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STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Wednesdays at 6:30 pm (following 6:15pm Benediction) 22 March 29 March 5 April

Friday 31 March at 6pm with Choir Come to the Fish Fry before or after Stations!



CONFESSIONS:

NEW SCHEDULE!

Tuesday 11- 11:45 am Wednesdays 12:30- 1 pm Thursday 11- 11:45 am Friday 11 - 11:45 am Saturdays 10 am & 4-5pm

Cathedral Active Parishioner Policy

A Registered and Active family/individual is one who:

- 1. Has formally registered and is participating in the life of the parish community for at least 3 months.
- 2. Attends Mass at Cathedral at least 75% of all Sundays.
- 3. Contributes financially to the parish according to ones means.
- 4. Places the offertory envelope each week in the collection basket, even if empty. (If you forgot your envelope there are extra envelopes in the pews and tables at the back of the church.)

Active member status in our database is essential for requesting the following:

- Parishioner tuition rate as CCS and BE High School
- Endorsement to serve as a sacramental sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation
- Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation or Marriage (for oneself or for one's children, either at Cathedral or in another parish)

Placing your envelope in the Sunday collection basket is an important aspect of parish stewardship. We are not called to make an equal gift but an equal sacrifice in proportion to the blessings given to us by God. The offertory basket carried in procession to the altar symbolizes our shared sacrifice offered to the Lord in thanksgiving. Placing your envelope in the basket, even if you have given electronically, symbolizes our share responsibility to support the Church and our parish and a communal offering of thanks.

If you use electronic transfer to make your offertory contribution and other gifts, simply check the box "I attended Mass and/or gave electronically" on the empty envelope and then drop it in the collection basket. All envelopes in the collection basket are recorded in our parish database.

Once six months elapses without any envelopes or online donations received, the account is marked as Inactive and envelopes are no longer distributed. To begin receiving stewardship envelopes please contact Stephanie Stewart at executive.assistant@charlestoncathedral.com.

For answers to frequently asked questions, please visit: www.charlestoncathedral.com/active-parish-policy-faq.

Sacrament of Marriage: Either bride or groom must be registered at the Cathedral at least 12 months before scheduling a date and beginning the 6 month marriage preparation. The bride/groom must meet the Active Parishioner Policy requirements. The Wedding Policy Booklet may be found on the Cathedral Website. Please contact Mrs. Stephanie Stewart at weddings@charlestoncathedral.com for more information.

Baptisms: Parents desiring Baptism of their children must be registered at the Cathedral Parish and meet the Active Parishioner Policy requirements. More information on Baptism, including an online form, may be found on the Cathedral Website. To schedule to have your child baptized, please contact Ms. Cheryl LaRose at secretary@charlestoncathedral.com.

Weekly Offertory Reports

12 March 2023

Offertory \$18,234.00 Electronic Offertory \$5,066.25 Total Offertory \$23,300.25

We welcome all visitors to the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist and ask that you prayerfully consider using the QR code to make a donation online. God bless you for your generosity!



Automatic Online Giving! If you wish to give electronically, it may be done via our secure web portal. Use the QR code above or go to charlestoncathedral.com and click on the blue and green online giving button at the top of the page.

Donate by text! Send a text to 843-580-1719 with the amount you would like to contribute. Make sure to include the dollar sign before the amount (example: \$25).

Catholic Appeal of South Carolina (formerly Bishop's Annual Appeal) donations should be made payable to: Catholic Appeal of SC

Bicentennial Payments should be made to CCFSC – Bicentennial Campaign Office, P. O. Box 31257, Charleston, SC 29417. Thank you!

RECTOR'S CORNER

+JMJ+

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

First, I wanted to offer an enormous thank you. You all have made me feel wonderfully welcome to be here as you new rector, and I look forward to our time together. It will take a bit to learn (or re-learn) your names, but over time we will get there! So please keep introducing yourself.

