

**ST. MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS
CATHOLIC CHURCH — OCTOBER 26, 2025**



30th Sunday

I N O R D I N A R Y T I M E

"But the tax collector stood off at a distance and would not even raise his eyes to heaven but beat his breast and prayed, 'O God, be merciful to me a sinner.'" - Lk 18:13

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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PARISH CLERGY

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Rev. Michael Ghattas, Parochial Vicar

Dcn. Alejandro Leguizamon

Dcn. Al Matousek

Dcn. Robert Pierce

Dcn. Stephen Platte

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

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 St. Mary's website at www.stmarys-aiken.org. Scroll to the bottom of the home page and click on "Listen to Homilies".

NURSERY - Available during 8:30 & 11:00AM Sunday Masses in Mother Teresa Conference Room - Ages 6 months to less than 5 years.

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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

For food or financial assistance call 803.642.3211

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

Closed On Fridays

TOTALS AS OF SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2025

ENVELOPE/CASH OFFERTORY	OCT. 19	\$ 23,036
ONLINE OFFERTORY	OCT. 19	\$ 9,844
TOTAL ANNUAL BUDGET		\$ 2,118,675

Special Collection - October 19
WORLD MISSION SUNDAY \$ 2,146

UPCOMING SECOND/SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

October 27 – St. Vincent De Paul (outside)

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 on St. Mary's website:
 1. Go to www.stmarys-aiken.org
 2. Click on "GIVING", then "SUNDAY OFFERTORY"
 3. Make your selections
 4. Special collection choices can be made online
- Contributions are via direct withdrawal or credit online

If you need assistance, or to discontinue online giving, please call 1.800.348.2886. The Parish Finance Council recommends monthly frequency for the Sunday offering to minimize transaction fees.

GIFT SHOP HOURS

PREPARING FOR THE ADVENT SEASON

The gift shop will have many items for you to select from this Advent season. We'll be open Saturday, Nov. 8 after 5:00PM vigil Mass, and Sunday, Nov. 9 9:00AM – 1:00PM; & after the 1:00PM Spanish Mass.

Oh come, oh come, Emmanuel!

AA OPEN MEETING

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



PASTOR'S CORNER

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A Brief Update on our School

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I'm excited to share some updates about the wonderful things happening at our parish school. St. Mary Help of Christians Catholic Church and School are committed to continue to grow and enhance our community for the benefit of our students, staff, families, and parishioners.

Our 2nd and 8th grade classes are filled with excitement as they prepare for the Holy Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation. These sacred milestones are at the heart of our mission to form disciples of Christ. We ask you to keep these students, their families, and our dedicated staff in your prayers as they journey toward these moments of grace.

Brand new playground equipment for our 3K and 4K preschool students has been installed, bringing immense joy to our youngest learners. This addition creates a fun and engaging space for them to play and grow, setting a strong foundation for their early years.

Our fundraising efforts are in full swing, and we invite your participation. Mark your calendars for the 6th Annual PTO Golf Tournament at Topgolf on November 15th, where you can play or sponsor this event. Following that we will join over 1,800 parishes, schools and Catholic organizations nationwide for our Annual Day of Giving on "Giving Tuesday," December 2nd. This year we will focus on raising funds to replace failing HVAC units and units that are nearing the end of their service life and other required maintenance, ensuring a comfortable learning environment for our students. Additionally, our ongoing Friends of SMS Tuition Assistance Program continues to provide essential support for families in need who are seeking a Catholic education for their children. Your generosity makes these opportunities possible!

As we continue to prioritize the well-being of our students and staff, school administration recently completed a review of our safety plans in collaboration with retired law enforcement professionals. Their expertise has strengthened our protocols. We are committed to keeping our students safe by regularly reviewing and strengthening our plans to maintain a secure learning environment.

Looking ahead, enrollment for the 2026-2027 school year will begin in just a few months. Please spread the word to families who may wish to join our St. Mary's community, where faith, education, and fellowship come together. Thank you for your continued support and prayers. May God bless you and our school family abundantly.

