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"While everyone was asleep his enemy came and sowed weeds all through the wheat, and then went off."

Mt. 13:25

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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

2 July 2023

Offertory \$17,974.52 Electronic Offertory \$5,253.10 Total offertory \$23,227.62 9 July 2023

Offertory \$10,423.62 Electronic Offertory \$6,556.10 Total offertory \$16,979.372



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+

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 2023 Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

First, a reminder that those who wish to be enrolled and invested in the brown scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel will be invited to come forward to the altar at the end of Masses on her feast day, July 16 (Sunday). Through wearing the brown scapular, we "put on Christ" (see Romans 13:14; Galatians 3:27) with the help of Mary. The scapular is worn under one's clothing and stands as a commitment to follow Jesus through the total, self-giving example of His Blessed Mother, Mary, the perfect model for each disciple of Christ.

This week, I will be out of the office helping lead the annual convocation for our seminarians. The convocation is held at Camp St. Christopher and is an opportunity for our seminarians to follow Jesus' invitation: "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while" (St. Mark 6:31). This summer, I am officially taking on the role of Director of Seminarians, helping guide our seminarians once they officially join the Diocese of Charleston. Fr. Rhett Williams continues in his role of recruitment, but he is now able to expand his help for pastors, cultivating vocations in our parish families throughout the Diocese.

Please continue to both pray for and actively cultivate vocations. God gave His only begotten Son for our salvation. What a great gift it is for us to help our sons, grandsons, nephews, and friends to discover the joy of the sacrifice of one's whole self to God and His holy people by serving as a holy priest of Jesus Christ. There is no lack of vocations — only a lack of holy men who will answer the call. "The harvest is abundant, but the laborers are few; so ask the Master of the harvest to send out laborers for His harvest" (St. Matthew 9:37-38).

Finally, many of our parishioners don't know that we have a Docent Ministry, a wonderful group of volunteers who give various tours of the Cathedral. Except for during the pandemic, this band of fervent volunteers has been serving our parish and community for twenty-three years, committing their gifts of time and talent towards their mission of education, ecumenism, and evangelization.

Our docents are available to give brief tours after the 9:00 am and the 11:15 am Masses on Sundays, highlighting our history and the Cathedral's architecture. They also give special tours by appointment to groups of all ages and interest: Catholic, non-Catholic, parishioners, and visiting guests of the Bishop. These tours are catered to each group, meeting their needs of interest whether it be Catholicism, art, architecture, and/or history.

This ministry needs more docents for the After-Mass Tours. Training and materials will be provided. Your commitment of Time and Talent would be one tour a month after the Mass of your choice. Please contact Sharon Dean, the docent's chair, at 4cobbles@gmail.com to inquire about this special ministry!

And let us pray for each other!

Father Wilson

CATHEDRAL YOUTH SUMMER PROGRAM

7/19 Dinner & Bible Study at 6:30pm in the Hall 7/27 Beach Party at 6:30pm on the Lawn Register at charlestoncathedral.com/youth.

TUESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY

Join us for Bible Study every Tuesday at 6:30 pm in the Cathedral Center. All are welcome! Please contact Brian at bbarnwell@charlestondiocese.org

Religious Education Classes

Registration fee is \$35 per student or \$105 total per family. EARLY BIRD SPECIAL! REGISTER BY AUGUST 1ST: Registration fee \$25 per student or \$75 per family To register go to https://tinyurl.com/regccd2324.

DOCENT MINISTRY NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

The Docent Ministry is in need of new docents after the 9:00am & the 11:15am Sunday Masses. If you are interested in history, architecture and faith enrichment, please contact: Sharon Dean at 4cobbles@gmail.com.

THE CHARLESTON CATHOLIC SCHOOL

The Charleston Catholic School still has openings for the 2023-24 school year for grades K5 - 3. Please visit www.charlestoncatholic.com to apply or schedule a tour.

St. Vincent de Paul Peninsula Conference

Due to the generosity of our parishioners, the St. Vincent de Paul Peninsula Conference was able to help the following families during the months of May and June. Many thanks to everyone who has contributed to our ministry this month. Without your support, we would not be able to help the number of families who call our help line. Please keep our ministry in your prayers.

Housing	\$ 4,327.94	12 families
Electricity	3,776.11	23 families
Water	209.70	1 family
Medicine	29.34	1 family
Food purchase	572.62	
Food Deliveries		28 families
TOTAL	\$8,915.71	65 families

QUESTIONS ABOUT BECOMING CATHOLIC?

You are invited to any/all of the RCIA Inquiry Classes. Find out more about the process and have an opportunity to ask questions. The Inquiry classes will be held at 6:30 pm at the Cathedral Center 2nd floor on:

Tuesday 8 August Wednesday 16 August Thursday 24 August

FARMWORKER MINISTRY CLOTHING DRIVE

The Diocese of Charleston is collecting baseball caps and long-sleeved T-shirts of all sizes for migrant/seasonal farm workers. Please join the diocesan efforts to assist migrant farm workers in South Carolina — the men and women who travel to our state annually for agricultural work. A donation box will be placed in the Parish Hall.

Marian Catechism Apostolate Course: To learn more, visit www.mariancatechist.com and contact Judy Vincent 843-452-7168.

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. For more info, please visit: https://holycitypregnancycenter.org/mobile-pregnancycenter/.

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

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 16 July 2023 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

> 5:30 pm Vigil Mass Margaret "Peggy " Davis + 9:00 am Family Mass Timothy Prezzano + 10:15 am Café: Hall 11:15 am Solemn Mass Pro Populo

Monday 17 July 2023 Weekday

12:05pm Daily Mass *Mary Massar*

Tuesday 18 July 2023 Weekday

10:15 am Women's Faith Sharing-CR 11:00 am Confession 12:05 pm Daily Mass Jenny Adams

> Wednesday 19 July 2023 Weekday

12:05 pm Daily Mass
Lucretia McLaughlin
12:30 pm Confession
12:30 pm - 7:00 pm Adoration
5:15pm SVdP: CR
6:45 pm Benediction

Thursday 20 July 2023 Weekday

11:00 am Confession 12:05 pm Daily Mass Thomas A. E. Davis + 7:00 pm Young Adults:Hall

> Friday 21 July 2023 Weekday

11:00 am Confession 12:05 pm Daily Mass Timothy Prezzano +

Saturday 22 July 2023 Saint Mary Magdalene

> 10:00 am Confession 4:00 pm Confession 5:30 pm Vigil Mass Kay Cannon +

Sunday 23 July 2023 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

> 9:00 am Family Mass Dorothy Luhrs + 10:15 am Café: Hall 11:15 am Solemn Mass Pro Populo



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



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PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Charles Bateman
David Carter
Moriola Dassoundo
Rogelio Luengo
Joe Swartz
Steve Wilkens
Nicholas Yeaw

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.

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