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# The Saint Thaddeus Chimes

Latest News & Parish Updates

Volume 2 + Issue 30 + Sunday, July 26, 2026: The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 12

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## Young Adults Ministry Returns for 2026-2027!

We're excited to re-launch the St. Thaddeus Young Adults Ministry for the 2026-2027 program year! Whether you're new to the parish or have been here for years, this is a great opportunity to build friendships, grow in faith, and engage in meaningful conversation.

### Monthly Study Group

Beginning in September, we'll gather on the first Wednesday of each month from 6:30-8pm in the Parish Nursery for a discussion-based study. Topics will vary & may include Scripture, current events, podcasts, articles, books, theology, & other subjects that help us explore faith in everyday life.

### Quarterly Fellowship Events

We'll also gather for fellowship on the first Sunday of October, January, April and July. These events will be a chance to relax, connect, & enjoy time together outside of our regular study gatherings. Locations for these events will be announced.

All are welcome! If you'd like to receive updates & announcements about the Young Adults Ministry, please email the parish office to be added to our Young Adults Ministry email list.

## NEW MEN'S BREAKFAST & STUDY BEGINS THIS FALL

All men of St. Thaddeus are invited to join us for a new monthly Men's Breakfast & Study, beginning September 12 and continuing on the second Saturday of each month at 9:00 a.m. in the Aiken Preparatory School Campus Cafeteria for breakfast, fellowship, and conversation. Following breakfast, we'll spend time together in a study focused on Scripture, faith, and the practical challenges of Christian discipleship. Topics will vary throughout the year and will be designed to encourage thoughtful discussion, mutual support, and spiritual growth. Whether you've been part of a men's group before or are simply looking for a place to connect with other men in the parish, you are warmly welcome. Come as you are, invite a friend, and join us for good food, meaningful conversation, and the opportunity to grow together in faith.

**When: Second Saturday of each month; 9 a.m., starting September 12.**

**Where: Aiken Preparatory School Campus Cafeteria.**

**We hope you'll make this monthly gathering a part of your routine. We look forward to seeing you there! To sign-up use Realm or the button on the MondayAM email.**

The ACTS item for July is cereal/oatmeal or grits. Donations can be dropped by the office during office hours (preferred) or placed in the red wagon in the church entryway.



## Saint Thaddeus Soup Kitchen

The soup kitchen fed the following people last week. Shut Ins: 10 ~ Tri Dev.: 20 ~ Soup Kitchen Meals: 94~ Total: 124 ~ Mexican Lasagna, tossed salad, watermelon, peanut butter cake, and PB & J sandwiches.



| Date                  | # of people | Loads washed | \$\$ spent |
|-----------------------|-------------|--------------|------------|
| July 20 <sup>th</sup> | 20          | 48           | \$478.00   |

For more information on how you can help please contact Marianne Swearingen at [marianneswearingen83@gmail.com](mailto:marianneswearingen83@gmail.com)



### PARISH RETREAT COMING IN 2027!

Mark your calendars for our Parish Retreat Weekend coming in 2027. We will gather at St. Christopher's Camp and Conference Center on Johns Island, SC from February 12 – February 14, 2027. The weekend will begin with dinner on Friday (for those who have arrived) and end after our Sunday morning service. More information will be forthcoming toward the end of summer. Sign-ups will begin in September with a non-refundable deposit of \$100. Sign-ups will close in mid-December with remaining balances due then. We hope you will plan to join us for fun and fellowship!

### OLD FLAT WHITE BED SHEETS NEEDED

The Vestry is collecting old flat white bed sheets (any size) to be used to wrap the artwork and kneelers for storage. To donate please bring the sheets to the church office. Questions please call Cathy Harte at (803) 215-6505.



### HELP NEEDED ON SATURDAYS TO SET UP THE CHEETHAM PARLOR FOR SUNDAY SERVICE

Starting August 15<sup>th</sup> help is needed to set up the Cheetham Parlor for Sunday service as school will be resuming and we won't have use of the gym. We will meet at 4pm on Saturdays and work in teams of 5. To sign up to help please use the button on the Monday AM email. THANKS!