All the best in Christ,
Father Wilson



PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION IN STE CLAIRE CHAPEL USE

Put Jesus first on your calendar with a weekly holy hour!

To find an hour that works for you, please visit:

<https://www.stmarysaiken.org/perpetualeucharistic-adoration>, or email Lori Rainchuso, larue150@yahoo.com

Hours in Need (although all hours are available)

MON:

TUES:

WED: 2:00AM; 3:00AM; 3:00PM; 11:00PM

THU: 12:00AM; 1:00AM; 2:00AM

FRI: 3:00AM

SAT: 1:00AM; 2:00AM; 2:00PM; 4:00PM; 6:00PM

SUN: 2:00AM; 3:00AM; 7:00PM

Thank you to all who signed up last weekend.

All Monday and Tuesday hours are filled!

READINGS FOR Oct. 26 – Nov. 2, 2025

Sunday, Oct. 26 readings begin on **page 960** of the Word & Eucharist books found in the pews.

Sunday: Sir 35:12-14, 16-18 Ps 34:2-3, 17-19, 23 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18 Lk 18:9-14
Monday: Rom 8:12-17 Ps 68:2 and 4, 6-7ab, 20-2 Lk 13:10-17
Tuesday: Eph 2:19-22 Ps 19:2-5 Lk 6:12-16
Wednesday: Rom 8:26-30 Ps 13:4-6 Lk 13:22-30
Thursday: Rom 8:31b-39 Ps 109:21-22, 26-27, 30-31 Lk 13:31-35
Friday: Rom 9:1-5 Ps 147:12-15, 19-20 Lk 14:1-6
Saturday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14 Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6 1 Jn 3:1-3 Mt 5:1-12a
Next Sunday: Wis 3:1-9 Ps 23:1-6 Rom 5:5-11 Or Rom 6:3-9 Jn 6:37-40

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MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

The Bereavement Ministry announces the celebration of the annual Mass of Remembrance on Thursday, November 13th 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.

THE DOMESTIC CHURCH

On Tuesday, Oct. 28 we honor the apostles Simon and Jude. Simon has the same name as Simon Peter, and Jude has the same name as Judas. We don't know much about them except, of course, they were apostles and bishops, and perhaps relatives of Jesus (Matt 13:55; Mark 6:3). Saturday, Nov. 1 is All Saints Day. Tell your children about specific saints that you love and why. While we can't presume anyone is in heaven, this would be a good day to talk with your children about saintly relatives or others that you have known in your life. Tell stories about how that person lived Christ's love.

Saturday, November 1 All Saints Day is NOT a Holy Day of Obligation for 2025

November 1 Mass Times are

8:00AM with special music from *Requiem* by Carl Drobisch.

5:00PM Vigil Mass will be for Sunday,

November 2, All Souls Day –

On Sunday the Mass times will follow The regular Sunday schedule.

There will NOT be a Mass at the Cemetery this year.

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, Oct. 26

8:30AM Pro Populo
 11:00AM Janice Chuey
 1:00PM Negrete Viera Family (L)

Monday, Oct. 27

5:30PM Robert McLemore Rule

Tuesday, Oct. 28

5:30PM Robert S. Kogan

Wednesday, Oct. 29

8:20AM James Reed
 7:00PM Louis Monroy

Thursday, Oct. 30

5:30PM Steve Van Deren

Friday, Oct. 31

5:30PM Charles & Kathleen Poole

Saturday, Nov. 1

8:00AM Sanctity of Life
 5:00PM Chuck & Elizabeth Goergen (L)
 Jerry Roberts
 Donal Lemponen
 Lorretta Nitch
 Bill Nitch

Sunday, Nov. 2

8:30AM For the Souls of the Faithful Departed
 11:00AM Pro Populo
 1:00PM For the Souls of the Faithful Departed

BAPTISMS/BAUTISMOS:

October 4 – Zoe Madeline Matthews daughter of Ryan and Brianna Matthews

October 11 – Vivienne Martin Rabun daughter of Jason and Carla Rabun

DEATHS/DIFUNTOS:

