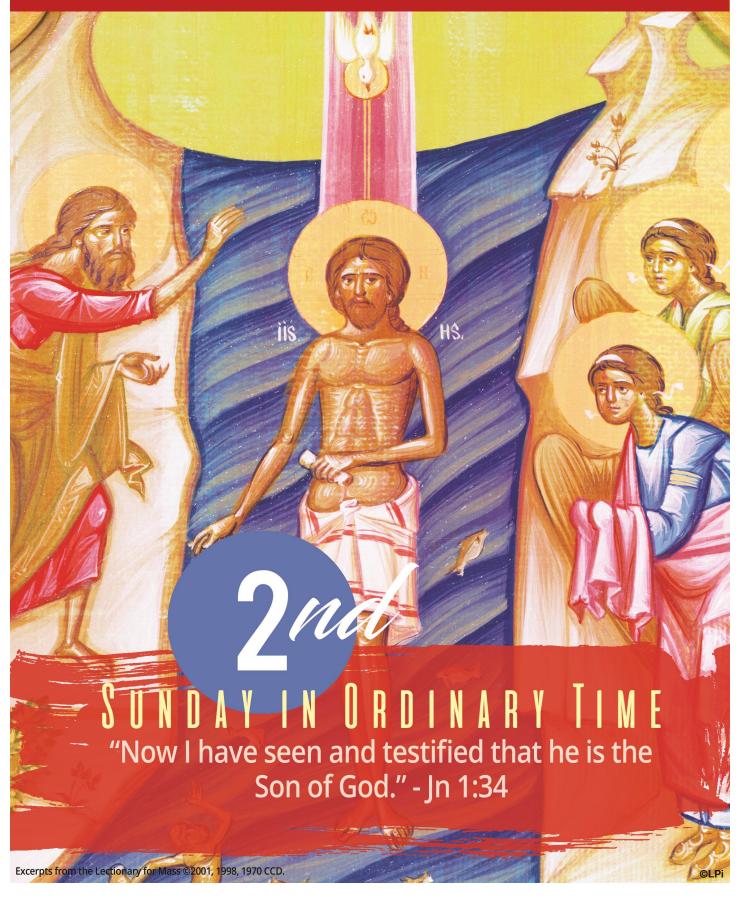
ST. MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS CATHOLIC CHURCH JANUARY 15, 2023



WELCOME TO ST. MARY'S HELP OF CHRISTIANS PARISH PARISH OF THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF CHARLESTON

We welcome all who are visiting. If you attend regularly and consider St. Mary's your parish, we encourage you to register as a member. You may fill out and submit the form online, or print the form from the website and turn it in to the parish office.

CONTACT US

St. Mary Help of Christians Catholic Church

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LOCATIONS

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

HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 5:00pm - Church

Sunday 8:30AM, 11:00AM, 5:00PM - Church Domingo Misa en Español, 1:00PM - Iglesia

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri. 5:30рм - Old St. Mary's

Tuesday 6:30ам - Old St. Mary 's Wednesday 8:20ам - Church Miércoles 7:00рм - Old St. Mary's

Thursday Nursing Home - Not Yet Open to the Public

Saturday Morning Mass 8:00AM - Old St. Mary's

LIVE STREAM MASS (ON YOUTUBE)

Sunday 11:00AM Mass

NURSERY

Available during 8:30 and 11:00AM Sunday Masses in Mother Teresa Conference Room - Ages 6 months to less than 5 years

SUNDAY HOMILIES ONLINE

Audio versions of all the weekend homilies are available on the parish website. Go to St. Mary's website at www.stmarys-aiken.org. Scroll to the bottom of the home page and click on "Listen to Homilies".

CONFESSIONS

Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri. 4:45 - 5:15pm - Old St. Mary's

Saturday 3:30 - 4:30рм - Church Sunday 12:30рм - Spanish - Church

ROSARY

Before Daily Mass

PERPETUAL ADORATION - Ste Claire Chapel

GIFT SHOP HOURS

Sunday 9:00AM -1:00PM

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday 8:30AM - 4:30PM

The Most Rev. Jacques E. Fabre-Jeune, CS Bishop of Charleston

Parish Clergy

Very Rev. Gregory B. Wilson, VF, Pastor Rev. Orlando Serrano Ardila, Parochial Vicar Rev. Msgr. William Gomes (Retired Priest)

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A Map of St. Mary's Campus can be found at: https://www.stmarys-aiken.org/campus-map

Totals as of Sunday, January 1, 2023

ENVELOPE/CASH OFFERTORY Jan. 1 \$ 13,951.78 ONLINE OFFERTORY FOR Jan. 1 \$ 8,370.00

TOTAL ANNUAL BUDGET \$ 1,924,000.00

Jan. 1 Solemnity of Mary \$4,381.00

NOTE: January 8, 2023 financial updates were **not** available at the time the bulletin was sent to print.

Special Collection: Jan. 15 Church in Latin America Jan. 22 St. Vincent de Paul

HAVE YOU SIGNED UP FOR ONLINE GIVING WITH OUR PARISH?

Here are some ways Online Giving benefits you:

- Secure and Confidential Adheres to banking security standards
- Flexible Start, stop, or change your contributions at any time
- Simple to sign up:
 - 1. Go to St. Mary's website at www.stmarys-aiken.org
 - 2. Click on "GIVING" and then "SUNDAY"
 - 3. Make your selections
 - 4. You can also make special collection choices online
- Contributions are via direct withdrawal or credit online

If you need assistance, or to discontinue online giving, please call 1.800.348.2886 option 4.

The Parish Finance Council recommends monthly frequency for the Sunday offering to minimize transaction fees.

NOT ON FORMED?

