ST. MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS CATHOLIC CHURCH
AUGUST 14, 2022

20th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said to his disciples: "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!" - Lk 12:49

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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 web site and turn it in 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

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
Tuesday 6:30AM - Old St. Mary 's
Wednesday 8:20AM - Old St. Mary's
Miércoles 7:00PM - Iglesia
Thursday Nursing Home - Not Yet Open to the Public
Saturday Morning Mass 8:00AM - Old St. Mary's

Live Stream Mass (On YouTube)

Sunday 11:00AM Mass

Nursery

Available during 8:30 and 11:00AM Sunday Masses
In Mother Teresa Conference room - Ages 6 mos to less than 5 years

Sunday Homilies Online

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

Confessions

Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri. 4:45 - 5:15PM Old St. Mary's
Saturday 3:30 - 4:30PM - Church
Sunday 12:30PM - Spanish - Church

Rosary

Before Daily Mass

Perpetual Adoration - Ste Claire Chapel

Gift Shop Hours

Sunday 9:00AM -1:00PM

Parish Office CLOSED Mon., Aug. 15 for the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

We will re-open on Tues. Aug. 16 at 8:30AM

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

Parish Clergy

Very Rev. Gregory B. Wilson, VF, Pastor
Rev. Francisco Oñate-Vargas, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Msgr. William Gomes (Retired Priest)
Deacon Al Matousek
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Deacon Stephen Platte

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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 August 21, 2022.** Registration is necessary so that we can prepare for you. Please contact Chris or Angela Ascherman at 256.541.1967. Godparents are encouraged to attend a Baptismal Preparation session as well. Since Godparents promise to help raise your child in the practice of the Catholic faith, Godparents must be practicing Catholics at whatever parish they attend.

Holy Communion & Confirmation

These incredible Sacraments nourish and strengthen us in our Catholic faith so that we can live as "the light of the world" (St. Matthew 5:14). *Please note:* Parents and children must be registered with St. Mary's and faithfully attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation. Children who are not enrolled in our Catholic school must attend a minimum of two years of Christian Formation classes and satisfy the attendance policy. For more information:
Holy Communion: Mary Ellen Jackson at 803.642.2676 or mjackson@charlestondiocese.org
Confirmation: Joan LaBone at 803.649.3049 or jlabone@charlestondiocese.org.

Holy Matrimony

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

Anointing of the Sick

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

PASTOR'S CORNER

+JMJ+

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
In a *normal* year, Monday, August 15 would be a Holy Day of Obligation – the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. But this is one of three of our Holy Days that, when falling on a Monday (or Saturday), the U.S. Bishops have dispensed from the obligation to attend Mass. However, dear friends in Christ, it is <u>still</u> an ancient and *holy* day, and I encourage you to come to Mass at 5:30pm in Old St. Mary's as we celebrate the glorious Assumption of Mary.

The scaffolding has come down, and the new painting of the Holy Spirit dove has been unveiled! Many thanks to our artist, Alice Judd, and all those who aided her in this marvelous new addition, especially: Michelle Orr, her assistant; Derron, Alice's husband; St. Mary's wonderful staff; and the CWA for taking care of her needs while she was some forty feet in the air.

<u>An explanation of the symbolism</u>: The Holy Spirit has been depicted as a dove from the very beginning, being mentioned in all four Gospels. At the Baptism of Jesus, the Holy Spirit came down upon Jesus as a dove. This is one of the primary manifestations of the Most Holy Trinity in the Bible: The voice of the Father was heard, the Son – Jesus, and the Holy Spirit descending upon Him as a dove.

The mural is situated in the half dome directly above the altar. This is a reminder that it is the power of the Holy Spirit through the spoken words of Jesus by the priest at Mass that accomplishes the change of ordinary bread and wine into the very Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus Christ. Coming forth from behind the dove, one sees a burst of fiery light. The Holy Spirit proceeds forth from the Father and the Son. These rays of light symbolize the burst of divine power, which accomplished the very creation of all things.

Surrounding the dove are seven flames, symbolizing the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit: Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Fortitude, Knowledge, Piety, and Fear of the Lord *(see Isaiah 11:1-3, which describes the coming of the Messiah)*. The Holy Spirit is additionally depicted as flame on the day of Pentecost, when tongues of fire parted and came to rest on each of the disciples gathered in the Upper Room. *"And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim" (see Acts 2:3-4).*

Surrounding the base of the whole mural is a golden crown, symbolizing the grace, majesty, and kingship of God the Father. When looking up to view the mural, you see an artistic representation of the Holy Trinity: Crown – God the Father; Cross (on top of the canopy) – God the Son; and Dove – God the Holy Spirit.

Come, Holy Spirit! Come!
Father Wilson

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration in Ste Claire Chapel

Those who seek Him, find Him. Jesus is waiting for you in the chapel!

Adorer especially needed at these hours: Sunday 7AM and Monday 8AM

To try a weekly hour, please contact Ivy Monahon at jjmonahon@mindspring.com or 803.292.6432 or go to St. Mary's parish website at: https://www.stmarys-aiken.org/perpetual-eucharistic-adoration.