OCTOBER 20 – Paula Marie Cato

SUNDAY CONFESSIONS DISCONTINUED

We still hear confessions six days each week. Please see the bulletin and the website for a full listing of confession times. As always, Father Ghattas and I are available by appointment for confession. May all of us, by the grace of God, live constantly in a state of grace! Father Wilson

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 16, 2025 at 10:00AM** in Smith Hall. Registration is necessary so that we can prepare for you. Please contact Chris Ascherman at 803.845.0568. Godparents are encouraged to attend a Baptismal Preparation session as well. Since godparents promise to help raise your child in the practice of the Catholic faith, godparents must be practicing Catholics at whatever parish they attend.

HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

These incredible Sacraments nourish and strengthen us in our Catholic faith so that we can live as "the light of the world" (St. Matthew 5:14). *Please note:* Parents and children must be registered with St. Mary's and faithfully attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation. Children who are not enrolled in our Catholic school must attend a minimum of two years of Christian Formation classes and satisfy the attendance policy.

For more information about First Holy Communion contact Mary Ellen Jackson at 803.649.4777 ext. 103 or mjackson@charlestandioocese.org.

For more information about Confirmation contact Hannah Dickason at 615.638.7137 or hdickason@charlestandioocese.org.

HOLY MATRIMONY

Congratulations! The world truly needs strong, faithful couples. Our parish stands ready to help prepare you for your life together in Christ. The Diocese of Charleston **requires a minimum of six months preparation** for the Sacrament of Marriage. Please contact us as soon as you are engaged so that we can share your joy and begin the process of reserving a date for your special day. Please understand that not all dates at the church may be available. For information, call 803.649.4777 ext.114 to leave a message for Kimberly Gaynor.

ANointing OF THE SICK

Are you seriously ill, facing surgery, or of advanced age? Receive grace and strength from the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, the Church's Sacrament of healing. Call 803.649.4777 ext. 113.

NEXT SCHEDULED BAPTISM DATE (ENGLISH)

November 1 – 11:00AM in the church on Fairfield St.

- Baptism preparation class must have been completed.
- All paperwork must be submitted to the office one month prior to the date of Baptism.

For more information or to schedule a Baptism, please call the parish office at 803.649.4777

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (OCIA)

Interested in learning about the Catholic faith? This coming Tuesday we will discuss Baptism and Confirmation. We meet Tuesdays at 6:00 – 7:30PM in Mother Teresa Hall. All are welcome. For more information contact Mary Ellen Jackson at mjackson@charlestandioocese.org

CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY

CONTACT: MRS. HANNAH KATHERINE DICKASON

HDICKASON@CHARLESTONDIocese.ORG

615.638.7137

Please sign up for our Confirmation Program and Youth Ministry on the parish website under the Formation tab.

FORMATION

Confirmation 1 meets Tuesday evenings

Confirmation 2 meets Sunday mornings.

See our website or contact Hannah Dickason for our calendar.

YOUTH MINISTRY

October 26 – Youth Night

November 1 – Please pray for our middle schoolers attending the Jr. High Rally, and for our high schoolers from the Diocesan Evangelization Team (E-Team) who are helping lead the event.

November 2 – No Youth Night

November 9 – Youth Night

CCD 4K–GRADE 6

Classes are held in the St. Mary's School classrooms on Sunday at 9:45–10:45AM. We look forward to seeing you then! Questions? Contact Mary Ellen Jackson at mjackson@charlestandioocese.org

UNEXPECTED PREGNANCY?

