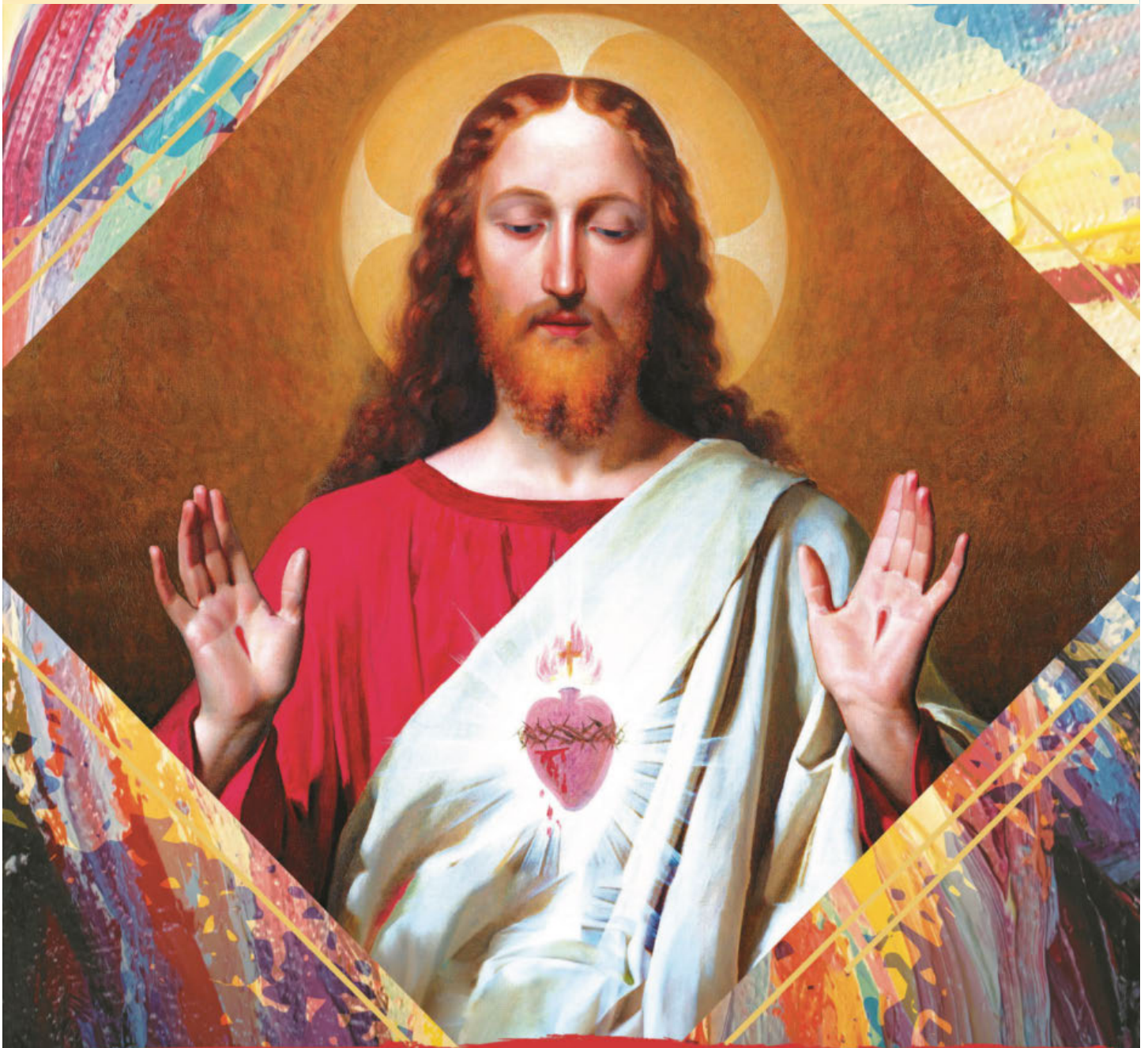


ST. MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS CATHOLIC CHURCH
APRIL 14, 2024



3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

“Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and
rise from the dead on the third day.” - Lk 24:46

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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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

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 – Call before attending

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:

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

TOTALS AS OF SUNDAY, APRIL 7, 2024

ENVELOPE/CASH OFFERTORY	Mar. 31	\$ 28,002.00
ONLINE OFFERTORY FOR	Mar. 31	\$ 16,553.00
ENVELOPE/CASH OFFERTORY	Apr. 7	\$ 33,858.78
ONLINE OFFERTORY FOR	Apr. 7	\$ 15,665.00
TOTAL ANNUAL BUDGET		\$ 1,924,000.00

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS FOR MARCH 2024

EASTER		\$ 13,915.00
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL		\$ 8,105.00
BLACK & INDIAN HOME MISSION		\$ 1,670.00
Holy Land		\$ 3,730.00

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 HAVE CHANGED!

