



ST. MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS CATHOLIC CHURCH
THE 7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER – MAY 12, 2024

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD



So then the Lord Jesus, after he spoke to them, was taken up into heaven and took his seat at the right hand of God. But they went forth and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the word through accompanying signs. - Mk 16:19-20

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 return it to the parish office.

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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

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Please See Page 2 for New Office Hours

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. 5:30PM - Old St. Mary's

Wednesday 8:20AM - Church

Miércoles 7:00PM - Old St. Mary's

Thursday Nursing Home 10:00AM

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

CONFESSIONS

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

Wed. 6:15-6:45PM - Old St. Mary's

Saturday 3:30 - 4:30PM - Church

Sunday 12:30PM - Spanish - Church

PERPETUAL ADORATION - Ste Claire Chapel

ROSARY - Before Daily Mass

LIVE STREAM MASS (ON YOUTUBE)

Sunday 11:00AM Mass

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".

NURSERY

THERE IS **NO NURSERY ON MAY 12**

It is usually available during 8:30 & 11:00AM Sunday Masses in Mother Teresa Conference Room - Ages 6 months to less than 5 years.

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

PARISH CLERGY

Very Rev. Richard C. Wilson, VF, Pastor

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A Map of St. Mary's Campus can be found at:

Page 1 <https://www.stmarys-aiken.org/campus-map>

TOTALS AS OF SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2024

ENVELOPE/CASH OFFERTORY	May 5	\$ 22,548.00
ONLINE OFFERTORY FOR	May 5	\$ 13,425.00
TOTAL ANNUAL BUDGET		\$ 1,924,000.00

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.

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

THE PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday
8:30AM - 12NOON; 1:00PM - 4:30PM

Closed for lunch from 12NOON - 1:00PM

Wednesday, 8:30AM - 1:30PM

After 1:30PM on Wednesdays the staff is available only by prior appointment.

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED MEMORIAL DAY, MONDAY, MAY 27TH

The office will re-open at 8:30AM,
Tuesday, May 28th



GIFT SHOP IS CLOSED TODAY

The Gift Shop will NOT be open May 12 or May 19. We will open again on Sunday, May 26 from 9:00AM to 1:00PM.

PASTOR'S CORNER

+JMJ+

Title: New Organ at Historic St. Mary's
Dear Friends in Christ,

Music is integral to the fulness of Catholic worship. And for centuries, the Church has upheld the organ as the principal musical accompaniment. Because of the stationary character of organs, their size, and their expense, the development of the organ, its use, and its repertory have been intimately intertwined with worship and liturgy of the Church.

Our pipe organ at Historic St. Mary's was in bad need of restoration. Accordingly, a project was initiated to renovate the existing pipe organ. A firm was selected, but the COVID interruption and financial issues at the company prevented the possibility of repairing the old pipe organ. Also, waiting lists for a quality organ restoration firm were about two-three years. Therefore, it was decided to purchase an electronic digital organ. The parish again decided to go with the Allen Organ Company, the foremost electronic organ builder.

Under the guidance of our parish musician, Frank Deese, we chose a French terraced console. The organ stops are organized in terraces to the side of the keyboards rather than in a single block-like formation. The principal benefit is a shorter profile of the console, allowing the organist to see over the console.

These terraces organize the stops by keyboard. The top terrace contains the stops for the top keyboard, the middle terrace for the lower keyboard, and the third terrace for the pedalboard. Additionally, the stops are grouped linearly in families. From left to right these families are the strings, the flue, the mixtures, and the reeds. This also is easy to use because one can pull out a family of stops with one hand more easily.

This newer digital organ comes with the advancement of technology, even in the short time between the purchase of the Allen organ at new St. Mary's. There are 128 memories in the new organ at Historic St. Mary's compared to 18 in the organ in the new church. This gives the ability to set up the organ for multiple services and multiple organists.

The sounds that a digital organ makes are sound samples that are taken from actual, existing pipe organs. With the advancement of technology, the amount of information stored for each note of each stop has greatly increased, giving a more realistic sound. Additionally, the new organ has sound suites available, giving the organist different historical sound and regional samples, such as: French romantic, German baroque, American classic, among others. This gives greater versatility to the organ.

