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# TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 1 OCTOBER 2023 - YEAR A

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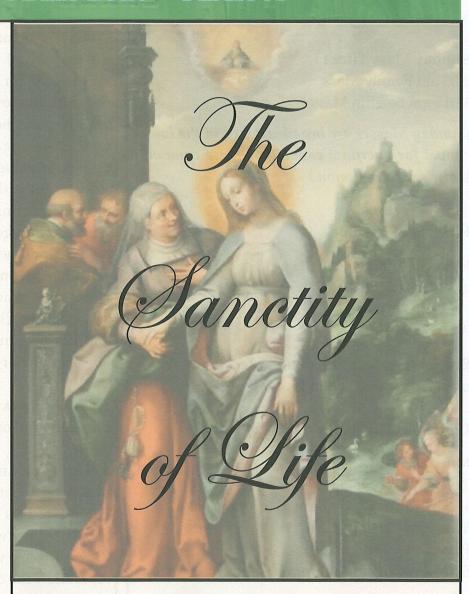
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#### Cathedral Schedule

#### Weekend Schedule

5:30 pm Saturday Vigil

#### Sunday Mass Times

9:00 am Family Mass 11:15 am Solemn Mass

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

#### Weekday Schedule

Monday - Friday at 12:05 pm after the Angelus

#### ADORATION

Every Wednesday following 12:05 pm Mass until 7pm. Benediction is at 6:45pm.

#### Confession Schedule

Monday 11-11:45 am Tuesday 11-11:45 am Wednesdays 12:30-1 pm, 6-6:30pm

Thursday 11- 11:45 am Friday 11 - 11:45 am

Saturdays 10 am & 4-5pm

"Every time you go to confession immerse yourself in My mercy, with great trust, so that I may pour the bounty of My grace upon your soul." - St. Faustina



#### **RESPECT LIFE NEWS & EVENTS**

#### WHAT TO DO WHEN A FRIEND IS CONSIDERING ABORTION

When a woman is facing a difficult pregnancy, the reaction of the first person she tells tends to set the tone for her decision-making. How do we respond in a loving way that is life-affirming for both her and her baby? First, prioritize listening over speaking. Ask her about her feelings, thoughts, values, beliefs, and wants. When her story is fully shared, it is your turn to provide factual information, in a loving and caring way. Encourage her. Help her set goals that extend beyond her due date to help her see life beyond her pregnancy. Reassure her that she is not alone, and provide practical support. Pray with her, offering Christ's love at a crucial life-saving and life-defining moment. Read the full version at respectlife.org/l-o-v-e.

First Saturday Mass for Sanctity for Life: at the Cathedral on 7 October at 9 am.

40 Days For Life—Prayer and fasting for the end of abortion. Cathedral Vigil Day outside Planned Parenthood is Saturday 28 October Sign up at https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/charleston. Pray a Rosary with us during your adoration for reparation for our country, for life, for peace in our families in the world and for our Church.

## PRAY THE ROSARY ON OCTOBER 7TH!

We need Our Lady of Rosary more today than ever today. Please join others with Rosary Coast to Coast in praying

the Rosary for our church and country at Our Lady of the Rosary on her feast day at 4 pm. Call Valerie 864-275-5505 for more information.

#### RECTOR'S CORNER

+JMJ+

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 2023

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

A little while back, our parish's Director of Evangelization and Faith Formation, Brian Barnwell, sought feedback from every parishioner through the offering of a survey. A total of 112 people participated, which, although it would be great to have a wider sample, this still gives us some terrific insight into *you* as a parishioner and what your spiritual needs are here at the Cathedral. Here are a few highlights from the survey:

People who responded named the following as things they would like to see/have for their spiritual growth: Guest Speakers, Community Events, Religious Retreats on Campus, Adult Education, Pilgrimages to Holy Sites, Bible Study, Adult Formation, and Youth Formation. Also mentioned, though fewer requests, were Marriage/Relationship Classes, Senior Events, and Family Formation Classes.