Sign up at www.formed.org/signup, enter Aiken, SC, then choose St. Mary Help of Christians
Learn about Pope Benedict: https://watch.formed.org/pope-benedict-xvi

St. Anthony of Egypt: https://watch.formed.org/videos/st-anthony-of-egypt

The Eucharist Revival and silence: https://watch.formed.org/real-true-eucharistic-revival/videos/how-silence-can-change-your-life

THE GIFT SHOP IS OPEN

9:00AM to 1:00PM every Sunday

Come visit the Gift Shop! We have many new items!

PASTOR'S CORNER

+JMJ+

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Thinking back into one's childhood, one of the things that often comes to mind is learning to say "thank you." It seems odd that such a thing has to be a learned behavior. As we grow older and reflect on the love and sacrifices others make for us, I believe it becomes easier to see and appreciate the importance of expressing gratitude to those around us.

First, a word of gratitude on behalf of the whole parish. The Christmas season came to a magnificent end last week with our celebration of the Epiphany of the Lord. As always, the church "elves" outdid themselves in trimming out all three of our beautiful churches. I have to say that I am always in awe of what they do! A special "Thank you!" goes out to all who helped in any way for not only giving hours of their time in making things special for us visually, but also for the equally difficult task of breaking it all down and carefully putting things away until next year.

Second - Last Sunday's visit from our Bishop went beautifully thanks to the help of so many of you. Sacristans, Mass coordinators, deacons, the best altar servers ever, choir, ushers, and so many more made for glorious Masses. Afterwards, an incredible team came together for a fantastic welcome reception in St. Angela Hall with delicious food on hand for everyone. Thank you to all who helped the parish give such a warm welcome to Bishop Fabre!

My final note of thanks is a personal one. You have all been so gracious in offering your prayers, support, and more to me and my family on the death of my father. From the bottom of my heart, thank you for your love and support. It is indeed very consoling. For all of our Adorers praying in Ste Claire Chapel, I am glad to announce that we have finally found the "right" kneelers to replace the rather clunky, heavy, and disintegrating ones we have used for decades. We installed a "test" kneeler, and you have expressed your satisfaction. More of these kneelers are on order so that we can outfit the entire chapel.

For those of you who have hearing aids with Bluetooth capability, we should be finally ready to connect you directly to our sound system. Please watch for more information. This should be of great help to many and even easier than the current aids we use.

Also, I am happy to announce that in addition to the columbarium niches we have in the rose garden next to the church, we now have columbarium niches available at our Calvary Cemetery, where so many generations of the parish are laid to rest.

Gratefully yours in Christ, Father Wilson



PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC **ADORATION** IN STE CLAIRE CHAPEL

Come to me all who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." (Mt. 11:28)

We have an urgent need for an adorer Fridays at 6:00AM. It's a quiet hour and a great way to start your day. We also need an adorer Mondays at 7:00pm

If you would like to try this or a different weekly hour, please contact lvy Monahon at 803.292.6432 or ijmonahon@mindspring.com or go to St. Mary's parish website at: https://www.stmarvs-aiken.org/ perpetual-eucharistic-adoration. The benefits are out of this world!

If you think you can't commit to a holy hour because you may leave town or get sick, think again. You will likely have a prayer partner to help you cover it, or your Hourly Coordinator will just call someone from our substitute list to cover for you. It's that simple, and the benefits are out of this world!

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection 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.

LECTOR DAY OF REFLECTION & TRAINING

All lectors who wish to remain active are required to attend a refresher course and time of spiritual reflection on Saturday, January 28 beginning with 8:00AM Mass in the new church. Following the Mass, instruction will take place in Mother Teresa Hall until about noon. For more information or to RSVP all lectors are asked to contact Betty Ryberg at 803.270.6403 or bettyryberg@gmail.com

READINGS FOR JANUARY 15 –22, 2023

Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6 Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10

1 Cor 1:1-3 Jn 1:29-34

Monday: Heb 5:1-10 Ps 110:1 - 4

Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20 Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9, 10c

Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17 Ps 110:1 - 4

Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: Heb 7:25-8:6 Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-10, 17

Mk 3:7-12

Friday: Heb 8:6-13 Ps 85:8 and 10 -14

Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: Heb 9:2-3, 11-14 Ps 47:2-3, 6-9

Mk 3:20-21

Next Sunday: Is 8:23–9:3 Ps 27:1,4, 13-14 Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, January 15

8:30AM For All the People of the Parish

11:00AM Paul Maddux (D) 1:00PM Gary McDonald (D) 5:00PM Mark Tormay (D)

5:00рм Ron Krenta (D)

Monday, January 16

5:30_{PM} Luana Grimley (D)

Tuesday, January 17 6:30_{AM} Mary Frances

Catherine White (D)

5:30PM Sophie Vanderbeck Sunday, January 22

(D)

Wednesday, January 18

8:20AM William T. Boyce (D) & Timothy Boyce (D)

7:00рм **No Mass**

Thursday, January 19

10:00ам Benton House -Tom Heenan (D)

5:30рм Paul Pressley (D)

Friday, January 20

5:30pm Lorraine Visotski (D)

Saturday, January 21

8:00AM Robert Meixell (D)

Mary Frances Catherine

White (D)

Jane Motes (D)

Philip Gagnon (D)

Mary Ann Kolar (D) Lou Ann Ainsworth (D)

8:30AM Janine Peterson (D)

11:00am For All the People

of the Parish (D)

1:00pm Gary McDonald (D)

5:00pm Lino Sincioco

Ramos (D)

Deaths/Difuntos: Dec. 31 Sonia Kowalczyk Bryan

Dec. 29 James G. Clapp Jan. 1 Arthur Reato

More information about the Sacraments can be found on our parish website: www.stmarys-aiken.org

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, January 16 for Martin Luther King Day

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

HOLY BAPTISM

The birth of your child is such a gift! Let St. Mary's parish help you give the gift of new birth through the waters of Holy Baptism. For a child to receive Baptism at St. Mary's, please note that at least one parent must be a practicing Catholic, regularly attend Holy Mass, participate in the life of the parish, and be registered at St. Mary's at least three months prior to requesting the date for Baptism. In this, you become part of our wider parish family! Parents must attend our Baptismal Preparation session prior to the Baptism. The next session will be February19, 2023 at 9:00AM in Smith Hall. Registration is necessary so that we can prepare for you. Please contact Chris or Angela Ascherman at 256.541.1967. Godparents are encouraged to attend a Baptismal Preparation session as well. Since Godparents promise to help raise your child in the practice of the Catholic faith, Godparents must be practicing Catholics at whatever parish they attend.

HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

These incredible Sacraments nourish and strengthen us in our Catholic faith so that we can live as "the light of the world" (St. Matthew 5:14). *Please note*: Parents and children must be registered with St. Mary's and faithfully attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation. Children who are 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 at 803.642.2676 or mjackson@charlestondiocese.org
Confirmation: Joan LaBone at 803.649.3049 or jlabone@charlestondiocese.org

HOLY MATRIMONY

Congratulations! The world truly needs strong, faithful couples. Our parish stands ready to help prepare you for your life together in Christ. For information on receiving the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony, please contact our parish office. The Diocese of Charleston requires a minimum of six months preparation for the Sacrament of Marriage. Please contact us as soon as you are engaged so that we can share your joy and begin the process of reserving a date for your special day. Please understand that not all dates at the church may be available. For information, contact Mary Frei at 803.649.4777 ext.114 or mfrei@charlestondiocese.org

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Are you seriously ill, facing surgery, or of advanced age? Receive grace and strength from the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, the Church's Sacrament of healing. Please contact Mary Frei at 803.649.4777 ext. 114 or mfrei@charlestondiocese.org.

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

Mrs. Mary Ellen Jackson mjackson@charlestondiocese.org or 803.642.2676

Dear Parents of K - 5th graders

- This Sunday, January 15 NO Class, MLK weekend January 22 - Class January 29 - Class
- 2. **First Communion:** If your child will be receiving First Communion, make sure your child knows the prayers listed below. Practice going to confession. And of course make sure you take your child to Mass every Sunday (or more often).
- 3. **Prayers**: We have begun testing your children to see how well they know their prayers. Pray together often the Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be, and (for grades 2 5) the Act of Contrition.
- 4. **First Communion parents:** First Confession is Saturday, February 25; just 6 weeks away. Please practice going to confession with your children.
- 5. Take advantage of FORMED; It has lots of good family programing. Not on FORMED? Sign up at www.formed.org/signup, enter Aiken, SC, then choose St. Mary Help of Christians

Sunday Morning Youth Ministry Grades 6 – 12

Contact: Mrs. Joan Marie LaBone jlabone@charlestondiocese.org or 803.215.7040 Please sign up for Sunday Morning sessions for 6-8th grades. You can find the registration forms on our website under Formation, Middle School.

Sunday 9:45-10:45AM Grades 6-8 January 15-No class

Youth Ministry Middle School (Gr. 5 - 8) or Life Night (Gr. 9 - 12)

January 15 - Middle and High School Night in the Gym! Prep for the lasagna dinner.

January 16 - Our lasagna dinner Returns! 5:00 -7:00PM in St. Angela Hall

January 22 - Life Teen

January 29 - NO Youth Ministry tonight

St. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

For food or financial assistance call 803.642.3211 Open Monday – Thursday 9:00am - 1:00pm CLOSED ON FRIDAYS

THE WEEK AHEAD

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Sunday, Janua		NI avva alavva ala
8:30am	Mass in English	New church
9:30am	Coffee Perks	St. Michael Hall
9:45AM	Café	Mother Teresa Hall
9:45AM	CCD	No Class
9:45AM	Youth Ministry	No Class
11:00ам	Mass in English	New church
12:00рм	Kermes - Spanish	
	Raiser	St. Angela Hall
1:00рм	Mass in Spanish	New church
3:00рм	Altar Server Traini	ng New church
Monday, Janu		
9:00ам	Prayer Shawl Mini	-
1:00рм	Rosary Makers	Mother Teresa Conf
4:45рм	Confessions	Old St. Mary church
5:00рм	Lasagna Dinner	St. Angela Hall
5:30рм	Mass in English	Old St. Mary church
7:00рм	Movie Night	St. Michael Hall
Tuesday, Janu	ary 17	
6:30ам	Mass in English	Old St. Mary church
7:00ам	Men's Prayer Grou	up Smith Hall-Down
3:30рм	Legion of Mary	Smith Hall-Down
4:45рм	Confessions	Old St. Mary church
5:30рм	Mass in English	Old St. Mary church
6:00рм	RCIA	Mother Teresa Hall
Wednesday, J		
8:20ам	School Mass	New church
9:30ам	Adult Bible Study	
3:00рм	Legion of Mary	Smith Hall-Down
4:00рм		ion Hour Ste. Claire
5:30рм	Life Runners Rosa	
7:00рм		Old St. Mary church
Thursday, Janu	•	Old St. Mary Charch
11:15AM	Adult Bible Study	Smith Hall-Down
4:45pm	Confessions	Old St. Mary Church
5:30pm		Old St. Mary Church
	Mass in English	Old St. Mary Church
Friday, Januar	y 20 That Man is You	Passumas lan 27
6:00am		Resumes Jan 27
10:00am	Book Club	St. Michael Hall
4:45рм	Confessions	Old St. Mary church
5:30рм	Daily Mass	Old St. Mary church
Saturday, Janu		
8:00ам	Mass	Old St. Mary church
3:30рм	Confessions	New church
5:00рм	Vigil Mass in Engli	ish New church
Sunday, Janua	-	
8:30ам	Mass in English	New church
9:30ам	Coffee Perks	St. Michael Hall
9:45ам	Café	Mother Teresa Hall
9:45ам	CCD	School
9:45ам	Youth Ministry	Bosco
11:00ам	Mass in English	New church
1:00рм	Mass in Spanish	New church
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THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA)