Our new organ at Historic St. Mary's was purchased from funds donated for the Bicentennial Capital Campaign. Thanks so much to all who gave so very generously to make this new organ a reality for our parish!

All the best...in Christ, Father Wilson



PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION IN STE CLAIRE CHAPEL

"Could you not keep watch for one hour?" Mk. 14:37

Ready to try a weekly holy hour with Jesus?

We have great need for an adorer on **Thursdays at 3PM**. Can you help? For this or a different hour, please go to the Adoration webpage at: <https://www.stmarys-aiken.org/perpetual-eucharistic-adoration>, or contact one of the Divisional Leaders:

MDNT.-6AM Tom Henry 803.642.6893 (no text)
6AM-Noon Ken Boucher 803.226.4639
Noon-6PM Janice Suhrer 803.645.6105
6PM-MDNT. Joan Pate 803.226.0263

CHURCH TOUR WITH FATHER WILSON

Fr. Wilson will give a tour of our beautiful church on Fairfield St. on **Saturday, May 18th at 10:30AM**. Sign up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040448AAA62BABFA7-46785020-church>

Limit of 30 participants. Questions? Contact Mary Ellen Jackson at mjackson@charlestandiocese.org or 803.642.2676

MANDATORY ALTAR SERVER TRAINING/MEETING

(Parents may attend)

Sunday, June 2, 2024 2:30 to 3:30PM

In the church

(Lead Servers and Server Educators
2:30 to 4:00PM)

If you cannot attend, please contact:

Paul V. Gaynor, Altar Server Ministry Coordinator, at paulvjg324@gmail.com or 908.692.9547.

ALTAR FLOWER GIFTS

If you would like to offer a gift of flowers to honor our Lord and someone special to you, contact Karen Van Deren at kvanderen@charlestandiocese.org or 803.979.3181. Due to the rising costs of flowers we are increasing the donation request to \$300 for two altar arrangements.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

For food or financial assistance call 803.642.3211
Open Monday – Thursday 9:00AM – 1:00PM
Closed On Fridays.

READINGS FOR May 12 – May 19

Sunday: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11 Ps 47:2-3, 6-9
Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13
Mk 16:15-20

Seventh Sunday of Easter: Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26
Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20 1 Jn 4:11-16
Jn 17:11b-19

Monday: Acts 19:1-8 Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd,
6-7ab Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26 Ps 113:1-8
Jn 15:9-17

Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38 Ps 68: 29-30,
33-36b Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11 Ps 16:1-2a and
5, 7- 11 Jn 17:20-26

Friday: Acts 25:13b-21 Ps 103:1-2, 11-12,
19-20ab Jn 21:15-19

Saturday: Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31
Ps 11:4, 5 and 7 Jn 21:20-25

Next Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b
or Ez 37:1-14 or J1 3:1-5 Ps 104:1-2, 24,
35, 27-30 Rom 8:22-27 Jn 7:37-39

Day: Acts 2:1-11 Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34
1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25
Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

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HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, May 12

8:30AM Reid Bohning
11:00AM Penny Goergen
1:00PM For All the People
of the Parish
5:00PM Charles Smith

Monday, May 13

5:30PM Brendan Browne

Tuesday, May 14

5:30PM Nancy Clark
Wednesday, May 15
8:20AM Paul Maddux
7:00PM Rosara Montoya
(L)

Thursday, May 16

10:00AM Barclay House
Nicholas Cogelia
5:30PM Mary J. Schillo

Friday, May 17

5:30PM Anna Hewitt

Saturday, May 18

8:00AM Sanctity of Life from
Conception to Natural
Death
5:00PM Charles Murphy
Anthony Schilkowski
James Corley
Sotak Family (L) & (D)
Dalariarte Family (L)
Robert & Betty Pewtress (L)

Sunday, May 19

8:30AM George Wilson Sr.
11:00AM Eugenio M. Santo
Huertas
1:00PM Fr. Thomas
Whittingham (L)
5:00PM For All the People
of the Parish

(L) Denotes Living

WHEELCHAIR EXPRESS -- SUNDAY MORNINGS

The Wheelchair Express is available for those who need help from curb to pew at 8:30AM and 11:00AM Sunday Masses. We especially need volunteers for the 11:00AM Mass. Please contact George or Bobbi Sich at riverhost.rs@gmail.com or 740.981.2961 or 740.935.9713 for information or to volunteer.

