

ST. MARY HELP *of* CHRISTIANS CHURCH



FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 14, 2019

PARISH OF THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF CHARLESTON

Most Rev. Robert E. Guglielmono
Bishop of Charleston

PARISH CLERGY

Very Rev. Gregory B. Wilson, VF
Pastor

Rev. Raymond K. Flores
Parochial Vicar

Dcn. Al Matousek
Dcn. Robert Pierce
Dcn. Stephen Platte

HOLY MASS SCHEDULE WEEKDAY

Mon. - Fri. 5:30PM - Old St. Mary's
Tues. 6:30AM - Old St. Mary's
No School Mass Until August 21
Miércoles - la capilla de Ste Claire 7:00PM
Thur. Nursing Home 10:00AM
Sat. Morning Mass 8:00AM - Old St. Mary's

SUNDAY

Sat. Vigil 5:00PM - Church
8:30AM, 11:00AM - Church
Spanish 12:30PM - Church
5:00PM - Church

CONFESSIONS

Mon. - Fri. 4:45 - 5:15PM - Old St. Mary's
Sat. 3:30 - 4:30PM - Church

Mail: P.O. Box 438 Aiken, SC 29802 803.649.4777 www.stmarys-aiken.org

Locations: St. Mary's Church: 138 Fairfield St. SE
Ste Claire Chapel: 125 Park Ave. SE

Old St. Mary's: 125 Park Ave. SE
St. Angela Hall: 118 York St. SE

WELCOME TO ST. MARY'S

We welcome all who are visiting. If you attend St. Mary's regularly and consider this your parish, please register at the parish office, print a registration form from the web site under the Parish tab, or you may fill out and submit the form online.

PARISH OFFICE

Phone: 803.649.4777 **FAX:** 888.552.1016
ParishOfficeStMaryAiken@charlestdioocese.org
 Mon. - Fri. 8:30AM - 4:30PM
 Mailing address:
 PO Box 438 Aiken, SC 29802
 Location: 203 Park Ave. SE Aiken, SC 29801

NURSERY

Available during the 8:30AM and 11:00AM Mass in
Mother Teresa Hall

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

For food or financial assistance, call 803.642.3211

PARISH PERSONNEL

Contact by email at ParishOfficeStMaryAiken@charlestdioocese.org

Mr. Patrick Wray

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Social Ministry Coordinator

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Organist and Choir Director

706.550.5047

Reservations: ParishOfficeStMaryAiken@charlestdioocese.org

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

More information about the Sacraments can be found on our parish website.

HOLY BAPTISM

To baptize a child at St. Mary's, at least one parent must be a practicing Catholic, regularly attend Holy Mass, participate in the life of the parish and registered at St. Mary's at least three months prior to the Baptism. Parents **must** attend a Baptismal Preparation Class prior to the Baptism. The Godparents are encouraged to attend a Baptismal Preparation Class as well. **The next class is August 18. Registration is required.** Contact Chris or Angela Ascherman at 256.541.1967

HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

Policy: Parents and children must be registered and faithfully attending Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation. Children not enrolled in our Catholic school, must attend a minimum of two years of Christian Formation classes and satisfy the attendance policy. For more information:

Holy Communion: Mary Ellen Jackson: 803.642.2676

Confirmation: Joan LaBone: 803.649.3049 or jlaborne@charlestdioocese.org

HOLY MATRIMONY

Those contemplating marriage should contact the parish office. The Diocese of Charleston requires a minimum of six months preparation for the Sacrament of Marriage. Please understand, not all dates at the church may be available due to parish events or other conflicts.

Contact: Mary Frei at 803.649.4777 ext. 114

PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY

Are you seriously ill, facing surgery or of advanced age? Receive grace and strength from the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. E-mail Mary Frei: mfrei@charlestdioocese.org or call 803.649.4777 ext. 101 For Nursing home volunteers, Holy Communion for our homebound, hospital visits, call Bette Ross at the parish office or e-mail her at brross@charlestdioocese.org

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP - FISCAL YEAR 2018-19

TOTALS AS OF SUNDAY, JULY 7, 2019

OFFERING FOR JUNE 30, 2019	\$ 25,724.70
OFFERING FOR JULY 7, 2019	\$ 37,590.70
WEEKLY BUDGET NEEDS	\$ 31,800.00
YEAR TO DATE TOTALS	\$ 37,590.70
YEAR TO DATE BUDGET NEEDS	\$ 31,800.00
OVERAGE TO DATE	\$ 5,790.70

Our Capital Campaign #3 has ended as of June 30, 2019. Many thanks to the 31% or 526 families who pledged, all who contributed, and those who are continuing to contribute to our outstanding loan balance. As of June 30, 2019 the balance was \$519,980.00.

