, as individuals and as church, we do not yet fully understand the message of Jesus? Is that not the reason why we have a speech impediment and the people of our time no longer understand us when we try to tell the Good News? As individuals and as church we need to come to Jesus for healing. And this can happen here, far from the madding crowds, in the privacy of the Eucharistic celebration.

**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>.

# This Week

**Monday, September 6th**  
Office Closed for Labor Day Holiday  
7:00 pm Hispanic Eucharistic Class

**Tuesday, September 7th**  
7:00 am Mass  
12-5 pm Office Open via phone

**Wednesday, September 8th**  
7:00 am Mass  
12-5 pm Office Open via phone  
7:00 pm Coro Spanish Meets

**Thursday, September 9th**  
7:00 am Mass  
12-5 pm Office Open via phone  
7:00 pm Adoration

**Friday, September 10th**  
Office Closed  
7:00 am Mass

**Saturday, September 11th**  
7:00 pm Mass (Spanish)

**Sunday, September 12th**  
8:30-9 am Confessions  
9:00 am Mass (English)  
10-11 am Confessions  
11:00 am Mass (Spanish, outside)

\*\**(HC)* denotes Scheduled Hall Classroom



## Please Take Note....

St. Juliana's Staff nor Fr. Carlos E. Pinzon, our Pastor, will never ask you to give them money, gift cards, texted money, or transfer money to them through Facebook, Instagram, WhatsApp, 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.

## Did You Know We Have an App?



## Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA)

After this last collection we have made our goal of **\$10,899.00**. Thank you for your contributions to this mission.

## Mexican Independence Day Celebration Scheduled

This year we have planned the Mexican Independence Day Celebration for Sunday, September 19th beginning with Spanish Mass at 11 am followed by the celebration outside under the pavilion. Proceeds from the celebration will fund the Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration planned for December 12th.

## 1st Communion & Confirmation Registration

Please register your children for 1st communion and confirmation by going to our website [www.stjulianacc.org](http://www.stjulianacc.org) click on "Ministries" then "Religious Education" and the 2021-2022 RE Registration link at the bottom. *Classes will begin in September and you need to register soon.* Call (478) 825-7127 for questions or Whatsapp 478-538-3398.

## Hispanic Pastoral Council

Our next Hispanic Meeting is going to be on **Wednesday, September 15th** at 7:00 pm in the church hall. Your time and service is appreciated.

## Pre-Baptismal Class

The next Pre-baptismal class is scheduled for **Tuesday, September 22nd** at 7:00 pm in the New Church Hall Classroom. This class is required for any parent or godparent of a new infant for baptism. Please call the office to register for the class at (478) 825-7127 and arrive at 5:45 to complete the registration. Please note that baptisms are advised to take place during the weekend masses unless a special event is planned in advance and with permission. Also, if you are not a parishioner of St. Juliana's and/or attending another parish that you will need to bring a letter of good standing from that church with you to the class.

## Adoration

Did you know that Thursday evenings at 7:00 pm you have the opportunity to come and adore our Lord Jesus Christ for an Hour or more. What a way to have time alone with Jesus, praising and giving thanks. We may also wish to recite our favorite prayers, read the bible, contemplate acts of faith, hope, charity, offer reparation for grievances against Him, pray a rosary or do whatever type of prayerful devotion that suits us before Our Lord. Or, we can simply sit and say nothing, just savoring His Presence with us.

## With God, All Things Are Possible!

**Important information to know.....** There is not a charge for sacramental masses or Quinceanera 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.

## Finance Council to Meet

The Parish Finance Council will meet Wednesday, September 29, 2021 at 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall Classroom. If you are on this Council, please make plans to attend. Your time and service is appreciated.

## Capital Campaign Ended

After much thought and prayer, Bishop Parkes has decided not to continue our capital campaign endeavors until the diocese has developed a more detailed plan to assess, implement and ensure success and sustainability for the project. He feels it would not be in the best interests of the parishioners to continue the campaign at this time since in the past campaign we've not been able to reach our goal and therefore risk "campaign fatigue" if we continued to go forward. Once the new guidelines and possible funding models for rural communities like ours are established as well as a more comfortable financial plan arranged then further discussion may be entertained. His prayers and hopes are with our community for an acceptable path to go forward.

## Painting Scheduled

We will be painting the inside of the church the week of September 13-17. For more information please contact Matilde Morales at [m.morales@stjulianacc.org](mailto:m.morales@stjulianacc.org) or through Whatsapp at 478-538-3398.



Over the last year, many parish ministries were "inactive" due to the pandemic. If you are now returning to volunteer in a ministry you must ensure you are up-to-date on your Safe Environment Compliance. Please call the Church Office to ensure your status.

