

# ST. MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

CATHOLIC CHURCH

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2024

## 30<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Jesus said to him in reply, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man replied to him, "Master, I want to see." Jesus told him, "Go your way; your faith has saved you." Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way. - Mk 10:51-52

# WELCOME TO ST. MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS PARISH

## PARISH OF THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF CHARLESTON

We welcome all who are visiting. If you attend regularly and consider St. Mary Help of Christians your parish, we encourage you to register as a member. You may fill out and submit the form online, or print the form from the website and return it to the parish office.

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St. Mary Help of Christians Catholic Church

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### LOCATIONS

St. Mary's Church: 138 Fairfield St. SE

Old St. Mary's: 125 Park Ave. SE

Ste Claire Chapel: 125 Park Ave. SE

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday

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

**Closed for lunch from 12NOON - 1:00PM**

Wednesday: 8:30AM - 1:30PM

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

### HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 5:00PM - Church

Sunday 8:30AM, 11:00AM - Church

Domingo Misa en español, 1:00PM - Iglesia

### WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

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

Wednesday 8:20AM - Church

Miércoles 7:00PM - Old St. Mary's

Thursday Nursing Home 10:00AM

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

### CONFESSIONS

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

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

Saturday 3:30 - 4:30PM - Church

Sunday 12:30PM - Spanish - Church

**PERPETUAL ADORATION** - Ste Claire Chapel

**ROSARY** - Before Daily Mass

**LIVE STREAM MASS (ON YOUTUBE)**

Sunday 11:00AM Mass

### SUNDAY HOMILIES ONLINE

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

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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, OCTOBER 6, 2024

ENVELOPE/CASH OFFERTORY	Oct 6	\$ 8,610
ONLINE OFFERTORY FOR	Oct 6	\$ 13,263
<b>TOTAL ANNUAL BUDGET</b>		<b>\$ 2,020,200</b>

**NOTE:** Financial updates for **Oct.13 and Oct. 20** 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.

**PARISH PICNIC: TODAY!** Please join us for St. Mary's Parish Picnic on the parish campus, 12:30-3:30PM. The event will include free food, live music, opportunities to connect with fellow parishioners, and tours of our newly completed STEM Center. All Masses will be celebrated in the new church on Fairfield Street.

### EARLY VOTING NOW THROUGH NOVEMBER 2



Registered voters can vote early at Aiken County voter registration office and other early voting centers. Hours: 8:30AM to 6:00PM (Monday - Saturday) Closed Today, Sunday, October 27th.

### AA OPEN MEETING

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

## PASTOR'S CORNER

+JMJ+

WE MUST VOTE...NO OPTION ON THAT!

Dear Friends in Christ,

Yes, this is a challenging and contentious election season. And seems, at least from my perspective, that each succeeding election is even more challenging. Some people are so dismayed by the electoral process, the campaigning, the name calling and TV commercials that they throw their hands in the air, bury their heads in the sand and decide to skip the ballot box.

As faithful Catholics and good citizens of this precious republic, that cannot be our position. As good citizens, we must defend and promote the truth of the Gospel as revealed by the light of both our Catholic faith and human reason.

We cannot take our right to vote for granted. That right is precious, and we must exercise it to bring as much salt and light to our nation as we can. And as we pray and consider for whom we should vote, we must first consider the sanctity of life, from conception to natural death. The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops USCCB has published guidance on *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*. In that document, the bishops state: "The threat of abortion remains our preeminent priority because it directly attacks life itself, because it takes place within the sanctuary of the family, and because of the number of lives destroyed."

Some have criticized this statement trying to put other social justice issues on equal footing or equal priority with the issue of life. In launching Respect Life Month in September 2020, Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann, wrote: "This past January, I shared with Pope Francis that the bishops of the United States had been criticized by some for identifying the protection of the unborn as a preeminent priority. The Holy Father expressed his support for our efforts observing that if we fail to protect life, no other rights matter. Pope Francis also said that abortion is not primarily a Catholic or even a religious issue, it is first and foremost a human rights issue."

