

The Saint Thaddeus Chimes

Latest News & Parish Updates

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Prayer and Service for the Spread of Christ's Kingdom

DAUGHTERS OF THE KING SERVICE OF ADMISSION

The Daughters of the King will be admitting three new members on Tuesday, August 18th, at 3:00 p.m. in the Chapel. We are delighted to see our Chapter growing and invite our fellow parishioners to join us for this brief but moving ceremony. In the Fall, we will hold another Discernment Class for prospective members. If you are curious about what being a Daughter of the King is all about, please reach out to a Daughter you know or Nina Milton at nina.milton5@gmail.com or (610) 585-9233.



Education for Ministry

INFORMATION MEETING THIS SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, FOLLOWING THE 10AM SVC. IN THE SMALL PARLOR

Are you looking for a way to better understand Christian scripture, history, and theology?

Do you want to discover how your faith intersects with your daily life and experiences?

We invite you to join our upcoming Education for Ministry (EfM) seminar group, developed by the School of Theology at the University of the South (Sewanee).

EfM is a seminar-style program centered on group discussion, community prayer, and theological reflection. It is not a standard lecture class; there are no tests, grades, or papers.

If you have any questions, please contact Marcia Gable at (803)292-5197 or by email at haltxten@aol.com.



Ministry Fair

Are you interested in getting involved at St. Thaddeus? Do you want to find out more about a particular ministry? You're in luck! The Ministry Fair is coming on Sunday, September 13th. The Fair will be held in the gym after the 11:15am service. Mark your calendar and plan to join us. You can enjoy a progressive coffee hour and find out things you never knew about the many ministries at St. Thaddeus.

**The ACTS item for August is
canned meat (chicken or tuna).**

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: 85~
Total: 115 ~ Cheesy Corn Dog Casserole, tossed salad, watermelon, cake bars, and PB & J sandwiches.



Date	# of people	Loads washed	\$\$ spent
August 10th	28	81	\$568.00

For more information on how you can help please contact Marianne Swearingen at mariannesswearingen83@gmail.com



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

Starting August 15th 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!**

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.

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

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

To add additional names to this list please contact the church office at (803) 648-5497.

The Weekly Calendar: Sunday, August 16 – August 23

Sunday 8/16 <i>The 12th Sunday after Pentecost:</i> <i>Proper 15</i>	NURSERY CARE AVAILABLE FROM 9:45am-11:30am FOR AGES 0-6 7:45am: Spoken Holy Eucharist, Rite I, no music - (Chapel) 10:00am: Holy Eucharist, Rite II, with music - (Gym) 10:45am: Tea Under the Trees - (Outside in the Tea Garden behind the Large Parlor) 4-7pm: PARISH BACK-TO-SCHOOL COOKOUT – (Gem Lakes) 
Monday 8/17	2:00pm: St. Thaddeus Summer Seminary – (Small Parlor) 5-7pm:  at Soap N Suds (1339 Lee Lane SW, Aiken) 5:30pm: Evening Prayer – (Chapel)
Tuesday 8/18	1:30pm: Church staff meeting – (Cornish Conference Room) 3:00pm:  Daughters of the King Service of Admission – (Chapel) 3:30pm: DOK meeting – (Chapel) 6-7pm: Mead Hall Open House – (Lower Campus)
Wednesday 8/19	CHIMES DEADLINE 2pm 10:00am: Coffee  with the  Clergy - (Nursery) 11:30am: Holy Eucharist with Prayers for Healing - (Chapel)
Thursday 8/20	11:00am: Stewardship Committee Meeting - (Cornish Conference Room)
Friday 8/21	No Events Scheduled for Today.
Saturday 8/22	9:00am-1pm: Soup Kitchen - (Cheetham Parlor) 4:00pm: Saturday Chair  Set-up - (Cheetham Parlor)
Sunday 8/23 <i>The 13th Sunday after Pentecost:</i> <i>Proper 16</i>	NURSERY CARE AVAILABLE FROM 9:45am-11:30am FOR AGES 0-6 7:45am: Spoken Holy Eucharist, Rite I, no music - (Chapel) 10:00am: Holy Eucharist, Rite II, with music - (Gym) 10:45am: Tea Under the Trees - (Outside in the Tea Garden behind the Large Parlor) 11:15am: Vestry Meeting – (Small Parlor)
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.	

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.

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, 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/),

<https://www.edusc.org/cursillo/> where applications can be downloaded.

Scholarships are available.