



ST. MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

CATHOLIC CHURCH

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2025

5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." When they brought their boats to the shore, they left everything and followed him. - Lk 5:10-11

WELCOME TO ST. MARY 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 Help of Christians 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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St. Mary Help of Christians Catholic Church

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Website: www.stmarys-aiken.org

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

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday

8:30AM - 12NOON - 1:00PM - 4:30PM

Closed for lunch from 12NOON - 1:00PM

Wednesday: 8:30AM - 1:30PM

(by appointment only after 1:30PM on Wednesdays)

HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 5:00PM - Church

Sunday 8:30AM, 11:00AM - 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 - 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:
<https://www.stmarys-aiken.org/campus-map>

TOTALS AS OF SUNDAY, JANUARY 19, 2025

ENVELOPE/CASH OFFERTORY	Jan. 19	\$ 11,441
ONLINE OFFERTORY FOR	JAN. 19	\$ 17,623
TOTAL ANNUAL BUDGET		\$ 2,020,200

NOTE: Financial updates for **Jan. 26 & Feb. 2** were not available at the time the bulletin was sent to print.

UPCOMING SECOND/SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

February 16	Catholic Appeal of South Carolina
February 23	St. Vincent de Paul
March 5	Aid to the Church in Central & Eastern Europe (Ash Wednesday)

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.

GIFT SHOP

Looking for a gift for someone special in your life for Valentine's Day? Check out the beautiful rosaries made by one of our own parishioners, Deacon Bob and Peter Wilcox's books make a thoughtful gift, and we just got in a shipment of fudge from Gethsemane Farm if your looking for something sweet, and so much more. Stop in and visit us this Sunday and find that unique gift for your loved one.

AA OPEN MEETING

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

PASTOR'S CORNER

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FISHERS OF MEN

Dear Friends in Christ,

Today the Gospel offers us the simple yet profound dialogue between Jesus and Simon Peter, a dialogue that we could make our own: in the midst of the stormy waters of this world, we strive to swim against the current, hoping that our Gospel proclamation will obtain a fruitful response...

And it is then that the harsh reality inevitably falls upon us: our strength is not enough. We need something more: trust in the Word of the One who has promised us that he will never leave us alone. "Master, we have worked hard all night and have caught nothing, but at your command I will lower the nets." (Lk 5:5). We can understand this response of Peter in relation to the words of Mary at the wedding at Cana: "Do whatever he tells you" (Jn 2:5). And it is only in the confident trust of the Lord's will that our work is profitable.

Only he, who, like Peter, has been able to accept his limitations, is in a position to accept that the fruits of his apostolic work are not his own, but those of the One whom he has served as an instrument. St. Josemaría Escrivá wrote: "[Our task as children of God is] to get all men to enter, freely, into the divine net; to get them to love each other (...). Let us accompany Our Lord as he goes about his divine task of fishing."

When we really realize how much our Lord **has done** for us, and **will do** for us in the future, we might fall to our knees and say, "Depart from me Lord, for I am a sinful man." But our Lord tells us to "Do not afraid; from now on you will be catching men."

May we live with the confidence and certainty that our Lord has gone before us in our efforts to evangelize.

All the best...in Christ,

Father Wilson

The observances of **National Marriage Week (Feb. 7-14)** and **World Marriage Day (Sunday, Feb. 9)** are an opportunity to focus on building a culture of life and love that begins with supporting and promoting marriage and the family." USCCB



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 need an adorer for Monday 4PM. If you would like to take this or a different hour, please go to the Adoration webpage at <https://www.stmarys-aiken.org/perpetual-eucharisticadoration>, or contact one of our Divisional Leaders:

12MDNT.-6AM Tom Henry 803.642.6893
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kboucher@atlanticbb.net

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6PM-12MDNT. Joan Pate 908.447.9715
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READINGS FOR Feb. 9, 2025– Feb 16, 2025

Sunday, February 9 readings begin on [page 854](#) of the Word & Eucharist books found in the pews.