# In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Anna Marie, Beth, Bob, Burt, Charlie, Cheryl, Damon, Darrell, Dustin, Gail, Glenn, Harry, Jacob, John B., Lee, Mickey, Natalie, Pam, Pamela, Richard, Rusty, Sharon, and Steve L.

## The Weekly Calendar: Sunday, July 26 – August 2

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| <p>Sunday 7/26</p> <p><i>The 9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost:</i></p> <p><i>Proper 12</i></p> | <p><b>NURSERY CARE AVAILABLE FROM 9:45am-11:30am FOR AGES 0-6</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 7:45am: Spoken Holy Eucharist, Rite I, no music - (Chapel)</li> <li>• 10:00am: Holy Eucharist, Rite II, with music - (Gym)</li> <li>• 10:45am: Tea Under the Trees - (Outside in the Tea Garden behind the Large Parlor)</li> <li>• 11:15am: Vestry Meeting – (Small Parlor)</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <p>Monday 7/27</p>                                                                                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2:00pm: St. Thaddeus Summer Seminary – (Small Parlor)</li> <li>• 5-7pm:  at Soap N Suds (1339 Lee Lane SW, Aiken)</li> <li>• 5:30pm: Evening Prayer – (Chapel)</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <p>Tuesday 7/28</p>                                                                                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1:30pm: Church staff meeting – (Cornish Conference Room)</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <p>Wednesday 7/29</p>                                                                               | <p><b>CHIMES DEADLINE 2pm</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10:00am: Coffee  with the  Clergy - (Nursery)</li> <li>• 11:30am: Holy Eucharist with Prayers for Healing - (Chapel)</li> <li>• 6:00pm: Laundry Love All-Teams Meeting – (Chapel)</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <p>Thursday 7/30</p>                                                                                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No events scheduled for this day.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <p>Friday 7/31</p>                                                                                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 11:00am: Funeral of Warren Westcott – (Gym)</li> <li>• 12:00pm: Funeral reception for Warren Westcott – (Large Parlor)</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <p>Saturday 8/1</p>                                                                                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 9:00am-1pm: Soup Kitchen - (Cheetham Parlor)</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <p>Sunday 8/2</p> <p><i>The 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost:</i></p> <p><i>Proper 13</i></p> | <p><b>NURSERY CARE AVAILABLE FROM 9:45am-11:30am FOR AGES 0-6</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 7:45am: Spoken Holy Eucharist, Rite I, no music - (Chapel)</li> <li>• 10:00am: Holy Eucharist, Rite II, with music - (Gym)</li> <li>• 10:45am: Tea Under the Trees - (Outside in the Tea Garden behind the Large Parlor)</li> <li>• 4-7pm: <b>PARISH BACK-TO-SCHOOL COOKOUT</b> – (Gem Lakes)</li> </ul> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: center; align-items: center; gap: 10px;">     </div> |

This week's office hours are Monday – Thursday 9am-3pm and closed Fridays. If you have an after-hours pastoral emergency, please contact Will Gibbs at (803) 295-1164 and he will contact the clergyperson on call.

## We are One in the Spirit!

### ■ Cursillo Weekend #151 September 17-20, 2026

Have you ever wondered, *"What is my next step in a spiritual life? Are faith and belief the same thing?"* Consider attending this Cursillo weekend ~ from Thursday evening (9/17) to Sunday afternoon (9/20) at Camp Gravatt\*.

A spiritual retreat with Interactive Talks, Quiet Meditations, Holy Eucharists, Sing-Along Live Music, Tasty Snacks and Prepared Meals. Cursillo provides an opportunity to deepen your faith and to experience the love of God in a shared way ~ The Way.

\* Camp Gravatt, Aiken [19 miles north of St. Thaddeus Church, 26 min. drive]

For more information contact:

St. Thaddeus member Jim Jordan (Cursillo #151 Staff Member telephone 803-226-1147).

Learn more about Cursillo on the EDUSC Website, <https://www.edusc.org/cursillo/> where applications can be downloaded. Scholarships are available.