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

Act of Spiritual Communion

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

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

Readings for August 14 – August 21 2022

Sunday: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10 Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18
Heb 12:1-4 Lk 12:49-53
Monday: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab Ps 45:10-12, 16
1 Cor 15:20-27 Lk 1:39-56
Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10 (Ps) Dt 32:26-28, 30, 35cd-36ab Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11 Ps 23:1-6 Mt 20:1-16
Thursday: Ez 36:23-28 Ps 51:12-15, 18-19
Mt 22:1-14
Friday: Ez 37:1-14 Ps 107:2-9 Mt 22:34-40
Saturday: Ez 43:1-7ab Ps 85:9ab and 10 -14
Mt 23:1-12
Next Sunday: Is 66:18-21 Ps 117:1, 2
Heb 12:5-7, 11-13 Lk 13:22-30

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Holy Mass Intentions

Sunday, August 14
8:30AM Kathleen Chadwick (D)
11:00AM Chet R. Hemenway (D)
1:00PM For All the People of the Parish
5:00PM Molly & Miguel Pereda (L)

Monday, August 15
Feast of the Assumption
5:30PM Kathleen Chadwick (D)

Tuesday, August 16
6:30AM Sonia Calamia (D)
5:30PM Ben L. Chavez (D)

Wednesday, August 17
8:20AM Arthur Blanchard (D)
7:00PM Guillermo Alvarez (D)

Thursday, August 18
10:00AM Benton House
Michael Pierce (L)

Thursday, August 18 cont.
5:30PM Jeanenne Featherston (D)

Friday, August 19
5:30PM Tanja Moore (D)

Saturday, August 20
8:00AM David Allbridge (D)
5:00PM Scott Horner (D)
Judy Weems (D)
Jack Hamrick (D)
Henry Rados (D)
Virginia Whitaker (D)
Frank Jordan (D)

Sunday, August 21
8:30AM Ann Marie Apostolakis (D)
11:00AM Stewart Alan Cadarr (L)
1:00PM His Holiness Pope Francis
5:00PM For All the People of the Parish

Prayers Requested

Deaths/Difuntos: July 23 Kenneth Van Buren
August 5 Cathy DeFrehn

Wheelchair Express -- Sunday Mornings

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

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP
FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023

TOTALS AS OF SUNDAY, AUGUST 7,2022

ENVELOPE/CASH OFFERTORY AUG. 7	$	20,406.76
ONLINE OFFERTORY FOR AUG. 7	$	17.245.00
TOTAL ANNUAL BUDGET	$	1,924,000.00

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS:
August 14
Diocese of Charleston Special Collection
August 15
The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

If you make an annual contribution payable to the parish from an IRA or Securitie s account, please call 803.649.4777 option 4 and let the parish bookkeeper know. Thank you!

HAVE YOU SIGNED UP FOR ONLINE GIVING WITH OUR PARISH?

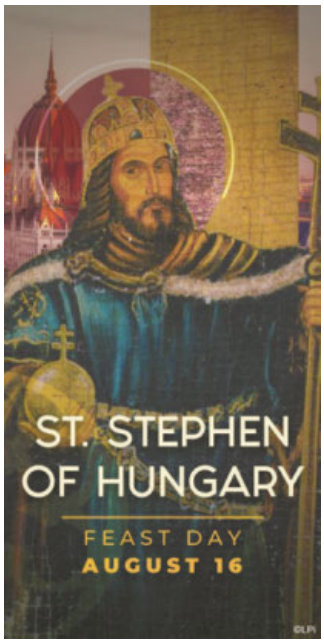
Here are some ways Online Giving benefits you:

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

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

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

ST. STEPHEN OF HUNGARY | AUGUST 16



Born a pagan in the 10th century, Stephen was baptized as a boy when his father converted to Christianity. He married Gisela, daughter of Duke Henry II of Bavaria who would become Saint Henry II. They had one son, he succeeded Stephen, his father,as leader and began to transform Hungary into a Christian kingdom.

Pope Sylvester II proclaimed him the first king of Hungary in 1001, sending him a crown and gold processional cross. The crown, made in the Byzantine style, has become a symbol of Hungarian nationhood.

King Stephen's reign was a relatively peaceful and prosperous time. He outlawed paganism, mandated church building and tithing for support of the parish, and commanded all to marry except clergy and religious. He founded a Benedictine monastery, and Hungary became an important place along the route to the Holy Land for many pilgrims.

Unfortunately, Stephen's son and heir, Emeric, died in a hunting accident, causing much conflict over the succession when Stephen died. Eventually the kingdom was won back for Christendom and Stephen and his son Emeric were canonized in 1083 by Pope St. Gregory VII. Saint Stephen I is now patron saint of Hungary.

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"Be humble in this life, that God may raise you up in the next."
~St. Stephen of Hungary

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

School of Christian Formation (CCD) Grades 4K – 5

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

Dear Parents of K – 5th graders

1. **CCD** Sign up for Fall CCD, which starts Sunday, September 11th. Forms are on the website https://stmarys-aiken.org/ccd and in the parish office.
2. **Summer challenge – get to know Jesus:** Jesus had an intriguing conversation with a Samaritan woman at a well. Read about it in John 4. Talk about their conversation, and about the woman's conversation with the townspeople. What do you think the apostles would have thought and said about it all when they returned?
3. **Take advantage of FORMED**; It has lots of good family programing. Not on FORMED? Sign up at www.formed.org/signup, enter Aiken, SC, then choose St. Mary Help of Christians
4. **August new beginnings:** School has begun. Make sure you include Jesus in your children's school work and in your parental involvement. Pray for the teachers by name. Pray for other students – those who may be in need, those who are becoming friends, etc. When appropriate, include faith-related information when doing homework. Our Faith should be a major part of *everything* we do.

