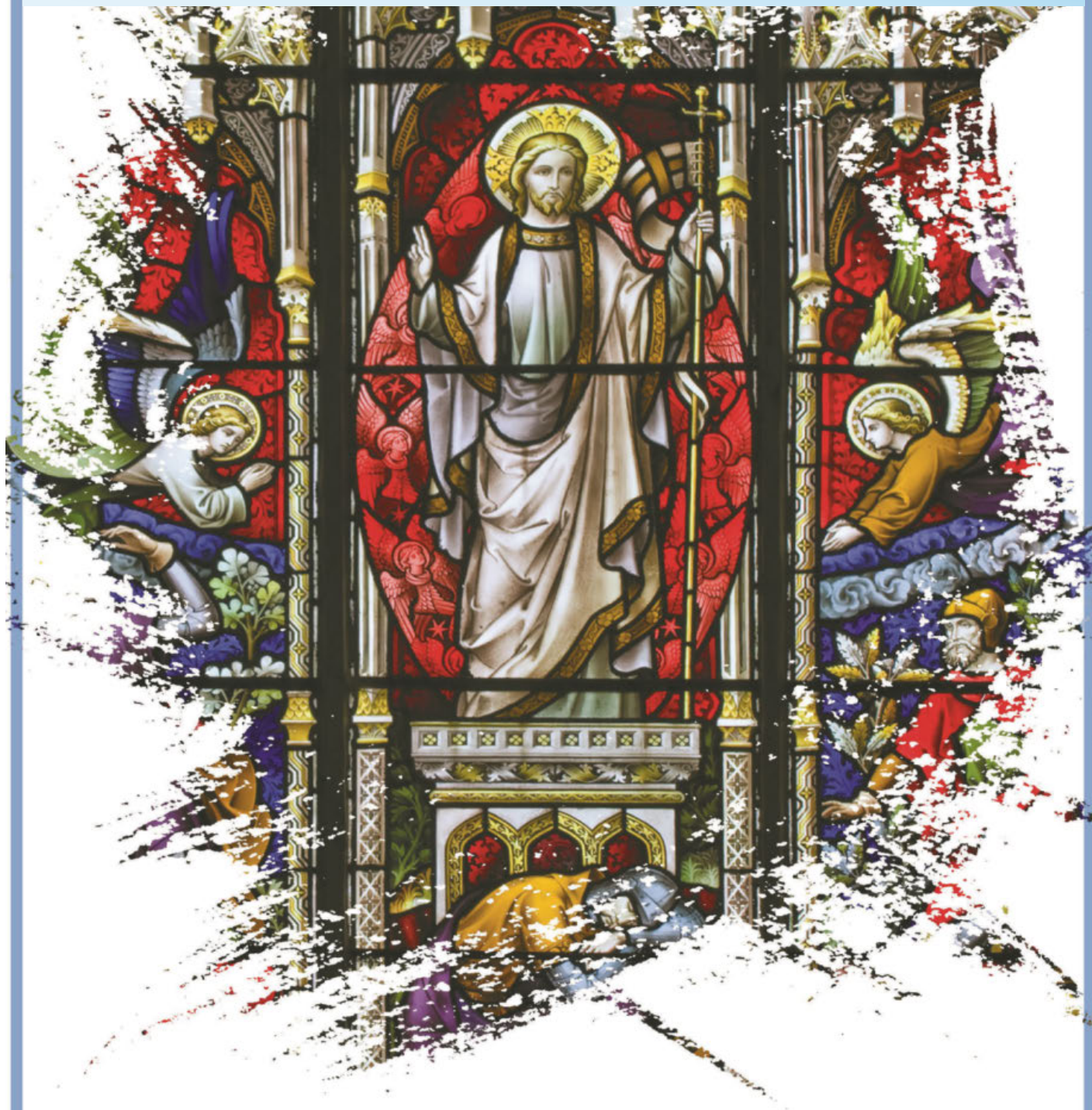


ST. MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS CATHOLIC CHURCH  
JULY 7, 2024



MANY WHO HEARD HIM WERE ASTONISHED.  
- MK 6:2

14<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# 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.