Sunday:	Is 6:1-2a, 3-8	Ps 138:1-5, 7-8
	1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11	Lk 5:1-11
Monday:	Gn 1:1-19	Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10 and 12, 24 and 35c
		Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday:	Gn 1:20–2:4a	Ps 8:4-9
		Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday:	Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17	Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30
		Mk 7:14-23
Thursday:	Gn 2:18-25	Ps 128:1-5
		Mk 7:24-30
Friday:	Gn 3:1-8	Ps 32:1-2, 5-7
		Mk 7:31-37
Saturday:	Gn 3:9-24	Ps 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13
		Mk 8:1-10
Next Sunday:	Jer 17:5-8	Ps 1:1-6, 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20
		Lk 6:17, 20-26

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CATHOLIC YOUTH FORMATION AND YOUTH MINISTRY

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FORMATION

February 16 and 17th—No Formation classes on Sunday or Monday—Presidents Day Holiday

YOUTH MINISTRY

TODAY – FEBRUARY 9

Intergenerational talk (for all ages) by Mike Patin at 4:00PM followed by a Potluck Dinner. All are invited to hear Mike. We will finish by 6:30PM. Mike Patin—the “Engagin’ Cajun”- uses energy, humor and stories to remind people of God's presence among us while inviting others (and himself) to take the “next step” in our journey with God.

Feb. 9 – No regular evening Youth Ministry, please join us at 4:00PM

Feb. 16—No Youth Ministry Presidents’ Day Holiday

FORMED

Take advantage of FORMED movies, bible studies, children’s program, and more ...

FORMED has lots on Lourdes; just do a search

Our Lady of Lourdes: <https://watch.formed.org/february-11-our-lady-of-lourdes>

St. Paul, the Bible Collection: <https://watch.formed.org/carousel/videos/the-bible-collection-paul-the-apostle>

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

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HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, Feb. 9

8:30AM Pro Populo
11:00AM Timothy Lesko
1:00PM Manuel Alvarez

Monday, Feb. 10

5:30PM Anne & Bill Cunningham

Tuesday, Feb. 11

5:30PM Patricia Marcotte

Wednesday, Feb. 12

8:20AM Roselyn Abbate
7:00PM Jim Hilken

Thursday, Feb. 13

5:30PM Marion Thelen

Friday, Feb. 14

5:30PM Tom Plante (L) & Rosemary Plante (D)

Saturday, Feb. 15

8:00AM Irene & Charles Poole
5:00PM Ann & Bill Ward (L)

Thursa Sotak

Joan Burkhardt
Carol Reeve

Caren Daugherty

Rebecca Kamaryt

Sunday, Feb. 16

8:30AM Chad Goodman

11:00AM Pro Populo

1:00PM Aristeo Medina Nuñez

DEATHS/DIFUNTOS:

January 24 Jimmy Derrick



STEPHEN MINISTRY

During the cold winter days, many of us miss spending time with friends and family. Perhaps you (or someone you know) may have burdens or other difficulties that would be lighter with a listening ear. Someone to walk alongside you may be just what you need to regain peace ... and joy. St. Mary's has male and female Stephen Ministers here to help. Leaflets are in the back of church with more information about Stephen Ministry and simple instructions on how to get information, or call Mary Ellen Jackson at 803.507.1060.

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, March 16, 2025 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)

Mar. 1, 2025 - 11:00AM in the church on Fairfield St.

- 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

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (OCIA)

You may have heard that you should 'follow your conscience.' But what does that mean? Today's world forgets that we need to form our conscience with biblical principles and the wisdom of the saints. Join us as we cover chapter 24 on Prudence and Conscience. We meet Tuesdays at 6:00PM in Mother Teresa Hall, at 125 Union Street. All are welcome. For more information, contact Mary Ellen Jackson at mjackson@charlestandioocese.org.