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Interested in the Catholic faith? Plan to join our RCIA class this fall. You can 'just be interested - there is no commitment. All are invited to learn about the depth and beauty of the Catholic faith. Our next RCIA class **starts on September 6** and meets **Tuesdays** at **6:00 - 7:45PM in Mother Teresa Hall.** For more information, contact Mary Ellen Jackson at mjackson@charlestondiocese.org or 803.642.2676

The Thursday morning Bible Study

Will resume this coming Thursday, August 18th at 11:15AM in Smith Hall. All are welcome to join us as we read the Acts of the Apostles.

First Holy Communion pictures and certificates are in the parish office

Office hours are Monday – Friday 8:30AM – 4:30PM. Pictures and certificates from our 2022 First Holy Communion are there *as well as* some from our 2021 First Holy Communion. Please come to the office and get these items!

Morning Youth Ministry Grades 6 – 12

Contact: Mrs. Joan Marie LaBone
jlabone@charlestondiocese.org or 803.215.7040

Please sign up for Sunday Morning sessions for 6-8th grades. You can find the registration forms on our website under Formation, Middle School.

Sunday 9:45-10:45AM Grades 6-8

Tuesday 7:00-8:00PM High School

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

August 14 - Life Teen–Back to school soon? Come chill with us! 6:15-8:00PM
August 21 - Life Teen Core Team Meeting
August 28 - Middle School Back to School Night!

The Eucharistic Revival

"In the earthly liturgy we take part in a foretaste of that heavenly liturgy which is celebrated in the holy city of Jerusalem toward which we journey as pilgrims, where Christ is sitting at the right hand of God, a minister of the holies and of the true tabernacle; we sing a hymn to the Lord's glory with all the warriors of the heavenly army; venerating the memory of the saints, we hope for some part and fellowship with them; we eagerly await the Savior, Our Lord Jesus Christ, until He, our life, shall appear and we too will appear with Him in glory." (Sacrosanctum Concilium 8).

Bringing the Faith into the Home
The Domestic Church

Monday is the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This feast is often called the Dormition (falling asleep). This event is not found in scripture, but has been believed by the Church since the beginning. As a family, visit Old St. Mary's and find the window showing the Assumption of Mary. Pray the Glorious Mysteries of the rosary. Watch this short video with Scott Hahn about the Assumption https://youtu.be/momjlXorYo4.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, August 14		
8:30AM	Mass in English	New church
9:30AM	Coffee Perks	St. Michael Hall
11:00AM	Mass in English	New church
12:00PM	Span. Food Bazaar	St. Angela Hall
1:00PM	Mass in Spanish	New church
5:00PM	Mass in English	New church
Monday, August 15		
Parish Office Closed for The Feast of The Assumption		
12:00PM	Lunch & Learn	St. John Bosco Youth Building
1:00PM	Rosary Makers	Smith Hall-Down
4:45PM	Confessions	Old St. Mary church
5:30PM	Daily Mass	Old St. Mary church
Tuesday, August 16		
7:00AM	Morning Men's Prayer Group	Smith Hall-Down
12:00pm	Stephen Ministry	St. Michael Hall
3:30PM	Legion of Mary	Smith Hall-Down
4:45PM	Confessions	Old St. Mary church
5:30PM	Daily Mass	Old St. Mary church
Wednesday, August 17		
8:20AM	Daily Mass	Old St. Mary church
3:00pm	Legion of Mary	Smith Hall-Down
7:00PM	Mass in Spanish	Old St. Mary church
Thursday, August 18		
11:15am	Bible Study	Smith Hall-Down
4:45PM	Confessions	Old St. Mary church
5:30PM	Daily Mass	Old St. Mary church
Friday, August 19		
4:45PM	Confessions	Old St. Mary church
5:30PM	Daily Mass	Old St. Mary church
Saturday, August 20		
8:00AM	Mass	Old St. Mary church
3:30PM	Confessions	New church
5:00PM	Vigil Mass	New church
Sunday, August 21		
8:30AM	Mass in English	New church
9:00am	Baptism Prep Class	Smith Hall-Up
9:30AM	Coffee Perks	St. Michael Hall
11:00AM	Mass in English	New church
1:00PM	Mass in Spanish	New church
5:00PM	Mass in English	New church

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

For food or financial assistance,
call 803.642.3211

Open Monday–Thursday 9:00AM - 1:00PM
CLOSED ON FRIDAYS

THE GIFT SHOP IS OPEN

We are open from 9:00AM to 1:00PM every Sunday.
Please stop by and visit us!