### CONTACT US

St. Mary Help of Christians Catholic Church

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**Ph:** 803.649.4777

#### email:

ParishOfficeStMaryAiken@charlestdioocese.org

**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, 5:00PM - Church

Domingo Misa en español, 1:00PM - Iglesia

### WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

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

Wednesday 8:20AM - Church

Miércoles 7:00PM - Old St. Mary's

Thursday Nursing Home 10:00AM

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

### CONFESSIONS

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

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

Saturday 3:30 - 4:30PM - Church

Sunday 12:30PM - Spanish - Church

**PERPETUAL ADORATION** - Ste Claire Chapel

**ROSARY** - Before Daily Mass

### LIVE STREAM MASS (ON YOUTUBE)

Sunday 11:00AM Mass

### SUNDAY HOMILIES ONLINE

Audio versions of all the weekend homilies are available on the parish website. Go to St. Mary's website at [www.stmarys-aiken.org](http://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

Rev. Orlando Serrano Ardila, Parochial Vicar

Dcn. Alejandro Leguizamon

Dcn. Al Matousek

Dcn. Robert Pierce

Dcn. Stephen Platte

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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, JUNE 23, 2024

**ENVELOPE/CASH OFFERTORY June 23 \$ 19,559.00**  
**ONLINE OFFERTORY FOR June 23 \$ 10,899.00**  
**TOTAL ANNUAL BUDGET \$ 1,924,000.00**

**NOTE:** Financial updates for **June 30** were **not** available at the time the bulletin was sent to print.

## 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](http://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.

## WHEELCHAIR EXPRESS -- SUNDAY MORNINGS

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

## CATHOLIC WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION (CWA) ENGRAVED BRICK PROGRAM

We have an on-going engraved brick program to benefit the CWA Kitchen fund. Order forms are available in the parish office or call Claire Brede at 803.270.0887 (leave a message). Thank you for your support.

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

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

## PASTOR'S CORNER

+JMJ+

### HOMETOWN PROPHETS

Dear Friends in Christ,

"A prophet is not without honor except in his native place and among his own kin and in his own house" (Mark 6:4)

Through his life and words, a prophet always brings an air of novelty, a new plan, which if taken seriously puts our old habits and false securities in crisis. That is why he makes many people uncomfortable. Jesus arrives in Nazareth after a long journey of apostolic work and amazing miracles, but in his hometown, he finds opposition from his relatives. They reject his message and even the messenger. It's the carpenter's son! "Where did this man get all this? What kind of wisdom has been given him?" (Mark 6:2)

The drama of mankind consists in not recognizing its Savior. It looks for truth but at the same time is a victim of its prejudices. How often we see this scene repeated today! "I believe Christ was a great man, but not God," or "Yes to Christ, no to the Church." And thus, we accept only a small part of the mystery of his person and reject his divinity. Christ torn to pieces! Partial or total, rejection of Christ is always tragic.

Today we need apostles that through their own lives are witnesses of Christ and with their teachings are our examples and teachers. Life's trials and the world's persecution are signs of purification and authenticity. Just as fire tests iron, so temptation tests the righteous man.

Saints bear their tribulations with serenity because they join them to the redemptive sufferings of Christ. Thomas de Kempis teaches us that "it is good that we sometimes suffer contradictions. This helps us to be humble and guards us from conceit." That is, "often we don't realize what we can do, but temptation uncovers what we are," as Saint Augustine tells us.

The truth is, Christ is either all or nothing! Christianity is the affirmation of Christ's divinity and Incarnation with all its doctrinal and practical consequences. Faith in Jesus Christ's divinity is the first step toward divine life: Believing that Jesus Christ is the Son of God is the first condition required in order to be counted among his sheep. May we make Jesus' prayer our own: "May we believe in him whom God has sent."

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?