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 is **Sunday, May 26, 2024 at 10:00AM** in Smith Hall. Registration is necessary so that we can prepare for you. Please contact Chris Ascherman at 803.845.0568. 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 contact: Joan LaBone at 803.215.7040 or jlaborne@charlestandioocese.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. 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, call 803.649.4777 ext.114 to leave a message for Kimberly Gaynor.

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. Call 803.649.4777 ext. 113.

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

NEXT SCHEDULED BAPTISM DATE (ENGLISH)

June 1, 2024 – 11:00AM in the church on Fairfield

- Baptism preparation class must have been completed.
- All paperwork must be submitted to the office one month prior to the date of Baptism.

For more information or to schedule a Baptism, please call the parish office at 803.649.4777

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA)

RCIA is over for this year, but plan to attend when we return in Fall. Check back for more information. We will be meeting Tuesdays at 6:00 - 7:30PM in Mother Teresa Hall. For more information, contact Mary Ellen Jackson at mjackson@charlestandioocese.org or 803.642.2676

CATHOLIC YOUTH FORMATION AND YOUTH MINISTRY

CONTACT: MRS. JOAN MARIE LABONE
JLABONE@CHARLESTONDIOCESE.ORG
803.215.7040

Sunday and Tuesday Formation is on break for the summer. Please watch for registration for the 24/25 school year.

May 12—No Youth Ministry, Celebrate and honor your mom!

May 19—Life Teen

May 26— Baccalaureate Masses at the 1PM and 5PM Masses. High School Seniors, please wear your cap and gowns and join us!

Grades 6-12—Help is needed for our Summer Camp Catholic—Vacation Bible School, SCUBA! We need crew leaders, help with leading activities and snack time helpers. This will be June 17-21 in the morning. Come share your enthusiasm for our faith! Call, text or email Mrs. LaBone to let us know you can help! jlaborne@charlestandioocese.org, 803.215.7040

OUR LADY OF PEACE CATHOLIC CHURCH, NORTH AUGUSTA IS SEEKING A PART TIME BOOKKEEPER 25-30 HOURS PER WEEK

Candidate must possess a minimum accounting certificate or at least one year's experience in bookkeeping or equivalent in a similar position. For more information, please visit www.olpchurchna.org

AA OPEN MEETING

AA open meeting at 7:00AM Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday in Smith Hall (next to Old St. Mary's church). Newcomers are welcome!

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, May 12 The Ascension of the Lord

8:30AM	Mass	Church
9:45AM	Café	Mother Teresa
11:00AM	Mass	Church
1:00PM	Mass in Spanish	Church
5:00PM	Mass	Church

Monday, May 13

9:00AM	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Smith Hall
4:45PM	Confessions	Old St. Mary's
5:30PM	Mass	Old St. Mary's
6:00PM	Cursillo Ultreya	St. Michael Hall

Tuesday, May 14

6:30AM	Rosary	Old St. Mary's
7:00AM	Men's Prayer Group	Smith Hall Down
2:00PM	Stephen Ministry	St. Michael Hall
3:30PM	Grief Share	Mother Teresa
3:30PM	Legion of Mary	Smith Hall Down
4:45PM	Confessions	Old St. Mary's
5:30PM	Mass	Old St. Mary's
6:00PM	NO RCIA-English	Summer Break

Wednesday, May 15

8:20AM	School Mass	Church
9:30AM	Adult Bible Study	St. Michael Hall
1:00PM	Millions of Monicas	Smith Hall Down
2:30PM	Legion of Mary	Smith Hall Down
6:15PM	Confessions	Old St. Mary's
7:00PM	Mass in Spanish	Old St. Mary's

Thursday, May 16

11:15AM	Adult Bible Study	Smith Hall
4:45PM	Confessions	Old St. Mary's
5:30PM	Mass	Old St. Mary's

Friday, May 17

10:00AM	Book Club	St. Michael Hall
4:45PM	Confessions	Old St. Mary's
5:30PM	Mass	Old St. Mary's

Saturday, May 18

8:00AM	Mass	Old St. Mary's
3:30PM	Confessions	Church
5:00PM	Mass	Church

Sunday, May 19

8:30AM	Mass	Church
9:45AM	Café	Mother Teresa
11:00AM	Mass	Church
1:00PM	Mass in Spanish	Church
5:00PM	Mass	Church

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH, EDGEFIELD, SC

BUILDING RESTORATION GOLF TOURNAMENT

Saturday, May 18th
Mount Vintage Golf Club
North Augusta, SC

For more information contact Dan Bergtholdt
803.508.3506 or Trshhlr77@gmail.com

PARISH PERKS!

