



ST. MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

CATHOLIC CHURCH

SUNDAY, JULY 12, 2026

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"The seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold." - Mt 13:23

WELCOME TO ST. MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS 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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803.649.4777

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Website: www.stmarys-aiken.org

Locations

St. Mary's Church: 138 Fairfield Street 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 - Iglesia Antigua

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 - St. Claire Chapel

Rosary - Before Daily Mass

Pre Recorded Mass (On YouTube)

Sunday 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.

The Most Rev. Jacques E. Fabre-Jeune, CS

Bishop of Charleston

Parish Clergy

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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

For food or financial assistance call 803.642.3211 or visit their website at Svdpaiken.org

Open Monday – Thursday 9:00am – 1:00pm

Closed On Fridays

TOTALS AS OF SUNDAY JUNE 21~~6~~28

Offertory	Jun 21	\$ 11,926
Online Offertory	Jun 21	\$ 8,929
Offertory	Jun 28	\$ 18,698
Online Offertory	Jun 28	\$ 11,484
Total Annual Budget		\$ 2,118,675

Semi-annually, the Parish publishes financial reports for both the Parish and St. Mary's School on our church website <https://www.stmarys-aiken.org/index> (Giving tab → Financial Reports) <https://www.stmarys-aiken.org/financial-reports> to keep the community informed about its financial condition. Members of the parish community who wish to receive copies of or review these reports may do so by contacting the Parish Business Manager, Colleen Wittenborn, at 803-649-4777, Ext. 2.

We thank all members of St. Mary Help of Christians Catholic Church and St. Mary's School for their generous contributions of time, talent, and treasure. These gifts make possible every ministry and program within our Catholic community.

GIFT SHOP – FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The memorial of St. Kateri Tekakwitha is Tuesday, July 14, and she is the patron of the environment and ecology. Come see her beautiful statue at our gift shop! Gift shop open Sunday 9:00am – 1:00pm; Saturday before and after the 5:00pm Vigil Mass.

THAT MAN IS YOU — SUMMER PROGRAM

Contact: Deacon Pierce,
bpierce@charlestandioocese.org
TMIY will meet this summer for a 4-session retreat on Fatherhood.

TMIY SUMMER PROGRAM

July 24 – The Transformation of a Culture
We will meet Friday mornings in Mother Teresa Hall. Fellowship begins at 6:30 a.m., the video begins at 6:45 a.m., and small group discussion will end by 7:45 a.m. We hope to see you there!

BROWN SCAPULAR INVESTITURE

Thursday, July 16 is the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Those wishing to be invested in the Brown Scapular are invited to attend the 5:30 p.m. Mass, with the Rite of Investiture following immediately afterward.

The Brown Scapular is a sacramental and a sign of devotion to Our Lady of Mount Carmel, calling us to live the Gospel through prayer and faithful Christian living.

If you would like to be invested in the Brown Scapular or for more information, contact Lori Rainchuso at larue150@yahoo.com

AA OPEN MEETING

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

PASTOR'S CORNER

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The Cardinal Virtues

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Last week, I presented a brief teaching on the theological virtues of faith, hope, and charity—because they “inform all the moral virtues and give life to them.” (CCC,1841)

The Church teaches that these virtues are not merely human motivation. They are “infused by God into the souls of the faithful,” so that we can act as God's children and “merit eternal life.” (CCC,1813)

And among the theological virtues, charity stands highest. The Catechism of the Catholic Church states: “If I have not charity,” says the Apostle, “I am nothing.” Whatever my privilege, service, or even virtue, “if I...have not charity, I gain nothing.” Charity is superior to all the virtues. It is the first of the theological virtues: “So faith, hope, charity abide, these three. But the greatest of these is charity.” (CCC, 1826)

This helps us understand the cardinal virtues—prudence, justice, fortitude, and temperance—not as isolated habits of “being good,” but as virtues that come alive when they are animated by faith, hope, and charity. The word cardinal comes from the Latin *cardo*, which means pivot. The cardinal virtues are “hinges” upon which good moral decisions depend.

- Prudence is “the virtue that disposes practical reason to discern our true good in every circumstance and to choose the right means of achieving it.”
- Justice is “the moral virtue that consists in the constant and firm will to give their due to God and neighbor.”
- Fortitude is “the moral virtue that ensures firmness in difficulties and constancy in the pursuit of the good.”
- Temperance is “the moral virtue that moderates the attraction of pleasures and provides balance in the use of created goods.” (CCC, 1806-1809)

Our Gospel for today contains the parable of the Sower and the seed. I'm quite sure that we would all hope to be the good soil, “the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.” (Matt 13:23)

May the Holy Spirit grant us faith to see, hope to endure, and charity to love and guide us to cultivate the cardinal virtues in our lives to produce fruit for the kingdom.