JOURNEY OF HOPE

Are you separated or divorced? St. Mary's divorce support group using the Journey of Hope has started, but you can still join us. We meet in St. Michael Hall on Wednesdays at 6:00PM. All are welcome. Questions? Contact Mary Ellen Jackson at mjackson@charlestandioocese.org.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP TUESDAYS 3:30 -5:00PM

We will begin a 14-week grief support group on February 18th. We use the GriefShare program, a special, lay-led weekly seminar and support group that embraces a biblical, Christ-centered approach to grief (www.griefshare.org). Please join us for help and encouragement after the death of a loved one.

This group is open to all grieving people in our community, regardless of religious affiliation. People may join the group at any point. The meetings are 3:30 – 5:00PM on Tuesdays in Mother Teresa Hall (125 Union St., SE).

February 18—Loss of Spouse (*this program addresses those people who have experienced the death of a spouse*).

February 25—13-week GriefShare program will begin. The workbook is \$20. Scholarships are available. The registration form is available at the Parish Office. Please contact Karen Van Deren at kvanderen@charlestandioocese.org to register or for more information.

"I will turn their mourning into joy; I will console and gladden them after their sorrows" – Jer. 31:13

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, February 9

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

Super Bowl Bake Sale after 8:30 & 11AM Masses

Monday, February 10

9:30AM	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Smith Hall
12:00PM	Lunch & Learn	Bosco
4:45PM	Confessions	Old St. Mary's
5:30PM	Mass	Old St. Mary's
6:00PM	Cursillo Ultreya	St. Michael Hall

Tuesday, February 11

9:00AM	Play & Pray	Mother Teresa
10:00AM	FIAT Home Sch Craft Day	Mother Teresa
1:00PM	Cards for Christ	Mother Teresa
3:30PM	Legion of Mary	Smith Hall
4:45PM	Confessions	Old St. Mary's
5:30PM	Mass	Old St. Mary's
6:00PM	OCIA	Mother Teresa

Wednesday, February 12

8:20AM	School Mass	Church
9:30AM	Bible Study	St. Michael Hall
2:30PM	Legion of Mary	Smith Hall Down
6:00PM	SHE	Mother Teresa
6:00PM	Journey of Hope	St. Michael Hall
7:00PM	Mass in Spanish	Old St. Mary's

Thursday, February 13

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

Friday, February 14

6:00AM	That Man Is You	Mother Teresa
10:00AM	Book Club	St. Michael Hall
4:45PM	Confessions	Old St. Mary's
5:30PM	Mass	Old St. Mary's

Saturday, February 15

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

Sunday, February 16

8:30AM	Mass	Church
9:30AM	Café	Mother Teresa
11:00AM	Mass	Church
12:00PM	Kermes	St. Angela Hall
1:00PM	Mass in Spanish	Church

HISPANIC FOOD BAZAAR

You are invited to attend the Hispanic Food Bazaar (Kermes). Enjoy your favorite Mexican foods!

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16 12:00 – 3:00PM
ST. ANGELA HALL

Cost depends on food selected – Please join us!

PARISH PERKS!

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

WEDNESDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY

We are currently studying the letter of St. James, Wednesdays, 9:30–11:00AM in St. Michael Hall. New members are always welcome. Contact Martha at 865.599.8473 or whittimp@gmail.com for more information.

THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY

Meets in Smith Hall, 11:15AM. We're reading Acts of the Apostles. All are welcome to learn more about our faith and enjoy fellowship. Questions? Contact Mary Ellen at mjackson@charlestdioocese.org

FRIDAY BOOK CLUB

Meets Fridays at 10AM in St. Michael Hall conference room. Book: *The Good, the Bad, the Beautiful*. Joseph Pearce takes us through history, explaining the fascinating situation of the faith and the Church one century at a time. Questions? Contact Mary Ellen Jackson at mjackson@charlestdioocese.org

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION (CWA) SUPER BOWL BAKE SALE

**THIS WEEKEND - FEBRUARY 8 - 9 after Vigil Mass
and 8:30 & 11:00AM Sunday Masses
in St. Michael Hall**

All proceeds will go toward the kitchen fund.