You are not alone! Free help resources:

Respect Life Ministry – 803.634.3171

Life Choices Pregnancy Care Center

803.648.9890 <https://pregnancyaiken.com>

More information about the Sacraments can be found on our parish website:
www.stmarys-aiken.org

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, October 26

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

Monday, October 27

9:30AM	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Smith Hall
11:45AM	Lunch & Learn Book Club	Bosco
4:45PM	Confessions	Old St. Mary
5:30PM	Mass	Old St. Mary

Tuesday, October 28

3:30PM	GriefShare	Mother Teresa
3:30PM	Legion of Mary	Smith Hall
4:45PM	Confessions	Old St. Mary
5:30PM	Mass	Old St. Mary
6:00PM	OCIA	Mother Teresa

Wednesday, October 29

8:20AM	School Mass	Church
9:30AM	Bible Study	St. Michael Hall
3:00PM	Legion of Mary	Smith Hall Down
6:00PM	Journey of Hope	St. Michael Hall
6:00PM	SHE	Mother Teresa
7:00PM	Mass in Spanish	Old St. Mary

Thursday, October 30

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

Friday, October 31 Parish Office is Closed

6:30AM	That Man is You	Mother Teresa
4:45PM	Confessions	Old St. Mary
5:30PM	Mass	Old St. Mary

Saturday, November 1

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

Sunday, November 2

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

DEAR PARISHIONERS

If you receive emails or texts sent in my name or other parish and school staff, asking for financial help in one form or another, please know that neither I, nor any parish employee, will ever ask you for donations of any kind via social media. Please do not respond to any message that you may receive. Thank you and God bless, Fr. Wilson

Friday, October 31 the parish office will be closed in observance of All Saints Day (a diocesan holiday)

PARISH PERKS!

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

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THANKSGIVING BASKETS

Dear Parishioners,

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 in helping please email or call Joe Tillman at jtill11@verizon.net, 410.371.5746 or Jane Phillips-Tillman at 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 22 from 8:00 to 9:30AM. If you cannot shop, monetary donations are always appreciated.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

Would you like to be part of a smaller group within our parish? You're welcome to come Wednesday's, 9:30–11:00AM in St. Michael Hall. All are welcome. Contact Martha: whittimp@gmail.com or 865.599.8473

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ASSEMBLY 1074 ...



Is putting our faith into action by serving those who serve our country. We actively support 3 military seminarians on their path to becoming chaplains for our troops. We also bring comfort and community to veterans at our local

VA hospital through hospitality and fellowship. This is our parish's charity at work, honoring heroes past present & future. Thank You! Knights will be conducting a collection after all masses on November 8th and 9th or donations may be made online using the attached link.

<https://square.link/u/i3RIVrg7>



WHEELCHAIR EXPRESS NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

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

Wheelchair Express will be available for the Mass of Remembrance at 6:30PM on November 13th.

"At every Mass, God offers us the opportunity to renew our commitment to Him." – St. Teresa of Avila



ST. MARY'S PARISH SCHOOL

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Office Hours: 7:30AM to 3:30PM Monday–Friday
(when school is in session)

PTO 6TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT



Join us on November 15 at Top Golf for the PTO's 6th Annual Golf Tournament! Visit our website stmaryschoolaiken.com/support-sms/golf.cfm or scan the QR code for more information! Lunch is included! Not a golfer? Social tickets are available to eat, play mini-golf and more! Sponsorship opportunities are also available! See you there and thank you for supporting SMS PTO!



INTRODUCING SMS '25-'26 STUDENT COUNCIL!

Meet our gifted and passionate new student council members who are giving their time and talents to make our school the best it can be! This year we are focusing on the culture of faith by adding the new role of Faith & Service Ambassador.

JOURNEY OF HOPE PROGRAM

Are you separated or divorced? The group meets Wednesdays in St. Michael Hall at 6:00–7:30PM. All are welcome to attend. Please join this encouraging program of strength and hope. Contact Mary Ellen at mjackson@charlestdiocese.org or sign up at: <https://web4u.forms-db.com/view.php?id=2764513>

FIAT HOMESCHOOL CO-OP CRAFT DAY

November 5 at 1000AM in Mother Teresa Hall join other homeschoolers of St. Mary Help of Christians for a time of crafting together. Next week we'll be making relic treasure boxes.

PLAY & PRAY FAMILY DINNER Nov. 7 at 5:00PM

On first Fridays of the month, please join us & other families for dinner. For more details, text Grace Przywara: 706.993.8004

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

The group is open to all grieving people in our community, regardless of religious affiliation.