Join us for coffee and fellowship after the
Sunday 8:30AM Mass in St. Michael Hall

**THE CHILDREN'S NURSERY IS NOT AVAILABLE
TODAY, MAY 12TH.**

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

Join us **Wednesdays, 9:30 to 11:00AM** in St. Michael Hall as we study the first letter of St. Peter. If you have questions contact Martha Whittingham at whittimp@gmail.com or 865.599.8473

THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY

Thursday bible study is reading the Gospel of Luke. Thursdays at 11:15AM in Smith Hall. All are welcome! Just bring your Bible. For more information contact Mary Ellen Jackson at 803.642.2676 or mjackson@charlestandioocese.org.

FRIDAY BOOK CLUB

This group meets **Fridays, at 10:00AM in St. Michael Hall.** We are reading *Enter the Narrow Gate, St. Benedict's Steps to Christian Maturity* by Susan Muto. All are welcome. Questions? Contact Mary Ellen at mjackson@charlestandioocese.org or 803.642.2676.

CWA SPRING DINNER **MAY 16, 6:00PM**

The Catholic Women's Association's General Meeting and Closing Dinner will be this Thursday, May 16, in St. Angela's Hall at 6:00PM. All women of the parish are invited to attend after 5:30PM Mass. What's Cooking will catered the dinner. Entrees will be Poppy Seed Chicken and Shepherd's Pie. CWA members will be providing desserts to sample. There is no cost for the dinner, but donations will be gladly accepted at the door to defray food costs. Bound to Sing, Aiken's local boys' choir, will be our entertainment for the evening. **To register** contact Chris Jakubec at cjakubec@aol.com **before May 14.**

ST. MARY'S CHURCH & AIKEN SHEPARD BLOOD CENTER WILL HOST A BLOOD DRIVE AT:

Hitchcock Place – 353 Fabian Drive, Aiken

The third campaign for 2024 runs May 1 through June 29. To expedite your time at the center we recommend that you call 803.643.7996 for an appointment & fill out the questionnaire online the day you donate. Tell them that you are donating for St. Mary's of Aiken. Thank You!



ST. MARY'S PARISH SCHOOL
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 Ph: 803.649.2071 Fax: 803.643.0092
 www.stmaryschoolaiken.com

OFFICE HOURS: MON – FRI 7:30AM–3:30PM

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

St. Mary Help of Christians Catholic School is seeking for the 2024-2025 school year:

- A full-time elementary teacher
- A full-time junior high Math teacher
- A full-time junior high English language arts teacher

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

FAREWELL FOR OUR MISSIONARY SISTERS!

Sister Ana Gema and Sister Martha will be returning to their Mother House in Guadalajara, Mexico at the end of June, 2024.

Please join us in thanking them for their service in our parish and to wish them well in their next assignments.

Sunday, June 23 2:30 - 5:00PM

St. Angela Hall

Please bring a dish to share.

THE DOMESTIC CHURCH

Tomorrow, Monday, May 13th is the anniversary of the first apparition of Our Lady of Fatima. In this apparition, Mary appeared to three shepherd children in 1917. The miracle of the sun in October was seen by 70,000 people and documented by reporters. Pictures of the newspapers are easy to find on-line. This week pray the rosary as a family. Watch the 1952 movie Our Lady of Fatima or some other movie (some are listed with FORMED information). Enjoy some Portuguese food.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS YARD SALE

NEXT FRIDAY & SATURDAY MAY 17 & 18

Please donate household items, baby and kitchen items, lamps, furniture, tools, jewelry, antiques, clothing, books, toys, bedding, outdoor furniture.