Yes, it is a first and foremost a human rights issue, the most fundamental. If you don't have the right to be born, what is the value of a \$15/hour minimum wage, a good education, a meaningful and rewarding job or good healthcare? You would not be there to enjoy those benefits.

"Have the courage to let the unborn be born...No other rights matter if you don't have the right to be born." Jim Harbaugh, Pro-life Catholic and now the head coach of the San Diego Chargers.

May we respect life with our prayers, our actions and our votes!

All the best...in Christ,  
Father Wilson

## ALTAR FLOWER DONATION

Altar flowers for Oct. 26 & 27 were donated by Babs & Joe DePalermo in loving memory of Babs' dad, Joe Massey, on the 10th anniversary of his passing.



## 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! Can you help? **We have an urgent need for an adorer on Saturday at 1AM.** If you would like to try this or a different hour, please go to the Adoration webpage at <https://www.stmarys-aiken.org/perpetual-eucharistic-adoration>, or contact one of the Divisional Leaders:

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

## ON THE MASS

The **Second Reading** comes from one of the epistles (with very few exceptions). In general, we 'read through' a very abridged version of each book on Sundays (and a different book on weekdays). We are currently hearing Hebrews on Sundays until Nov. 17. A good way to prepare for Mass is to read the book of Hebrews (13 chapters) on your own as we read it at Mass. Listen carefully to the reading during Mass; you might notice something you didn't catch while reading on your own.

## MASS SCHEDULE FOR WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30, AND ALL SAINTS DAY & ALL SOULS DAY

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30

8:20AM **School Mass** – in the church

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31

4:45 **Confessions** – in the church

5:30PM Vigil Mass for All Saints Day, Bilingual  
– in the church

### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1 – SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS (HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION)

6:30AM Mass in English in Old St. Mary's

8:20AM Mass in English in the church

5:00PM Mass in English in the church

7:00PM Mass for All Souls Day in  
Spanish—in the church

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2 – ALL SOULS DAY

9:00AM Mass in English – **in the church**  
**(NOTE LOCATION CHANGE)**

5:00PM Sunday Vigil Mass in the church

## READINGS FOR OCTOBER 27–November 3, 2024

Sunday, October 27 readings begin on page 676 of the **Word & Eucharist** books found in the pews.

<b>Sunday:</b> Jer 31:7-9 Mk 10:46-52	Ps 126:1-6	Heb 5:1-6
<b>Monday:</b> Eph 2:19-22	Ps 19:2-5	Lk 6:12-16
<b>Tuesday:</b> Eph 5:21-33	Ps 128:1-5	Lk 13:18-21
<b>Wednesday:</b> Eph 6:1-9 Lk 13:22-30	Ps 145:10-14	
<b>Thursday:</b> Eph 6:10-20 Lk 13:31-35	Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10	
<b>Friday:</b> Rv 7:2-4, 9-14 1 Jn 3:1-3 Mt 5:1-12a	Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6	
<b>Saturday:</b> Wis 4:7-14 20-21 Rom 5:17-21	Ps 25:6, and 7b, 17-18, Mt 11:25-30	
<b>Next Sunday:</b> Dt 6:2-6 Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34	Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51	

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## HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

### Sunday, Oct. 27

8:30AM Anna Hewitt  
11:00AM Bilingual Mass  
Pro Populo

1:00PM **No Mass**

### Monday, Oct. 28

5:30PM Anna Hewitt

### Tuesday, Oct. 29

5:30PM Anna Hewitt

### Wednesday, Oct. 30

8:20AM Phyllis Ann  
Bennett

7:00PM **No Mass**

### Thursday, Oct. 31 Vigil Mass for All Saints Day

5:30PM Steve Van Deren

### Friday, Nov. 1 All Saints Day

6:30AM Charles &  
Kathleen Poole

### Nov. 1 Con't

8:20AM Louis Monroy  
5:00PM Mike & Daline  
Augeri

7:00PM Cristobal Casillas

### Saturday, Nov. 2–All Souls Day

9:00AM For the Souls of all  
the Faithful Departed

5:00PM Emily Mejia (L)