One of the best ways to grow spiritually and receive the immense peace Christ has to offer us during Lent is the gift of Confession. I always say, we can call it the Sacrament of Confession, Reconciliation, or Penance – it doesn't matter as long as we do it. Confession was given by Christ Himself as His first gift after the Resurrection (Jesus says to the Apostles, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained," John 20:22-23.)

To give you maximum opportunity to receive this gift of heavenly forgiveness, you may have noticed that we have expanded our confession times. On Saturday, in addition to 10-11am, confessions will also be heard 4-5pm before the 5:30pm Mass. Also, on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, confessions will be heard 11-11:45am before the daily Mass. (Wednesday will be unchanged with confessions offered after Mass along with Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament.) When Jesus walked the earth, He personally forgave sins by speaking and encountering sinners. Through this Sacrament, He has made it possible for you to still hear His forgiveness and receive His mercy through the ministry of His priests.

"Laetare, Jerusalem" – "Rejoice, Jerusalem... Be joyful, all who were in mourning!" (From Isaiah 66:10-11; Introit for the Fourth Sunday of Lent)

You deserve a break today! Today brings us to the halfway point of our Lenten observance. Traditionally, on this the Sunday of Joy – Laetare Sunday – we enjoy a little break from our Lenten penances. Today, the priests and deacons don rose-colored vestments, which is the color of the sky just before the dawn. It is the color of hope and anticipation. The reason we do penance in the first place is to prepare ourselves to celebrate once again the greatest, most astounding part of our faith, which is this: The man they put on a cross, who died and was buried, is alive forevermore. He was seen by literally hundreds of witnesses, who then scurried around the world telling everyone they could, even to their own deaths. Why? Because that death on that Cross made an atonement you can I could not do on our own. "He bore the punishment that makes us whole; by His wounds we were healed" (Isaiah 53:5). So, rejoice!

Finally, please note the Holy Week and Easter schedule in the bulletin. In particular, in order to create room for an extra Mass on Easter Day, the schedule is not our normal Sunday schedule, so please make your plans now.

Have a blessed and holy Lent! Father Wilson



FISH FRY

Cathedral's Knights of Columbus Fish Fry

Come to St. Finbar Council's Lenten Fish Fry! On Friday, March 31st, from 5-7:30 pm in the Parish Hall. \$15 for adults and \$12 for Children – *Cash or Check Only.* Tickets sold after all Masses. Orders Can be for Dine-In or To-Go and include: Fried Fish, Cole Slaw, Texas Toast, Iced Tea & Kids Mac-N-Cheese. Help support Cathedral's KOC Council this Lent!

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE 2023

PALM SUNDAY 2 APRIL Vigil Mass, Saturday 1 April at 5:30 pm Family Mass 9:00 am Solemn Mass at 11:15 am with Palm Procession

Monday of Holy Week, 3 April 12:05 pm Mass

TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK, 4 APRIL 11:00 am Chrism Mass

SPY WEDNESDAY, 5 APRIL

12:05 pm Mass 12:30 pm Confession, 12:30 pm Adoration, 6:15 pm Benediction, 6:30 pm Stations of the Cross

THE SACRED TRIDUUM

Holy Thursday 6 April Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00 pm. Church open for prayer before Altar of Repose -11 pm

> Good Friday 7 April Liturgy of the Lord's Passion 3:00 pm

Holy Saturday 8 April
The Easter Vigil 8:30 pm with Bishop Fabre-Jeune

EASTER

Easter Sunday 9 April
Easter Mass 8:00 am
Easter Mass 10:00 am with Bishop Fabre-Jeune
Solemn Mass 12:30 pm with Cathedral Choir

Pregnant? Need Help? Birthright 843-556-4403. Lowcountry Pregnancy Center 843-553-3505 (free pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, STD tests, counseling & more!

St. Vincent de Paul Society for assistance with food, utilities, rent, or medical bills, contact the at 843-727-1577.

Begging Sunday: The St. Vincent de Paul Society will be begging for alms at all Masses next weekend 25 & 26 March. All donations go to help with rent, utilities and medical care for those in need on the peninsula.