For pick ups or to deliver your donations call Mark (803.634.1437) or Dennis (803.507.0066).

UNEXPECTED PREGNANCY?

You are not alone! Free help resources:

Respect Life Ministry – 803.634.3171

Life Choices Pregnancy Care Center

803.648.9890 <https://pregnancyaiken.com>

Birthright – Columbia 803.765.0165; 24/7 Helpline

1.800.550.4900 or <https://birthright.org>

THE EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL



The Eucharist is also the sacrifice of the Church. The Church which is the Body of Christ participates in the offering of her Head. With him, she herself is offered whole and entire. She unites herself to his intercession with the Father for all men. In the Eucharist the sacrifice of Christ becomes also the sacrifice of the members of his Body. The lives of the faithful, their praise, sufferings, prayer, and work, are united with those of Christ and with his total offering, and so acquire a new value. Christ's sacrifice present on the altar makes it possible for all generations of Christians to be united with his offering. (CCC 1368)

FORMED

FORMED has great programming for the whole family - kids, teens, adults.

It has movies, other videos, audio, and books.

This week we remember the visions at Fatima.

The Day the Sun Danced for children: <https://watch.formed.org/videos/the-day-the-sun-danced-the-true-story-of-fatima>

Finding Fatima, a documentary: <https://watch.formed.org/finding-fatima/videos/finding-fatima>

Fatima: Hope for the World, a series of 13 very short videos about Fatima and Mary's message: <https://watch.formed.org/fatima-1>

Not on FORMED? Sign up at www.formed.org/signup, enter Aiken, SC, then choose St. Mary Help of Christians

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY PICK-UP SOCCER

Ages 18-35 Next match May 20th

First and third Mondays, 7–8PM at Generations Park, 700 Mack Henry Holland Dr. Join us for a fun and laid back match! Message Elizabeth 803.624.2026 or Grace 706.993.8004 with questions.

BISHOPS' INITIATIVE ON MARRIAGE

Happy Mother's Day to all mothers! Allow Jesus to be Lord of your marriage relationship. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on Nov. 15-17, 2024 in North Myrtle Beach, SC and Jan. 31-Feb 2, 2025 in North Myrtle Beach, SC. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: <https://SCMarriageMatters.org> or contact us at applications@scmarriagematters.org or 803.810.9602.

ATTENTION! BULLETIN DEADLINES

Bulletin information needs to be turned in to the office no less than 10 working days prior to the desired Sunday. Holiday deadlines are earlier. For more information, please contact Frances in the Parish Office, 803.649.4777

ESPACIO DE NUESTRO PÁRROCO

La música es parte integrante de la plenitud del culto católico. Y durante siglos, la Iglesia ha mantenido el órgano como el principal acompañamiento musical. Debido al carácter estacionario de los órganos, a su tamaño y a su costo, el desarrollo del órgano, su uso y su repertorio han estado íntimamente entrelazados con el culto y a la liturgia de la Iglesia.

Nuestro órgano de tubos del Santa María Histórica necesitaba urgentemente una restauración. En consecuencia, se inició un proyecto para renovar el órgano de tubos existente. Se seleccionó una empresa, pero la interrupción de COVID y los problemas financieros de la empresa impidieron la posibilidad de reparar el antiguo órgano de tubos. Además, las listas de espera para una empresa de restauración de órganos de calidad eran de entre dos y tres años. Por ello, se decidió adquirir un órgano electrónico digital. La parroquia decidió de nuevo optar por la Allen Organ Company, el principal fabricante de órganos electrónicos.

Bajo la dirección de nuestro músico parroquial, Frank Deese, elegimos una consola de terraza francesa. En este estilo, los registros del órgano están organizadas en terrazas al lado de los teclados en lugar de en una forma de bloque único. El principal beneficio es un perfil más corto de la consola, lo que permite al organista ver por encima de la consola.

Estas terrazas organizan los registros mediante teclados. La terraza superior contiene los registros para el teclado superior, la terraza del medio el teclado inferior y la tercera terraza la pedalera. Además, los registros se agrupan linealmente en familias. De izquierda a derecha, estas familias son las cuerdas, las flautas, las mezclas y las lengüetas. Esto también es sencillo de usar porque se puede sacar más fácilmente una familia de registros con una mano.