LOOKING AHEAD

- Plan to attend the 7-week series **Spiritual Warfare and Discernment of Spirits** starting in February. Sessions will be held weekly starting on Thursday, February 20 at 6:00PM and Saturday February 22nd at 10:00AM in St. Michael Hall (choose the day best for you). The sessions will include a short video with Dan Burk of SpiritualityDirection.com, table discussion, and Q & A time. It will be an enlightening and challenging series. Questions? contact Mary Ellen Jackson at mjackson@charlestdioocese.org.
- **MARCH 1** – St. Clare of Assisi Fraternity of the Secular Franciscans are hosting a Day of Reflection on March 1st from 9:00AM - 2:00PM in Old St. Mary church. Speaker will be Deacon Bob Pierce: "Encountering the God of Encounter." For more information contact Karen Perry at 803.646.0276. For reservations please email stclareofassisifraternity@gmail.com, reservations needed for lunch.



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SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS:
Monday- Friday 7:30AM - 3:30PM

OPEN HOUSE

Prospective families are invited to join us for a drop-in open house Friday, Feb. 21 from 8:30AM to 11:30AM. All attendees will receive a tour of the school & STEM Center and information will be available about our 3K & 4K classes starting in the 2025-2026 school year. Learn how St. Mary's School can partner with you in your child's Catholic education.

BISHOP TO BLESS THE STEM CENTER

Save the date! The bishop is coming Thursday, March 6, 2025 to bless our new STEM Center! We hope you can join us. More information will be shared soon!

SHE SHALL BE CALLED WOMAN (SHE)

It's time to start our Spring semester of SHE. SHE is a transformative journey designed to meet the deepest longings of the feminine heart. Our program is a sanctuary for women seeking to be truly seen, known, and loved, as they grow in their relationship with the Lord. Through vibrant conversations, authentic speakers, and enriching prayer experiences, we equip you with the tools to embark on a profound spiritual journey. Join us for faith, fellowship, and food every Wednesday at 6:00PM in Mother Teresa Hall beginning February 12th. All women are welcome! To register, go to programs.paradisusdei.org/join/532A7B. Please contact Alisa Hamrick with any questions at alisahamrick@aol.com or 803.270.2503.

ON THE MASS

The Eucharistic Prayer or the Canon. Notice the prayers remind us of the offerings of believers throughout history. The Father accepted the offerings of the past (the Roman Canon lists Abel, Abraham, and Melchizedek), and in the New Covenant we are offering ourselves along with the perfect sacrifice of Jesus on the cross just as all the saints, our ancestors, and the faithful have done throughout history. When we are at Mass we have entered eternity, and the saints are there with us as we worship. This is something to think about.

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

PART TIME BOOKKEEPER, 20-30 HOURS/WEEK

Responsibilities & Duties:

- Proficiency with school and parish financial accounting systems and records database management systems.
- Accounts Payable: verify, code, and input invoices. Prepare and process payments and vendor payments.
- Accounts Receivable: process cash receipts, including posting bank deposits, reconciling errors and posting to the general ledger using Sylogist Accounting software.
- Reconciliations include, but may not be limited to, banking, credit card, and sales and use tax reconciliations and reporting processes in required reconciliation and reporting schedules.
- Maintain clear records, and in accordance with supervisory needs, Diocese guidance, and related regulatory requirements.
- Performing routine office duties

If interested, please contact Patrick Wray, Director of Administration at pwray@charlestdiocese.org or 803.649.4777, ext. 112

YOUTH MINISTRY COORDINATOR

This position will be available Spring, 2025. Please watch our website and the bulletin for more details.



Six Day Pilgrimage to Mexico with Father Orlando
Apr. 27-May 2, 2025
\$2,799.99 includes round-trip airfare; first class hotels, breakfast & dinner; sightseeing/admissions fees; transfers; tour guide. Mexico City/Tulpetlac/Xochimilco/Puebla/Our Lady of Guadalupe Basilica/Cuernavaca. Deposit of \$400/traveler at time reservation is made.
Visit holytravel.com/rid297583 for more details.