Check out our website for continuing on line giving and envelopes coming soon for your convenience toward our Parish Diocesan Loan.

Please call the main office Patrick or Phyllis 803.649.4777 for any questions.

Upcoming Special Collections: July 21 Infirm Priests

ITEM	GOAL	LAST WEEK STATUS	CURRENT STATUS	CURRENT SHORTFALL To GOAL	CURRENT % GOAL	CURRENT VS. LAST WEEK
Parish Debt	\$519,980.00	\$0.00	\$3,810.23	\$516,169.77	1%	\$3,810.23
Families Participating	1800					

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

STE CLAIRE CHAPEL, 125 PARK AVE. SE

Perpetual Adoration of Jesus truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament is available in Ste Claire Chapel 24 hours a day. All are encouraged to spend time with our Lord. Come, let us adore Him!



CAN YOU WATCH ONE HOUR WITH JESUS?

We have an URGENT need for Thursday, 11:00PM. Please contact Ivy Monahon if you are able to take one of these hours.

To see the most current hours in need, go to <http://www.stmarys-aiken.org/perpetual-eucharistic-adoration>.

If you can spend one hour with Jesus on a weekly basis, please contact one of the division leaders or the lead coordinator, Ivy Monahon at 803.649.4157 or jjmonahon@mindspring.com

Tom Henry	12AM-6AM	803.642.6893
Jackie Langner	6AM-12PM	803.643.3159
Janice Suhrer	12PM-6PM	803.648.1747
Carole Schaumann	6PM-12AM	803.640.5144

Reminder: There is an emergency phone available in Ste. Claire Chapel. It is located under the sign-in counter.



GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANT

St. Mary's is blessed to be welcoming two Sisters from the religious order of the Hermanas del Corazon de Jesus Sacramentado (Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus). The Sisters will be arriving in late summer and will be living at the Convent at Our Lady of the Valley. Their mission will be to serve the Parish with a focus on education. They will be serving at St. Mary's School as well as working within our Hispanic community on sacramental preparation. We are very excited to have been selected from a very competitive, national grant program for this opportunity.

We are looking for safe, reliable transportation for the Sisters. If you have a car that you were thinking of selling or would like to donate, please consider St. Mary's first. If you can help, contact Patrick Wray at pwwray@charlestandiocese.org or 803.649.4777, ext 103.

Father Wilson will be sharing more information about the Sisters upon their arrival. We are very excited to have them here as another prominent, visible outward sign of Catholic presence in Aiken.

PASTOR'S CORNER

+ JMJ +

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

One thing people look for to determine if we are alive is if we have a heartbeat. That seems normal, except in our day and age. A priest friend of mine, Fr. Charles Byrd, recently wrote a thought-provoking reflection about companies such as Netflix and Disney threatening to stop production in his home state of Georgia, if they enact a law protecting a child's life after his or her heartbeat is detected. Catholics stand for dignity of *both* mother *and* child. Here follows his excellent reflection. – Father Wilson

“Regarding Disney and its decision to not film in Georgia because of its actors, well, it is just sad. For Disney to be so pro-abortion (or for Disney to allow itself to be aligned with and coerced by actors who dictate punishing Georgia because of its Pro-Life stance) is just odd given the history of Disney. Disney films are so frequently about cruel adults trying to kill or get rid of children. Just review the plot lines around characters like Mowgli, Simba, Hercules, Peter Pan and his lost boys, just to name a few. Dumbo is delivered by the stork to Florida, where his mother loves him and suffers trying to protect him from the rest of the cruel world/circus that sees the young elephant as deformed and ridicules him. Just consider *Snow White*, where a vain and jealous stepmother wants to kill a girl, and orders the princess' death by the huntsman, who cannot bring himself to kill the child, so he urges Snow White to flee into the forest and escape. She later poisons her. Or look at the story of *Cinderella* where a vain and jealous stepmother would be happy if her stepdaughter had never been born, and yet a fairy godmother (that's right – *godmother*) arrives to save the day and help her to live happily ever after. But is Disney watching their own stories?

