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Prayer To Our Lady of Palestine

O Mary Immaculate, gracious Queen of Heaven and of Earth, behold us prostrate before thy exalted throne. Full of confidence in thy goodness and in thy boundless power, we beseech thee to turn a pitying glance upon Palestine, which more than any other country belongs to thee, since thou hast graced it with thy birth, thy virtues and thy sorrows, and from there hast given the Redeemer to the world.

Remember that there especially thou wert constituted our tender Mother the dispenser of graces. Watch, therefore, with special protection over thy native country, scatter from it the shades of error, for it was there the Sun of Eternal Justice shone.

Bring about the speedy fulfilment of the promise, which issued from the lips of Thy Divine Son, that there should be one fold and one Shepherd.

Obtain for us all that we may serve the Lord in sanctity and justice during the days of our life, so that, by the merits of Jesus and with thy motherly aid, we may pass at last from this earthly Jerusalem to the splendors of the heavenly one. Amen.

("Imprimatur, Jerusalem. Kal. Jan. 1926: Aloysius Patriarcha")

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## Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### **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

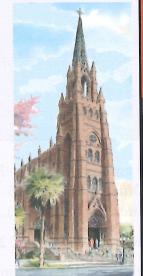
Monday 11-11:45 am Tuesday 11-11:45 am Wednesdays 12:30- 1 pm, 6-6:30pm

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



ALL SAINTS DAY IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION Wednesday 1 November 2023 Masses at 8am, 12pm and 7pm

ALL SOULS DAY THURSDAY 2 NOVEMBER 2023 Masses at 7am, 12:05 pm and 7pm

## THE SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup> + 7:00PM

The Cathedral Choir will sing the 'Missa O quam gloriosum' by the renowned Spanish mystic composer Tomas Luis de Victoria & Propers by William Byrd (This is a Holy Day of Obligation)



Christians of the Holy Land THIS WEEKEND! Please welcome Rami Qumsieh, a native of Bethlehem, representing the Christians of the Holy Land. The Christian situation in the Holy Land is dire. Olive wood items/carvings are the only tangible product they produce and export. Christians of the Holy Land graciously asks your support through prayer and the purchase of these special religious art pieces. Items range in price from \$5 to a few hundred.

#### RECTOR'S CORNER

+JMJ+

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 2023

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

"A man who governs his passions is master of his world. We must either command them or be enslaved by them. It is better to be a hammer than an anvil." – St. Dominic

From time to time, I will come across a quote that I find inspiring or otherwise interesting. This quote from St. Dominic is such a quote! Pray for an increase of the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit so that you can be the dynamic hammer, working with the fire of God's grace to fashion a holy life and not the anvil, which is inert, unmoving, and takes the blows from the hammer.

As we wrap up Respect Life Month, we reflect that, as true disciples of Jesus Christ we are driven to respect and protect human life at all stages, from our humble beginnings in the womb to our natural death. Human dignity comes from *God*. There is no government that can decide that "this group or individual" is of value and "that group or individual" is not. Can you imagine Jesus being a nurse or doctor in a clinic ending the life of children, when He Himself began as a tiny cell and has said, "Let the children come to Me, and do not hinder them" (St. Matthew 19:14)? Could you imagine Jesus as executioner in a prison taking the life of someone who might be given more time to repent? Could we imagine Jesus as a research scientist creating human embryos for tests and then destroying them? We must continue to fight injustice in order to foster God's beautiful culture of life.

Our next Holy Day of Obligation is this week: Wednesday, November 1 – All Saints Day. Masses are at 8am, 12 noon, and Solemn Mass at 7pm with Victoria's *Missa O quam gloriosum*. November 2, is All Souls Day. While not a day of obligation, it is still very special to Catholics everywhere as we pray for all faithful departed souls. Masses for All Souls Day are at 7am, 12 noon, and a Solemn Requiem Mass at 7pm with Fauré's beloved *Requiem*.

We continue to pray for all the souls of the faithful departed throughout the month of November. You likely received an envelope on which you can write the names of deceased loved ones you would like us to pray for. These envelopes are placed on the altar for the entire month, and our priests privately remember those listed in a special way at *every* Mass. If you include a donation, this goes to the priests who are offering Masses throughout November, with you uniting your prayer to ours.

Finally, you may have noticed recently that the Cathedral has been open late into the evening. There is no cause for alarm! The Bishop has asked that the church remain open longer for prayer. As such, we will keep the Cathedral open every night for prayer until about 9pm.

And as always, let us pray for each other! Father Wilson

#### Cathedral of St. John the Baptist

\*Please note: The parish Office will be closed on Wednesday 1 November for All Saints Day.

**St. VINCENT DE PAUL** will be begging for alms after all Masses this weekend 28-29 October. All donations go to help with rent, utilities and medical care for those in need on the peninsula.

CATHEDRAL WOMEN'S CLUB is currently accepting donations towards their Christmas service project. CWC will use donations to fill and wrap care packages for Seafarers. You can donate by visiting the link below. Thank you for your contribution! Contribution Link: https://tinyurl.com/2p9fd2ur.

MEN'S STUDY GROUP: All men are welcome to the Cathedral's Thursday Men's Study Group starting with Mass at 7am, bible study in the lower Cathedral at 7:30 am until a hard stop at 8:00am.

CHARLESTON CATHOLIC SCHOOL is having their Annual Holiday Evergreen Fundraiser. Enjoy beautiful wreaths, garlands, and other Christmas decorations. To donate, please visit: sherwoodfundraiser.com/ccswreathsale.