WHEELCHAIR EXPRESS NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

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.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

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

ESPACIO DE NUESTRO PÁRROCO

PESCADORES DE HOMBRES

Queridos amigos en Cristo:

Hoy el Evangelio nos propone el diálogo sencillo pero profundo entre Jesús y Simón Pedro, un diálogo que podemos hacer nuestro: en medio de las aguas tempestuosas de este mundo, nos esforzamos por nadar contra la corriente, esperando que nuestro anuncio evangélico obtenga una respuesta fecunda...

Y es entonces cuando inevitablemente cae sobre nosotros la dura realidad: nuestras fuerzas no nos bastan. Necesitamos algo más: confiar en la Palabra de Aquel que nos ha prometido que nunca nos dejará solos. «Maestro, hemos estado trabajando toda la noche y no hemos pescado nada; pero, cuando tú lo digas, echaré las redes» (Lc 5,5). Podemos entender esta respuesta de Pedro en relación con las palabras de María en las bodas de Caná: «Hagan todo lo que él les diga» (Jn 2,5). Y sólo en la firme confianza en la voluntad del Señor nuestro trabajo es fructífero.

Sólo aquel que, como Pedro, ha sabido aceptar sus limitaciones, está en condiciones de aceptar que los frutos de su labor apostólica no son suyos, sino de Aquel a quien ha servido de instrumento. San Josemaría Escrivá escribió: "[Nuestra tarea como hijos de Dios es] conseguir que todos los hombres entren, libremente, en la red divina; conseguir que se amen unos a otros (...). Acompañemos a Nuestro Señor en su divina tarea de pescar".

Cuando realmente nos demos cuenta de lo mucho que Nuestro Señor ha hecho por nosotros, y hará por nosotros en el futuro, tal vez caigamos de rodillas y digamos: "Apártate de mí, Señor, que soy un hombre pecador". Pero Nuestro Señor nos dice: "No temas; de ahora en adelante serás pescador de hombres".

Vivamos con la confianza y la certeza de que Nuestro Señor nos ha precedido en nuestros esfuerzos por evangelizar.

Todo lo mejor... en Cristo,
Padre Wilson

FORMACIÓN CRISTIANA

LAS LECTURAS PARA DOMINGO, 9 DE FEBERO COMIENZAN EN LA **PAGINA 855** EN EL LIBRO "PALABRA Y EUCHARISTÍA"

LAS LECTURAS DE LAS ESCRITURAS DEL 9 de febrero al 16 de febrero, 2025

Domingo: Is 6, 1-2. 3-8 Sal 137, 1-8 1 Co 15, 1-11 o 15, 3-8. 11 Lc 5, 1-11

Lunes: Gn 1, 1-19 Sal 103, 1-2. 5-6. 10 y 12. 24 y 35 Mc 6, 53-56

Martes: Gn 1, 20-2, 4 Sal 8, 4-9 Mc 7, 1-13

Miércoles: Gn 2, 4b-9. 15-17 Sal 103, 1-2. 27-30 Mc 7, 14-23

Jueves: Gn 2, 18-25 Sal 127, 1-5 Mc 7, 24-30

Viernes: Gn 3, 1-8 Sal 31, 1-2. 5-7 Mc 7, 31-37

Sábado: Gn 3, 9-24 Sal 89, 2. 3-6. 12-13 Mc 8, 1-10

Domingo siguiente: Jr 17, 5-8 Sal 1, 1-4. 6. 1 Co 15, 12. 16-20 Lc 6, 17. 20-26

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

FORMACIÓN CATÓLICA PARA JÓVENES Y MINISTERIO JUVENIL

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FORMACIÓN

16 y 17 de febrero: no hay clases de formación los domingos ni los lunes: por el Día de los Presidentes

MINISTERIO JUVENIL

RESERVA LA FECHA: DOMINGO 9 de FEBRERO

Charla intergeneracional (para todas las edades) a cargo de Mike Patin a las 4:00PM seguida de una cena compartida. Todos están invitados a escuchar a Mike. Terminaremos a las 6:30PM.