The new parish office hours are:

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

Closed for lunch from 12NOON - 1:00PM

Wednesday 8:30AM - 1:30PM

Staff will be available by appointment only after 1:30PM on Wednesdays. Please call the parish office at 803.649.4777 to make an appointment.

THE GIFT SHOP WILL BE CLOSED APRIL 13 AND 14

Stop by the Gift Shop to pick up a special gift for the First Holy Communicant or Confirmation Candidate. You can special order a medal for their patron saint and have it personalized.

PASTOR'S CORNER

+JMJ+

EASTER IS A SEASON OF PEACE!

Dear Friends in Christ,

The risen Christ appears to the Apostles with a presence other than what he was in his mortal life. The apostles are surprised at Jesus' sudden appearance, his brief and substantial messages, and his goodbye. The light of the Resurrection helps them to understand the scriptures - the bread at Emmaus and the fish in Jerusalem make their presence tangible, and **especially given the gift of peace as the fruit of the Resurrection.**

Easter has real consequences in our lives: It leads us to accept that Christ is risen and has dramatically defeated the evil in this world. It's true that Easter is joy and poetry, but also commitment. Sin is always going to be there, inside and outside us. To celebrate Easter means that we believe in the risen Christ and will try to sin no more. We must choose to live the law of the commandments and lead a new life of justice and charity.

The question is whether this experience of the encounter with the risen Christ is clearly lived in our daily lives. Easter is not an anniversary. It is a grace, a path that we are committed to.

Peace is the great ideal of mankind and yet is largely absent from our world. We can barely live in peace. We are constantly agitated, disappointed, tired of everything. We are not satisfied with ourselves, do not live happy lives, do not enjoy the little things that mark the existence that brings light and color to the world. But we can embark on the great adventure that can transform our lives into something great.

Why then do we decide not to accept the peace of that the resurrected Christ brings? It's the mystery of sin. The greeting of the risen Christ, "Peace be with you," brought hope to the disciples after they had suffered so much anxiety, been so afraid, and doubted. These words should illuminate our hearts with hope too.

"Blessed are the peacemakers." This is one of the Beatitudes that challenges us most in the twenty-first century. Are you reconciled with yourself? What about with others? What about with God? What are you doing to promote peace and to defend it in your community? Remember that there is an equation that does not fail: When God is in our soul peace reigns, but when we do not have peace in our hearts and souls, this is a sign that God is not there. If every Christian living promoted the peace of Christ, the world would soon change. May we do our part!

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 **Fridays at 10:00PM**. Can you help? For one of these 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

STEPHEN MINISTRY

Feeling lonely or discouraged? Navigating family issues? Life’s seasons can be dark and difficult, and God didn’t create us to go it alone. He’s about hope and love! St Mary’s has a community of Stephen Ministers who are here to walk you through the darkness and back to the joy, enthusiasm, and wholeness God made you for. If you or someone you know is in need of strictly confidential resources to help you navigate the valley, we want to help. Leaflets are in the back of church with more information on Stephen Ministry and simple instructions on how to initiate contact with us, or call Mary Ellen Jackson at 803.507.1060.

A Walk with Jesus for Grieving Parents...

Is a one-day healing retreat for parents who have lost a child of any age. Saturday, May 4th from 8:30-5:00PM at Finbar Hall, 901 Orange Grove Road, Charleston, presented by Deacon Henry de Mena MA. For more information or to register contact Christy Brown at cbrown@charlestandiocese.org or 803.554.6088.