All the best in Christ,

Father Wilson

**PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
IN STE CLAIRE CHAPEL**



Needing Peace in Your Heart?
Jesus offers it! Be not Afraid!

Sat. 3 am (Fri. night) and Sat. 12 Noon have need for an adoror. To sign up for this or another weekly holy hour, please visit the Adoration webpage at <https://www.stmarys-aiken.org/perpetual-eucharistic-adoration>, or contact a Divisional Leader:

12 Mdnt.-6am: Tom Henry 803-618-9086
6am-12 Noon: Ken Boucher 803-226-4639
12 Noon-6pm: Janice Suhrer 803-645-6105
6pm-12 Mdnt: Joan Pate 908-447-9715

SOCIAL MEDIA SCAMS TO BE AWARE OF

If you receive emails or texts sent in my name or other parish/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

THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY:

The Thursday Bible Study will not be meeting for the summer and will begin meeting again on Thursday, September 3rd when we will start reading the Book of Ruth.



Not connected to St. Mary's Flocknote yet? Want to receive parish updates from our pastor, or add or change which groups/ministries you want to hear from or be a part of? Please text AIKEN to the short phone number 84576 then click on the link you'll receive to enter your information, or connect with us online at stmaryhelp.flocknote.com (you can text STOP to 84576 to stop txt notifications at any time). You will receive messages only from those groups or ministries for which you sign up!

Troubleshooting: If you've already signed up but are not receiving emails, please add mail@flocknote.com as a new contact so that Flocknote messages will be on your safe sender list and make it to your email inbox. Any questions, please contact Donna Pierce at piercedin1988@gmail.com.

READINGS FOR JUL. 5 - JUL. 12, 2026

Sunday, Jul. 5 readings begin on page 334 of the Word & Eucharist books found in the pews.

Sunday: Is 55:10-11 Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9	Ps 65:10, 11-14	Rom 8:18-23
Monday: Is 1:10-17 Mt 10:34-11:1	Ps 50:8-9, 16-17, 21, 23	
Tuesday: Is 7:1-9 Mt 11:20-24	Ps 48:2-4, 5-6, 7-8	
Wednesday: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16/Ps 94:5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 14-15/Mt 11:25-27		
Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19/Ps 102:13-14ab and 15, 16-18, 19-21/Mt 11:28-30		
Friday: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8/Is 38:10, 12abcd, 16/Mt 12:1-8		
Saturday: Mi 2:1-5/Ps 10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14/Mt 12:14-21		
Next Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19/Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16/Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-3		

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HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday Jul. 12

8:30am Michael Diem
11:00am Pro Populo
1:00pm Souls in Purgatory

Monday Jul. 13

5:30pm Susan & Peter Chadbourne (L)

Tuesday Jul. 14

5:30pm Daly Family (L&D)

Wednesday Jul. 15

8:20am Marie Akwebiwa
7:00pm Souls in Purgatory

Thursday Jul. 16

5:30pm Ted Giard

Friday Jul. 17

5:30pm Jenifer Hewitt & Felipe Gaitan (L)

Saturday Jul. 18

8:00am Thomas Scirghi
5:00pm Thoma Scirghi Frank & Lois Gniazdowski
John Bowers

Elizabeth Polchisky

Dellinger Family

Sunday Jul. 19

8:30am Helen Brede
11:00am Pro Populo
1:00pm Alberto Gonzales

WHEELCHAIR EXPRESS

We are in need of additional Wheelchair Express drivers for 8:30 Mass at the New Church on Fairfield Street. Volunteers would rotate with others once every three weeks or so.

Wheelchair Express is available for anyone needing wheelchair assistance into the sanctuary and back to their vehicles after Mass on Sundays. Volunteers are present 30 minutes before each of the Masses. If you are interested in helping with this ministry, please contact Bobbie or George Sich at 740-981-2961

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 19, 2026** 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 class 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 AND 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. Two years of Faith Formation classes are required to satisfy the attendance policy. The 2 year process for First Communion begins in 1st grade, and the 2 year process for Confirmation begins in 7th grade. Catholic children registered at St. Mary's school are automatically enrolled in the sacramental program through the school. You can register and pay the fee at the parish office, registration forms can be found at <https://www.stmarys-aiken.org/ccd>

If you have further questions, contact Derrick Huestis at dhuestis@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)

Next Baptism is July 11 at 11:00am in New St. Mary Church on Park Avenue.