Mike Patin, el "Cajun atractivo", usa energía, humor e historias para recordarle a la gente la presencia de Dios entre nosotros mientras invita a otros (y a él mismo) a dar el "siguiente paso" en nuestro viaje con Dios.

9 de febrero - No habrá ministerio juvenil nocturno regular, Solamente a las 4:00 PM.

16 de febrero - No ministerio juvenil por el día de los presidentes.

Las celebraciones de la **Semana Nacional del Matrimonio (del 7 al 14 de febrero)** y del **Día Mundial del Matrimonio (domingo 9 de febrero)** son una oportunidad para centrarse en la construcción de una cultura de vida y amor que comienza con el apoyo y la promoción del matrimonio y la familia". USCCB



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 2 y 9 de marzo de 2025.** Es necesario registrarse para que podamos prepararnos para usted. Comuníquese con Reyna Salas a 404.886.5653

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 jlabone@charlestdiocese.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.

UNCIÓN DE ENFERMOS

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

PRÓXIMA FECHA DE BAUTISMO (ESPAÑOL)

8 de marzo 2025 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

ORDEN DE INICIACIÓN CRISTIANA PARA ADULTOS (OCIA)

Formación y preparación para adultos que necesiten recibir los Sacramentos de Bautismo, Comunión y/o Confirmación. Nos reunimos los martes a las 7:00PM, en el Salón Smith. Para más información contactar a Omar & Mercedith Cardona cardona5@bellsouth.net Este espacio esta abierto a TODA LA COMUNIDAD, Como oportunidad para aprender mas sobre nuestra fe católica. Tema de la semana: "Sacramento del Orden Sacerdotal"

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TORNEO DE BALONCESTO JUVENIL DE LA DIÓCESIS DE CHARLESTON

¡La escuela Santa María organiza el torneo anual diocesano de baloncesto de escuelas primarias este año! Equipos de niñas y niños de escuelas católicas de todo el estado viajarán a Aiken para competir el fin de semana del 21 al 23 de febrero. El torneo se llevará a cabo en el salón Santa Angela y otros gimnasios de la comunidad. Si estas Interesado en ser voluntario o patrocinar el torneo? Comuníquese con nuestra directora atlética, Laurie Ulmer, en docybt2025@gmail.com. Los horarios de los juegos se anunciarán la semana anterior al torneo, ¡así que ven y anima a los Santos!

KERMES

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Domingo – 16 DE FEBRERO

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EVENTOS PARA LA PROXIMA SEMANA

Domingo, 9 de febrero

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

Lunes, 10 de febrero

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

Martes, 11 de febrero

4:45PM	Confesiones	Iglesia Antigua
5:30PM	Misa Diaria	Iglesia Antigua
6:30PM	OCIA	Smith Hall
7:00PM	Ese Hombre Eres Tú	San Miguel

Miércoles, 12 de febrero

8:20AM	Misa Escolar	Iglesia
6:15PM	Confesiones	Iglesia Antigua
7:00PM	Misa en español	Iglesia Antigua

Jueves, 13 de febrero

4:45PM	Confesiones	Iglesia Antigua
5:30PM	Misa	Iglesia Antigua
7:00PM	Grupo de Oración	Iglesia Antigua

Viernes, 14 de febrero

4:45PM	Confesiones	Iglesia Antigua
5:30PM	Misa	Iglesia Antigua
7:00PM	Grupo de Matrimonio	Smith Hall

Sábado, 15 de febrero

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

Domingo, 16 de febrero

8:30AM	Misa	Iglesia
11:00AM	Misa	Iglesia
11:00AM	Práctica del Coro	San Miguel
12:00PM	Kermes	San Angela
1:00PM	Misa en español	Iglesia



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