ST. MARY'S SUNDAY EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

Married couples needed! High schoolers needed! Come with a friend! Sunday morning CCD classes start September 11th; come join us as we share the faith with our youth. Team teaching allows you to take a Sunday off as needed. Or, you can be a helper or a substitute. *We need you!* All (especially all parents) are invited to attend a training session **this coming Saturday, August 13th,** with Dr. Mike Martocchio from the diocese. Contact Mary Ellen Jackson at mjackson@charlestondiocese.org or 803.642.2676

ST. MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS ROSARY MAKERS MISSION CORRECTION!

We will meet **Monday, August 15 1:00 – 2:30PM** in Smith Hall. For more information contact Douglas McGuinness, at dpmcg871@gmail.com or 803.979.2271.

HISPANIC FOOD BAZAAR

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

TODAY - August 14
12 - 3:00PM
St. Angela Hall
Cost depends on the food selected
Please join us! We are waiting for you!

SUPPER CLUB

Meet parishioners and make lasting friendships while sharing meals together in each other's homes. This new ministry is open to adults who are willing to host no more than 6 - 7 people in their homes on a rotating basis approximately every six weeks for a meal and fellowship. Host provides the entrée and non-alcoholic beverages; guests provide the sides and dessert. The meal does not have to be elaborate. The focus should be on getting together with fellow parishioners and having a fun evening. Sign up for Supper Club via Flocknote, or contact Joan and Jim Pate at jandjpate@gmail.com. Group assignments will be given out at a potluck dinner on Saturday, August 20, in St. Angela Hall. If you cannot attend the potluck dinner, you can still sign up to be a member of a supper club group.

PARISH & COMMUNITY EVENTS

St. Mary's Parish School

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

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 7:30AM - 3:30PM

Trash and Treasure Sale SMS is hosting a trash and treasure sale September 9th and 10th in St. Angela Hall. Donations of toys, home goods, books, clothes, jewelry, electronics, furniture, and more can be dropped off September 6th -8th from 8AM to 2PM. Contact Robin Burns at 703.863.5805 for more information or to arrange an early drop off.

Teacher Wish List Support SMS when you shop online! Visit smile.amazon.com and select St. Mary Help of Christians Catholic School in Aiken. You can also view teacher-requested classroom supplies and materials. Your eligible purchases will support the school at no additional charge. All your Prime benefits remain the same too! St. Mary's School does not see individual purchases and collects no data from this program

Use your phone camera to enroll online!

Ukuleles Needed Do you have a new or used ukulele that you no longer use? SMS is looking for donations to expand its campus music offerings. Donations can be dropped off in the school office or purchased on the Amazon wish list. Thank You!

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat is a supportive, confidential, nonjudgmental weekend retreat for women and men who have had an abortion experience.

Our next retreat in South Carolina is:
August 26-28
in the Charleston area
For more information or to register contact:
Christy 803.554.6088 or Kathy 803.546.6010
Grace4healing@gmail.com
Now is the time!

"Do not forget that holiness consists not in extraordinary actions, but in performing your duties well." *~~St. Maximilian Kolbe*

Gluten Intolerance and Holy Communion

Celiac disease is an adverse immune reaction to consuming gluten, a protein found in wheat, barley, and rye. St. Mary's makes every effort to accommodate and normalize the experience of receiving Holy Communion for the faithful, including those suffering from celiac disease and other diseases that cause gluten intolerance. For those who cannot consume gluten, we welcome you to receive Holy Communion in a safe, sensitive, and compassionate manner. For more information, please contact Karen Van Deren at kvanderen@charlestondiocese.org.

If you are visiting St. Mary's and require a low-gluten host for medical reasons, please see a Mass Coordinator or usher prior to Mass. We are only able to accommodate those that need a low-gluten host for medical reasons and not from a merely dietary preference.

More information: http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/the-mass/order-of-mass/liturgy-of-the-eucharist/celiac-disease-and-alcohol-intolerance.cfm

Nursery Worker Position Available

We are looking for Part Time Nursery Workers at 8:30 and 11:00AM Masses on Sunday. Must be 18 and willing to be Safe Environment Trained. If you like being around young children and are interested in this position please stop by the Parish Office and fill out an application.

St. Mary Help of Christians Position Available - Full Time Maintenance Staff

Building Maintenance - Maintain and repair needs at multiple buildings, equipment, and property; able to take direction, work flexible hours, weekends, holidays, and Holy Days required. Being able to perform remodeling, painting, landscaping tasks including the knowledge of tools, plumbing, electrical and mechanical utilities is a plus.

Duties and responsibilities will include lifting, bending, walking, climbing ladders, general housekeeping, cleaning of buildings, and keeping all property maintained and in good condition. This can include vacuuming, mopping, sanitizing restrooms, taking out trash, recycling, setting tables and chairs for parish events, and cleaning windows.

Attention to Detail - Position requires being careful about detail and thorough in completing work on time, to include tracking and completing work orders.

Please contact Patrick at 803.649.4777 ext. 3 or stop by the parish office for an application.