“Two films really stand out. In *101 Dalmatians* Cruella de Vil is a vain and worldly fashion designer who becomes jealous of her employee, Anita, who has married and is pregnant. Anita's Dalmatian is also expecting a litter of puppies, and Cruella offers to buy the puppies. When Anita refuses, Cruella dismisses Anita, steals the expecting Dalmatian, and cannot wait to kill the puppies to make from them a fur coat. The villain's name is obvious (Cruel Devil), but the name Anita also offers insight as it is derived from “Ann” meaning ‘grace’ and ‘favor’. (In the Bible, Hanna is the mother of Samuel, and we would come to know Anna as the mother of the Virgin Mary).

“Finally, consider *The Hunchback of Notre Dame* where a wicked and corrupt Minister of Justice seeks to kill a deformed baby outside of a Catholic cathedral, but the archdeacon stops him. The child is then named Quasimodo, taken in by the Church, and allowed to live. Quasimodo may be less than perfect in the eyes of the state, and his deformity and subsequent quality of life might be judged worthy of a so-called merciful death by the state; but Quasimodo lives, grows up, and becomes hailed as a Parisian hero.

“Yet now Disney seems to be making a stand for abortion and thereby going out of its way to align itself with the very villains of their stories. Really Disney? You're supposed to be the good guys in this cruel world!”

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN FORMATION (CCD) GRADES 4K-5

Contact: mjackson@charlestandiocese.org

Summer is here! Don't forget to take your children to Mass every Sunday – or during the week as well!

Planning a summer trip? Get your children involved in finding a nearby church to attend Mass.

Remember: whether you intend to or not, you are teaching your children the faith every day, every moment.

Car conversations: Ask your children about movie or TV characters that they relate to, and why. Ask some follow-up questions to understand better. Give each child a turn. Then, share with them what character you relate to (now or when you were a child). You may surprise each other with your choices!

Preparing for the Fall: Sunday morning classes (CCD) start September 8th. Registration forms, parent letter, and calendar are on the parish website at

<http://www.stmarys-aiken.org/ccd>

Register early! Invite your friends to register their children!

SUNDAY MORNING CCD

Do you love the Lord and desire to pass on the faith? Consider joining our Sunday morning CCD team! There are many ways (with different time commitments) to help – as a teacher, an aid, a co-teacher, and more. We also need occasional helpers. Interested? Mark your calendar for catechist training Saturday, August 17, 9:00AM – 12:00PM in St. Michael Hall. Contact Mary Ellen Jackson at 803.642.2676 or mjackson@charlestandiocese.org if you have questions!

SUNDAY MORNING YOUTH MINISTRY GRADES 6-12

Contact: Mrs. Joan Marie LaBone

No Morning Ministry Until September!!!

YOUTH MINISTRY

Middle School (GR. 6-8) or
Life Night (GR. 9-12)

Contact: Mrs. Joan Marie LaBone

jlabone@charlestandiocese.org or 803.215.7040 cell

July 14—No regular evening youth ministry.

July 14—Meeting after Mass for those going on the mission trip to Philadelphia.

July 15-23—High School Mission Trip to Philadelphia.

July 21—No regular evening youth ministry.

July 28—Middle and High School Inside Game Night— Uno, ping pong, board games, spoons, etc. and good eats!!

Follow us on Instagram: [lifeteen_aiken](https://www.instagram.com/lifeteen_aiken)

Check for activities online at St. Mary Help of Christians Website under Formation/Youth Ministry.

ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

INTRODUCTION TO CATHOLICISM CLASSES “RCIA”

All are welcome to join us – whether you are just beginning to learn about the faith, you are a life-long Catholic wanting a refresher, or are anywhere in between. Join us and bring a friend! Tuesdays in Mother Teresa Hall 6:15 – 7:45PM. Contact Mary Ellen Jackson at mjackson@charlestandiocese.org or 803.642.2676. **RCIA will resume in late August.** Please join us!

THURSDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY

We meet at 11:15AM on Thursday mornings in Smith Hall. We are reading the Book of Tobit. This book shows the unexpected providential care God shows Tobit, his family, and – us all. This study may be of particular interest to former Protestants, because it is one of the Deuterocanonical books, which Luther removed from the Bible. In the fall we'll read the Deuterocanonical books 1st and 2nd Maccabees. These Old Testament books are often overlooked, but are so inspiring. Come join us! For information contact Mary Ellen Jackson at mjackson@charlestandiocese.org or 803.642.2676

SUNDAY MORNING CAFÉ CATHOLIC FAITH EXPLORATION

There will be **NO** Sunday Café during the Summer. Classes will resume in September. For information contact Donna Pierce at 803.474.6011 or rampierce@atlanticbb.net

PRAY AND PRAISE

The **Pray and Praise Prayer Group** meets in Smith Hall Wednesdays at 6:00PM in Smith Hall. Join us as we pray together and sing praise to the Lord. All are invited. For more information, contact Mary Ellen Jackson at 803.642.2676 or mjackson@charlestandiocese.org



ST. MARY'S PARISH SCHOOL

Contact: Ms. Charlene Krushinsky,
Principal
803.649.2071

Summer Office Hours:

8:30AM—2:00PM Monday—Thursday

Closed on Fridays

First Day of School: August 20, 2019

St. Mary Help of Christians School is still open for enrollment for the 2019/2020 school year! Our parish school has been *“Preparing the way with a high quality education in the caring spirit of the Beatitudes”* since 1904. Come visit us anytime!

Financial assistance is available for **new** families.

Se habla español.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, JULY 14

HOMEWORKS-AFTER ALL MASSES-COURTYARD
 8:00AM-SPANISH BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS-SCHOOL/OSWALD
 8:30AM-NURSERY-MOTHER TERESA CONFERENCE ROOM
 9:30AM-NO MORNING YOUTH MINISTRY-SUMMER BREAK
 9:45AM-NO SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN FORMATION-SUMMER BREAK
 9:45AM-NO SUNDAY MORNING CAFÉ-SUMMER BREAK
 10:30AM-SPANISH CHOIR PRACTICE-DCN. WATERS CONFERENCE RM
 11:00AM-NURSERY-MOTHER TERESA CONFERENCE ROOM
 1:30PM-EMAÚS MEETING-MOTHER TERESA HALL
 6:15PM-YOUTH MINISTRY MISSION PLANNING MTG. SMITH HALL

MONDAY, JULY 15

7:00AM-AA MEETING-DOWNSTAIRS, SMITH HALL
 7:30AM-LITURGY OF THE HOURS-CHURCH NAVE
 9:30AM-PRAYER SHAWL-DOWNSTAIRS, SMITH HALL
 11:30AM-LITURGY OF THE HOURS-CHURCH NAVE
 12:00PM-LUNCH & LEARN-DOWNSTAIRS, SMITH HALL
 6:00PM-LEGIÓN DE MARÍA-DOWNSTAIRS, SMITH HALL
 6:00PM-LEGION OF MARY YOUTH -UPSTAIRS, SMITH HALL
 7:00PM-BINGO-COLUMBUS CLUB, SPAULDING DR. AIKEN
 7:30PM-SMALL CHRISTIAN COMM I-DOWNSTAIRS, SMITH HALL

TUESDAY, JULY 16

7:00AM-MEN'S PRAYER GROUP-DOWNSTAIRS, SMITH HALL
 3:30PM-LEGION OF MARY-SMITH HALL
 7:00PM-SPANISH MARRIAGE PREP. GROUP-MOTHER TERESA HALL

WEDNESDAY, JULY 17

7:00AM-AA MEETING-DOWNSTAIRS, SMITH HALL
 7:30AM-LITURGY OF THE HOURS-CHURCH NAVE
 9:30AM-NO ADULT BIBLE STUDY-SUMMER BREAK
 11:30AM-LITURGY OF THE HOURS-CHURCH NAVE
 6:00PM-PRAY & PRAISE-DOWNSTAIRS, SMITH HALL
 6:00PM-SINGLE, SINGLE AGAIN-SCHOOL/CAFETERIA
 6:15PM-LEGION OF MARY-SCHOOL LIBRARY

THURSDAY, JULY 18

7:00AM-AA MEETING-DOWNSTAIRS, SMITH HALL
 11:30AM-BIBLE STUDY-DOWNSTAIRS, SMITH HALL
 6:00PM YOUNG ADULT THEOLOGY OF THE BODY-MOTHER TERESA HALL

FRIDAY, JULY 19

7:00AM-AA MEETING-DOWNSTAIRS, SMITH HALL
 6:00PM-CUB SCOUT DISTRICT TRAINING-SCHOOL/CAFETERIA
 6:30PM-EMAÚS-MOTHER TERESA HALL

