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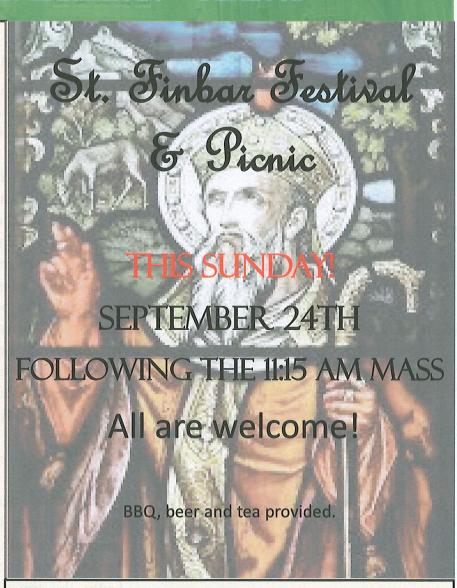
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Cathedral Schedule

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



The Feast of St. Finbar 25 September

St. Finbar (c. 550–25 September 623) was Bishop of Cork and abbot of a monastery in what is now the city of Cork, Ireland.

Born in Connaught, he was named Lochan, the son of a metal worker and a lady of the Irish royal court. He was renamed Finnbarr by monks when being tonsured, because of his beautiful fair hair.

He studied in the Monastic school and was Ordained. On completion of his studies, he founded a number of schools.

He went on pilgrimage to Rome with some of the monks, when reportedly the Pope wanted to consecrate him a bishop but was deterred by a vision, notifying the pope that God had reserved that honor to Himself, and Finbar was consecrated from heaven and then returned to Ireland.



He lived as a hermit on a small island and founded a monastery and church that developed into the city of Cork, where he was the first bishop. His monastery became famous in southern Ireland and attracted numerous disciples becoming an im-

portant center for learning. The church he built became the cathedral of his diocese. Many extravagant miracles are attributed to him, and supposedly, the sun did not set for two weeks after he died at Cloyne around the year 633.

The original Cathedral of the Diocese of Charleston was named in honor of St. Finbar. It is believed to have been named so because John English to the Charleston of Charl

land, the first bishop of Charleston, was originally from the County Cork and was consecrated a bishop in Saint Fin Barre's Church before travelling to the United States.

RECTOR'S CORNER

+JMJ+

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 2023

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It's great to be Catholic! We don't measure time merely by dates and hours and seconds. Times and seasons for a biblical and spiritual mindset go far beyond what a clock can offer. Instead, we measure time through feasts and festivals. The family of the Saints in heaven helps us remember to use this passing time well and to be joyful.

Of course, even the secular world will give you Christmas Day off, but how can you celebrate the other important feast days when you have to work? The first and most important way is through prayer. Just on the peninsula of Charleston, there is a daily Mass at 7am (Sacred Heart, Tues – Fri), 8am (St. Mary's, Mon – Sat), and, of course, 12:05pm (Mon – Fri) here at the Cathedral. Casting a wider net, you will find just about every parish has a daily Mass, even a few in the evenings (e.g., Stella Maris). The point is, we should try to form our lives around celebrations of our family of the Saints, most especially the gift of Holy Mass. If we don't feel "connected" to God or to our faith, we have to honestly ask ourselves what we are putting into it. Faith is a relationship, not a vending machine.

So, here are some great upcoming feasts to put on your radar:

Monday, September 25 – The Feast of St. Finbar. Come find out why St. Finbar is the secondary - and original – patron of our Diocese.

Friday, September 29 – The Feast of the Archangels Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael. Historically, this day is called Michaelmas (like Christmas and Candlemas, but pronounced "MICK-ull-mas) – the Mass of St. Michael. The name "Michael" is Hebrew and is a rhetorical question: "Who is like God?" The answer is, of course, no one. Only God is God. That's why St. Michael stands in opposition to Satan, who tried to be like God. Come to Mass to ask the great intercession of St. Michael, who intercedes for us against the Evil One. Since the reform of the Saints' calendar in 1969, Archangels Gabriel and Raphael have been included as well.