PARISH MINISTRIES

Liturgical Ministries

Anointing of the Sick	Please Contact the Parish Office		803.649.4777
Altar Servers	Greg Hightower	jghightower@bellsouth.net	803.292.2457
Extraordinary Ministers	Alejandro &	sunvisionagvp@hotmail.com	803.257.3999
	Joely Leguizamon	joelygl@yahoo.com	803.270.4646
Homebound Ministries	Donna Pierce	rampierce@atlanticbb.net	803.552.7714
Hospital Communion to Homebound	Cathy Brown	cgbteaches@gmail.com	843.615.3112
	Janiece Driscoll	janiece.driscoll@gmail.com	803.270.1119
Lectors	Margaret Mullen &	mmullen50@aol.com	803.270.0525
	Elizabeth Ryberg	bettyryberg@gmail.com	803.270.6403
Mass Music Ministry	Frank Deese	fdeese@charlestondiocese.org	706.550.5047
Perpetual Adoration	Ivy Monahon	jjmonahon@mindspring.com	803.292.6432

Other Ministries

Bereavement	Karen Van Deren	klvd@aol.com	803.979.3181
Campground	Scott Williams	scottwilliams1212@gmail.com	803.646.8937
Cursillo	Carlos Dorthalina	cmdorthalina@gmail.com	803.295.2530
Fiat Homeschool Co-op	Stephanie Lee	sdzlee87@gmail.com	803.634.3171
Knights of Columbus	Craig Burgess	cburgess199@gmail.com	803.439.0468
Pro Life	Stephanie Lee	sdzlee87@gmail.com	803.634.3171
Men's Prayer Group	William Collins	bbcollins012@icloud.com	803.998.7191
Nursery	Lisa Welsh	kewelsh@att.net	803.221.1467
Prayer Shawl Ministry	Mary Anne Graff	spgraff@yahoo.com	803.642.6716
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SAGRADO SACRAMENTOS

Santo Bautismo

¡El nacimiento de un hijo es un gran regalo que necesita renacer a través de las aguas del Bautismo! Para bautizar a un niño en Sta. María, tenga en cuenta que al menos uno de los padres debe ser católico practicante, asistir regularmente a la Santa Misa, participar en la vida de la parroquia y estar registrado en Sta. María al menos tres meses antes de solicitar la fecha para el bautismo y ambos padres **deben** asistir a las sesiones prebautismales. Dado que los padrinos prometen ayudar a criar a su hijo en la práctica de la fe católica, ellos deben ser católicos practicantes en la parroquia que asisten y se les anima a asistir a las sesiones de preparación bautismal también. Las próximas sesiones serán el **4 y 11 de septiembre de 2022**. Es necesario registrarse para que podamos prepararnos para usted. Comuníquese con Luz Londoño al 803.480.6865.

Sagrada Comunión y Confirmación

Estos increíbles Sacramentos nos nutren y fortalecen en nuestra fe católica para que podamos vivir como "la luz del mundo" (San Mateo 5,14). *Tenga en cuenta*: los padres y los niños deben estar registrados en Sta. María, asistir fielmente a misa los domingos y los días de precepto. Los niños que no están inscritos en nuestra escuela católica deben asistir a un mínimo de dos años de clases de formación cristiana y cumplir con la política de asistencia. Para más información contactarse con: Sagrada Comunión: Mary Ellen Jackson al 803.642.2676 o mjackson@charlestondiocese.org.
Confirmación: Joan LaBone al 803.649.3049 o jlabone@charlestondiocese.org

Santo Matrimonio

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

Unción de Enfermos

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

ESPACIO DE NUESTRO PÁRROCO

Queridos hermanos en Cristo,

En un año normal, el lunes 15 de agosto sería un día de precepto: la Asunción de la Santísima Virgen María. Pero este es uno de tres de nuestros Días Santos que, al caer en lunes (o sábado), los obispos de EE. UU. han dispensado de la obligación de asistir a Misa. Sin embargo, queridos amigos en Cristo, éste es todavía un día *santo* y de tradición, y los animo a que vengan a Misa a las 5:30 pm en Sta. María Histórica a celebrar la gloriosa Asunción de María.

¡Se ha quitado el andamio y se ha revelado la nueva pintura de la paloma del Espíritu Santo! Muchas gracias a nuestra artista, Alice Judd, y a todos los que la ayudaron en esta maravillosa nueva incorporación, especialmente: Michelle Orr, su asistente; Derron, el esposo de Alice; el maravilloso personal de Sta. María; y al CWA por cuidar de sus necesidades mientras estaba a unos cuarenta pies de altura.

Una explicación del simbolismo: El Espíritu Santo ha sido representado como una paloma desde el principio, siendo mencionado en los cuatro Evangelios. En el bautismo de Jesús, el Espíritu Santo descendió sobre Jesús en forma de paloma. Esta es una de las manifestaciones primarias de la Santísima Trinidad en la Biblia: Se escuchó la voz del Padre, el Hijo – Jesús, y el Espíritu Santo descendiendo sobre Él como paloma.

El mural está situado en la media cúpula directamente encima del altar. Este es un recordatorio de que es el poder del Espíritu Santo a través de las palabras pronunciadas por Jesús por el sacerdote en la Misa lo que logra el cambio del pan y el vino ordinarios en el mismo Cuerpo, Sangre, Alma y Divinidad de Jesucristo. Saliendo de detrás de la paloma, se ve una explosión de luz ardiente. El Espíritu Santo procede del Padre y del Hijo. Estos rayos de luz simbolizan el estallido del poder divino, que logró la creación misma de todas las cosas.