Tuesdays, 3:30–5:00PM in Mother Teresa Hall
(125 Union Street, SE)

November 18 we will have a one-time session on Surviving the Holidays

The registration form is available at St. Mary's parish office or you can register at www.griefshare.org/find_a_group. For more information please contact Karen Van Deren at kvanderen@charlestdiocese.org.

HOLIDAY HAM DINNER – WEDNESDAY, NOV. 12

The Catholic Women's Association hosts the Annual Holiday Ham Dinner on Wednesday, November 12, 5:30–7:30PM in St. Angela Hall. The dinner is free, but tickets are needed and can be picked up at the parish office, beginning October 27. Would you like to help prepare or serve the meal? Volunteers are needed and welcome to join in on the holiday fun by contacting Chris Jakubec at 847.212.8252 or cjakubec@aol.com. Hope to see you there!

COOKIES FOR KAIROS

"I was in prison and you visited me." Matt 25:36

Kairos is a 3 1/2 day nondenominational short course in Christianity that will take place in Broad River State Prison for men, which is located outside of Columbia, from November 20th thru 23rd. The Kairos Team distributes cookies to all of the residents during each of these days to show them Christ's love. That's a lot of cookies. Please donate store-bought cookies sealed in their original packaging, or donate money for us to buy them. We will have a box in the Church Office for your donations. **Please drop donations off no later than 4:30PM, Tuesday, November 18th.** The prison is no longer allowing homemade cookies. Call Don Trapp at 803.979.0966 for info. Thank you!

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!

ESPACIO DE NUESTRO PÁRROCO

Queridos hermanos en Cristo:

Me complace compartirles algunas novedades sobre las maravillosas actividades que se llevan a cabo en nuestra escuela parroquial. La Iglesia y Escuela Católica Santa María Auxilio de los Cristianos se compromete a seguir creciendo y fortaleciendo nuestra comunidad para el beneficio de nuestros estudiantes, personal de trabajo, familias y feligreses.

Nuestras clases de 2.º y 8.º grado están entusiasmadas mientras se preparan para los Santos Sacramentos de la Primera Comunión y la Confirmación. Estos hitos sagrados son la esencia de nuestra misión de formar discípulos de Cristo. Les pedimos que mantengan a estos estudiantes, sus familias y nuestro dedicado personal en sus oraciones mientras se acercan a estos momentos de gracia.

Se han instalado nuevos juegos infantiles para nuestros alumnos de preescolar de 3K y 4K, lo que les ha brindado una alegría inmensa a los más pequeños. Esta ampliación crea un espacio divertido y atractivo para que jueguen y crezcan, sentando una base sólida para sus primeros años.

Nuestras campañas de recaudación de fondos están en pleno apogeo y los invitamos a participar. Anoten en sus calendarios el 6.º Torneo Anual de Golf de la Asociación de Padres y Maestros (PTO) en Topgolf el 15 de noviembre, donde podrán participar o patrocinar este evento. Posteriormente, nos uniremos a más de 1800 parroquias, escuelas y organizaciones católicas de todo el país para nuestro Día Anual de Donaciones, el "Giving Tuesday", el 2 de diciembre. Este año nos centraremos en recaudar fondos para reemplazar unidades de HVAC defectuosas y unidades que están llegando al final de su vida útil, así como para realizar otras tareas de mantenimiento necesarias, garantizando un entorno de aprendizaje cómodo para nuestros alumnos. Además, nuestro Programa de Asistencia para la Matrícula "Amigos de SMS" continúa brindando apoyo esencial a las familias necesitadas que buscan una educación católica para sus hijos. ¡Su generosidad hace posibles estas oportunidades!

Mientras continuamos priorizando el bienestar de nuestros estudiantes y personal, la administración escolar recientemente completó una revisión de nuestros planes de seguridad en colaboración con profesionales retirados de las fuerzas del orden. Su experiencia ha fortalecido nuestros protocolos. Nos comprometemos a mantener la seguridad de nuestros estudiantes mediante la revisión y el fortalecimiento regular de nuestros planes para mantener un entorno de aprendizaje seguro.