Jane Tillman & Family (L)

Jerry Roberts

Kathleen Kelly

Craig Matthews

Phyllis Ann Bennett

### Sunday, Nov. 3

8:30AM Steve Van Deren

11:00AM Liz Kramer (L)

1:00PM Pro Populo

Pro Populo - For the People

**DEATHS/DIFUNTOS:** Oct. 13 Karon Short

## MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

The Bereavement Ministry announces the celebration of the annual Mass of Remembrance on **Thursday, November 7th at 6:30PM** at St. Mary's on Fairfield, to honor and remember our loved ones, especially those who have died during this past year. Reception to follow in Mother Teresa Hall.

## GIFT SHOP

The Gift Shop will be open regular hours this weekend -- 9AM to 1PM on Sunday. Please come browse through our inventory.

## 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, November 17, 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@charlestdioocese.org](mailto:jlaborne@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](http://www.stmarys-aiken.org)

### NEXT SCHEDULED BAPTISM DATE (ENGLISH)

**Nov. 2, 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 OF ADULTS (OCIA)

This week's topic: Baptism and Confirmation. Come learn about these two sacraments of initiation at OCIA. All are welcome - and bring a friend! Tuesday evenings 6:00 - 7:30PM in Mother Teresa Hall. If you are interested in joining the Church or for more information, contact Mary Ellen Jackson at [mjackson@charlestdioocese.org](mailto:mjackson@charlestdioocese.org).

### CATHOLIC YOUTH FORMATION AND YOUTH MINISTRY

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

### FORMATION

**October 27 – CCD Class for Grades 4K-6 will be from 9:45-10:30AM**

Confirmation Class that meets at 11:30PM, please attend 11AM Mass and participate in a special project at the parish picnic from 1:15-2:30PM.

**October 28**—7th grade classes will meet as usual

### YOUTH MINISTRY

**October 27**—No Evening Youth Ministry—please join us at the Parish Picnic

**Nov. 3**—Life teen



**Sunday, October 27  
1:30-2:30PM  
Saintly Trunk or Treat  
at the parish picnic.**

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Take a piece of St Mary's home with you in a church key or bottle stopper made out of the old kneelers from St. Claire's Chapel. Available in the courtyard after the **8:30AM and 11AM Masses on November 3**. 100% of the proceeds will go to the Columbus Hope Foundation.

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### Sunday, October 27

8:30AM Mass Church  
 11:00AM Mass --Bilingual Church

**12:30 to 3:30 PM Parish Picnic**

### Monday, October 28

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

### Tuesday, October 29

9:00AM Play & Pray Mother Teresa Hall  
 3:30PM Grief Share Mother Teresa Hall  
 3:30PM Legion of Mary Smith Hall Down  
 4:45PM Confessions Old St. Mary's  
 5:30PM Mass Old St. Mary's  
 6:00PM OCIA (RCIA) Mother Teresa Hall

### Wednesday, October 30

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

### Thursday, October 31

11:15AM Bible Study Smith Hall  
 4:45PM Confessions Old St. Mary's  
 5:30PM Bilingual Vigil Mass for All Saints Day Church

**The Holy Day Mass Schedule is also on page 3**

### Friday, November 1--All Saints Day

6:00AM That Man Is You Mother Teresa Hall  
 6:30AM Mass Old St. Mary's  
 8:20AM Mass Church  
 10:00AM Book Club St. Michael Hall  
 5:00PM Mass Church  
 7:00PM Vigil Mass for All Souls Day in Spanish Church

### Saturday, November 2--All Souls Day

**9:00AM Mass for All Souls Day BILINGUAL**  
 Old St. Mary's  
 3:30PM Confessions Church  
 5:00PM Sunday Vigil Mass Church