THE SUFFERING OF CHRIST FROM A PHYSICIAN'S PERSPECTIVE -

A LENTEN REFLECTION

Based on the book by Thomas W. McGovern, MD "What Christ Suffered: A Doctor's Journey Through the Passion"

Tuesday, April 4, 2023 at 7:00 PM in the Cathedral Center Hall with Light refreshments at 6:30 PM. This program is open to all and free of charge.

Questions? Contact Linda Baranoski 843-795-0027.

Presented by Sophia Urban, MD, MPH
Hospice & Palliative Care Fellow
Cathedral Parishioner
Elizabeth Higgins, MD
Hospice & Palliative Care Physician
Associate Professor of Medicine
Parishioner at the Church of the Nativity

Help Moms In Need by Supporting the Mobile Pregnancy Center

Knights of Columbus Council 6250, on James Island, is conducting a fundraiser 50/50 raffle to benefit Pro-Life Charleston's Mobile Pregnancy Center. Eighteen months ago Council 6250 donated \$10,000 toward the acquisition of the Mobile Pregnancy Center. Now they have pledged \$10,000 to support the operation and maintenance of the Mobile Pregnancy Center. To raise these funds Council 6250 is conducting a 50/50 raffle, registered with the Secretary of State of SC. We are selling at most 400 tickets for \$50 each to generate \$20,000. Half will go to the Mobile Pregnancy Center, and half will go to the raffle winner.

To Purchase a \$50 Raffle Ticket, use the QR code:



For rules go to https://tinyurl.com/rules5050

Cathedral of St. John the Baptist

Sunday 19 March 2023 Fourth Sunday of Lent

5:30 pm Vigil Mass

Marie Attelier

9:00 am Family Mass

Jospeh M. Gisoldi +

10:15am Christian Formation

10:15 am Café

11:15 am Solemn Mass

Pro Populo

12:30pm Café

Monday 20 March 2023 Solemnity of St. Joseph

12:05pm Daily Mass Steve Adams + 6:00 pm Interior Life: CC

Tuesday 21 March 2023 Lenten Weekday

9:00 am Women's Faith Sharing-CR 10:15 am Women's Bible Study-CR 11:00 am Confession 12:05 pm Daily Mass Timothy Prezzano +

Wednesday 22 March 2023 Lenten Weekday

12:05 pm Daily Mass
Cindy Germsheid +
12:30 pm Confession
12:30 pm Adoration
6:15 pm Benediction
6:30 pm Stations Of the Cross
6:30 pm RCIA: 2nd floor
7:00 pm Young Adults: Hall

Thursday 23 March 2023 Lenten Weekday

11:00 am Confession 12:05 pm Daily Mass Archbishop Joseph Fiorenza+ 12:30 pm Prayer Group: LC

> Friday 24 March 2023 Lenten Weekday

11:00 am Confession 12:05pm Daily Mass *Charlie Way*+

Saturday 25 March 2023 Annunciation of the Lord

10:00 am Confession4:00 pm Confession5:30 pm Vigil MassCharlotte Hoefer

Sunday 26 March 2023 Fifth Sunday of Lent

9:00 am Family Mass
Parents of Marie Meledje
10:15am Christian Formation
10:15 am High School Youth Group
10:15 am Café
11:15 am Solemn Mass
Pro Populo
12:30pm Café



Sunday Masses are broadcast live in the lower chapel for overflow capacity. Please come upstairs for communion.



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Fourth Sunday in Lent

Please Pray For...

Charles Bateman
Moriola Dassoundo
John Devane
Brittani DeVore
Michael Keenan
Candy O'Brian
Joe Swartz
Steve Wilkens

The above names have been submitted for prayers during the last 30 days or have been identified as long term need for prayer. Please contact the office to add a name to the list.

Homebound? If you know someone who is homebound, and would like to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Holy Communion or the Anointing of the Sick, please call the Parish Office.

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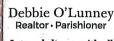
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