Monday, October 2, is the feastday of the Guardian Angels. Jesus mentions that every child has an angel. (You still have yours even when you grow up!) On this day, we thank God for these precious and powerful messengers and protectors, who are with us always.

Saturday, October 7, is the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. Pope St. John Paul II called the rosary "the Gospel in miniature." The original "multitask," we meditate on the events of Jesus and Mary as we pray each Hail Mary. Here at the Cathedral on 7 Oct., we will have a special Mass at 9am for the intention of the Sanctity of all Human Life. This Mass will also begin a special Day of Recollection, 9am – 3pm, centered around St. Therese and her "Little Way." (Registration for this Day of Recollection is \$20).

As always, let us pray for each other! Father Wilson

Bible Study - Fall Series



We will be starting our discussions on Jesus' Sermon on the Mount. This will be a month long study starting September 20th. We will be meeting every Wednesday at 7:10pm in the Lower Cathedral.

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

The Secular Order of Discalced Carmelites Summerville Community invites you to a

DAY OF RECOLLECTION

7 October, 2023

St. Therese of Lisieux: Her "Little Way" of Trust & Surrender

With: Very Rev. Gregory Wilson, V.G., Rector at: Cathedral of St. John the Baptist from: 9:00am-3:00pm

Agenda includes Mass, Confessions, Holy Rosary, lunch. A reservation fee of \$20 is required.

Please contact Karen with any questions at: karemcL9@outlook.com.



The Charleston Catholic School CCS still has space available in grades K5 through 3rd. Call or visit the website to schedule a tour! www.charlestoncatholic.com.

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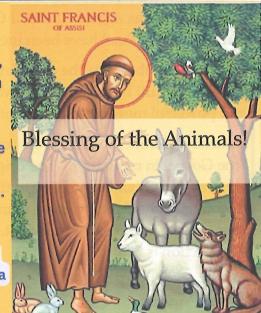
If you're looking to grow in your knowledge of the Catholic faith, this is the perfect study for you.



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.

Join us on Wednesday, October 4th at 6pm on the Church Lawn for the Blessing of the Animals.

Bring your animals for a Blessing.



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.

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Sunday 24 September 2023 Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:30 pm Vigil Mass Barbara A. Powers + 9:00 am Family Mass Rita Vettoretti + 10:15 am Religious Education: Classrooms No 10:15 am Café: Hall 11:15 am Solemn Mass Pro Populo

St. Finbar Festival & Picnic!

Monday 25 September 2023 Weekday

11:00 am Confession 12:05pm Daily Mass Margaret Petukh 6:00 pm Interior Life: CR

Tuesday 26 September 2023 Saints Cosmas & Damian, Martyrs

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 Frank Quinn +

Wednesday 27 September 2023

12:05 pm Daily Mass Timothy Prezzano + 12:30 pm Confession 12:30 pm - 7:00 pm Adoration 6:00 pm Confession 6:30 pm RCIA: Classrooms 6:45 pm Benediction 7:10 pm Bible Study: Lower Church Thursday 28 September 2023 Saint Wencelaus, Martyr

11:00 am Confession 12:05 pm Daily Mass William Saad + 12:45 pm Prayer Apostolate 12:45 pm Genesis to Jesus:Hall 7:00 pm Genesis to Jesus: LChurch 7:00 pm Young Adults: Hall

11:00 am Confession 12:05 pm Daily Mass Carolyn Tampe

10:00 am Confession 4:00 pm Confession 5:30 pm Vigil Mass Inga Smith +

Sunday 1 October 2023 Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am Family Mass IHSMGRJUSBCS Behshayrt' 10:15 am Religious Education: CR 10:15 am KOC Pancakes & Café: Hall 11:15 am Solemn Mass Pro Populo



Overflow Seating & Cry Room Option

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



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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 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.

Weekly Offertory Reports

17 September 2023

Offertory \$10,354.66 Electronic Offertory \$6,650.80 **Total Offertory** \$17,005.46

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



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