### Sunday, November 3

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

### PARISH PERKS!

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

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THANKSGIVING BASKETS

Thanksgiving is just around the corner and we are again planning to assist those who are less fortunate by providing a Thanksgiving dinner. If you are interested please email or call Joe Tillman at [jtill11@verizon.net](mailto:jtill11@verizon.net) 410.371.5746 or Jane Phillips-Tillman at [tillman3js@live.com](mailto:tillman3js@live.com) 410.241.0647 to receive a family name, size and details. The basket **should be dropped off at the rear parking lot of Saint Angela Hall on Saturday, November 23 from 8:00 - 9:30AM.** If you cannot shop, monetary donations are always appreciated.

### WEDNESDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY

We meet in St. Michael Hall, 9:30–11:00AM. We are studying Jude and James. Contact Martha: 865-599-8473 or [whittimp@gmail.com](mailto:whittimp@gmail.com)

### THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY

We are in the middle of the Gospel of Luke. **Thursdays at 11:15AM - 12:30PM in Smith Hall.** All are welcome. Questions? Contact Mary Ellen at [mjackson@charlestdiocese.org](mailto:mjackson@charlestdiocese.org)

### FRIDAY BOOK CLUB

*The Good, The Bad, and The Beautiful* with Joseph Pearce. This fascinating book tells the story of Christendom, a century at a time. Join us, and learn history in this unique way. **Fridays 10 - 11:30AM in St. Michael Hall.** All are welcome. Questions? Contact Mary Ellen Jackson at [mjackson@charlestdiocese.org](mailto:mjackson@charlestdiocese.org)

### CHRISTMAS CRAFT EVENT

**November 2 in Mother Teresa Hall.** Christmas Craft Day. Need a gift for your wife? Looking for a holiday activity for you and a friend? Come join us as we make Christmas ornaments with oyster shells. All are welcome, but space is limited. \$20 includes all supplies plus snacks. Sign-ups are on the parish website - click on the banner. Questions? Contact Mary Ellen at [mjackson@charlestdiocese.org](mailto:mjackson@charlestdiocese.org).

### SR. ROBERTA FULTON



Will speak on the *Holy Eucharist, The Nourishment that we Need* on **Thursday, November 14th at 6:30PM** in Mother Teresa Hall. Sr. Roberta was born in Kingstree, SC, and is now the Director of the Buffalo Office of Cultural Diversity and Social Justice. The talk is sponsored by our parish Sankofa group.





## ST. MARY'S PARISH SCHOOL

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### SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS:

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

### STEM CENTER TOURS AT THE PARISH PICNIC

The STEM Center will be open today (Sunday) during the parish picnic, from 12:30 to 3:00PM! Don't miss the chance to join us for a tour! We are eager to showcase the results of the contributions of your prayers, time, and treasure!

### COOKIES FOR KAIROS



SMS students joined forces to help bake cookies for Kairos Ministry! Teaching compassion, kindness, and the value of service one batch at a time!

**HELP US KEEP FORMED!!** It's renewal time. If you have benefited from FORMED, please consider a donation to pay for this exceptional resource. Write FORMED on an envelope with a donation and put it in the Sunday offertory basket. FORMED has movies, bible studies, children's material, audio books, etc. If you haven't used Formed you can sign up at [www.formed.org/signup](http://www.formed.org/signup), enter Aiken, SC, then choose St. Mary Help of Christians.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ASSEMBLY ANNUAL APPEAL

Your donation supports these programs:

- 4 Seminarians in the Archdiocese of the Military
- Ongoing support of our Veterans at the Charlie Norwood VA Hospital.
- Twice/month visits providing refreshments to vets waiting for their appointments at the VA hospital.
- Monthly visits providing the Aiken VA clinic with refreshments.
- Providing Ward 2B Nursing Home and Hospice Care patients with items not provided by the VA.
- Providing & maintaining USA flags on Parish veterans' graves at Cavalry Cemetery and flags for our school classrooms and flagpoles.
- Work with and support "Our Community Salutes" of Aiken for our young men and women enlisting in the US Military.