SATURDAY, JULY 20

HOMEWORKS-AFTER MASS-COURTYARD
 8:30AM-NOVENA-OLD ST. MARY'S



St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl throughout the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 15 — JULY 21

Monday

Ex 1:8-14, 22 Ps 124:1b-8 Mt 10:34-11:1

Tuesday

Ex. 2:1-15a Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34 Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday

Ex 3:1-6, 9-12 Ps 103:1b-4, 6-7 Mt 11:25-27

Thursday

Ex 3:13-20 Ps 105:1, 5, 8-9, 24-27 Mt 11:28-30

Friday

Ex 11:10—12:14 Ps 116:12-13, 15-18 Mt 12:1-8

Saturday

Ex 12:37-42 Ps 136:1, 23-24, 10-15 Mt 12:14-21

Sunday

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, JULY 14

8:30AM For the People
 11:00AM Ron & Lois Tugya
 Family (L) & (D)
 12:30PM Michael Gregory
 Mandel (D)
 5:00PM Mary Maxine Kiehn (D)

MONDAY, JULY 15

5:30PM Ted Giard (D)

TUESDAY, JULY 16

6:30AM David Sintich (L)
 5:30PM Mary Maxine Kiehn (D)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 17

5:30PM Phyllis DeVito

THURSDAY, JULY 18

10:00AM TRINITY—
 Beverly Koon (D)
 5:30PM Jimmy Flannery (D)

FRIDAY, JULY 19

5:30PM Lisa Gibbs Cornwell (D)

SATURDAY, JULY 20

8:00AM David Liebanthal (D)

5:00PM Ron Kiehn (L)

Ruth Chelchowski (D)

Lonnie Daugherty (D)

Diane Barker (D)

John Perry (D)

Brenda McCabe (D)



PRAYERS REQUESTED



Baptisms: June 8 Kato Kingston Cash and Isabel LaRue Cash, children of Audrey and Joshua Cash
 Zoey Amelia Cain, daughter of Samantha and Phillip Cain

June 16 Aidanna Elizabeth Caro-Rodriguez, daughter of Nereyda Rodriguez Chavarin and Rafael Caro Carrillo

Deaths: June 16 Sarah Jane Williams
 June 27 Joseph Alban Heimbuecher
 June 30 Harold Vincent Gleason
 July 1 Richard Dabolt

THE HOLY ROSARY

Join the parish as we pray The Rosary together daily before the 5:30PM Mass, Monday through Friday.

PARISH & COMMUNITY EVENTS

SUMMER HOME WORKS

Sign up now for Home Works Aiken Summer Session.
Youth & Adult Volunteers. No experience necessary.
 Make friends, learn new skills, and be Jesus' love in action as you help repair and improve the homes of those in need in our community. The session runs from Tuesday, July 23 at 5PM to Tuesday, July 30. Youth stay in St. Angela Hall for the week and start and end the days together in prayer. Many adult volunteers and mentors are needed. Please contact Karen and Kevin Stoner today at kjstoner7@gmail.com or 803.514.0868 to receive more information and registration materials. Thank you!

7TH MARIAN EUCHARISTIC CONFERENCE

Saturday, Nov. 9 — Sunday, Nov. 10
 at the Hilton Hotel in Greenville. Featured speakers include: Fr. Wade Menezes; Fr. Chris Alar; Fr. Donald Calloway; Justin Fatica, Hard as Nails; Msgr. Eduardo Chávez, Guadalupe Magisterial Canon at the Guadalupe Basilica. General admission—\$80, youth—\$40. Includes buffet lunch on Saturday and Sunday. Gluten free meals offered. Register by October 24 by mail. Registration after Oct. 24: \$90. For more information, call 864.354.7160 or go to www.meconferencesc.net

SINGLE, SINGLE AGAIN

Dinner 2nd Thursday of every month at 6:00PM
 Reservations are due the Tuesday before to: Carla Noziglia at skipncar@aol.com or Phyllis Autry at 214.587.1156
 Upcoming Single, Single Again Events
 July 17-Line Dancing—St. Mary School Cafeteria
 Please check the Aiken Standard Events or the e-mail you will receive each month as dates/locations may change.