Jesus is ready to pour out His blessings on you in the chapel! To find an hour that fits your schedule, 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

## READINGS FOR July 7 – July 14

<b>Sunday:</b> Ez 2:2-5	Ps 123:1-4	2 Cor 12:7-10
Mk 6:1-6a		
<b>Monday:</b> Hos 2:16, 17c-18, 21-22	Ps 145:2-9	
Mt 9:18-26		
<b>Tuesday:</b> Hos 8:4-7, 11-13	Ps 115:3-10	
Mt 9:32-38		
<b>Wednesday:</b> Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12	Ps 105:2-7	
Mt 10:1-7		
<b>Thursday:</b> Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9	Ps 80:2ac and 3b,	
15-16	Mt 10:7-15	
<b>Friday:</b> Hos 14:2-10	Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-14	
and 17	Mt 10:16-23	
<b>Saturday:</b> Is 6:1-8	Ps 93:1-2, 5	Mt 10:24-33
<b>Next Sunday:</b> Am 7:12-15	Ps 85:9-14	
Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10	Mk 6:7-13	

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## PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION JULY 7 CHANGE !

Ste. Claire Chapel will be closed July 7th at 6:00PM so that the doors of the chapel can be removed and repair work begun. Perpetual Adoration will be moved to Old St. Mary church.

Please watch for Flocknote updates on Perpetual Adoration while the repair work is in progress.

## REQUIRED ALTAR SERVER TRAINING FOR SERVERS

SUNDAY, JULY 28 - 3:00 TO 4:00PM

IN THE CHURCH

(Lead Servers and Server Educators are welcomed to attend)

If you cannot attend, please contact Paul Gaynor, Altar Server Ministry Coordinator, at 908.692.9547 or [paulvjg324@gmail.com](mailto:paulvjg324@gmail.com).

## A WALK WITH JESUS FOR GRIEVING PARENTS

This is a one-day workshop for parents who have lost children of any age. Saturday, July 13th at the Oratory in Rock Hill, SC. The day begins at 8:30AM and continues until Mass at 5:00PM. For more information, please contact Christy at 803.554.6088 or [cbrown@charlestandiocese.org](mailto:cbrown@charlestandiocese.org).

## THE GIFT SHOP IS CLOSED FOR JULY & AUGUST

We are closed for the months of July & August, but The Magnificat for July, August & September will be available in the parish office (\$6.00).

## 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!

## HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

### Sunday, July 7

8:30AM Kenneth Rodgers

11:00AM Carmen Farara

1:00PM Pro Populo

5:00PM Phyllis Ann Bennett

### Monday, July 8

5:30PM John & Sarah

Cunning

### Tuesday, July 9

5:30PM Patricia Della Sala

### Wednesday, July 10

8:20AM Kathleen

Parascand

7:00PM Marie Dula

### Thursday, July 11

10:00AM Cumberland

Rosemary Plante

5:30PM Deceased members

of the Hanley Family

Pro Populo - For the People

### Friday, July 12

5:30PM McIntyre Family

(L & D)

### Saturday, July 13

8:00AM Sanctity of Life

from Conception to

Natural Death

5:00PM John Olsen

Susan Reeve Shultz

Christina Cocke

All Souls in Purgatory

Trapp Family, (L & D)

### Sunday, July 14

8:30AM Jerry & Heather

Carroll (L)

11:00AM Deceased

members of the Moreau

Family

1:00PM Pro Populo

5:00PM Frank & Dorothy

Daly, Sr.

## IN THE HOSPITAL?

St. Mary's Hospital Ministry strives to bring Holy Communion daily to Catholic patients in the Aiken hospital. If you or a family member are in the hospital and would like to receive Holy Communion, please contact the parish office at 803.649.4777. If you are not able to receive Communion, we can still come and pray with you! Because of confidentiality, the hospital cannot tell us you're there without your permission. Please help us bring you the healing power and strength of Jesus!