Knights will be in the courtyard Nov. 10 & 11 after every Mass to accept your donations. Thank You!

### EMPOWER MOTHERHOOD: BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

October 27 is the last Sunday to drop off full bottles in the bassinet in the narthex before all weekend masses. Makes checks payable to Life Choices Pregnancy Care Center or you can give online at: [https://tithely.com/give\\_new/www/#/tithely/give-one-time/2036777?widget=1](https://tithely.com/give_new/www/#/tithely/give-one-time/2036777?widget=1) or scan this QR code.

Please put St. Mary's Baby Bottle Campaign in the memo. Questions? Call 803.634.3171 or [sdzlee87@gmail.com](mailto:sdzlee87@gmail.com)



### FIAT HOMESCHOOL CO-OP CRAFT DAY

**Monday, November 4 at 10:00AM in Mother Teresa Hall** join other homeschoolers of St. Mary Help of Christians for a time of crafting together. This month, we will be making a Rosary Abacus together. Questions? Contact Stephanie Lee at 803.634.3171.

### HAM DINNER – SAVE THE DATE

The Catholic Women's Association will be holding it's annual **Ham Dinner on Wednesday, November 13, from 5:30 to 7:30PM in St. Angela Hall.** This event is free but tickets are needed and can be picked up at the church office October 28 until November 11.

### DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP

St. Mary's will offer a **divorce support group** using the Journey of Hope materials on Wednesday evenings **starting January 8<sup>th</sup>.** All are welcome. More information will be in future bulletins. For information contact Mary Ellen Jackson at

[mjackson@charlestandioocese.org](mailto:mjackson@charlestandioocese.org)

### CLASSIC LADIES 55+ (NEW WOMEN'S GROUP)

Are you looking for something new to get into? Do you want to make friends and deepen your understanding of your community?

We are looking for a group of individuals to help form a 55+ Christian Women's Club "THE CLASSIC LADIES", with the goal of finding common interests and talents to positively impact the lives of each other and the community. We hope to form a group to come together and share life, faith, and fellowship, including lunch, day trips, and outreach for the community.

Our first meeting will be **October 28 at 11:30AM in St. Michael Hall.** Please join us and help brainstorm on FUN trips and activities we can do together.

Questions? [mjackson@charlestandioocese.org](mailto:mjackson@charlestandioocese.org)

## ESPACIO DE NUESTRO PÁRROCO

DEBEMOS VOTAR... ¡NO HAY OPCIÓN!

Queridos amigos en Cristo:

Sí, esta es una temporada electoral desafiante y polémica. Y... parece, al menos desde mi perspectiva, que cada elección sucesiva es aún más desafiante. Algunas personas están tan consternadas por el proceso electoral, la campaña, los insultos y los anuncios de televisión que se rinden, esconden la cabeza en la arena y deciden no ir a las urnas.

Como fieles católicos y buenos ciudadanos de esta preciosa república, esa no puede ser nuestra posición. Como buenos ciudadanos, debemos defender y promover la verdad del Evangelio tal como la revelan la luz de nuestra fe católica y la razón humana.

No podemos dar por sentado nuestro derecho a votar. Ese derecho es precioso y debemos ejercerlo para llevar tanta sal y luz a nuestra nación como podamos. Y cuando oramos y consideramos por quién debemos votar, primero debemos considerar la santidad de la vida, desde la concepción hasta la muerte natural. La Conferencia de Obispos Católicos de Estados Unidos (USCCB) ha publicado una guía sobre la Formación de la conciencia para una ciudadanía fiel. En ese documento, los obispos afirman: "La amenaza del aborto sigue siendo nuestra prioridad preeminente porque ataca directamente la vida misma, porque tiene lugar dentro del santuario de la familia y por la cantidad de vidas destruidas".