LUNCH & LEARN BOOK CLUB

Meets Mondays from 12 NOON to 1:00PM in Smith Hall. All are welcome. The current book for the Lunch and Learn Book Club is "Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Mary" by Brant Pitre. Contact Kathy Monahon at kmonahon@atlanticbb.net

WEDNESDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY

If you're interested in deepening your relationship with the Lord consider joining a Bible study group. You will study Scripture, discuss how to implement Christ's teaching in your daily life and get to know other parish members in a small group setting, allowing a true sense of belonging to the family of St. Mary Help of Christians. Class resumes Sept. 4—The Gospel of Matthew. Contact Martha at whittimp@gmail.com or 865.599.8473.

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

St. Mary's has instituted the regular practice of the Office in the nave of the church on Mondays and Wednesdays, with Morning Prayer at 7:30AM and Mid-Day Prayer at 11:30AM. **This schedule will be followed through July, with a short break during August. The regular schedule of the Office will resume on Wednesday, September 4.** For more information, please contact Bill Weiss, 803.295.7556 or bill.weiss@mindspring.com.

ALTAR FLOWER DONATIONS

Donating altar flowers is a simple, lovely way to honor a loved one, glorify God, and add beauty to the altar. Flowers can be donated in honor of a living person or in memory of someone who has died, in celebration of an anniversary or other milestone, or in thanksgiving for friends or family. You can choose any Sunday or have an open Sunday chosen for you. The names of those being honored or remembered will appear in the bulletin on the Sunday you select. If you prefer, you can simply give the flowers to the Glory of God. The suggested donation amount is \$125 per arrangement. If you would like to donate flowers, please contact Mary Frei at 803.649.4777 ext. 114.

ON-LINE GIVING

The Parish Finance Committee has approved and strongly recommends using on-line giving. It has several benefits to the parish, including lower cost of administration fees versus the bank. It simplifies record keeping, collection and accounting procedures.

ON-LINE GIVING STATUS

TO ENROLL IN ON-LINE GIVING go to the parish website: www.stmarys-aiken.org

ITEM	GOAL	LAST MONTH'S STATUS	CURRENT STATUS	CURRENT % GOAL	CURRENT VS. LAST MONTH
ON-LINE GIVING PARTICIPANTS	750	432	441	59%	9

- ◆ Click on "Giving"
- ◆ Click on "Sunday Offering"
- ◆ Create a new account and then go to "Manage My Account"
- ◆ Enroll in weekly or monthly offering*
- ◆ If you need assistance, or to discontinue on-line giving, please call 1.800.348.2886 option 4 .

*Monthly offering is the preferred method recommended by the Parish Finance Committee

PARISH & COMMUNITY EVENTS

GATHERING FOR FRIENDS OF JIM AND JANE WILLIAMS

Friends of Jim and Jane Williams are invited to attend a gathering in remembrance of these long time parish members from 12:00-3:00PM on Saturday, July 20, at the Village at Pin Oak Farm Clubhouse. Please join the Williams family.

FROM THE BENCH

Our final hymn today is *O Day of Peace*, lyrics by Carl P Daw Jr (b 1944), longtime Executive Director of the Hymn Society of America, set to the tune, Jerusalem, by Sir Charles Hubert Hastings Parry (1848-1918). Parry is considered by some to be the best English composer since Purcell. Unfortunately, his many academic pursuits limited his compositional output. The tune, Jerusalem, one of the most beloved in the English speaking world, was originally written for the famous poem, *Jerusalem*, by the English poet and mystic William Blake, which was a battle cry against the dehumanization of the conditions of the Industrial Revolution. Daw continues the motif of creating a just society—Jerusalem—and goes further adding explicitly Christian elements.

HOLY LAND TRIP

with Fr. Tom Whittingham March 13-23, 2020

Jerusalem • Bethlehem • Nazareth • Cana • Galilee • Capernaum • Gethsemane • Dormition of the Blessed Virgin Mary • Nativity Church • Last Supper • Via Crucis • Tel Aviv

Trip Cost of \$4099 Includes:

- Flights from anywhere in the US.
- Daily Mass will be scheduled
- All breakfasts & all dinners.
- 4 or 5-star hotels in downtown areas
- Transportation with luxury bus
- All tips to driver, hotel, and tour guides
- Guided tours & tour fees. Guides are licensed,
- Airport taxes, Security fees & Fuel Surcharges saving an average of \$400-\$600!
- Luggage handling (1 suitcase & 1 carry-on per person)
- Double occupancy. If passenger wants guaranteed room of their own, then they have to pay \$900 single supplement.