- 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

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (OCIA)

Are you interested in becoming Catholic, or are you an adult missing your sacrament of confirmation? OCIA classes begin August 11th for those seeking to become Catholic and receive the sacraments of initiation. We will be meeting at Mother Teresa Hall, 125 Union St SE at 6pm beginning August 11th and running weekly. For questions, contact our DRE, Mr. Derrick Huestis, at dhuestis@charlestandioocese.org

CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY

Contact: Mrs. Hannah Katherine Dickason
hdickason@charlestandioocese.org
615.638.7137

For more details about Confirmation, Youth Ministry, and our full calendar of events, please visit our website or contact Hannah Dickason.

YOUTH MINISTRY

July 10-12 – Please pray for our teens, chaperones, and clergy attending Steubenville Atlanta.

July 13-17 – Please pray for our teens attending the Christian Leadership Institute (CLI).

July 17-18 – Fidelis Mentor Training

July 22 – Night of Prayer: Youth Adoration and Confession

FAITH FORMATION (CCD)

Classes are over for the summer and will begin again September 13th. Registration is now open, the form can be found on the website or picked up at the parish office. All forms and payments need to be returned to the office. For questions, contact our DRE, Mr. Derrick Huestis, at dhuestis@charlestandioocese.org

More information about the Sacraments can be found on our parish website:

www.stmarys-aiken.org

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday Jul. 5

8:30am Mass	Church
11:00am Mass	Church
1:00pm Mass in Spanish	Church

Monday, Jul. 6

9:30am Prayer Shawl Ministry	Smith Hall
11:45am Lunch & Learn Book Club	Bosco
4:45pm Confessions	Old Church
5:30pm Mass	Old Church

Tuesday, Jul. 7

3:30pm Legion of Mary	Smith Hall
4:45pm Confessions	Old Church
5:30pm Mass	Old Church

Wednesday, Jul. 8

8:20am Mass	Church
3:00pm Legion of Mary	Smith Hall Down
5:45pm Confessions	Church
7:00pm Mass in Spanish	Church

Thursday, Jul. 9

4:45pm Confessions	Old Church
5:30pm Mass	Old Church

Friday, Jul. 10

4:45pm Confessions	Old Church
5:30pm Mass	Old Church

Saturday, Jul. 11

8:00am Mass	Old Church
3:30pm Confessions	Church
5:00pm Vigil Mass	Church

Sunday, Jul. 12

8:30am Mass	Church
11:00am Mass	Church
1:00pm Mass in Spanish	Church

MEET OUR OWN PARISH AUTHOR!

Book Signing with Dr. Peter Wilcox on July 18 & 19
We are blessed to welcome our own parishioner, Dr. Peter Wilcox, for a special book signing event! Dr. Wilcox has been a practicing psychotherapist and spiritual director for more than 30 years. He holds a doctorate in theology from The Catholic University of America and a master's degree in social work from the University of Maryland. His writings explore the beautiful intersection of psychology, faith, and spiritual growth.

Dr. Wilcox will be signing his latest book, *Called to be Simon*, after the Saturday Vigil Mass and after the Sunday 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM Masses. He will be located in front of the Gift Shop, where copies of all his books will be available for purchase.

Come meet Dr. Wilcox, learn more about his work, and discover resources to support your own journey of faith and spiritual growth.

PARISH PERKS!

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

FRATERNUS CHAPTER AT ST. MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS!

We are seeking faithful men to join Fraternus, a Catholic brotherhood committed to growing in virtue, deepening faith, and strengthening men in their calling as fathers, community leaders, and followers of Christ. Interested men of all ages are invited to attend a training and information session on June 6th to learn more about our mission and how to get involved. For more information, visit fraternus.org and contact Scott Recher at recherg@gmail.com or Brett Dickason at brett.w.dickason@gmail.com.

CATHOLIC APPEAL OF SOUTH CAROLINA: UPDATE AND THANK YOU

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all parishioners who have already prayerfully and generously supported this year's Catholic Appeal. Your gifts make a meaningful difference in the lives of many throughout our diocese, helping to sustain vital ministries and outreach efforts.