One, Holy, Catholic Church; you say these words in the creed each week - what exactly does that mean? Come learn more about *your* Church this coming Tuesday, 6:00–7:30PM in Mother Teresa Hall, 125 Union Street. For more information, contact Mary Ellen Jackson at 803.642.2676 or mjackson@charlestondiocese.org

SUNDAY MORNING CAFÉ: CATHOLIC FAITH EXPLORATION

Please join us on Sunday mornings 9:45 –10:45AM in Mother Theresa Hall for a mini-retreat series entitled *Catching Fire, Becoming Flame* by Fr. Albert Haase. Also enjoy coffee, refreshments, and fellowship with your parish family! For more details and to view the full schedule go to the parish website https://www.stmarys-aiken.org/uploads/docs/formation/sundaymorningadultedspring2023.pdf

Upcoming classes:

Jan. 15 The Spiritual Journey as a Process of Transformation

Jan. 22 Having a Healthy Image of God

No materials necessary. Come when you can! Contact Donna Pierce at 803.552.7714 or rampierce@atlanticbb.net

Bringing the Faith into the Home, The Domestic Church

This week we celebrate the feast of St. Anthony, Abbot. St. Anthony lived around AD 300. He was born in Egypt to a wealthy family. His heart was moved when he heard the words "If you wish to be perfect, go, sell what you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven" (Mt 19:21) and "Do not worry about tomorrow; tomorrow will take care of itself" (Mt 6:34). He sold all he had (keeping enough to care for his sister), and moved to the desert to live a life of poverty, solitude, prayer, and mortification. He memorized the entire bible. Others who admired him came to live near him and he helped them learn to live as he did; then he moved out further into the desert. We know about Anthony's life because Saint Athanasius (who lived at the same time) wrote a biography of him. You can read that book today. In iconography he often has a pig. One story is that a demon came to torment him disguised as a pig, but Anthony was kind to the pig-demon, saying "even this is one of God's creatures." This week spend time in silence. Read the Bible. Memorize a few verses. Go for a walk in the "wilderness." Get to know St. Anthony.



St. Mary's Parish School

118 York Street SE, Aiken, SC 29801 Mrs. Laura Webster, Principal Ph: 803.649.2071 Fax: 803.643.0092 www.stmaryschoolaiken.com

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 7:30ам - 3:30рм

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

St. Mary Help of Christians Catholic School is seeking a full-time STEM specialist for the 2023-2024 school year.

Applicants should be certified and/or eligible for SC certification.

Qualified applicant should submit his/her resume and cover letter to the front office by mail, in person, or electronically at office@stmaryschoolaiken.com.

St. Mary Help of Christians Catholic School is seeking a full-time elementary school teacher for the 2023-2024 school year.

Applicants should be certified and/or eligible for SC certification.

Qualified applicant should submit his/her resume and cover letter to the front office by mail, in person, or electronically at office@stmaryschoolaiken.com.

2023-2024 ENROLLMENT



St. Mary's School is now accepting enrollment applications for the 2023-2024 school year. Monthly payment plans are available for all families. All applicants can apply for financial aid through March 1st. Catholic Parishioners are also eligible for discount-

ed tuition rates. For more information, visit the school website at stmaryschoolaiken.com or call the school office at 803.649.2071.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION (CWA) GENERAL MEETING

The next CWA general meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 18th, beginning with the Rosary at 11:30AM in the new church on Fairfield Street, followed by a potluck lunch in Mother Teresa Hall. CWA membership is open to all women of St. Mary's parish. We will have an informal lunch and Fr. Orlando Serrano will be our guest speaker. If you would like to prepare a dish (not required), use the Sign-up Genius link:

https://www.signupgenius.com/ go/10C0E4DAAA92DAAFDC70-cwameeting1

Please contact Kathy Newland at 803.646.5142 or email <u>evagdarr@gmail.com</u> with questions. Come and get to know other women in our parish and experience shared faith, fellowship, and fun!

THE EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL



A prayer to prepare to receive Holy Communion: "Almighty and ever-living God, I draw near to the sacrament of your

only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. I come sick to the physician of life, unclean to the fountain of mercy, blind to the light of eternal brightness, poor and needy to the Lord of heaven and earth. May I receive the Bread of Angels, the King of Kings and Lord of Lords, with such reverence and humility, such contrition and devotion, such purity and faith, and such resolve and determination as may secure my soul's salvation. Grant that I may receive not only the visible sign, but also all the reality and power of the sacrament, in such a way the I become a living part of his Mystical Body and counted among his members." (St. Thomas Aquinas, shortened version)

Movie Night

Come join us to watch the classic movie A Man for All Seasons (1966), about St. Thomas More. If you (or your children) have not seen this movie, or do not know the story of St. Thomas More, you will want to come. All are invited. Light snacks will be provided. St. Michael Hall on Monday, January 16 at 6:30pm (after daily Mass). Contact Mary Ellen Jackson at mjackson@charlestondiocese.org or 803.642.2676 if you have questions.

Lasagna Dinner Monday, January 16th

Home made lasagna, salad , bread, drinks and home made desserts.

We will have spaghetti and sauce also.
A glass of red wine will be available for a donation.
Adults \$10, children 1-5 grades \$7 – Family: \$40
Kindergarten and under–no charge for spaghetti
Take out will be available.