Call or register online with a credit card to pay the \$500 deposit per person to save your spot!



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Call: 855.842.8001 or 508.340.9370

Hablamos Español: 508.505.6078

SAVE THE DATES

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

All Young adults ages 18-35 are welcome to join YAMs at the following events!

-Bible Study - July 16th @6PM St. Michaels Hall

-Trivia - July 22nd @7PM WingPlace Aiken

- REMINDER: Our Theology of the Body Study Continues this Thursday July 18th and 25th. 630-8PM St Theresa Hall. ALL young adults are welcome.

Contact SMYAM@charlestdiocese.org for any questions.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD

Rachel's Vineyard Retreats bring spiritual healing and strengthening of faith to individuals who have had or participated in an abortion. Join us on the journey to healing, peace and reconciliation. August 9-11, 2019 in the Charleston area. For information and registration please call Christy 803.554.6088 or Kathy 803.546.6010 or email at grace4healing@gmail.com

LOOKING AHEAD

Consider joining us for your fall study! On September 8th we'll start a 10-week study of the book *Consoling the Heart of Jesus*. In this amazing book Fr. Gaitley brings together several spiritual traditions and blends them in the pattern of the Exercises on St. Ignatius. We'll be meeting Sunday afternoons at 3:30. Check back for room details. Mark your calendar! If you have questions contact Mary Ellen Jackson at 803.642.2676 or mjackson@charlestdiocese.org

DAVE RAMSEY FINANCIAL PEACE

Mark your calendars! Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University will be offered this fall starting Monday September 6th. FPU meets for 11 weeks on Monday evenings. This class will help you get out of debt and get control of your finances. It is especially good for singles, young people starting out, engaged or recently married couples, parents with teens (bring them, too!), empty-nesters – for everyone! For more information, contact Mary Ellen Jackson at 803.642.2676 or mjackson@charlestdiocese.org

FAMILY MINISTRY

The St. Mary's Help of Christians Parish Family Ministry invites you to join us for family centered events, fellowship and fun. All families, of any type or size, are encouraged to attend as a way to get to know your fellow parishioners and grow in faith. For more information call Sarah Laughlin at 803.514.2465

MINISTERIO HISPANO

MISA Y CONFESIONES

- domingo 12:30PM Iglesia, Fairfield Ave
- miércoles 7:00PM Capilla Santa Clara
- Confesiones son media hora antes y después de la misa dominical

BAUTISMOS

Para pedir el Sacramento del Bautismo o para recibir información acerca de las pláticas pre-bautismales, por favor de comunicarse con Gabriela Flores, al 803.716.5509 o con Luz Londoño, al 803.522.3814. Preparación pre-bautismal: 7 y 14 de julio, 2019 en Boyd Hall en la escuela Sta. Maria.

RITO DE INICIACIÓN CRISTIANA PARA ADULTOS (RICA)

Introducción al Catolicismo - Estas interesado en convertirte en Católico o aprender mas sobre el Catolicismo? Las clases de RICA serán los jueves a las 7:00PM en el salon de Smith Hall. Para más información, por favor de comunicarse con Guadalupe Cortes, al 803.845.9390.

PEQUEÑAS COMUNIDADES DE FE

Invitamos a todos los feligreses que deseen aprender más sobre nuestra fe que se unan a nuestras Pequeñas Comunidades de Fe.

PCF I "Dios Está Aquí" se reúnen todos los lunes de 7:30PM a 10:30PM en el salón Smith Hall. Coordinadora Aura Pérez. 803.295.6388.

PCF II "Santa María" se reúnen todos los lunes de 6:00PM a 9:00PM en 120 Barton Brothers Ln., Aiken, SC 29801. Coordinadora Mercedes Barranco. 803.439.3999.

PCF III "Dios Entre Nosotros" se reúnen todos los martes de 7:30PM a 10:30PM en 127 Courtney Rd. Trenton, SC 29847. Coordinador Reginaldo Cortez. 803.645.4083.

QUINCEAÑERA

A los interesados en una celebración de XV años deben tener en cuenta lo siguiente:

- Deben ser católicos practicantes y asistir a Misa.
- Deben estar registrados en la parroquia por lo menos 6 meses antes de la fecha de la celebración.
- Deben asistir a la preparación catequética que ofrece la parroquia.