## 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, July 21, 2024 at 10:00AM** in Smith Hall. Registration is necessary so that we can prepare for you. Please contact Chris Ascherman at 803.845.0568. Godparents are encouraged to attend a Baptismal Preparation session as well. Since godparents promise to help raise your child in the practice of the Catholic faith, godparents must be practicing Catholics at whatever parish they attend.

### HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

These incredible Sacraments nourish and strengthen us in our Catholic faith so that we can live as "the light of the world" (St. Matthew 5:14). *Please note:* Parents and children must be registered with St. Mary's and faithfully attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation. Children who are not enrolled in our Catholic school must attend a minimum of two years of Christian Formation classes and satisfy the attendance policy. For more information contact: Joan LaBone at 803.215.7040 or [jlaborne@charlestdiocese.org](mailto:jlaborne@charlestdiocese.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](http://www.stmarys-aiken.org)

### NEXT SCHEDULED BAPTISM DATE (ENGLISH)

**August 3, 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

### ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (OCIA)

OCIA - the new acronym for the class one takes to become Catholic (formerly RCIA) - starts up August 13, 2024. We will meet Tuesday evenings at 6:00PM through May 13, 2025. If you interested in joining the Church or for more information, contact Mary Ellen Jackson at [mjackson@charlestdiocese.org](mailto:mjackson@charlestdiocese.org).

### WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY RETURNS IN SEPTEMBER

This is simply a reminder that our group is taking the summer off and classes will return in September. Watch the bulletin and/or webpage for specific dates near the end of summer. Contact Martha at [whittimp@gmail.com](mailto:whittimp@gmail.com) or 865-599-8473

### CATHOLIC YOUTH FORMATION AND YOUTH MINISTRY

CONTACT: MRS. JOAN MARIE LABONE  
[JLABONE@CHARLESTONDIocese.ORG](mailto:JLABONE@CHARLESTONDIocese.ORG)  
803.215.7040

*Please look out for registration for the 24/25 school year. All registrations will be online beginning July 1. <https://www.stmarys-aiken.org/ccd>*



July 7 – No Youth Night  
July 14 – Service Night Middle And High school  
6:15-8:00PM, Bosco  
July 21 – Middle School and High School Olympics  
6:15-8:30PM

Are you ready for the OLYMPICS? Mrs. LaBone is a HUGE Olympic fan, come check out if you can reach the winner's podium. Bring a change of clothes, this will be a full Olympic program, featuring water, and other messy sports!

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### Sunday, July 7

8:30AM	Mass	Church
11:00AM	Mass	Church
1:00PM	Mass in Spanish	Church
5:00PM	Mass	Church

### Monday, July 8

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

### Tuesday, July 9

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

### Wednesday, July 10

8:20AM	Daily Mass	Church
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, July 11

4:45PM	Confessions	Old St. Mary's
5:30PM	Mass	Old St. Mary's

### Friday, July 12

4:45PM	Confessions	Old St. Mary's
5:30PM	Mass	Old St. Mary's

### Saturday, July 13

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

### Sunday, July 14

8:30AM	Mass	Church
11:00AM	Mass	Church
1:00PM	Mass in Spanish	Church
5:00PM	Mass	Church

## BISHOPS' INITIATIVE ON MARRIAGE

Don't take a vacation from having the best marriage you can have. Bring God into your marriage and see it flourish. Sign up for an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience Nov 15-17, 2024 in North Myrtle Beach, SC and Jan 31-Feb 2, 2025 in North Myrtle Beach, SC. Early signup is recommended. Visit: <https://SCMarriageMatters.org> or contact us at [applications@scmarriagematters.org](mailto:applications@scmarriagematters.org) or 803-810-9602.

*"When you seek truth, you seek God whether you know it or not."*

St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein)  
Philosopher and Martyr

## PARISH PERKS!

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

Parish Perks is in need of a family to volunteer to host Perks on the second Sunday of each month! For more information please contact Rich and Linda Izard at [lindaizard87@gmail.com](mailto:lindaizard87@gmail.com) or 803.644.9136.