Alrededor de la paloma hay siete llamas, que simbolizan los Siete Dones del Espíritu Santo: Sabiduría, Entendimiento, Consejo, Fortaleza, Conocimiento, Piedad y Temor de Dios *(ver Isaías 11,1-3, que describe la venida del Mesías)* . El Espíritu Santo también se representa como una llama en el día de Pentecostés, cuando las lenguas de fuego se separaron y se posaron sobre cada uno de los discípulos reunidos en el Cenáculo. *"Y fueron todos llenos del Espíritu Santo y comenzaron a hablar en diversas lenguas, según el Espíritu les permitía expresarse" (ver Hechos 2:3-4).*

Rodeando la base de todo el mural hay una corona dorada, que simboliza la gracia, la majestad y la realeza de Dios Padre. Al mirar hacia arriba para ver el mural, se ve una representación artística de la Santísima Trinidad: Corona – Dios Padre; Cruz (sobre el dosel) – Dios Hijo; y Paloma – Dios el Espíritu Santo.

¡Ven, Espíritu Santo! ¡Ven!

Padre Wilson

FORMACIÓN CRISTIANA

Las Lecturas de las Escritura

del 14 de agosto al 21 de agosto 2022

Domingo: Jr 38: 4-6, 8-10 Sal 3: 2-4, 18 Heb 12: 1-4 Lc 12: 49-53

Lunes: Ap 11: 19a; 12: 1-6a, 10ab Sal 45: 10-12, 16 1 Co 15: 20-27 Lc 1: 39-56

Martes: Ez 28: 1-10 (Sal) Dt 32: 26-28, 30, 35-36 Mt 19: 23-30

Miércoles: Ez 34: 1-11 Sal 22: 1-6 Mt 20: 1-16

Jueves: Ez 36: 23-28 Sal 50: 12-15, 18-19 Mt 22: 1-14

Viernes: Ez 37: 1-14 Sal 106: 2-9 Mt 22: 34-40

Sábado: Ez 43: 1-7 Sal 84: 9-14 Mt 23: 1-12

Domingo siguiente: Is 66: 18-21 Sal 116: 1, 2 Heb 12: 5-7, 11-13 Lc 13: 22-30

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

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

Homilías dominicales en línea

Las reproduciones en audio de todas las homilías del fin de semana están disponibles en el sitio web de la parroquia. Vaya al sitio web de St. Mary en www.stmarys-aiken.org. Desplácese hasta la parte inferior de la página de inicio y haga clic en "Listen to homilies".

Escuela de Formación Cristiana (CCD)

Grados 4K a 5º

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

Estimados padres de estudiantes de K - 5º:
1. CCD Inscríbase en la Catequesis Dominical de otoño, que comienza el domingo 11 de septiembre. Los formularios están en el sitio web https://stmarys-aiken.org/ccd y en la oficina parroquial.
2. Desafío de verano: Conociendo a Jesús. Jesús tuvo una conversación intrigante con una mujer samaritana en un pozo. Lea sobre esto en Juan 4. Hablen sobre su conversación y sobre la conversación de la mujer con la gente del pueblo. ¿Qué creen que los apóstoles habrían pensado y dicho sobre todo esto cuando regresaron?
3. Nuevos comienzos de agosto: la escuela ha comenzado. Asegúrese de incluir a Jesús en el trabajo escolar de sus hijos y en su participación como padre. Ore por los maestros por nombre. Ore por otros estudiantes: aquellos que puedan tener alguna necesidad, aquellos que están haciendo nuevos amigos, etc. Cuando sea apropiado, incluya información relacionada con la fe cuando haga la tarea. Nuestra fe debe ser una parte importante de todo lo que hacemos.

Ministerio Juvenil

Grados 6º – 12º

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

Domingo 9:45-10:45AM Grados 6-8
Martes 7-8:00PM Escuela Secundaria

Regístrese para las sesiones de los domingos por la mañana para los grados 6-8. Puede encontrar los formularios de inscripción en nuestro sitio web en Formation, Middle School.

Ministerio Juvenil
Escuela intermedia (GR. 5-8) o
Life Night (GR. 9-12)

14 de agosto - Life Teen– ¿De regreso a la escuela pronto? ¡Ven a relajarte con nosotros! 6:15-8:00PM
21 de agosto - reunión del equipo central de Life Teen
28 de agosto - ¡Noche de Regreso a la Escuela de la Escuela Secundaria!

Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos (RICA)

RICA: el proceso de formación para adultos que necesitan Sacramentos de Bautismo, Comunión y/o Confirmación, dará inicio este martes 15 de agosto. 7:00PM en el Smith Hall, arriba.