De cara al futuro, las inscripciones para el año escolar 2026-2027 comenzarán en pocos meses. Por favor, corran la voz entre las familias que

FORMACIÓN CRISTIANA

LAS LECTURAS DE LAS ESCRITURAS DEL 26 de octubre a 2 de noviembre, 2025

Las lecturas para domingo, el 26 de octubre comienzan en la **pagina 961** en el libro "Palabra y Eucaristía"

Domingo:	Eccl 35, 12-14, 16-18	Sal 33, 2-3.
	17-19. 23	2 Tim 4, 6-8. 16-18
Lunes:	Rom 8, 12-17	Sal 67, 2 y 4. 6-7. 20-21
	Lc 13, 10-17	
Martes:	Ef 2, 19-22	Sal 18, 2-5
		Lc 6, 12-19
Miércoles:	Rom 8, 26-30	Sal 12, 4-6
		Lc 13, 22-30
Jueves:	Rom 8, 31-39	Sal 108, 21-22. 26-27.
	30-31	Lc 13, 31-35
Viernes:	Rom 9, 1-5	Sal 147, 12-15. 19-20
	Lc 14, 1-6	
Sábado:	Ap 7, 2-4. 9-14	Sal 23, 1-6
	1 Jn 3, 1-3	Mt 5, 1-12
Domingo siguiente:	Sab 3, 1-9	Sal 22, 1-6
	Rom 5, 5-11 o Rom 6, 3-9	Jn 6, 37-40

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

LAS CONFESIONES DEL DOMINGO HAN TERMINADO

Todavía tendremos confesiones disponibles seis días a la semana incluyendo el miércoles a las 6:15PM. Por favor, consulte el boletín y el sitio web para obtener un listado completo de los horarios de confesión. Y, por supuesto, el Padre Ghattas y yo estamos disponibles para confesión con cita previa. ¡Que todos nosotros, por la gracia de Dios, vivamos constantemente en un estado de gracia!

~Padre Wilson

MISA DE RECORDACIÓN

El Ministerio de Duelo anuncia la celebración de la Misa anual de Recordación el **jueves 13 de noviembre a las 6:30PM** en la iglesia St. Mary's en Fairfield, para honrar y recordar a nuestros seres queridos, especialmente a aquellos que han fallecido durante el último año. Después de la Misa habrá una recepción posteriormente en el Salón Madre Teresa.

LA OFICINA PARROQUIAL ESTARÁ CERRADA
viernes el 31 de octubre en observancia del
Día de Todos los Santos (una fiesta diocesana)

deseen unirse a nuestra comunidad de St. Mary's, donde la fe, la educación y la camaradería se unen. Gracias por su continuo apoyo y oraciones. Que Dios los bendiga abundantemente a ustedes y a nuestra familia escolar.

Les deseo lo mejor en Cristo, Padre Wilson

SAGRADO SACRAMENTOS

SANTO BAUTISMO

¡El Bautismo es un regalo de vida nueva!
Para bautizar en Sta. María, al menos uno de los padres debe ser católico practicante, asistir a Misa y estar registrado en la parroquia por lo menos 3 meses antes de pedir fecha. Ambos padres deben tomar clases pre-bautismales. Los padrinos deben ser católicos practicantes.

Próximas clases: 2 y 9 de noviembre 2025

Registro requerido.

Contacto: Reyna Salas - 404.886.5653

SAGRADA COMUNIÓN Y CONFIRMACIÓN

¡Los Sacramentos fortalecen nuestra fe!
Padres y niños deben estar registrados en Sta. María y asistir fielmente a Misa.
Niños fuera de la escuela católica deben completar al menos dos años de formación cristiana y cumplir con la asistencia.

Para más información sobre la Primera Comunión, contactarse con Mary Ellen Jackson al 803.649.4777 ext. 103 o a mjackson@charlestandiocese.org.