## THE FEAST OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL TUESDAY, JULY 16

Those interested are invited to be enrolled in the Brown Scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, which will take place after the 5:30PM Mass. Those who are already enrolled are invited to come to renew their commitment to Jesus through Mary. (It is not necessary to do a formal renewal.)

## CHURCH TOUR

Fr. Wilson will be giving a tour of our beautiful church on Saturday, July 20th at 10:30AM.

Sign up here:

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

Limited to 30 participants. Questions? Contact Mary Ellen Jackson at [mjackson@charlestandiocese.org](mailto:mjackson@charlestandiocese.org).

## THE EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL



Fulton Sheen gives a good picture linking Our Lord's sacrifice on Calvary with the Mass: "Picture then the High Priest Christ leaving the sacristy of heaven for the altar of Calvary. He has already put on the vestment of our human nature, the maniple of our suffering, the stole of priesthood, the chasuble of the Cross. Calvary is his cathedral; the rock of Calvary is the altar stone; the sun turning to red is the sanctuary lamp; Mary and John are the living side altars; the Host is His Body; the wine is His Blood. He is upright as Priest, yet He is prostrate as Victim. His Mass is about to begin." (*Calvary and the Mass, a Missal Companion* by Fulton Sheen)





**ST. MARY'S PARISH SCHOOL**  
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Mr. Matthew Kuhn, Interim Principal  
Ph: 803.649.2071 Fax: 803.643.0092  
[www.stmaryschoolaiken.com](http://www.stmaryschoolaiken.com)

**SUMMER OFFICE HOURS:** June 17 to August 2  
Tuesday – Thursday, 9:00AM - NOON  
CLOSED July 1-5

### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

St. Mary Help of Christians Catholic School is seeking

- A full-time junior high Religion teacher for the 2024-2025 school year.
- A full-time junior high English-Language Arts 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](mailto:office@stmaryschoolaiken.com)

### FAMILY HONOR PROGRAM FOR FAMILIES

SEPTEMBER 17 & 24 7:00-9:00PM

St. Mary's will be hosting Family Honor for a two session seminar on virtue, chastity, and adolescent development this fall. The program is for 5th and 6th graders and their families.

### FORMED

FORMED has great programming for the entire family-kids, teens, and adults. It has movies, videos, Bible studies, audiobooks, and eBooks.

What is the Mass? The Search Continues. Why should I want to go to Mass with my whole heart? What actually happens? Fr. John Riley and Chris Stefanick discuss the roots of Mass and its profound implications for us today.

<https://watch.formed.org/videos/thesearchcontinues-35-fr-riley-themass>

Not on FORMED? Sign up at [www.formed.org/signup](http://www.formed.org/signup), enter Aiken, SC, then choose St. Mary Help of Christians Church.

### LOOKING AHEAD

- Fr. Wilson will give a talk entitled *A Teaching Mass* on Saturday, **August 17th** at 10:30AM in Old St. Mary's.
- Joseph Pearce will speak about *God's Love and Great Literature* **August 21st**, at 11:00AM, and *A Call to Catholic Responsibility under a Hostile Government* at 5:30PM.
- Fr. Timothy Reid from St. Ann's in Charlotte will be speaking on Wednesday, **October 16th** at 5:30PM.

### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

#### PARISH AND SCHOOL BUSINESS MANAGER

Responsible for all financial functions for the school and the parish. BA in accounting or comparable degree and at least one (1) year of experience OR equivalent years in a similar position.

#### SACRISTAN

Oversees and coordinates all work related to Sunday Masses, Funerals, Benedictions, including volunteer schedules to clean the churches, linens & vestments. Maintains inventory and orders all needed liturgical supplies.

For more information on these opportunities please go the parish website at [www.stmarys-aiken.org](http://www.stmarys-aiken.org) or contact Patrick Wray, Administrator at 803.649.4777 ext. 112 or [pwray@charlestandioocese.org](mailto:pwray@charlestandioocese.org).