Algunos han criticado esta declaración al tratar de poner otras cuestiones de justicia social en pie de igualdad o con la misma prioridad que la cuestión de la vida. Al lanzar el Mes del Respeto a la Vida en septiembre de 2020, el arzobispo Joseph F. Naumann escribió: "El pasado enero, compartí con el Papa Francisco que algunos habían criticado a los obispos de los Estados Unidos por identificar la protección de los no nacidos como una prioridad preeminente. El Santo Padre expresó su apoyo a nuestros esfuerzos observando que si no protegemos la vida, ningún otro derecho importa. El Papa Francisco también dijo que el aborto no es principalmente una cuestión católica o incluso religiosa, es ante todo una cuestión de derechos humanos".

Sí, es ante todo una cuestión de derechos humanos, la más fundamental. Si no tienes derecho a nacer, ¿qué valor tiene un salario mínimo de 15 dólares la hora, una buena educación, un trabajo

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**LAS LECTURAS PARA DOMINGO, 27 DE OCTUBRE  
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### LAS LECTURAS DE LAS ESCRITURAS

#### DEL 27 DE OCTUBRE AL 3 DE NOVIEMBRE 2024

<b>Domingo:</b>	Jr 31, 7-9	Sal 125, 1-6	Heb 5, 1-6
	Mc 10, 46-52		
<b>Lunes:</b>	Ef 2, 19-22	Sal 18, 2-5	Lc 6, 12-19
<b>Martes:</b>	Ef 5, 21-33	Sal 127, 1-5	Lc 13, 18-21
<b>Miércoles:</b>	Ef 6, 1-9	Sal 144, 10-14	Lc 13, 22-30
<b>Jueves:</b>	Ef 6, 10-20	Sal 143, 1. 2. 9-10	
	Lc 13, 31-35		
<b>Viernes:</b>	Ap 7, 2-4. 9-14	Sal 23, 1-61	Jn 3, 1-3
	Mt 5, 1-12		
<b>Sábado:</b>	Sab 4, 7-14	Sal 24, 6. y 7. 17-18. 20-21	
	Rom 5, 17-21	Mt 11, 25-30	
<b>Domingo siguiente:</b>	Dt 6, 2-6	Sal 17, 2-4. 47. 51	
	Heb 7, 23-28	Mc 12, 28-34	

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

### ESE HOMBRE ERES TÚ

Este espacio es para ti VARÓN, casado o soltero, te invitamos a unirse a nuestro grupo para reflexionar y compartir acerca de nuestra vida y aporte en la familia y en la Iglesia. Nos reunimos todos los martes 7:00-8:30PM, en el salón San Miguel. Te esperamos.

### UN ROSARIO POR NUESTRA NACIÓN

Como ya saben, se acercan rápidamente unas elecciones muy importantes. Con eso en mente, rezaremos un rosario especial por nuestra nación el 29 de octubre en la iglesia nueva antes de la misa a partir de las 4:45PM. Además de las oraciones normales, rezaremos específicamente por la consagración de nuestra nación. Por favor, vengan y únense a nosotros para orar por nuestra nación en este momento de gran necesidad.

### CONTINUACIÓN DEL ESPACIO DE NUESTRO PÁRROCO

significativo y gratificante o una buena atención médica? No estarías allí para disfrutar de esos beneficios.

"Ten el coraje de dejar que nazca el no nacido... Ningún otro derecho importa si no tienes el derecho a nacer". Jim Harbaugh, católico pro-vida y ahora entrenador principal de los San Diego Chargers.

¡Que respetemos la vida con nuestras oraciones, nuestras acciones y nuestros votos!

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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. 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 3 y 10 de noviembre.** Es necesario registrarse para que podamos prepararnos para usted. Comuníquese con Reyna Salas a 404.886.5653

### SAGRADA COMUNIÓN Y CONFIRMACIÓN

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

**9 de noviembre 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. Nos reunimos a las 7:00PM, en el Salón Smith. 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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### FORMACIÓN

**27 de octubre—la clase CCD para los grados 4K a 6 será de 9:45 a 10:30AM.**

La clase de Confirmación que se reúne a las 11:30AM tendrán que **asistir a Misa a las 11AM** y participará en un proyecto especial en el picnic parroquial a partir del 1:15 al 2:30PM.