Time: 5:00 – 7:00рм in St. Angela Hall

Sponsored by the teens of our parish. All proceeds go to defray the costs of camps, retreats and transportation. For ticket availability, please call Joan LaBone at 803.215.7040

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE THROW CONTEST

The Knights of Columbus are hosting a Free Throw contest

Saturday, January 21 9:00AM St. Angela Hall

Boys and girls ages 9–14 are invited to participate. Trophies will be awarded and finalists will compete in the State competition. For more information, please call Randall Brown at 803.292.1353

PARISH MINISTRIES

Dear Parishioners: We are now publishing our list of ministries in two segments. They will appear on alternate weeks. **Ministries R – Y** are listed below.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES Anointing of the Sick	Please Contact the		803.649.4777
	Parish Office		
Altar Servers	Greg Hightower	jghightower@bellsouth.net	803.292.2457
Extraordinary Ministers	Alejandro &	sunvisionagvp@hotmail.com	803.257.3999
	Joely Leguizamon	joelygl@yahoo.com	803.270.4646
Homebound Ministries Communion to:	Donna Pierce	rampierce@atlanticbb.net	803.552.7714
Hospital	Cathy Brown	cgbteaches@gmail.com	843.615.3112
Homebound	Janiece Driscoll	janiece.driscoll@gmail.com	803.270.1119
Lectors	Margaret Mullen &	mmullen50@aol.com	803.270.0525
	Elizabeth Ryberg	bettyryberg@gmail.com	803.270.6403
Mass Music Ministry	Frank Deese	fdeese@charlestondiocese.org	706.550.5047
Perpetual Adoration	Ivy Monahon	jjmonahon@mindspring.com	803.292.6432
St. Joseph Altar Society	Karen Van Deren	kvanderen@charlestondioces.org	803.979.3181
OTHER MINISTRIES			
RCIA, CCD, Bible Studies	Mary Ellen Jackson	mjackson@charlestondiocese.org	803.507.1060
Rosary Makers	Doug McGuinness	dpmcg871@gmail.com	803.979.2271
Sankofa	Collette Ball &	collette.ball.crmh@statefarm.com	.803.295-6894
	Kim Anderson	kimaray@bellsouth.net	
Secular Franciscans	Karen Perry	kpagain@yahoo.com	803.646.0276
Single, Single Again	Carla Noziglia	skipncar@aol.com	803.979.2059
St. Vincent de Paul	Robert Cunningham	rccu1999@msn.com	803.640.9340
Sunday Morning Cafe	Jane Tillman	tillman3js@live.com	410.241-0647
Supper Club	Joan Pate	jandjpate@gmail.com	908.447.9715
That Man is You	Chris Ascherman &	chris.ascherman@pm.me	803.845.0568
	Derron Judd	derron.judd@gmail.com	803.439.2229
Tues. Morn. Men's Prayer Grp	Bill Collins		803.998.7191
Thurs. Morning Bible Study	Mary Ellen Jackson	mjackson@charlestondiocese.org	803.642.2676
Ushers/Greeters	Maryann Burgess	garnetgirlmb@gmail.com	803.215.1776
Wednesday Adult Bible Study	•	whittimp@gmail.com	865.599.8473
Wheelchair Express	George & Bobbie Sich	riverhost.rs@gmail.com	740.981.2961
			740.935.9713
Women's Retreats	Joan LaBone &	jlabone@charlestondiocese.org	803.215.7040
	Kathy Monahon	kmonahon@atlanticbb.net	
Young Adult Ministry (YAM)	Claire Benedict	claire.p.holkenbrink@gmail.com	765.628.2343
Youth Ministry	Joan LaBone	jlabone@charlestondiocese.org	803.215.7040

"Christ made my soul beautiful with the jewels of grace and virtue.

I belong to Him whom the angels serve."

FORMACIÓN CRISTIANA

LAS LECTURAS DE LAS ESCRITURA

del 15 de enero al 22 de enero 2023

Domingo: Is 49, 3. 5-6 Sal 39, 2. 4. 7-9. 10

1 Co 1, 1-3 Jn 1, 29-34

Lunes: Heb 5, 1-10 Sal 109, 1-4

Mc 2, 18-22

Martes: Heb 6, 10-20 Sal 110, 1-2. 4-5. 9-10

Mc 2, 23-28

Miércoles: Heb 7, 1-3. 15-17 Sal 109, 1-4

Mc 3, 1-6

Jueves: Heb 7, 25–8, 6 Sal 39, 7-10. 17

Mc 3, 7-12

Viernes: Heb 8, 6-13 Sal 84, 8 y 10-14

Mc 3, 13-19

Sábado: Heb 9, 2-3. 11-14 Sal 46, 2-3. 6-9

Mc 3, 20-21

Domingo siguiente: Is 8, 23–9, 3 Sal 26, 1.4. 13-14 1 Co 1, 10-13. 17 Mt 4, 12-23 o 4, 12-17

Las intenciones para las Misas diarias se encuentran en la pagina tres (3)



San Miguel Arcángel, defiéndenos en la batalla. Sé nuestro amparo contra la perversidad y asechanzas del demonio. Reprímale Dios, pedimos suplicantes, y tú príncipe de la Milicia Celestial, arroja al infierno con el divino poder a Satanás y a los otros espíritus malignos que andan dispersos por el mundo para la perdición de las almas. Amén.

ACTO DE COMUNIÓN ESPIRITUAL

Mi Jesús, Creo que estás realmente presente en el Santísimo Sacramento. Te amo por encima de todas las cosas y deseo poseerte dentro de mi alma. Ya que soy incapaz en este momento para recibirte sacramentalmente, ven al menos espiritualmente a mi corazón. Te abrazo como si ya estuvieras allí, y unirme totalmente a Ti. Nunca permitas que me separe de Ti. Amén

RITO DE INICIACIÓN CRISTIANA PARA ADULTOS (RICA)

El proceso de formación para adultos que necesitan Sacramentos de Bautismo, Comunión y/o Confirmación, se reúne los martes a las 7:00PM en el Smith Hall, arriba.