EVENTOS PARROQUIALES Y COMUNITARIOS

La Oficina de la Parroquia estará cerrada
Lunes el 15 de Agosto
para el día La Asunción de la
Santísima Virgen María

Llevando la fe al Hogar, La Iglesia Domestica:

El lunes 15 de agosto celebramos la Asunción de la Santísima Virgen María. Esta fiesta a menudo se le llama la Dormición o Transito de María. Este evento no se encuentra en las Escrituras, pero la Iglesia lo ha creído desde el principio. Como familia, visite Sta. María Histórica y encuentre la ventana que muestra la Asunción de María. Rece los Misterios Gloriosos del rosario. Mire este breve video con Scott Hahn sobre la Asunción (inglés). https://youtu.be/momjlXorYo4

Anuncio de Avivamiento Eucarístico

"En la Liturgia terrena preguntamos y tomamos parte en aquella Liturgia celestial, que se celebra en la santa ciudad de Jerusalén, hacia la cual nos dirigimos como peregrinos, y donde Cristo está sentado a la diestra de Dios como ministro del santuario y del tabernáculo verdadero, cantamos al Señor el himno de gloria con todo el ejército celestial; venerando la memoria de los santos esperamos tener parte con ellos y gozar de su compañía; aguardamos al Salvador, Nuestro Señor Jesucristo, hasta que se manifieste Él, nuestra vida, y nosotros nos manifestamos también gloriosos con Él". (Sacrosanctum Concilium 8)

Quinceañera

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

- Deben ser católicos practicantes y asistir a Misa.
- Deben estar registrados en la parroquia por lo menos 6 meses antes de la fecha de la celebración.
- Deben asistir a la preparación catequética que ofrece la parroquia. Las próximas clases de preparación para quinceañera se llevarán a cabo el 7, 14 y 21 de agosto

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

Escuela Parroquial de Santa María

118 York Street SE, Aiken, SC 29801
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803.649.2071 Fax: 803.643.0092
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Horario de oficina de la escuela es lunes a viernes 7:30AM - 3:30PM

Venta de Junk and Treasures La escuela Santa María está organizando una venta de artículos de segunda mano el 9 y 10 de septiembre en Salón Sta. Ángela. Las donaciones de juguetes, artículos para el hogar, libros, ropa, joyas, productos electrónicos, muebles y más se pueden dejar del 6 al 8 de septiembre de 8AM a 2PM. Comuníquese con Robin Burns para obtener más información o para programar una entrega anticipada al (703) 863 5805.

Lista de deseos del maestro ¡Apoye a SMS cuando compre en línea! Visite smile.amazon.com y seleccione St. Mary Help of Christians Catholic School en Aiken. También puede ver los suministros y materiales de clase solicitados por los maestros. Sus compras elegibles apoyarán a la escuela sin cargo adicional. ¡Todos sus beneficios Prime siguen siendo los mismos también! La escuela Sta. María no ve las compras individuales y no recopila datos de este programa.

¡Use la cámara de su teléfono para donar en línea!

Kermes

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

¡HOY, 14 de agosto!

Hora: de 12:00 del mediodía hasta las 3:00PM
Donde: Salón Santa Angela
El costo depende de la comida seleccionada
¡Ven - Participa - Convive - Colabora - Te esperamos!

Las fotos y los certificados de la Primera Comunión están en la oficina parroquial. El horario de oficina es de lunes a viernes de 8:30 a 4:30. Hay fotos y certificados de nuestra Primera Comunión de 2022, así como algunas de nuestra Primera Comunión de 2021. ¡Por favor venga a la oficina y obtenga estos artículos!

MINISTERIOS PARROQUIALES

Ministerios Litúrgicos

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Eventos para la proxima semana

Domingo, 14 de agosto

8:30AM	Misa en inglés	Iglesia nueva
10:00AM	Quiñceanera Prep Class	Smith Hall-Up
11:00AM	Misa en inglés	Iglesia nueva
11:00AM	Práctica del coro	Salón San Miguel
12:00PM	Kermes	Salón San Angela
12:30PM	Confesiónes	Iglesia nueva
1:00PM	Misa en español	Iglesia nueva
5:00PM	Misa en inglés	Iglesia nueva

Lunes, 15 de Agosto La Asunción de la Santísima Virgen María

5:45PM	Legión de Maria	Smith Hall
7:00PM	Pequeña Comunidad de fe: Santa Maria	Salón Santa Teresa
7:30PM	Pequeña Comunidad de fe: "Dios Está Aquí"	Smith Hall

Martes, 16 de agosto

7:00PM	Ese Hombre Eres Tú	Salón San Miguel

Miércoles, 17 de agosto

7:00PM	Misa en español	Iglesia Antigua
7:00PM	Formación para los Coordinadores	Smith Hall (arriba)