Este nuevo órgano digital llega con el avance de la tecnología, incluso en el corto tiempo transcurrido entre la compra del órgano Allen en la nueva Santa María. Hay 128 memorias en el nuevo órgano de Santa María Histórica en comparación con las 18 en el órgano de la nueva iglesia. Esto brinda la posibilidad de configurar el órgano para múltiples servicios y múltiples organistas.

Los sonidos que produce un órgano digital son muestras de sonidos tomados de órganos de tubos reales y existentes. Con el avance de la tecnología, la cantidad de información almacenada para cada nota de cada parada ha aumentado considerablemente, dando un sonido más realista. Además, el nuevo órgano cuenta con suites sonoras disponibles, brindándole al organista diferentes muestras de sonoras históricas y regionales, como: romántico francés, barroco alemán, clásico americano, entre otros. Esto le da mayor versatilidad al órgano.

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FORMACIÓN CRISTIANA

LAS LECTURAS DE LAS ESCRITURAS DEL 12 DE MAYO AL 19 DE MAYO 2024

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Mc 16, 15-20

Séptimo Domingo de Pascua: Hch 1, 15-17. 20-26
Sal 102, 1-2. 11-12. 19-20 1 Jn 4, 11-16
Jn 17, 11-19

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Martes: Hch 1, 15-17. 20-26 Sal 112, 1-8
Jn 15, 9-17

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Jn 17, 11-19

Jueves: Hch 22, 30; 23, 6-11 Sal 15, 1-2 y
5. 7-11 Jn 17, 20-26

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SITIO WEB DE LA PARROQUIA

La mayor parte de la información en el sitio web de la parroquia ahora está disponible en español. Haga clic en la bandera mexicana en la esquina superior derecha de la página de inicio en

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EL HORARIO DE LA OFICINA PARROQUIAL

Lunes, martes, jueves y viernes

8:30AM - 12 DEL MEDIODÍA

1:00PM - 4:30PM

Cerrado para el almuerzo de 12:00PM a 1:00PM

Miércoles - 8:30AM - 1:30PM

Los miércoles, el personal estará disponible solo con cita previa después de la 1:30PM.

LA OFICINA PARROQUIAL ESTARÁ CERRADA DÍA DE LOS CAÍDOS, LUNES 27 DE MAYO. La oficina volverá a abrir a las 8:30AM martes, 28 de mayo

Nuestro nuevo órgano en Santa María Histórica se compró con fondos donados para la Campaña Capital del Bicentenario. ¡Muchas gracias a todos los que dieron tan generosamente para hacer realidad este nuevo órgano para nuestra parroquia!

Todo lo mejor ... en Cristo, Padre Wilson

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. 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 clases se llevarán a cabo el 19 & 26 de mayo.** 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: Joan LaBone al jlaborne@charlestandiocese.org o 803.215.7040.

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. Para registrarse y obtener más información por favor comuníquese con Sonia Jimenes 803.508.5370 o con la Hna. Ana Gema 803.989.9440

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 803.649.4777 ext. 113.

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

PRÓXIMA FECHA DE BAUTISMO (ESPAÑOL)

8 de junio 2024 a las 11:00AM

en la iglesia en la calle Fairfield.

- Las clases de preparación para el bautismo deben haber sido completadas
- Toda la documentación deben presentarse en la oficina un mes antes de la fecha del bautismo.

Para obtener más información o si desea programar un bautismo, llame a la oficina parroquial al 802.649.4777

RITO DE INICIACIÓN CRISTIANA PARA ADULTOS (RICA)

El programa de formación para adultos que requieren los Sacramentos de Bautismo, Comunión y/o Confirmación, son los martes de 7:00 a 9:00PM en el Smith Hall. Para información puede acudir con las hermanas Ana Gema a 803.989.9440 or Martha a 803.645.3666 o el equipo de RICA.

FORMACIÓN CATÓLICA PARA JÓVENES Y MINISTERIO JUVENIL

CONTACTO: SRA. JOAN MARIE LABONE

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Las clases de formación de los domingos y martes está en receso durante el verano. Por favor, esté atento a la inscripción para el año escolar 24/25.