If you have not yet had the opportunity to participate, there is still time to contribute. Every gift is a blessing to our Diocese and our parish.

Thank you for your continued faith, generosity, and commitment to our Church.

MILLIONS OF MONICAS

Are you a mother, grandmother, aunt, or Confirmation sponsor? Please join with other Catholic women who, like St. Monica, pray together for our children to return to the practice of their Catholic faith. Our mission is to encounter God through prayer for ourselves and our children, to grow in holiness and humility, and to help our children return to the faith. We will meet on Wednesday, July 15th at 1:00 pm in Old St. Mary's. If you have not signed up for Flocknote, please do so, and join the Millions of Monicas group to receive a monthly reminder of our prayer meeting.

PRO-LIFE SUMMER BOOK CLUB

Join the Respect Life Ministry for a discussion of our summer read: *Something Wicked: Why Feminism Can't Be Fused with Christianity* by Carrie Gress.

Wednesday July 15, 7-8:30pm Deacon Waters Conference Room

Questions? 803-634-3171

Copies of the book will be available at the gift shop.



St. Mary's Parish School

118 York Street SE, Aiken, SC29801
Mr. Carlos Overstreet, Principal
Ph: 803.649.2071 Fax: 803.643.0092
excelatstmarys.com

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

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

St. Mary Help of Christians Catholic School is seeking a full-time elementary teacher and full-time elementary aide to join our dedicated faculty. We are looking for practicing Catholics who are passionate about academic excellence and Catholic formation. Teaching candidates should hold a bachelor's degree, with teaching certification preferred. Aide candidates ideally will have 3+ years experience in the classroom. If you or someone you know feels called to serve in Catholic education, we encourage you to apply. View the full job description and application details here: <https://www.stmaryschoolaiken.com/about/employment-opportunities.cfm>

LIMITED SEATS REMAIN AT ST. MARY'S SCHOOL NEXT YEAR!

Enrollment is still open for the 2026-2027 school year, but several grade levels are nearing capacity. St. Mary's School provides a strong academic foundation rooted in the Catholic faith for students in Preschool (3K & 4K) through 8th Grade.

Active Catholic tuition discounts are still available! Don't wait! Contact the school office at (803) 649-2071 or visit stmaryschoolaiken.com to learn more or schedule a tour. We are closed July 6-10 for summer vacation.



TOTALLY CATHOLIC VBS 2026 WAS A SUCCESS!

Thank you to the many volunteers who made it possible!

A FRANCISCAN MINUTE FOR THE JUBILEE

“ The only thing ever achieved in life without effort is failure.”

The Secular Franciscans meet the 3rd Monday @6:15PM in St. Michael's Hall.

MADE NEW: A GATHERING OF HOPE AND HEALING

A Talk hosted by Catholic in Recovery

"Behold, I make all things new." – Revelation 21:5

Join us on Saturday, July 18th at 9:30 AM in St. Michael Hall for an inspiring morning of real stories, renewed hope, and the reminder that no matter what you have carried, healing is possible when we trust in His mercy, His love, and His divine providence. Led by inspiring community members who have walked through struggle and found healing, this gathering is open to the entire parish community. Come as you are.

UPDATE ON OUR FRATERNUS CHAPTER!

Our challenge is still open to men of all ages to deepen your faith, grow in virtue, and make an impact on the young men of our parish. Men, we're challenging you to join us in this brotherhood, whether you're a father or not, and help us in our mission. For more information, visit fraternus.org and contact Scott Recher at recherg@gmail.com or Brett Dickason at brett.w.dickason@gmail.com.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

We are on hiatus for the summer months. We will return to our study of Hebrews on September 9. If you have questions, contact Martha: whittimp@gmail.com



Retrouvaille Marriage Help offers a welcoming and loving space to couples who have been living with the misery of a failing marriage. Retrouvaille offers hope: hope that it is not too late, hope of a different and better marriage. Retrouvaille helps couples to show each other mercy through the opportunities it provides to listen, to forgive, to be reconciled and to move into their futures believing that God loves them and with His help and their efforts, their marriages can be healed and restored. Retrouvaille provides help for marriage problems/difficulties/ crises. Inquire for yourself, a friend, or a relative.

