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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

7 MAY 2023 - YEAR A

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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

30 April 2023

Offertory	\$12,004.00
Electronic Offertory	\$4,729.55
Total offertory	\$16,733.55

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+

5th Sunday of Easter – 2023

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

And so we arrive to the month of May (already!)... a month dedicated in a special way to our Blessed Mother Mary. At the end of the 9am Mass, we will bless the floral crown for Our Lady and crown our beautiful, historic statue of Mary. Our children, who last Sunday received their First Holy Communion, are our special guests and will assist us in the May crowning.

So, why honor the Blessed Virgin Mary at all? First, of course we do not worship Mary. Catholics only worship and have always only worshiped the one true God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; and we recognize Jesus as the sole Mediator between God and man. Scripture also tells us, *"The fervent prayer of a righteous person is very powerful"* (James 5:16). We frequently ask each other, "Pray for me," perhaps before surgery, during a crisis, or another significant event. When you ask someone to pray for you, you are not trying to "get around" Jesus. We are merely fulfilling Scripture. Mary was proclaimed *"full of grace"* (Luke 1:28). Saint Elizabeth calls her both *"blessed...among women"* and *"the mother of my Lord"* (Luke 1:42, 43). In Scripture Mary says, *"All generations will call me blessed"* (Luke 1:48). Mary, now alive forever in Christ, prays for us to her Son constantly in heaven. She *always* and without fail points the way to the safe harbor of her Son as a good mother and Star of the Sea.

We have a special treat this coming Saturday, May 13 at the 5:30pm Mass! Please come help Bishop Fabre celebrate his first anniversary as Bishop of our Diocese. Can you believe it has already been a year? (That's probably a question to ask the Bishop!) Also, I would like to encourage you especially to bring your children to the Mass, knowing how much the Bishop loves speaking directly to them. Following the Mass, join us in the parish hall for a reception. Let us continue to pray for our bishop, especially as he celebrates this first milestone!

Finally, there is a great hunger to take our faith past simple Sunday Mass attendance. More and more, Catholics are expressing an interest in "taking it to the next level." That is done with a combination of both prayer and study. Good resources for expanding one's knowledge in the faith leads to more prayer. One great new resource is the St. Paul Center Emmaus Academy. We can learn from biblical scholars like Dr. Scott Hahn, Dr. John Bergsma, my "monk-friend" Fr. Boniface Hicks, and more. The Emmaus Academy gives anyone seeking serious Scripture study the resources needed to grow in faith and understanding with online short courses, book studies and more. They offer a two-week free trial. Visit stpaulcenter.com/emmaus-academy for more information. I receive no benefit from this other than a faith-filled and well-educated flock!

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us!
Father Wilson

ANNOUNCING THE OPENING OF THE CATHEDRAL LIBRARY! You are encouraged to visit the Conference Room during office hours, when not being used, to select from the reading materials available. Browse the shelves, make a selection and follow the posted directions for checking out. When you return the book(s), please place in the crate marked 'return'. Have items to donate? We accept books with copyright dates from 2005 - present. Spark your curiosity about your faith!

Confession & Adoration Schedule:

- 11:00 - 11:45 am Confession Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays
- 12:30 - 1:00 pm Confession Wednesdays
- 10:00 - 11:00 am & 4:00 - 5:00 pm Confession Saturdays
- 12:30 - 7:00 pm Adoration Wednesdays

WOMEN'S FAITH SHARING AND BIBLE STUDY

Faith Sharing & Bible Study will start their summer schedule on Tuesday 6 June as follows: Faith Sharing from 10:30 - 11:45 am to discuss the homilies from the previous Sunday and read/discuss the readings for the upcoming Sunday. All women of the parish are invited to attend. The Women's Bible Study will resume on Tuesday 5 September at 10:30 am to study the Gospel of Mark. Faith Sharing will resume the 9 - 10:15 am schedule 5 September. Both groups meet in the Conference Room of the Parish Hall.

PART-TIME SACRISTAN NEEDED

The Cathedral is seeking a part-time Sacristan. The Sacristan performs duties including: preparing for Mass; directing volunteers; keeping inventories of items; polishing metalware; replenishing candles; organizing sacristies. Email executive.assistant@charlestoncathedral.com.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Due to the generosity of our parishioners, SAINT Vincent de Paul Peninsula Conference was able to help the following families during the months of April. Thank you for your generosity!

Housing	\$3,733.45	7 families
Electricity	\$5,536.53	23 families
Water	\$250.00	1 family
Food		10 families
Total:	\$9,519.98	41 families

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY BISHOP FABRE-JEUNE! Saturday 13 May 2023 will mark Bishop Fabre-Jeune's first anniversary as the Bishop of Charleston. The Bishop will celebrate the 5:30 pm Mass and a celebration reception of hors d'oeuvres and cake will follow in the Parish Hall. Come toast our Bishop on his anniversary!

RITE OF ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

Rite of Ordination to the Priesthood of Deacon Paul Lacombe will be Friday, June 9 at 6:00 pm in the Cathedral. A reception on the Cathedral lawn will follow.

CORPUS CHRISTI RETREAT

The retreat will reflect on the Mass and Eucharist and will be held in Hickory, NC from 9-11 June. Visit catholicconference.org/eucharist or call 828-327-7441.

CATHOLIC RADIO IN SOUTH CAROLINA

Catholic Radio is celebrating 20 years of bringing the Truths of the Catholic Faith to the Diocese. It is available at WLTQ 730 AM & 106.7 FM and on Mediatrix App. For more information visit CatholicRadioInSC.com.

THE CHARLESTON CATHOLIC SCHOOL

CCS is a small creative arts based Catholic School in downtown Charleston. Enroll now grades K4 - 5. www.charlestoncatholic.com.

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.

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.

Cathedral of St. John the Baptist

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Sunday 7 May 2023
Fifth Sunday of Easter

5:30 pm Vigil Mass
Thomas A. E. Davis +
9:00 am Family Mass
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10:15am Café
11:15 am Solemn Mass
Pro Populo
12:30 pm Café

Monday 8 May 2023
Easter Weekday

12:05pm Daily Mass
Timothy Prezzano +
6:00 pm Interior Life: CC

Tuesday 9 May 2023
Easter Weekday

9:00 am Women's Faith Sharing-CR
10:30 am Women's Bible Study-CR
11:00 am Confession
12:05 pm Daily Mass
Hayes H. Patterson, Sr. +

Wednesday 10 May 2023
Easter Weekday

12:05 pm Daily Mass
Dorothy Luhrs +
12:30 pm Confession
12:30 pm - 7:00 pm Adoration
6:45 pm Benediction
7:00 pm St. Finbar KOC-Hall

Thursday 11 May 2023
Easter Weekday

11:00 am Confession
12:05 pm Daily Mass
Cathedral Mom's Group
12:30 pm Prayer Group: LC

Friday 12 May 2023
Easter Weekday

11:00 am Confession
12:05 pm Daily Mass
Herb Caesar

Saturday 13 May 2023
Our Lady of Fatima

10:00 am Confession
4:00 pm Confession
5:30 pm Vigil Mass: Bishop Fabre-
Jeune's First Anniversary as the
Bishop of Charleston
For Envelope Intentions
**Anniversary Celebration
to Follow in Parish Hall**

Sunday 14 May 2023
Sixth Sunday of Easter

Mothers' Day
9:00 am Family Mass
For Envelope Intentions
10:15am Café
11:15 am Solemn Mass
Pro Populo
12:30 pm Café

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Charles Bateman
David Carter
Moriola Dassoundo
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.

Parking Pass

6-7 May 2023



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