WHEELCHAIR EXPRESS

We are in need of additional Wheelchair Express drivers for 8:30AM and 11:00AM Masses at our Church on Fairfield Street. Volunteers would rotate with others once every three weeks or so. Wheelchair Express is available for anyone needing wheelchair assistance into the sanctuary and back to their vehicles after Mass on Sundays. Volunteers are present 30 minutes before each of the Masses. If you are interested in helping with this ministry, please contact Bobbie or George Sich at 740.981.2961

READINGS FOR April 14 – April 21

Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19 1 Jn 2:1-5a Lk 24:35-48	Ps 4:2, 4, 7-9
Monday: Acts 6:8-15 29-30 Jn 6:22-29	Ps 119:23-24, 26-27,
Tuesday: Acts 7:51–8:1a and 8a, 17 and 21ab	Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b Jn 6:30-35
Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8 Jn 6:35-40	Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a
Thursday: Acts 8:26-40 Jn 6:44-51	Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20
Friday: Acts 9:1-20	Ps 117:1bc, 2 Jn 6:52-59
Saturday: Acts 9:31-42 Jn 6:60-69	Ps 116:12-17
Next Sunday: Acts 4:8-12 26, 28, 29 Jn 3:1-2	Ps 118: 1, 8-9, 21-23, Jn 10:11-18

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HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, April 14

8:30AM Katherine Staffa
11:00AM Robert Runnels
1:00PM For All the People
of the Parish
5:00PM Mr. & Mrs. Dan
Bennett (L)

Monday, April 15

5:30PM Joseph R. Rodgers

Tuesday, April 16

5:30PM Juan Zambrano
Rodriguez

Wednesday, April 17

8:20AM Penny Goergen
7:00PM Doloris Gick

Thursday, April 18

10:00AM Barclay House
5:30PM Anna Katherine
Hewitt

Friday, April 19

5:30PM Anna Katherine
Hewitt

Saturday, April 20

8:00AM Sanctity of Life
Conception to Natural
Death

5:00PM Charles Stewart

Patricia O’Reilly
John & Sarah Cunning
Anna Katherine Hewitt
Paul Quattrini

Sunday, April 21

8:30AM Raymond Kleffner
11:00AM Pat Kruse
1:00PM Jose Manuel
Esparza
5:00PM For All the People
Of the Parish

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DEATHS/DIFUNTOS:

March 29 Maria Pawlaczyk
March 30 Constance & Richard Valeri
April 2 Dennis Troy
April 6 Paulette Impagliazzo

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING TODAY – April 14

2:30 – 4:00PM in the church

Contact: Greg Hightower, at 803.292.2457 or

Email: jghightower@bellsouth.net

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

For food or financial assistance call 803.642.3211

Open Monday – Thursday 9:00AM – 1:00PM

Closed On Fridays.

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 jlabone@charlestdioocese.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)

May 11, 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 will meet this **Tuesday, April 16** to learn about the Priesthood and Religious Life. RCIA meets Tuesdays at 6:00 – 7:30PM in Mother Teresa Hall (125 Union St. SE). For more information, contact Mary Ellen Jackson at mjackson@charlestdioocese.org or 803.642.2676

CATHOLIC YOUTH FORMATION AND YOUTH MINISTRY

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

Apr. 14—Sunday Morning CCD 9:45-10:45 AM

6-8 Formation Class in Bosco 9:45-10:45AM

April 14 – Life Teen

April 16 – Grade 6-8 Formation Class 6:00-7:00PM

High School Catch Up Class 7:15-8PM Bosco

Apr. 21 – Sunday Morning CCD 9:45-10:45AM

6-8 Formation Class in Bosco 9:45-10:45AM

Apr. 21 – Life Teen

Apr. 23 – Grade 6-8 Formation Class 6:00-7:00PM

High School Catch Up Class 7:15-8PM Bosco

Apr. 27– 9-11:30AM *Second Grade First Communion Retreat—Mother Teresa Hall*

Cake and Pie sale after all masses Apr. 27 and 28. All proceeds will go to help with transportation costs for youth ministry summer camp and mission trips.

Text Joan at 803-215-7040 to reserve a Derby pie or Peanut Butter Pie.

COOKIES FOR KAIROS PRISON MINISTRY

The Kairos Prison Ministry is a three-day nondenominational short course in Christianity that is a spin-off of Catholic Cursillo. We will bring Christ's love and forgiveness to 42 men at Broad River Correctional institution (BRCI) on April 25 through 28. We distribute cookies to each resident of the prison each of those days to show them Christ's love. This will require 5,000 dozen cookies! If you would like to bake cookies or buy some for Kairos, then please call Don Trapp at 803.979.0966.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, April 14

8:30AM	Mass	Church
9:45AM	Café	Mother Teresa
11:00AM	Mass	Church
12:00PM	Kermes	Church
1:00PM	Mass in Spanish	Church
5:00PM	Mass	Church