Jueves, 18 de agosto

7:00PM	Oración	Iglesia Antigua

Viernes, 19 de agosto

Sábado, 20 de Agosto

7:00AM	Retiro	Salón Sta Teresa

Domingo, 21 de Agosto

8:30AM	Misa en inglés	Iglesia nueva
10:00AM	Quiñceanera Prep Class	Smith Hall-Up
11:00AM	Misa en inglés	Iglesia nueva
11:00AM	Práctica del coro	Salón San Miguel
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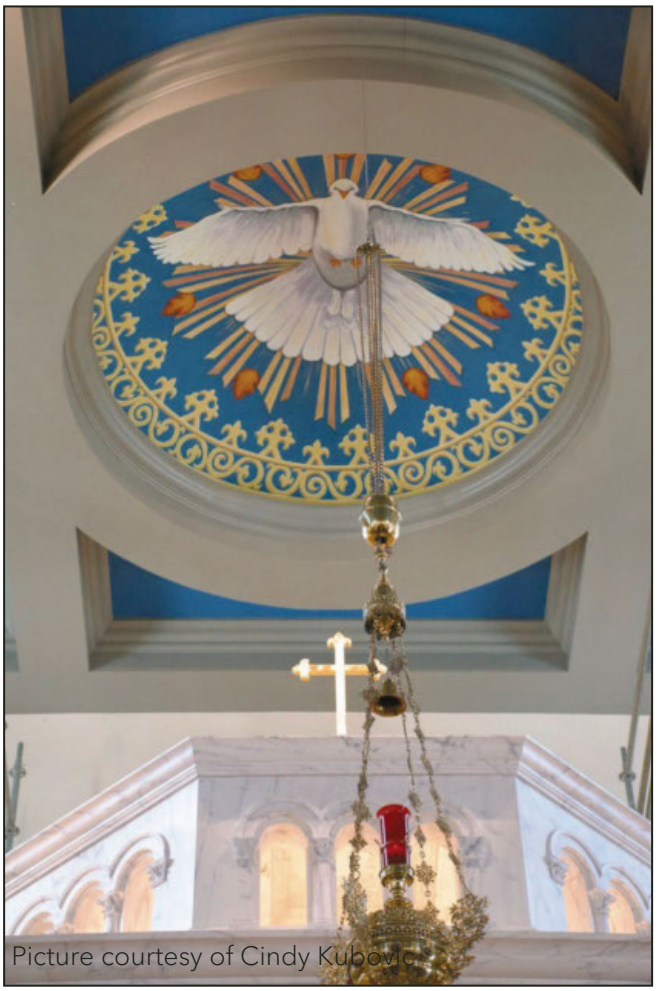

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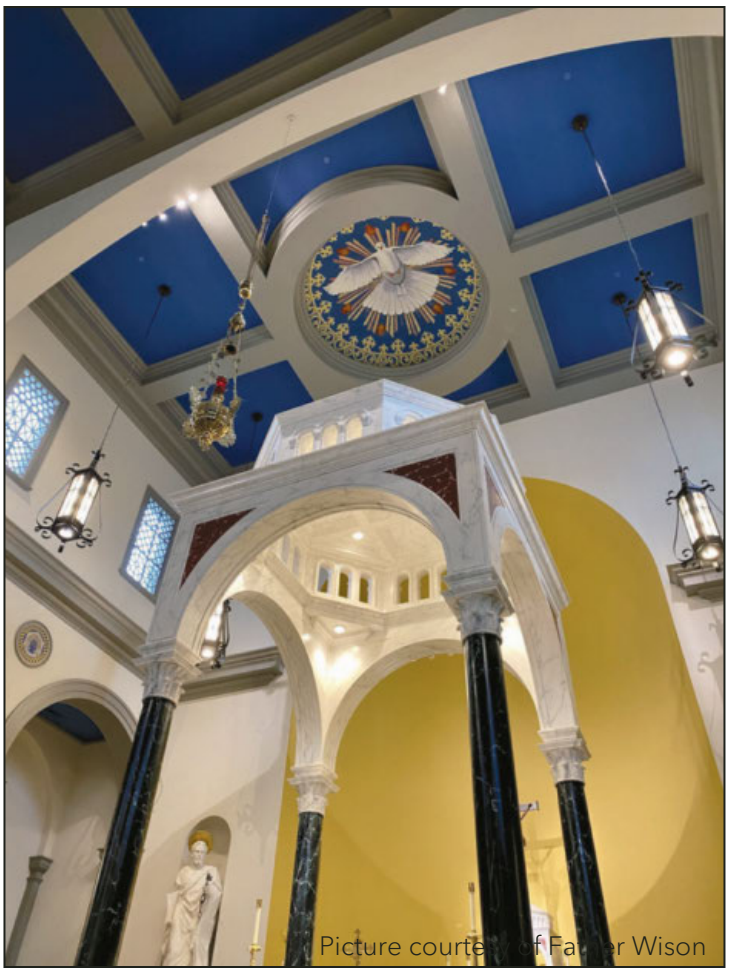
Completed mural of the Holy Spirit dove in the dome above the baldacchino (altar canopy)



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Looking up, we see an artistic representation of the Most Holy Trinity: Crown – God the Father; Cross (on top of the canopy) – God the Son; and Dove – God the Holy Spirit.

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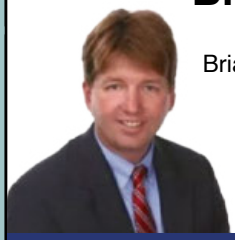

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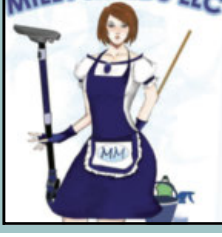

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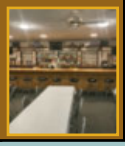

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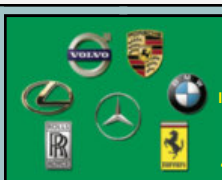

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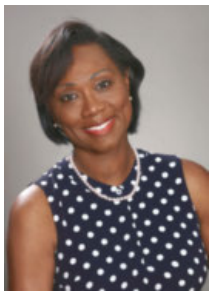

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