Para más información sobre la Confirmación, contactarse con Hannah Dickason al 615.638.7137 o a hdickason@charlestandiocese.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. Para registrarse y obtener más información por favor comuníquese con Sonia Jimenes 803.508.5370

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¿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

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TIENDA DE REGALOS HORARIO – Preparándose para la temporada de Adviento

Visítenos el sábado 8 de noviembre después de la Misa de vigilia a las 5:00PM, y el domingo 9 de noviembre de 9:00AM a 1:00PM; también después de la Misa en español de la 1:00PM ¡Oh ven, oh ven, Emanuel!

PRÓXIMA FECHA DE BAUTISMO EN ESPAÑOL

8 de noviembre 2025 a las 11:00AM

en la iglesia en la calle Fairfield

- Las clases de preparación para el bautismo deben haber sido completadas
- Toda la documentación deben presentarse en la oficina un mes antes de la fecha del bautismo.

Para obtener más información o si desea programar un bautismo, llame a la oficina parroquial al 803.649.4777

RITO DE INICIACIÓN CRISTIANA PARA ADULTOS (RICA) LOS MARTES A LAS 7:00PM

Todos están invitados a las Clases de RICA. Nos reunimos los martes en el Salón Smith Hall a las 7:00PM. Para más información, contacte a Omar o Mercedith Cardona 706.231.5253. Este espacio está abierto a toda la comunidad.

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Por favor inscribanse en nuestro Programa de Confirmación y ministerio juvenil en la página web de la parroquia, bajo la pestaña Formación.

FORMACIÓN

Confirmación 1 se reúne los martes por la tarde y Confirmación 2 los domingos por la mañana. Pueden consultar nuestro calendario en la página web o comunicarse con Hannah Dickason.

YOUTH MINISTRY

26 de octubre – Noche de juventud

1 de noviembre – Por favor, oren por nuestros estudiantes de secundaria que asistirán al Rally de Secundaria, y por nuestros estudiantes de preparatoria del Equipo Diocesano de Evangelización (E-Team) que estarán ayudando a dirigir el evento.

2 de noviembre - No hay noche de juventud

9 de noviembre - Noche de juventud

CCD

Las clases de CCD de 4° a 6° grado se llevan a cabo en las aulas de la Escuela St. Mary los domingos de 9:45 a 10:45AM. ¡Esperamos verlos entonces! ¿Preguntas? Contacte a Mary Ellen Jackson en mjackson@charlestandiocese.org





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7:00PM Todos los domingos.

EVENTOS PARA LA PROXIMA SEMANA

Domingo, 26 de octubre

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

Lunes, 27 de octubre

4:45PM	Confesiones	Iglesia Antigua
5:30PM	Misa	Iglesia Antigua
6:00PM	Legión de María	Smith
7:00PM	Pequeña Comunidad	Santa Teresa

Martes, 28 de octubre

4:45PM	Confesiones	Iglesia Antigua
5:30PM	Misa	Iglesia Antigua
6:30PM	RICA	Smith

Miércoles, 29 de octubre

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

Jueves, 30 de octubre

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

Viernes, 31 de octubre

4:45PM	Confesiones	Iglesia Antigua
5:30PM	Misa	Iglesia Antigua
7:00PM	Grupo de Matrimonio	Smith
6:30-11:30PM	Vigilia de reparación	Iglesia Antigua

Sábado, 1 de noviembre

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

Domingo, 2 de noviembre

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

SÁBADO, 1 DE NOVIEMBRE – SOLEMNIDAD DE TODOS LOS SANTOS

NO ES DÍA DE PRECEPTO EN 2025

Horarios de Misa para el 1 de noviembre:

8:00AM con música especial del Réquiem de Carl Drobisch.

Habrà una Misa de Vigilia a las 5:00PM para el

DOMINGO, 2 DE NOVIEMBRE – Conmemoración de Todos los Fieles Difuntos.

Los horarios de Misa seguirán el horario regular del domingo.

No habrá Misa en el cementerio este año.



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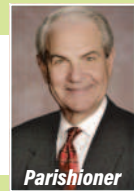
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