Monday, April 15

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

Tuesday, April 16

6:30AM	Rosary	Old St. Mary's
7:00AM	Men's Prayer Group	Smith Hall Down
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	RCIA-English	Mother Teresa

Wednesday, April 17

8:20AM	School Mass	Church
9:30AM	Adult Bible Study	St. Michael Hall
1:00PM	Millions of Monicas	Old St. Mary's
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, April 18

11:15AM	Adult Bible Study	Smith Hall
3:00PM	Legion of Mary	Smith Hall
4:45PM	Confessions	Old St. Mary's
5:30PM	Mass	Old St. Mary's

Friday, April 19

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, April 20

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

Sunday, April 21

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

PARISH PERKS!

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

ST. MARY'S PARISH IS SEEKING FULL TIME JANITOR/MAINTENANCE HELPER

- Required to work weekends
- Keeps buildings and property in clean and orderly condition.
- Performs routine maintenance activities.
- Performs heavy cleaning duties.
- Sweeps, mops, scrubs, and vacuums floors.
- Gathers and empties trash.
- Scrubs, sanitizes, and supplies restroom facilities.

Contact Patrick 803.649.4777 Ext. 112

MILLIONS OF MONICAS

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17

1:00PM

Old Saint Mary's Church

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY IN ST. MICHAEL HALL

Join us Wednesdays, 9:30 to 11:00AM. This week we will begin our study of 1 Peter. If you have questions contact Martha at 865.599.8473 or whittimp@gmail.com

THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY

Meets on **Thursdays at 11:15AM in Smith Hall.** We will continue reading the Gospel of John. 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

Meets on **Fridays at 10:00AM in St. Michael Hall** as we continue 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.

HISPANIC FOOD BAZAAR

You are invited to attend the Hispanic Food Bazaar (Kermes). Enjoy your favorite Mexican foods: tacos, tamales, tostadas, sopas, ensaladas, tostadas de ceviche, frutas, postres, aguas frescas.

TODAY, APRIL 14TH

12:00 – 3:00PM ST. ANGELA HALL

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



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: MON – FRI 7:30AM–3:30PM

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

- St. Mary Help of Christians Catholic School is seeking
- A full-time elementary teacher for the 2024-2025 school year.
 - A full-time junior high math teacher for the 2024-2025 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

Friends of SMS

Sponsor a student by giving the gift of a Catholic education. Sponsors donate funds that will be applied directly to a student's tuition. Sponsors receive letters and/or illustrations from their sponsored student. Donations can be made in any amount, brought to the school office, or made online at stmaryschoolaiken.com under the support SMS tab.

Junior High STEM

Students in ELA proved how valuable written communication is to the field of science! They researched problems and solutions for water pollution in a fictional town. Then, they wrote formal proposals to suggest an action plan. Finally, they collaborated in groups to create presentations to the class. These 7th grade scientists have impressive writing skills!

ANNUAL CATHOLIC WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION (CWA) GAME/CARD PARTY

Saturday, April 20 9:30AM - 2:30PM
St. Angela Hall \$15.00/person

All proceeds will benefit Aiken Senior Life Services and Aiken County Child Advocacy Center.

You may reserve a table by calling 954.560.4907 or 803.648.7188 between April 1 & April 16.

Donations of breakfast breads for morning coffee and cookies for lunch dessert as well as wrapped door prizes (\$10 max) are greatly appreciated. Bring them to St. Angela Hall on **Friday, April 19 between 10:00AM and 4:00PM.**

Thank you for helping with this worthwhile event. If you would like to volunteer or have questions, call Claire at 803.270.0887

THE EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL



Some things to think about when you offer Thanksgiving after receiving Holy Communion: 1. Look upon Christ with the eyes of faith, in the depths of your heart, as the great High Priest who has passed through the heavens and now comes down again in love to unite you to Him; and look upon yourself as his minister, bound to render Him every honor. 2. Love Him with a humble love, as the holy pontiffs loved him, never failing to serve such a magnificent Pontiff. 3. Ask Him for the gift of tenderness and mercy, that you may earn the eternal mercy of a high priest who has been tested in every way like us and so is able to sympathize with our weaknesses. Invocation: "We ponder, O God, your mercy within your temple; like your name, O God, so is your praise to the ends of the earth. Ps 48:10-11 (from *A Month with the Eucharist*, USCCB)

SCOTT HAHN PRESENTS THE ROAD TO EMMAUS

The Purification Heritage Center in Crawfordville, GA, will host a weekend event *The Road to Emmaus* with Dr. Scott Hahn, **May 3–5**. The event will include several talks, meals, fellowship time, and ends with Mass on Sunday. The Purification is a beautiful retreat center about 1½ hours west of Aiken, built in the area of the first Catholic settlement in GA founded in the 1790's. Lodging is available at the center. You can also just sign up for Saturday May 4. <https://www.heritagega.org/book> scroll down for *The Road to Emmaus*.