Some overall notes include: Big demand for "community"; Big demand for Adult Education; Those who responded love the Priests/love the Music/love the Staff (we thank you and love you, too!); Some people did not realize that we already have some of the things they were looking for!

So, what are our next steps? I'm glad you asked! Brian now plans to do some follow-up by calling every parishioner in our database and mentioning the survey. He will be asking you for more details on the subject matter in the survey and/or in general. For example, if you are interested in extra events, what days or times would you be available for such events? If you are interested in pilgrimages, where would you like to go on pilgrimage? Do you want adult education opportunities? Great! What topics are you interested in that would help you grow as a disciple of Jesus Christ, and what would inspire you to drive downtown to gather with fellow parishioners and learn? Etc.

Please be open and honest. Oh, and please take Brian's call! The way we will grow and offer the best for this parish family is to find out where you are, what your concerns are, and what will be best to help you grow even more in your spiritual life.

Finally, a few thoughts about the end of Mass: We make a final Sign of the Cross at the Blessing. The Cross is the means by which we received the Sacrifice. The cross enables us to participate in the Eucharist. By marking ourselves with it in the name of the Most Holy Trinity, we keep it as a constant reminder that our salvation comes from the same Sacrifice we witness in the Mass.

The final words of the Mass are an instruction: "Go forth." Through this, we are placed in the position of the Apostles at Christ's Ascension, when they were told to go out and bring to the world the Gospel message. We are meant to take the Most Holy Eucharist that now resides *within* us and to actively live the Mass outside of the walls of the Church.

And let us always pray for each other! Father Wilson



# Blessing of the Animals!

Bring your pets! The Blessing will be on Wednesday 4 October at 6pm on the church lawn.

#### CATHEDRAL YOUTH GROUP - OCTOBER SCHEDULE

- October 14 South Carolina Aquarium. 12-3pm. 100 Aquarium Wharf. RSVP required
- October 27 Middle School Fall Festival. 7 9pm. St Joseph's Catholic Church 1695
   Raoul Wallenberg Blvd
- ♦ October 29 High School Fall Festival. 6-8pm. At the Cathedral.

Visit: CharlestonCathedral.com/youth to join!

The St Vincent de Paul peninsula chapter is organizing a food drive to restock our pantry. We are desperately in need of food to assist our neighbors in the community. Bags with a list of necessary items will be distributed after Masses this weekend. Bags filled with donated items can be returned to the lower church during Mass hours, or to the Cathedral office during business hours. Please consider a donation for our neighbors in need here on the peninsula.

#### THE CHARLESTON CATHOLIC SCHOOL

CCS 6th graders have started their weekly classes at the farm. Students get lessons in farming, sustainability, and nutrition. Want to join CCS and become a Saint? Schedule a tour! Visit www.charlestoncatholic.com.

MARIAN CATECHISM APOSTOLATE COURSE: To learn more, visit www.mariancatechist.com and contact Judy Vincent 843-452-7168.

## GENIESIS TO JESUS

Join us on a 12 week journey through salvation history, from Genesis to Jesus!

We will study the covenants God made in the Old Testament and show how they prepared Israel for the coming of the promised Messiah.

Deepen your knowledge of Scripture and the riches of our Faith.

If you're looking to grow in your knowledge of the Catholic faith, this is the perfect study for you.



Genesis to Jesus meets Thursday Afternoons (12:45-2pm in the Parish Hall) and Evenings (7-8:15pm in the Lower Church)! All are welcome! Attend either session. The class is free but purchasing the workbook is optional. Email Brian: christian.formation@charlestoncathedral.com. or call 843-724-8395.

### **Bible Study - Fall Series**



We will be discussing Jesus' Sermon on the Mount. All are welcome! Meet every Wednesday at 7:10pm in the Lower Church.

Please contact Brian at 843-724-8395 or bbarnwell@charlestondiocese.org if you have any questions.

#### **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)

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.