12 de mayo - No habrá ministerio juvenil. ¡Celebra y honra a tu mamá!

¡Muy pronto! ¡Reuniones de Ministerio Juvenil para los meses de verano!

19 de mayo - Life Teen

26 de mayo - **Misas de Bachillerato** a las 1:00PM y 5:00PM. Graduandos de secundaria, ¡usen su toga y birrete y únense a nosotros!

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LA TIENDA DE REGALOS

La tienda de regalos **estará cerrado el 12 y 19 de mayo.** Volverá a abrir el 26 de mayo de 9AM al 1PM.



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- Maestro de arte de lenguaje inglés, de secundaria

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.

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Patrocine a un estudiante regalándole una educación católica. Los patrocinadores donan fondos que se aplicarán directamente a la matrícula del estudiante. Los patrocinadores reciben cartas y/o ilustraciones de su estudiante apadrinado. Las donaciones se pueden hacer por cualquier monto, llevarlas a la oficina de la escuela o hacerlas en línea en stmaryschoolaiken.com en la pestaña SMS de soporte.

ANUNCIO DE AVIVAMIENTO EUCARÍSTICO



La Eucaristía es igualmente el sacrificio de la Iglesia. La Iglesia, que es el Cuerpo de Cristo, participa en la ofrenda de su Cabeza. Con Él, ella se ofrece totalmente. Se une a su intercesión ante el Padre por todos los

hombres. En la Eucaristía, el sacrificio de Cristo se hace también el sacrificio de los miembros de su Cuerpo. La vida de los fieles, su alabanza, su sufrimiento, su oración y su trabajo se unen a los de Cristo y a su total ofrenda, y adquieren así un valor nuevo. El sacrificio de Cristo presente sobre el altar da a todas las generaciones de cristianos la posibilidad de unirse a su ofrenda. (CCC1368)

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EVENTOS PARA LA PROXIMA SEMANA

Domingo, 12 de mayo

8:30AM	Misa	Iglesia
11:00AM	Misa	Iglesia
11:00AM	Práctica del Coro	San Miguel
1:00PM	Misa en español	Iglesia
5:00PM	Misa	Iglesia

Lunes, 13 de mayo

4:45PM	Confesiones	Iglesia Antigua
5:30PM	Misa	Iglesia Antigua
5:45PM	Legión de María	Smith Hall
7:00PM	Pequeña Comunidad	Santa Teresa

Martes, 14 de mayo

4:45PM	Confesiones	Iglesia Antigua
5:30PM	Misa	Iglesia Antigua
7:00PM	RICA	Smith Hall
7:00PM	Ese Hombre Eres Tú	San Miguel

Miércoles, 15 de mayo

8:20AM	Misa	Iglesia
6:15PM	Confesiones	Iglesia Antigua
7:00PM	Misa en español	Iglesia Antigua
7:30PM	Reunión de Coordinadores	Smith Hall

Jueves, 16 de mayo

4:45PM	Confesiones	Iglesia Antigua
5:30PM	Misa	Iglesia Antigua
7:30PM	Grupo de Oración	Iglesia Antigua

Viernes, 17 de mayo

4:45PM	Confesiones	Iglesia Antigua
5:30PM	Misa	Iglesia Antigua

Sábado, 18 de mayo

8:00AM	Misa	Iglesia Antigua
3:30PM	Confesiones	Iglesia
5:00PM	Misa	Iglesia
7:00PM	Vigilia de Pentecostés	Iglesia Antigua

Domingo, 19 de mayo

8:30AM	Misa	Iglesia
11:00AM	Misa	Iglesia
11:00AM	Práctica del Coro	San Miguel
1:00PM	Misa en español	Iglesia
5:00PM	Misa	Iglesia

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Sor Ana Gema y Sor Martha regresarán a su Casa Madre en Guadalajara, México, a finales de junio de 2024.

Únase a nosotros para agradecerles por su servicio en nuestra parroquia y desearles lo mejor en sus próximas asignaciones.

Domingo 23 de junio 2:30PM - 5:00PM

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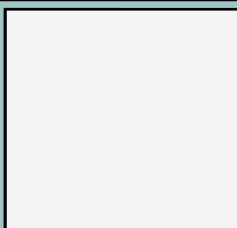
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