Para más información, por favor comunicarse con Esperanza Negrete al 803.226.3410

SAGRADO MATRIMONIO

Como política de la Diócesis, se pide a todas las parejas que desean tener el sacramento del matrimonio, preparase por lo menos seis (6) meses antes de decidir una fecha para su boda. Para más información comunicarse con Guadalupe Cortes, al 803.845.9390.

PRIMERA COMUNIÓN Y CONFIRMACIÓN

Norma Sacramental: Los padres de familia y niños deben estar inscritos en la Parroquia y asistir fielmente a la Santa Misa todos los domingos y fiestas de precepto. Los niños, que no asisten a nuestro Colegio Católico Parroquial, deben asistir, por lo menos, dos años, completos a clases de Formación Cristiana (Catequesis Dominical) y cumplir con los reglamentos de asistencia para recibir el sacramento. Para más información, comunicarse con Mary Ellen Jackson al 803.642.2676 o mjackson@charlestdiocese.org

MINISTERIO DE LOS JOVENES ADULTOS

Recuerdo - Todos los Jovenes adultos edades 18 - 35 siguen invitados a nuestras sesiones de Teología del Cuerpo. Nos reuniremos el 18 y 25 de Julio en el salón de St Theresa, 6:30-8PM. Favor de mandar email a smyam@charlestdiocese.com si tiene alguna pregunta.

CENTRO CATÓLICO NUESTRA SEÑORA DEL VALLE

Deseas ser un católico con propósito? Nostros tenemos una excelente oportunidad para ti. El Centro necesita de manera urgente donaciones monetarias, de alimentos y voluntarios para todos los programas. Necesitamos conductores voluntarios con camión propio para ayudar con la recolección de alimentos donados. Si puede ayudar con cualquiera de estos ministerios o para obtener mayor información, envíe un correo electrónico a Joely Leguizamon, Administradora del Centro a joely@charlestdiocese.org o llame al 809.270.4646 y deje un mensaje. Tambien puede visitar nuestro sitio web olvcenter.org. Toda ayuda es bienvenida.

MINISTERIO DE MONAGUILLOS

Los monaguillos juegan un papel muy importante en la celebración de la Santa Misa y otras funciones litúrgicas. Ellos están asignados para ayudar al sacerdote en las misas dominicales, funerales, bodas y quinceañeras. En nuestra parroquia, los niños, niñas y jóvenes llamados a este ministerio pueden participar después de haber recibido su Primera Comunión. Todos somos llamados por nuestro Bautismo a servir y edificar la Iglesia. Si desea ser monaguillo, o tiene un niño o joven que le interese ser Servidor del Altar, por favor comuníquese con Sonia Jiménez al 803.508.5370 o con Esperanza Negrete al 803.226.3410.

COLECTA SEMANAL – AÑO FISCAL 2018-2019

TOTALES DESDE EL DOMINGO, 7 DE JULIO, 2018

OFRENDA PARA EL 30 DE JUNIO	\$	25,724.70
OFRENDA PARA EL 7 DE JULIO	\$	37,590.70
NECESIDADES DEL PRESUPUESTO SEMANAL	\$	31,800.00
TOTALES DEL AÑO HASTA LA FECHA	\$	31,800.00
NECESIDADES PRESUPUESTARIAS DEL AÑO		
HASTA LA FECHA	\$	37,590.70
PRESUPUESTO CON EXCEDENTE HASTA LA FECHA	\$	5,790.70

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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

July 3, 2019

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On July 11, 2020, Catholics in South Carolina will mark the 200th anniversary of the creation of the Diocese of Charleston. Our diocese was founded in 1820 to minister to immigrant Catholics scattered across Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina.

We were truly blessed by the Holy Spirit in the anointing of John England as Bishop of this territory. In him, we had a priest with a missionary spirit and a shepherd who truly embraced the Constitution of the United States and its freedom of religion. His foresight remains an inspiration today as we face new, yet familiar, challenges to our beliefs.

Over the next year we will examine our history, celebrate our present, and apply the lessons of faith and tenacity we have learned to our future as true disciples of Jesus Christ. Additionally, your parish will host its own events as we mark this important milestone in our history.

I invite you to visit our diocesan website to learn about upcoming events and to participate in your parish's activities over the next year as we commemorate and celebrate the Church in South Carolina as One Family in Faith.

May God bless you, your parish and our diocese.

In the Lord's Peace,

Most Reverend Robert E. Guglielmo
Bishop of Charleston