**Protecting Our Youth:** Effective June 28, 2012\*, Diocesan policy requires ALL employees and volunteers (age 18 and up) to be Safe Environment Compliant. This means he/she receive VIRTUS *Protecting God's Children for Adults* training, undergo a background check, and read and acknowledge a Code of Conduct in advance of employment or volunteering ministry. A five-year training refresher is required for all active volunteers/employees, and certain roles require monthly training bulletins. If you have any questions, please contact your parish/school Safe Environment Coordinator, or Joan Altmeyer, Director Safe Environment (912) 201-4074. You can also find many answers at <https://diosav.org/offices/child-and-youth-protection> \*<https://diosav.org/cyp/mandated-reporting>

## Sacred Heart Columbarium, "A Sacred Place"

Sacred Heart in Warner Robins is beginning to construct a columbarium, which is a structure with individual niche vaults to hold urns containing cremated remains (ashes). This sacred place is aligned with the teachings of the Catholic Faith. Pre-construction discounts are available. For more info.... Visit [www.SacredHeartWR.org/Columbarium](http://www.SacredHeartWR.org/Columbarium) or email [Columbarium@SacredHeartWR.org](mailto:Columbarium@SacredHeartWR.org).

<b>+ Sacrificial Giving +</b>	
<b>July 26-August 1, 2021</b>	
<b>General Offertory</b>	
Week	\$ 2,675.10
<b>August 2-8, 2021</b>	
<b>General Offertory</b>	
Week	\$ 1,966.38
<b>2nd Collection</b>	
Church in Latin America	\$ 244.45
Building	\$ 5.00
<b>August 9-15, 2021</b>	
<b>General Offertory</b>	
Week	\$ 2,354.53
<b>2nd Collection</b>	
Building	\$ 130.00
<b>August 16-22, 2021</b>	
<b>General Offertory</b>	
Week	\$ 1,938.06
<b>2nd Collection</b>	
ACA	\$ 604.00
Building	\$ 205.00
<b>August 23-29, 2021</b>	
<b>General Offertory</b>	
Week	\$ 3,056.03
<b>2nd Collection</b>	
Building	\$ 5.00
<b>Building Total Pledged &amp; Given</b>	
Since 09/16/18	<b>\$101,050</b>
<b>2021 Annual Catholic Appeal</b>	
Goal-	\$ 10,899.00
Pledged & Collected	\$ 10,899.00
Balance-	\$ 0.00
<i>God will never be outdone in generosity. Thank you!</i>	

## Our Parish Provides ONLINE GIVING

Online giving is an easy, convenient electronic tool for contributions so you can give via internet. Online Giving helps you maintain your giving even if you cannot be here at Mass. If you haven't signed up, you can go to our parish website at [www.stjulianacc.org](http://www.stjulianacc.org) and click on "Online Donations" at the top. Need help or have questions about online giving.... Call Michelle in the office M-Th 12-5pm or text to (478) 538-3398 for assistance.

**Thank you for your generosity always. And May God Bless You!**

**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).

## Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

Post Abortion Healing Weekend near Augusta, GA / November 5-7, 2021 For any woman, man, family member, or friend who is struggling with the emotional, spiritual and psychological pain after an abortion. The retreat offers a beautiful opportunity to find healing, hope, and forgiveness. For more information: [www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org), OR contact Stephanie May @ 912-306-0406, [orstephaniemay135@gmail.com](mailto:orstephaniemay135@gmail.com).

All calls and inquiries are strictly confidential.

## Pray For AMERICA'S Leaders

## 2021-2022 Religious Education Registration Online Enrollment is Open Now

We are accepting registrations for **1st Communion (1st & 2nd years) & Confirmation (1st & 2nd years)**

Go to [www.stjulianacc.org](http://www.stjulianacc.org), click on "Ministries" then "Religious Education". Use the "2021-2022 Religious Education Registration" Link.

You can also scan the QRC at the bottom right to start a registration.

For more information call the office at (478) 825-7127 or contact us using WhatsApp at (478) 538-3398



# Please Pray For Us

Rev. Nicholas Mansell  
All Children returning to School  
Dub Shepard  
All those homebound  
World Peace  
Susan Flores  
Teresa Aguilar  
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](mailto:stjuliana.bulletin@gmail.com) or call the office at (478) 825-7127.

Stop your tax dollars from going to abortion.

[NoTaxpayerAbortion.com](http://NoTaxpayerAbortion.com)

## The Holy Father's Prayer Intention September 2021

An Environmentally Sustainable Lifestyle

We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.