ESCUELA DE FORMACIÓN CRISTIANA (CCD) Grados 4K a 5°

Contacto: Sra. Mary Ellen Jackson mjackson@charlestondiocese.org or 803.642.2676

Estimados padres de estudiantes de $K - 5^{\circ}$:

Este domingo, el 15 de enero - No hay clases, fin de semana de Martin Luther King

el 22 de enero - Clase el 29 de enero - Clase

Primera Comunión: Si su hijo va a recibir la Primera Comunión, asegúrese de que sepa las oraciones que se enumeran a continuación. Por supuesto, asegúrese de llevar a su hijo a misa todas las semanas (o con más frecuencia).

Oraciones: Hemos comenzado a evaluar a sus hijos para ver qué tan bien conocen sus oraciones. Oren juntos a menudo el Padre Nuestro, Ave María, Gloria y (del 2 al 5 grado) el Acto de Contrición.

Padres de Primera Comunión: La Primera Confesión es el sábado 25 de febrero; solo faltan 6 semanas. Practique como confesarse con sus hijos.

UNIENDO LAZOS EN CRISTO Retiro Jóvenes y Padres

Sábado, febrero 18 de 8:00AM–5:00PM Salón Santa Angela \$20 por persona Jovenes de 15–20 años Habrá cuidado de niños

Anuncio de Avivamiento Eucarístico



Una oración para prepararse para recibir la Sagrada Comunión: "Dios todopoderoso y eterno, me acerco al sacramento de tu Hijo unigénito, nuestro Señor Jesucristo. Vengo enfermo al

médico de la vida, inmundo a la fuente de la misericordia, ciego a la luz del fulgor eterno, pobre y necesitado al Señor del cielo y de la tierra. Que reciba el Pan de los ángeles, el Rey de reyes y Señor de señores, con tal reverencia y humildad, tal contrición y devoción, tal pureza y fe, y tal resolución y determinación que asegure la salvación de mi alma. Concédeme que reciba no sólo el signo visible, sino también toda la realidad y potencia del sacramento, de modo que llegue a ser parte viva de su Cuerpo Místico y contado entre sus miembros". (Santo Tomás de Aquino, versión abreviada)

Puede encontrar más información sobre los sacramentos en nuestro sitio web parroquial www.stmarys-aiken.org

SAGRADO SACRAMENTOS

SANTO BAUTISMO

¡El nacimiento de un hijo es un gran regalo que necesita renacer a través de las aguas del Bautismo! Para bautizar a un niño en Sta. María, tenga en cuenta que al menos uno de los padres debe ser católico practicante, asistir regularmente a la Santa Misa, participar en la vida de la parroquia y estar registrado en Sta. María al menos tres meses antes de solicitar la fecha para el bautismo y ambos padres **deben** asistir a las sesiones prebautismales. Dado que los padrinos prometen ayudar a criar a su hijo en la práctica de la fe católica, ellos deben ser católicos practicantes en la parroquia que asisten y se les anima a asistir a las sesiones de preparación bautismal también. Las próximas clase sera hoy el 15 de enero de 2023. Es necesario registrarse para que podamos prepararnos para usted. Comuníquese con Luz Londoño al 803.480.6865.

SAGRADA COMUNIÓN Y CONFIRMACIÓN

Estos increíbles Sacramentos nos nutren y fortalecen en nuestra fe católica para que podamos vivir como "la luz del mundo" (San Mateo 5,14). *Tenga en cuenta*: los padres y los niños deben estar registrados en Sta. María, asistir fielmente a misa los domingos y los días de precepto. Los niños que no están inscritos en nuestra escuela católica deben asistir a un mínimo de dos años de clases de formación cristiana y cumplir con la política de asistencia. Para más información contactarse con: Sagrada Comunión: Mary Ellen Jackson al 803.642.2676 o mjackson@charlestondiocese.org.

Confirmación: Joan LaBone al 803.649.3049 o jlabone@charlestondiocese.org

SANTO MATRIMONIO

¡Felicidades! El mundo realmente necesita parejas fuertes y fieles en Cristo. La Diócesis de Charleston requiere una preparación mínima de seis meses para el Sacramento del Matrimonio, así que comuníquese con nosotros tan pronto como se comprometa para que podamos compartir su alegría y comenzar el proceso de reservar una fecha para su día especial. Por favor comprenda que no todas las fechas en la iglesia pueden estar disponibles. Para obtener más información, comuníquese con: Guadalupe Cortes al 803.845.9390.

Unción de Enfermos

¿Está gravemente enfermo, se enfrenta a una cirugía o es de edad avanzada? Reciba la gracia y la fuerza del Sacramento de la Unción de los Enfermos, el Sacramento de sanación de la Iglesia. Comuníquese con Mary Frei al: 803.649.4777 ext. 114 o mfrei@charlestondiocese.org.

ESPACIO DE NUESTRO PÁRROCO

Queridos hermanos en Cristo,

Pensando en la infancia de uno, una de las cosas que a menudo viene a la mente es aprender a decir "gracias". Parece extraño que tal cosa tenga que ser un comportamiento aprendido. A medida que envejecemos y reflexionamos sobre el amor y los sacrificios que otros hacen por nosotros, creo que se vuelve más fácil ver y apreciar la importancia de expresar gratitud a quienes nos rodean.

Primero, una palabra de agradecimiento de parte de toda la parroquia. La temporada navideña llegó a un magnífico final la semana pasada con nuestra celebración de la Epifanía del Señor. Como siempre, los "duendes" de la iglesia se superaron a sí mismos al adornar nuestras tres hermosas iglesias. ¡Tengo que decir que siempre estoy asombrado de lo que hacen! Un especial "¡Gracias!" Agradecemos a todos los que ayudaron de alguna manera no solo por dedicar horas de su tiempo a hacer que las cosas fueran especiales para nosotros visualmente, sino también por la igualmente difícil tarea de quitar todo y guardarlo con cuidado hasta el próximo año.