#### 11TH MARIAN EUCHARISTIC CONFERENCE

The Eucharistic Conference will be held on Friday, October 13 - Saturday, October 14 at the Greenville Convention Center. Featured speakers include: Fr. Donald Calloway, Fr. Thomas Petri, Jim Wahlberg, John Martignoni and Fr. John Bartunek. Admission is \$125, youth \$75 including dinner Friday and lunch Saturday. Register by October 6. Visit: http://www.meconferencesc.net.

#### THE EUCHARISTIC ROSARY CONGRESS

The Catholics of South Carolina will be joining the National prayer initiative, The Eucharistic Rosary Congress with Opening Mass, October 7 at 8:30am at Corpus Christi Catholic Church in Lexington, SC. The closing Mass with be October 13 at 11:00am at the Holy Family Chapel in Charleston, celebrated by Bishop Jacques Fabre Jeune, CS. All are welcome. Please offer prayers and rosaries during this time, for Life, Reparation of sin, and Healing of our Church. Watch live at corpuschristisc.org. Email Christy: cbrown@charlestondiocese.org.

#### **Ministry Leader List**

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Fr. Paul Lacombe

Women's Bible Study Marian Mentavlos

Women's Faith Sharing Marian Mentavlos

#### Cathedral of St. John the Baptist

#### Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 1 October 2023 Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:30 pm Vigil Mass

Inga Smith +

9:00 am Family Mass

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10:15 am Religious Education: CR

10:15 am KOC Pancakes & Café: Hall

11:15 am Solemn Mass *Pro Populo* 12:30 pm Café: Hall

Monday 2 October 2023 The Holy Guardian Angels

11:00 am Confession 12:05pm Daily Mass Elizabeth Tampe 6:00 pm Interior Life: CR

#### Tuesday 3 October 2023 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 Robert Kudlacik

Robert Kudlacik 6:30pm CWC: Hall

Wednesday 4 October 2023 Saint Francis of Assisi

12:05 pm Daily Mass

Timothy Prezzano +

12:30 pm Confession

12:30 pm - 7:00 pm Adoration

5:15pm SVdP:

6:00 pm Confession

6:00 pm Blessing of the Animals: Lawn

6:30 pm RCIA: Classrooms 6:30 pm Marian Catechist: Hall 6:45 pm Benediction 7:10 pm Bible Study: Lower Church Thursday 5 October 2023 Saint Faustina Kowalska, Virgin

11:00 am Confession
12:05 pm Daily Mass
Pope Francis
12:45 pm Prayer Apostolate
12:45 pm Genesis to Jesus: Hall
7:00 pm Genesis to Jesus: L Church

#### Friday 6 October 2023 Weekday

First Friday
9:30 Canterbury Mass
11:00 am Confession
12:05 pm Daily Mass
Sarah Travers, Ranon Travers

Saturday 7 October 2023 Our Lady of the Rosary

9:00 am Sanctity of Life Mass
10:00 am Confession
11:00 am Day of Reconciliation: Hall
4:00 pm Confession
5:30 pm Vigil Mass
Bishop Fabre-Jeune

Sunday 8 October 2023 Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am Family Mass
Diane Horkey
10:15 am Religious Education: CR
10:15 am Café: Hall
11:15 am Solemn Mass
Pro Populo
12:30 pm Café: Hall

Please note: The Parish Office will be closed Monday 9 October in observance of Columbus day, It will reopen at 9am on Tuesday.

#### Overflow Seating & Cry Room Option

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



Charles Bateman
David Carter
Naile Carter
Moriola Dassoundo
Denice Gates
Rogelio Luengo
Maricela Maciel
Deacon Charles Olimpio
Raymond Reiss
Joe Swartz
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.

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: holycitypregnancycenter.org/mobile-pregnancy-center/.

**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

1 October 2023

#### **Weekly Offertory Reports**

24 September 2023

Offertory \$11,121.28 Electronic Offertory \$6,058.34 **Total Offertory** \$17,179.62

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**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!



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30 September—1 October 2023



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