**28 de octubre** - La clase de 7º grado nos vamos a reunir en el mismo lugar a la misma hora.

### MINISTERIO JUVENIL

**27 de octubre** - no hay reunión de jóvenes Ministros - Por favor acompáñanos al Picnic Parroquial.

**3 de noviembre** - Life Teen



**HOY DIA:  
DOMINGO 27 DE OCTUBRE**

1:30 a 2:30PM  
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**HORARIO DE MISAS PARA EL 30 DE OCTUBRE Y EL DÍA DE TODOS LOS SANTOS y DÍA DE LOS DIFUNTOS**

**MIÉRCOLES, 30 DE OCTUBRE**

8:20AM **Misa escolar** en la iglesia nueva

**JUEVES, 31 DE OCTUBRE**

4:45PM **Confesiones** - en la iglesia nueva

5:30PM Misa de vigilia para el Día de todos los Santos Bilingüe - en la iglesia nueva

**VIERNES, 1 DE NOVIEMBRE - DÍA DE TODOS LOS SANTOS**

6:30AM Misa en ingles en la iglesia antigua

8:20AM Misa en ingles en la iglesia nueva

5:00PM Misa en inglés en la iglesia nueva

7:00PM Misa para el Día de los Difuntos en español - en la iglesia nueva

**SÁBADO, 2 DE NOVIEMBRE - DÍA DE LOS DIFUNTOS**

9:00AM Misa para el Día de los Difuntos – en la iglesia antigua

5:00PM Misa de Vigilia del Domingo en la iglesia nueva

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**EVENTOS PARA LA PROXIMA SEMANA**

**Domingo, 27 de octubre**

8:30AM	Misa	Iglesia
10:00AM	Clase de Preparación para Quinceañera	Smith Hall
11:00AM	Misa Bilingüe	Iglesia

**12.30 - 3:30PM PICNIC PARROQUIAL**

**Lunes, 28 de octubre**

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

**Martes, 29 de octubre**

4:45PM	Confesiones	Iglesia Antigua
5:30PM	Misa	Iglesia Antigua
6:30PM	OCIA (RCIA)	Smith Hall

**Miércoles, 30 de octubre**

8:20AM	Misa escolar	Iglesia
6:15PM	Confesiones	Iglesia Antigua
7:00PM	Misa	Iglesia Antigua

**Jueves, 31 de octubre**

4:45PM	Confesiones	Iglesia Antigua
5:30PM	Misa de vigilia para el Día de Todos los Santos - Bilingüe	Iglesia
7:30PM	Grupo de Oración	Iglesia Antigua

**Viernes, 1 de noviembre—Día de los Santos**

**EL HORARIO DE MISAS SE ENCUENTRA TAMBIÉN EN LA PRIMERA COLUMNA DE ESTA PÁGINA**

5:00PM	Misa	Iglesia Antigua
7:00PM	Grupo de Matrimonios	Smith Hall
7:00PM	Misa para el Día de los Difuntos en español	Iglesia

**Sábado, 2 de noviembre—Día de los Difuntos**

9:00AM	Misa para el Día de los Difuntos	Iglesia Antigua
3:30PM	Confesiones	Iglesia
5:00PM	Misa de vigilia	Iglesia

**Domingo, 3 de noviembre**

8:30AM	Misa	Iglesia
9:00AM	Clase de Preparación Bautismo	Smith
10:00AM	Clase de Preparación para Quinceañera	Smith
11:00AM	Misa	Iglesia
11:00AM	Práctica del Coro	San Miguel
1:00PM	Misa en español	Iglesia

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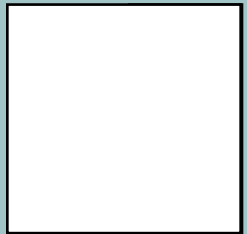
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