Segundo: la visita de nuestro obispo del domingo pasado salió muy bien gracias a la ayuda de muchos de ustedes. Sacristánes, coordinadores de Misas, diáconos, los mejores monaguillos, coros, ujieres y muchos más ayudaron para que viviéramos Misas gloriosas. Luego, un equipo increíble se reunió para una fantástica recepción de bienvenida en Sta. Ángela con deliciosa comida disponible para todos. ¡Gracias a todos los que ayudaron a la parroquia a dar una cálida bienvenida al obispo Fabre!

Mi nota final de agradecimiento es personal. Todos ustedes han sido muy amables al ofrecer sus oraciones, apoyo y más a mí y a mi familia por la muerte de mi padre. Desde el fondo de mi corazón, gracias por su amor y apoyo. De hecho, es muy consolador.

Para todos los adoradores que oran en la Capilla de Sta. Claire, me complace anunciar que finalmente hemos encontrado los reclinatorios "correctos" para reemplazar los más bien torpes, pesados y desintegrados que hemos usado durante décadas. Instalamos un reclinatorio de "prueba" y han expresado su satisfacción. Se están ordenando más de estos reclinatorios para que podamos equipar toda la capilla.

Para aquellos de ustedes que tienen audífonos con capacidad Bluetooth, finalmente pronto estaremos listos para conectarlos directamente a nuestro sistema de sonido. Estén atentos a más información. Esto será de gran ayuda para muchos e incluso más fácil que las ayudas que actualmente usamos.

Además, me complace anunciar que además de los nichos de columbario que tenemos en el jardín de rosas al lado de la iglesia, ahora tenemos nichos de columbario disponibles en nuestro cementerio Calvary, donde descansan tantas generaciones de la parroquia.

Agradecidamente suyo en Cristo, Padre Wilson

MINISTERIO JUVENIL

Grados 6° – 12°

Contacto: Sra. Joan Marie LaBone jlabone@charlestondiocese.org o 803.215.7040

Por favor inscríbase a las sesiones dominicales de la mañana para los grados 6-8. Los formularios de inscripción están en nuestra página web bajo Formation, Middle School.

Domingo 9:45-10:45 AM Grados 6-8

15 de enero- No hay clases

MINISTERIO JUVENIL ESCUELA INTERMEDIA (GR. 5-8) O LIFE NIGHT (GR. 9-12)

15 de enero - ¡Noche en el gimnasio de la escuela secundaria y preparatoria! Prepárate para la cena de lasaña.

16 de enero - ¡Vuelve nuestra cena de lasaña! 5-7pm en Salón Santa Ángela.

22 de enero - Life Teen

29 de enero - No hay ministerio juvenil esta noche



ESCUELA PARROQUIAL DE SANTA MARÍA

118 York Street SE, Aiken, SC 29801

Sra. Laura Webster, Principal 803.649.2071 Fax: 803.643.0092 www.stmaryschoolaiken.com

Horario de oficina de la escuela es lunes a viernes 7:30AM – 3:30PM

Oportunidades de empleo

La escuela católica St. Mary Help of Christians está buscando un especialista en STEM de tiempo completo para el año escolar 2023-2024. Los solicitantes deben estar certificados y/o ser elegibles para la certificación SC.

El solicitante calificado debe enviar su currículum y carta de presentación a la oficina principal por correo, en persona o electrónicamente a office@stmaryschoolaiken.com.

La escuela católica St. Mary Help of Christians está buscando un maestro de escuela primaria de tiempo completo para el año escolar 2023-2024.

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EVENTOS PARA LA PROXIMA SEMANA

Domingo, 15 de enero					
8:30ам	Misa en inglés	Iglesia Nueva			
9:45ам	Clases de Formación	J			
	Cristiano	No hay clase			
9:45ам	Ministerio Juvenil	No hay clase			
9:45ам	Preparación para				
	Bautismo	Smith Hall			
11:00ам	Misa en inglés	Iglesia Nueva			
11:00ам	Práctica de coro	San Miguel			
12:00рм	Kermes	San Angela			
1:00рм	Misa en español	Iglesia Nueva			
Lunes, 16 de	enero				
5:30рм	Misa en inglés	Iglesia Antigua			
5:45рм	9	Smith Hall			
Martes, 17 de	e enero				
5:30рм	Misa en inglés	Iglesia Antigua			
7:00рм		San Miguel			
7:00рм	RICA	Smith Hall			
Miércoles, 18					
8:20ам	Misa en inglés	Iglesia Nueva			
7:00рм	Misa en español	Iglesia Antigua			
Jueves, 19 de					
5:30рм	Misa en inglés	Iglesia Antigua			
7:00рм		Iglesia Antigua			
Viernes, 20 d					
	Misa en inglés	Iglesia Antigua			
Sábado, 21 de enero					
8:00am	Misa en inglés	Iglesia Antigua			
5:00рм	5 , 5 ,	Iglesia Nueva			
Domingo, 22 de enero					
8:30ам	Misa en inglés	Iglesia Nueva			
9:45ам	Clases de Formación C				
9:45AM	Ministerio Juvenil	Bosco			
11:00ам	Misa en inglés	Iglesia Nueva			
11:00ам	Práctica de coro	San Miguel			
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1:00рм	Misa en español	Iglesia Nueva			

Inscripción 2023-2024

La Escuela de Sta. María está aceptando solicitudes de inscripción para el año escolar 2023-2024. Los planes de pago mensual están disponibles para todas las familias. Todos los solicitantes pueden aplicar para ayuda financiera hasta el 1 de marzo. Los feligreses católicos también son elegibles para tarifas de matrícula con descuento. Para obtener más información, visite el sitio web de la escuela en stmaryschoolaiken.com o llame a la oficina de la escuela al (803) 649 -2071.