PASTA DINNER

Hosted by the Ladies Auxiliary in support of the Knights of Columbus & their charities.

Friday, April 26
 Columbus Club, 1037 Spaulding Dr., Aiken, SC
 Doors open at 5:00PM

Dinner served 5:30-7:00PM

Cost: \$15 per adult
 \$10 for children 6-12 – age 5 and under FREE

Dinner will consist of a variety of pastas (Gluten free option available), meats & sauces, dinner roll, salad & dessert.

One Ticket for: 1 beer or soda, along with a cash bar.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS YARD SALE
 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 call Mark (803.634.1437) or Dennis (803.507.0066).

ESPACIO DE NUESTRO PÁRROCO

¡LA PASCUA ES UN TIEMPO DE PAZ!

Queridos amigos en Cristo,

Cristo resucitado se aparece a los Apóstoles con una presencia distinta de la que fue en su vida mortal. Los apóstoles se sorprenden por la repentina aparición de Jesús, sus breves y sustanciales mensajes y su adiós. La luz de la Resurrección les ayuda a comprender las Escrituras: el pan en Emaús y los peces en Jerusalén hacen tangible su presencia y, sobre todo, **reciben el don de la paz como fruto de la Resurrección.**

La Pascua tiene consecuencias reales en nuestras vidas: nos lleva a aceptar que Cristo ha resucitado y ha vencido dramáticamente el mal en este mundo. Es verdad que la Pascua es alegría y poesía, pero también compromiso. El pecado siempre estará ahí, dentro y fuera de nosotros. Celebrar la Pascua significa que creemos en Cristo resucitado y trataremos de no pecar más. Debemos optar por vivir la ley de los mandamientos y llevar una nueva vida de justicia y caridad.

La pregunta es si esta experiencia del encuentro con Cristo resucitado se vive claramente en nuestra vida diaria. La Pascua no es un aniversario. Es una gracia, un camino con el que estamos comprometidos.

La paz es el gran ideal de la humanidad y, sin embargo, está en gran medida ausente de nuestro mundo. Apenas podemos vivir en paz. Estamos constantemente agitados, decepcionados, cansados de todo. No estamos satisfechos con nosotros mismos, no vivimos vidas felices, no disfrutamos de las pequeñas cosas que marcan la existencia que trae luz y color al mundo. Pero podemos embarcarnos en la gran aventura que puede transformar nuestras vidas en algo grandioso.

¿Por qué entonces decidimos no aceptar la paz que trae el Cristo resucitado? Es el misterio del pecado. El saludo del Cristo resucitado, "La paz sea con ustedes", trajo esperanza a los discípulos después de haber sufrido tanta ansiedad, tanto miedo y duda. Estas palabras también deberían iluminar nuestros corazones con esperanza.

"Bienaventurados los pacificadores". Esta es una de las Bienaventuranzas que más nos desafía en el siglo XXI. ¿Estás reconciliado contigo mismo? ¿Qué pasa con los demás? ¿Qué pasa con Dios? ¿Qué estás haciendo para promover la paz y defenderla en tu comunidad? Recuerda que hay una ecuación que no falla: Cuando Dios está en nuestra alma la paz reina, pero cuando no tenemos paz en nuestro corazón y alma, esto es señal de que Dios no está. Si cada cristiano que vive promoviera la paz de Cristo, el mundo pronto cambiaría. ¡Que hagamos nuestra parte!