For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program in Charlotte area on Oct 2nd-4th , 2026 for couples, Email: bill-lyn@helpourmarriage.org or Call: 727-343-6701 Website: www.HelpOurMarriage.org

ESPACIO DE NUESTRO PÁRROCO

Las Virtudes Cardinales

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo:

La semana pasada presenté una breve enseñanza sobre las virtudes teologales de la fe, la esperanza y la caridad, porque “informan todas las virtudes morales y les dan vida”. (CIC, 1841)

La Iglesia enseña que estas virtudes no son simplemente motivación humana. Son “infundidas por Dios en el alma de los fieles” para que podamos actuar como hijos de Dios y “merecer la vida eterna”. (CIC, 1813)

Y entre las virtudes teologales, la caridad ocupa el lugar más alto. Si falta el amor, “cualquiera que sea mi privilegio, servicio o incluso virtud... si no tengo caridad, nada soy”. La caridad es “la primera de las virtudes teologales”, y “la mayor de ellas es la caridad”. (CIC, 1826)

Esto nos ayuda a comprender las virtudes cardinales —prudencia, justicia, fortaleza y templanza— no como hábitos aislados de “portarse bien”, sino como virtudes que cobran vida cuando están animadas por la fe, la esperanza y la caridad.

La palabra cardinal proviene del latín cardo, que significa “gozne” o “bisagra”. Las virtudes cardinales son “bisagras” sobre las cuales dependen las buenas decisiones morales.

- Prudencia es la virtud que dispone la razón práctica a discernir nuestro verdadero bien en cada circunstancia.
- Justicia es “la virtud moral que consiste en la constante y firme voluntad de dar a cada uno lo que le es debido”.
- Fortaleza es “la virtud moral que asegura la firmeza en las dificultades y la constancia en la búsqueda del bien”.
- Templanza es “la virtud moral que modera la atracción de los placeres y procura el equilibrio en el uso de los bienes creados”. (CIC, 1806-1809)

El Evangelio de hoy contiene la parábola del Sembrador y la semilla. Estoy seguro de que todos deseamos ser la tierra buena, “el que escucha la palabra y la entiende, y da fruto: uno ciento, otro sesenta y otro treinta”. (Mt 13,23)

Que el Espíritu Santo nos conceda fe para ver, esperanza para perseverar y caridad para amar, y que nos guíe a cultivar las virtudes cardinales en nuestra vida para producir fruto para el Reino.

Con todo mi afecto en Cristo,
Padre Wilson

FORMACIÓN CRISTIANA

LAS LECTURAS DE LAS ESCRITURAS DEL 5 DE JULIO AL 12 DE JULIO, 2026

Las lecturas para domingo, el 5 de julio comienzan en la [pagina 335](#) en el libro “Palabra y Eucaristía”

Domingo: Zac 9, 9-10	Sal 144, 1-2. 8-11. 13-14
Rom 8, 9. 11-13	Mt 11, 25-30
Lunes: Os 2, 16. 17-18. 21-22	Sal 144, 2-5. 6-9
Mt 9, 18-26	
Martes: Os 8, 4-7. 11-13	Sal 114, 3-6. 7-10
Mt 9, 32-38	
Miércoles: Os 10, 1-3. 7-8. 12	Sal 104, 2-3. 4-5. 6-7
Mt 10, 1-7	
Jueves: Os 11, 1-4. 8-9	Sal 79, 2 y 3. 15-16
Mt 10, 7-15	
Viernes: Os 14, 2-10	Sal 50, 3-4. 8-9. 12-13. 14 y 17
Mt 10, 16-23	
Sábado: Is 6, 1-8	Sal 92, 1. 1-2. 5
Mt 10, 24-33	
Domingo siguiente: Is 55, 10-11	Sal 66, 10-14
Rom 8, 18-23	Mt 13, 1-23 o 13, 1-9

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

JULIO 25
8am - 4pm

MANEJO Y RESOLUCIÓN DE CONFLICTOS

ST. ANTHONY CATHOLIC CHURCH
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Construyan a la luz del Evangelio una relación más fuerte y una mejor comunicación desarrollando habilidades que les permitan manejar y llegar a soluciones razonables para los dos.

- Qué es un conflicto?
- Aspectos del conflicto
- Herramientas de manejo
- Desarrollo de habilidades

REGISTRACIONES

Alicia Larrazabal
(843) 908-2620
Raziel Fabregas
(843) 635-5343

Costo: \$ 25.00

Oficina de Vida Familiar

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Próxima clase: **12 de Julio 2026**

Registro requerido.

Contacto: **Reyna Salas – 404.886.5653**

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Para más información sobre la Primera Comunión, contactarse con Derrick Huestis at 803-716-8451 o dhuestis@charlestdiocese.org.