MINISTERIOS PARROQUIALES

MINISTERIOS LITÚRGICOS

Unción de los Enfermos	Por favor comunicarse con la oficina parroquial		803.649.4777
Monaguillos	Sonia Jiménez	soniajimgus@gmail.com	803.508.5370
Ministros Extraordinarios de la Sagrada Comunión	Alejandro y Joely Leguizamon	sunvisionagvp@hotmail.com joelygl@yahoo.com	803.247.3999
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Monitores	Antonia Tadeo	tadeoantonia1983@yahoo.com	803.643.2967
Pequeña Comunidad de fe: "Dios Está Aquí"	Aura Pérez	marinaperez0930@gmail.com	803.295.6388
Pequeña Comunidad de fe: "Santa María"	Josafat Esteban y Diana Strom		803.641.9553 803.686.0094
Pequeña Comunidad de fe: "Santisima Trinidad"	Carlos Fierros Lopez		803.336.8084
Pre-matrimoniales	Juan y Guadalupe Cortes	gtadeo72@gmail.com	803.845.9390
Preparación para Bautismo	Luz Lodoño		803.480.6865
RICA	H. Ana Gema Villafaña Ruiz y H. Martha Zuniga		803.989.9440 803.645.3666

LLEVANDO LA FE AL HOGAR, LA IGLESIA DOMESTICA

Esta semana celebramos la fiesta de San Antonio, Abad. San Antonio vivió alrededor del año 300 dC. Nació en Egipto en el seno de una familia adinerada. Su corazón se conmovió al escuchar las palabras "Si quieres ser perfecto, anda, vende lo que tienes y dalo a los pobres, y tendrás tesoro en el cielo" (Mt 19,21) y "No se preocupen por el día de mañana; pues el mañana se preocupará por si mismo" (Mt 6,34). Vendió todo lo que tenía (guardando lo suficiente para cuidar a su hermana), y se mudó al desierto para vivir una vida de pobreza, soledad, oración y mortificación. Memorizó toda la Biblia. Otros que lo admiraban vinieron a vivir cerca de él y él los ayudó a aprender a vivir como él lo hacía; luego se mudó al desierto más lejos. Conocemos la vida de Antonio porque San Atanasio (que vivió en la misma época) escribió una biografía de él; puedes leer ese libro hoy. En Iconografía a menudo tiene un cerdo; una historia es que un demonio vino a atormentarlo disfrazado de cerdo, pero Antonio fue amable con el cerdo-demonio, diciendo "incluso esta es una de las criaturas de Dios". Esta semana pase tiempo en silencio. Lea la Biblia. Coman jamón para la cena. Memoricen algunos versículos. Salga a caminar en el "desierto". Conozca a Antonio.



KERMES

Se invita a la comunidad parroquial a participar en la Kermes mensual, donde tendremos antojitos mexicanos: Tacos, tamales, tostadas, sopes, ensaladas, tostadas de carne asada, tostadas de ceviche, frutas, postres, aguas frescas.

¡Hoy! 15 de enero

Hora: de 12:00 del medio día hasta las 3:00рм Donde: Salón Santa Angela

El costo depende de la comida seleccionada ¡Ven! ¡Participa! ¡Convive! ¡Colabora! ¡Te esperamos!

FOOD BAZAAR

You are invited to attend the monthly Hispanic Food Bazaar (Kermes). Enjoy favorite Mexican foods: Tacos, tamales, tostadas, sopes, ensaladas, tostadas, frutas, postres, aguas frescas.

Today! January 15th

12 Noon – 3:00рм in St. Angela Hall

Cost depends on food selected Please join us! We are waiting for you!



ST. MARY'S AND AIKEN SHEPEARD BLOOD CENTER WILL HOST A BLOOD DRIVE AT:

HITCHCOCK PLAZA 353 FABIAN DRIVE, AIKEN, SC 29803

Saturday, February 4 and Tuesday, February 7 thru Saturday, February 11 The center is closed on Sunday and Monday

To expedite your time in the center we recommend the following:

- Call 803.643.7996 for an appointment
- Tell them you are donating for St. Mary's
- At the front desk please ask for & sign the St. Mary's sign-in sheet
- Fill out your health questionnaire online the day of the drive.

There is an urgent need for all blood types. Your blood is needed to help support patients in our local hospitals.

It takes all types of blood to save lives!
Please donate!

SANTA MARÍA Y AIKEN SHEPEARD BLOOD CENTER ORGANIZARÁ LA CAMPAÑA DE DONACIÓN DE SANGRE EN: PLAZA DE HITCHCOCK 353 FABIAN SECO, AIKEN, SC 29803

sábado 4 de febrero y 7 al 11 de febrero

El centro está cerrado los domingos y lunes Para agilizar su proceso una vez en el centro le recomendamos lo siguiente:

- Llame al 803.643.7996 para una cita
- Dígales que está donando para St. Mary's
- En la recepción, solicite y firme la hoja de registro de St Mary.
- Complete su cuestionario de salud el día del evento

Hay necesidad urgente de todos los tipos de sangre. Se necesita su sangre para ayudar a apoyar a los pacientes en nuestros hospitales locales. ¡Se necesitan todos los tipos de sangre para salvar vidas! NOTA: Toda la información que proporcione es confidencial.

Game/Card Party









What: Fun, Fellowship, Door Prizes, Breakfast Breads

and a Light Lunch

Who: Men and Women Where: St. Angela Hall

When: Saturday, February 4, 2023

Time: 9:30 AM - 2:30 PM Cost: \$15.00 per person



Bring your party of 2,3,4 or more and your favorite game - Chess, Rummy, Canasta, Bridge, Mah Jongg, Backgammon, Scrabble....

Proceeds benefit: Our Lady of the Valley Food Pantry and Aiken Free Medical Clinic

To reserve a table, call: 803.648.8671 or 803.648.7188 by January 28th.









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