#### PART TIME SPANISH SECRETARY

Will assist with coordinating Spanish activities in the parish. Must have working knowledge of Microsoft office. Bilingual preferred.

### MOVIE NIGHT

Movie Night at Mother Teresa Hall, **Thursday July 11**. Come enjoy **The Parent Trap**. Bring your children or grandchildren. Movie begins at 6:30PM. Come early for fellowship. Light refreshments and coffee, tea, and water with lemon will be provided. BYOP - Bring your own pop and/or popcorn. And mark your calendars for our future 2nd Thursday movie nights. Questions? Contact Mary Ellen Jackson at [mjackson@charlestandioocese.org](mailto:mjackson@charlestandioocese.org)

### THE DOMESTIC CHURCH

This week we celebrate St. Benedict on Thursday, July 11. St. Benedict lived in a time like ours, a time in which people spent their time pursuing pleasure. As a young man, Benedict ran from this lifestyle. He gave up his inheritance and began to live as a hermit. Others who were also dissatisfied with the times joined him. He "organized" those who joined him and wrote a rule of life; the Rule of St. Benedict. This is a short book, beginning with "listen with your heart, my son." Perhaps read some of the rule this week. Benedict based his rule on Ora et Labora, prayer and work. His rule balances work and prayer and recognizes the importance of both as ways of serving God. Many Catholic families have made themselves a "rule of life," committing and scheduling times to pray together and work together. Be specific and make it do-able to fit your family. Look up a bit about Benedict and talk about his life. Talk about how your family can pray together and work together - and make a plan to do so. Interesting - Benedict supposedly died standing up.

## ESPACIO DE NUESTRO PÁRROCO

### PROFETAS LOCALES

Queridos amigos en Cristo,

"Todos honran a un profeta, menos los de su tierra, sus parientes y los de su casa" (Marcos 6,4)

A través de su vida y sus palabras, un profeta siempre trae un aire de novedad, un nuevo plan, que si se toma en serio pone en crisis nuestros viejos hábitos y falsas seguridades. Por eso incomoda a mucha gente. Jesús llega a Nazaret después de un largo viaje de trabajo apostólico y milagros asombrosos, pero en su ciudad natal encuentra la oposición de sus familiares. Rechazan su mensaje e incluso al mensajero. ¡Es el hijo del carpintero! "¿Dónde aprendió este hombre tantas cosas? ¿De dónde le viene esa sabiduría y ese poder para hacer milagros?" (Marcos 6,2)

El drama de la humanidad consiste en no reconocer a su Salvador. Busca la verdad pero al mismo tiempo es víctima de sus prejuicios. ¡Cuán a menudo vemos repetirse esta escena hoy! "Creo que Cristo fue un gran hombre, pero no Dios", o "Sí a Cristo, no a la Iglesia". Y así aceptamos sólo una pequeña parte del misterio de su persona y rechazamos su divinidad. ¡Cristo hecho pedazos! Parcial o total, el rechazo de Cristo es siempre trágico.

Hoy necesitamos apóstoles que con su propia vida sean testigos de Cristo y con sus enseñanzas sean nuestros ejemplos y maestros. Las pruebas de la vida y la persecución del mundo son signos de purificación y autenticidad. Así como el fuego prueba al hierro, así la tentación prueba al justo.

Los santos soportan sus tribulaciones con serenidad porque las unen a los sufrimientos redentores de Cristo. Tomás de Kempis nos enseña que "es bueno que a veces suframos contradicciones. Esto nos ayuda a ser humildes y nos protege de la vanidad". Es decir, "muchas veces no nos damos cuenta de lo que podemos hacer, pero la tentación descubre lo que somos", como nos dice san Agustín.

La verdad es que ¡Cristo es todo o nada! El cristianismo es la afirmación de la divinidad y de la Encarnación de Cristo con todas sus consecuencias doctrinales y prácticas. La fe en la divinidad de Jesucristo es el primer paso hacia la vida divina: Creer que Jesucristo es el Hijo de Dios es la primera condición requerida para ser contado entre sus ovejas. Hagamos nuestra la oración de Jesús: "Creemos en el que Dios ha enviado".