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Quinceañeras

Las próxima Clase de Preparación para quinceañeras se llevará acabo el **19 de Julio y 26 de Julio** a las 10:00am en el Salón Smith el piso de arriba. Para más información favor de comunicarse con María Hernández 803-522-3988.

Próxima Fecha de Bautismo en Español

13 de Junio 2026 a las 11:00am en la iglesia Nueva.

- 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 Adriana Galvan al 803.649.4777 x 100

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¿Está interesado en convertirse en católico, o es un adulto que aún no ha recibido el sacramento de la confirmación? Las clases de RICA comenzarán en agosto para aquellas personas que desean convertirse en católicas y recibir los sacramentos de iniciación.

Favor de Contactar a Derrock Huestis 803-716-8451

MINISTERIO CATÓLICO PARA JÓVENES

Contacto: Sra. Hannah Katherine Dickason
hdickason@charlestdiocese.org
615.638.7137

Para más detalles sobre la Confirmación, el Ministerio Juvenil y nuestro calendario completo de eventos, por favor visite nuestro sitio web o contacte a Hannah Dickason.

MINISTERIO JUVENIL

- 14 de junio – Boliche (Bowling)
 - 24 de junio – Noche de Oración
 - 27 de junio – Viaje a Carowinds
 - 5 de julio – Noche de Película
 - 10 de julio – Por favor, oren por nuestros jóvenes que asistirán a Steubenville Atlanta.
- es una conferencia católica para jóvenes.

Catecismo

Las clases han terminado por el verano y comenzarán nuevamente en **septiembre**. Las inscripciones ya están abiertas; el formulario se puede encontrar en el sitio web o recoger una copia en la oficina parroquial. Todos los formularios y pagos deben ser entregados en la oficina.

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Los candidatos para el puesto de maestro(a) deben contar con una licenciatura, y se prefiere que tengan certificación docente. Los candidatos para el puesto de asistente idealmente tendrán tres o más años de experiencia en el aula.

Si usted o alguien que conoce siente el llamado a servir en la educación católica, le animamos a presentar su solicitud. Puede consultar la descripción completa del puesto y los detalles para aplicar en la página web de la escuela.

Gracias por Abrir las Puertas a la Educación Católica

Agradecemos a los numerosos feligreses, exalumnos, familias y amigos que ya han apoyado nuestro fondo de ayuda para colegiaturas, Friends of SMS. Su generosidad ayuda a garantizar que la educación católica en nuestra escuela parroquial siga siendo accesible para las familias que la desean, pero que de otra manera quizás no podrían costearla.

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MATRIMONIOS COMUNITARIOS 2026

¿Desean recibir el Sacramento del Matrimonio? La Parroquia Santa María Auxilio de los Cristianos invita a las parejas interesadas a participar en los próximos Matrimonios Comunitarios.

Preparación matrimonial:

- 14 y 15 de agosto de 2026
- 2, 3 y 4 de octubre de 2026

Horario y lugar: Por anunciarse.

Informes e inscripción:

Adriana Galván: 803.649.4777 ext. 100



EVENTOS PARA LA PROXIMA SEMANA

Domingo, 5 de Julio

8:00am Misa en inglés	Iglesia
11:00am Misa en inglés	Iglesia
1:00pm Misa español	Iglesia

Lunes, 6 de Julio

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

Martes, 7 de Julio

4:45pm Confesiones	Iglesia Antigua
5:30pm Misa	Iglesia Antigua
7:00pm RICA	Salón Smith

Miércoles, 8 de Julio

8:20am Misa	Iglesia
6:15pm Confesiones	Iglesia Antigua
7:00pm Misa en español	Iglesia Antigua

Jueves, 9 de Julio

4:45pm Confesiones	Iglesia Antigua
5:30pm Misa	Iglesia Antigua
7:00pm Grupo de Oracion	Iglesia Antigua

Viernes, 10 de Julio

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

Sábado, 11 de Julio

8:00am Misa	Iglesia Antigua
3:30pm Confesiones	Iglesia
5:00pm Misa de Vigilia	Iglesia

Domingo, 12 de Julio

8:30am Misa	Iglesia
11:00am Misa	Iglesia
11:00am Práctica del Coro	San Miguel
1:00pm Misa en español	Iglesia

JULIO 20

PLANIFICACION NATURAL FAMILIAR



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6:00 PM

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