Todo lo mejor... en Cristo,
Padre Wilson

FORMACIÓN CRISTIANA

LAS LECTURAS DE LAS ESCRITURA

Del 14 de Abril al 21 de ABRIL 2024

Domingo: Hch 3, 13-15. 17-19 Sal 4, 2. 4. 7-9

1 Jn 2, 1-5 Lc 24, 35-48

Lunes: Hch 6, 8-15 Sal 118, 23-24. 26-27. 29-30

Jn 6, 22-29

Martes: Hch 7, 51-8, 1 Sal 30, 3-4. 6-8. 17 y 21

Jn 6, 30-35

Miércoles: Hch 8, 1-8 Sal 65, 1-7 Jn 6, 35-40

Jueves: Hch 8, 26-40 Sal 65, 8-9. 16-17. 20

Jn 6, 44-51

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Sábado: Hch 9, 31-42 Sal 115, 12-17

Jn 6, 60-69

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21-23. 26. 28. 29 Jn 3, 1-2 Jn 10, 11-18

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

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 unirte totalmente a Ti. Nunca permitas que me separe de Ti. Amén

LA TIENDA DE REGALOS

Estará cerada
sábado y domingo, 13 y 14 de abril

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A PARTIR DEL LUNES 8 DE ABRIL

El horario de la oficina parroquial ha cambiado a

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. Por favor llame a la oficina con anticipación al 803.649.4777 para hacer una cita.

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 jlabone@charlestdioocese.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)

11 de mayo 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

JLABONE@CHARLESTONDIOCESE.ORG

803.215.7040

Domingo 14 de abril: domingo por la mañana CCD de 9:45 a 10:45AM

6-8 Clase de Formación en Bosco 9:45-10:45AM

Domingo, 14 de abril–Life Teen

Martes, 16 de abril: Clase de formación para grados 6-8, 6:00-7:00PM

Clase de recuperación de la escuela secundaria 7:15-8:00PM Bosco

21 de abril - domingo por la mañana CCD 9:45-10:45AM

6-8 Clase de Formación en Bosco 9:45-10:45AM

21 de abril - Life Teen

23 de abril - Clase de formación para grados 6-8, 6:00-7:00PM

Clase de recuperación de la escuela secundaria 7:15-8:00PM Bosco

27 de abril - 9 -11:30AM Retiro de primera comunión de segundo grado–Salón Madre Teresa

Venta de pasteles y tartas después de todas las misas el 27 y 28 de abril. Todas las ganancias se destinarán a ayudar con los costos de transporte para el campamento de verano del ministerio juvenil y los viajes misioneros.

Envíe un mensaje de texto a Joan al 803.215.7040 para reservar un pastel Derby o un pastel de mantequilla de maní.

KERMES

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HOY, 14 DE ABRIL

de 12:00 del mediodía hasta las 3:00PM

Salón Santa Angela

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OPORTUNIDAD DE EMPLEO

Estamos buscando maestros de tiempo completo para el año escolar 2024-2025

- Maestro de escuela primaria
- Maestro de matemáticas 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.

AMIGOS DE SMS

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.

STEM DE SECUNDARIA

¡Los estudiantes de Arte del Lenguaje en Inglés demostraron lo valiosa que es la comunicación escrita en el campo de la ciencia! Investigaron acerca de problemas y soluciones para la contaminación del agua en una ciudad ficticia. Luego, escribieron propuestas formales para sugerir un plan de acción. Finalmente, colaboraron en grupos para crear presentaciones para la clase. ¡Estos científicos de séptimo grado tienen impresionantes habilidades de escritura!

EVENTOS PARA LA PROXIMA SEMANA

Domingo, 14 de abril

8:30AM	Misa	Iglesia
10:00AM	Preparación Quinceañera	Smith Hall
11:00AM	Misa	Iglesia
11:00AM	Práctica del Coro	San Miguel
12:00PM	Kermes	Santa Angela
1:00PM	Misa en español	Iglesia
5:00PM	Misa	Iglesia

Lunes, 15 de abril

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

Martes, 16 de abril

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

Miércoles, 17 de abril

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

Jueves, 18 de abril

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

Viernes, 19 de abril

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

Sábado, 20 de abril

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

Domingo, 21 de abril

8:30AM	Misa	Iglesia
10:00AM	Preparación Quinceañera	Smith Hall
11:00AM	Misa	Iglesia
11:00AM	Práctica del Coro	San Miguel
1:00PM	Misa en español	Iglesia
5:00PM	Misa	Iglesia

CONSULADO MOVIL

El fin de semana del 27 y 28 de abril, estará el Consulado Móvil de México en las instalaciones del Salón Santa Ángela. Los servicios que ofrecerá son: Pasaporte, Matrícula Consular, Doble Ciudadanía y la Mesa de Salud.

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