Todo lo mejor... en Cristo,

Padre Wilson

## FORMACIÓN CRISTIANA

### LAS LECTURAS DE LAS ESCRITURAS DEL 30 DE JUNIO AL 7 DE JULIO 2024

<b>Domingo:</b>	Sab 1, 13-15; 2, 23-24	Sal 29, 2. 4-6.
	11-13 2 Cor 8, 7. 9. 13-15	Mc 5, 21-43 o
	5, 21-24. 35-43	
<b>Lunes:</b>	Am 2, 6-10. 13-16	Sal 49, 16-23
	Mt 8, 18-22	
<b>Martes:</b>	Am 3, 1-8; 4, 11-12	Sal 5, 4-8
	Mt 8, 23-27	
<b>Miércoles:</b>	Ef 2, 19-22	Sal 116, 1. 2
	Jn 20, 24-29	
<b>Jueves:</b>	Am 7, 10-17	Sal 18, 8-11 Mt 9, 1-8
<b>Viernes:</b>	Am 8, 4-6. 9-12	Sal 118, 2. 10. 20. 30.
	40. 131 Mt 9, 9-13	
<b>Sábado:</b>	Am 9, 11-15	Sal 84, 9 y 10-14
	Mt 9, 14-17	
<b>Domingo siguiente:</b>	Ez 2, 2-5	Sal 122, 1-4
	2 Cor 12, 7-10	Mc 6, 1-6

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

### HOMILÍAS DOMINICALES EN LÍNEA

Las reproducciones en audio de todas las homilías del fin de semana están disponibles en el sitio web de la parroquia. Vaya al sitio web de Santa Maria en [www.stmarys-aiken.org](http://www.stmarys-aiken.org). Desplácese hasta la parte inferior de la página de inicio y haga clic en "Listen to homilies."

### 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

### SITIO WEB DE LA PARROQUIA

La mayor parte de la información en el sitio web de la parroquia ahora está disponible en español. Haga clic en la bandera mexicana en la esquina superior derecha de la página de inicio en [www.stmarys-aiken.org](http://www.stmarys-aiken.org)

### LA TIENDA DE REGALOS

Está cerrado durante los meses de julio y agosto.



## 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 7 & 14 de julio.** 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@charlestandiocese.org o 803.215.7040.

### SANTO MATRIMONIO

¡Felicidades! El mundo realmente necesita parejas fuertes y fieles en Cristo. La Diócesis de Charleston requiere una preparación mínima de seis meses para el Sacramento del Matrimonio, así que comuníquese con nosotros tan pronto como se comprometa para que podamos compartir su alegría y comenzar el proceso de reservar una fecha para su día especial. Para registrarse y obtener más información por favor comuníquese con Sonia Jimenes 803.508.5370.

### 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](http://www.stmarys-aiken.org)*

## PRÓXIMA FECHA DE BAUTISMO (ESPAÑOL)

**13 de julio 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)

Formación y Preparación para adultos que necesitan recibir los Sacramentos de Bautismo, Comunión y/o Confirmación. Inicia el Martes 20 de Agosto, 2024; a las 7:00PM, en el Salón Smith Hall. Para registrarse y más información acudir con Omar Cardona, o Equipo de RICA.

Este espacio está abierto a toda la comunidad, como oportunidad de profundizar en nuestra Fe y Doctrina Católica.

## FORMACIÓN CATÓLICA PARA JÓVENES Y MINISTERIO JUVENIL

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Esté atento a la inscripción para el año escolar 24/25. Todas las inscripciones estarán en línea a partir del 1 de julio. <https://www.stmarys-aiken.org/ccd>



7 de julio - No hay noche para jóvenes

14 de julio - Noche de Servicio Escuela Intermedia y Secundaria. 6:15 a 8:00PM, Bosco

21 de julio - Escuela Intermedia y Secundaria. 6:15 a 8:30PM, Bosco

¿Estás listo para los JUEGOS OLÍMPICOS? La Sra. LaBone es una ENORME fanática de los Juegos Olímpicos, ven a ver si puedes llegar al podio de los ganadores. ¡Trae un cambio de ropa, este será un programa olímpico completo, con agua y otros deportes complicados!

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Tiene mucha buena programación familiar. ¿No estás en FORMED? Regístrese en [www.formed.org/signup](http://www.formed.org/signup), ingrese Aiken, SC, luego elija St. Mary Help of Christians



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 martes–jueves 9:00AM - MEDIODÍA  
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### OPORTUNIDAD DE EMPLEO

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

- Maestro de religión secundaria
- Maestro de matemáticas de secundaria
- Maestro de "English-Language Arts" 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.

### PROGRAMA DE HONOR FAMILIAR PARA FAMILIAS

17 y 24 de septiembre 7:00-9:00PM

St. Mary's será el anfitrión de Family Honor para un seminario de dos sesiones sobre virtud, castidad y desarrollo adolescente este otoño. **El programa es para estudiantes de 5° y 6° grado y sus familias.**

### ANUNCIO DE AVIVAMIENTO EUCARÍSTICO



Fulton Sheen ofrece un buen enlace que vincula el sacrificio de Nuestro Señor en el Calvario con la Misa: "Imagínense entonces a Cristo, el Sumo Sacerdote, saliendo de la sacristía del cielo hacia el altar del Calvario.

Él ya se ha revestido de la vestidura de nuestra naturaleza humana, del manípulo de nuestro sufrimiento, de la estola del sacerdocio, de la casulla de la Cruz. El Calvario es su catedral; la roca del Calvario es la piedra del altar; el sol que se torna rojo es la lámpara del santuario; María y Juan son los altares laterales vivientes; la Hostia es Su Cuerpo; el vino es Su Sangre. Es recto como Sacerdote, pero postrado como Víctima. Su misa está por comenzar". (El Calvario y la Misa, un compañero del misal por Fulton Sheen)

### SOCIEDAD DE SAN VICENTE DE PAÚL

Para alimentos o asistencia financiera, llame al 803.642.3211. Abierto de lunes a jueves de 9:00AM a 1:00PM. Cerrado los Viernes.

### EVENTOS PARA LA PROXIMA SEMANA

#### Domingo, 7 de julio

8:30AM	Misa	Iglesia
9:00AM	Preparación Bautismal	Smith arriba
11:00AM	Misa	Iglesia
11:00AM	Práctica del Coro	San Miguel
1:00PM	Misa en español	Iglesia
5:00PM	Misa	Iglesia

#### Lunes, 8 de julio

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

#### Martes, 9 de julio

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

#### Miércoles, 10 de julio

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

#### Jueves, 11 de julio

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

#### Viernes, 12 de julio

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

#### Sábado, 13 de julio

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

#### Domingo, 14 de julio

8:30AM	Misa	Iglesia
9:00AM	Preparación Bautismal	Smith arriba
11:00AM	Misa	Iglesia
11:00AM	Práctica del Coro	San Miguel
1:00PM	Misa en español	Iglesia
5:00PM	Misa	Iglesia

### ADORACIÓN EUCARÍSTICA PERPETUA

#### EL 7 DE JULIO ¡CAMBIO!

**La Capilla de Santa Clara estará cerrada el 7 julio** para que las puertas de la capilla puedan ser retiradas y reparadas. **La Adoración Perpetua se trasladará a la iglesia antigua.**

Por favor, esté atento a las actualizaciones de Flocknote sobre la Adoración Perpetua mientras el trabajo de reparación está en progreso.

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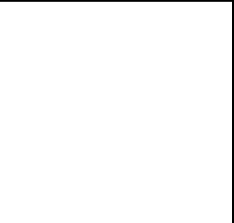
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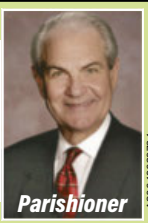


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