BISHOP ENGLAND HIGH SCHOOL'S annual Alumni Memorial Mass will be on Thursday, November 2nd at 11:15 AM in the school's gymnasium. All are invited for Mass in the

gymnasium with a small reception for alumni to follow. Please rsvp by requesting a FREE ticket by visiting: http://tiny.cc/lllcvz.

The **Bishop England Open House** on October 30th will begin at 6pm. Applications and registration will be accessible online at behs.com.

## Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### KOC PANCAKE BREAKFAST & CATHEDRAL CAFÉ

Next Sunday, November 5th, come and enjoy a pancake breakfast courtesy of the St. Finbar Knights of Columbus! This will be held in cooperation with the Cathedral Café in the parish hall.



The Café is staffed by volunteers. If you would like to help, please contact the office at 843-724-8395. We especially need help keeping the kitchen tidy at the end of the fellowship and linens washed and returned.

MARY MEDITATION GARDEN BRICKS support the charitable works of the CWC and are available for purchase. An engraved brick is a wonderful way to celebrate a special event or honor a loved one. Brick order forms are available at the Parish Office. Bricks are \$125 each. For additional information on ordering your brick, please contact Jennifer at jennrisk@yahoo.com.

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

BISHOP FABRE-JEUNE INVITES ALL THOSE WHO WERE CONFIRMED IN 2022-23 TO A SPECIAL MASS AT CA-

THEDRAL! Visit https://charlestoncathedral.com/bishops-invitation-to-all-confirmandi/ to read the Bishop's Letter and register or use the QR code provided!

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SAVE THE DATE! The Mepkin Abbey Crèche Festival is from November 13 – 18 and November 24 – December 2. Questions: contact mepkincreche@gmail.com. Volunteers needed! Contact mepkincrechevolunteers@gmail.com.

#### **Cathedral Active Parishioner Guide**

How do I know if I am an active part of the Cathedral parish family?

The Cathedral is able to operate only because of the generosity of our "family."

A Registered and Active family/individual is one who:

- 1. Has formally registered and is participating in the life of the parish community for a sufficient amount of time.
- 2. Attends Mass at Cathedral at least 75% of all Sundays.
- 3. Contributes financially to the parish according to one's 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 status in our database is essential for consideration of the following:

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

Become part of our Cathedral family! For more answers to frequently asked questions, please visit: <a href="https://www.charlestoncathedral.com/active-parish-policy-faq">www.charlestoncathedral.com/active-parish-policy-faq</a>.

Sacrament of Holy Matrimony: Congratulations! The world truly needs strong, faithful couples. Our parish stands ready to help prepare you for your life together in Christ through this holy Sacrament. The Diocese of Charleston requires a minimum of 6 months preparation for the Sacrament, so please contact us as soon as you are engaged so that we can share your joy and begin the process of preparation and reserving a date for your special day. Please understand that not all dates and times at the Cathedral may be available. Also, to receive the added benefits of being a Cathedral parishioner, either the bride or groom must be registered for a sufficient time before reserving a date. For help in understanding what it means to have a home here at the parish, please see the Active Parishioner Guide. A comprehensive set of Wedding guidelines may be found on the Cathedral Website. Please contact Mrs. Stephanie Stewart at weddings@charlestoncathedral.com for more information. We look forward to helping you forge a future together!

Holy Baptism: The birth of your child is such a gift! Let the Cathedral parish help you give the gift of new birth through the waters of Holy Baptism. For a child to receive Baptism at the Cathedral, please note that at least one parent must be a practicing Catholic, regularly attend Holy Mass, participating in the life of the parish, and be registered at the Cathedral for a sufficient time prior to requesting the date. In this, you become part of our wider parish family! First-time parents must attend our Baptismal Preparation session prior to the Baptism. Please contact Ms. Cheryl LaRose at secretary@charlestoncathedral.com for more information. Additional information on Baptism, including an online form, may be found on the Cathedral Website. Godparents are encouraged to attend a Baptismal Preparation session as well. Since godparents promise to help raise your child in the practice of the Catholic faith, godparents must be practicing Catholics at whatever parish they attend.

#### **Ministry Leader List**

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St. Vincent de Paul Rick Menniti

Office Volunteers
Diane Horkey

Young Adults Fr. Paul Lacombe

Women's Bible Study Marian Mentavlos

Women's Faith Sharing Marian Mentaylos

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#### Sunday 29 October 2023 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:30 pm Vigil Mass

Dorothy Aungst +

9:00 am Family Mass

Susan Burger +

10:15 am Religious Education: CR

10:15 am MINISTRY FAIR: Hall

10:15 am Café & Holy Land Carvings

11:15 am Solemn Mass

Pro Populo

12:30 pm MINISTRY FAIR: Hall

12:30 pm Café & Holy Land Carvings

#### Monday 30 October 2023 Weekday

11:00 am Confession 12:05 pm Daily Mass Jason Valencia 6:00 pm Interior Life: CR

#### Tuesday 31 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 JoAnn Suarez +

#### Wednesday 1 November 2023 All Saints

#### Parish Office Closed

8:00 am Mass
12:05 pm Daily Mass
Sarah Travers, Ranon Travers
12:30 pm Confession
12:30 pm - 7:00 pm Adoration
5:15 pm SVdP: CR
6:00 pm Confession
6:30 pm RCIA: at Mass
7:00 pm Mass
No Bible Study: Lower Church

#### Thursday 2 November 2023 All Souls' Day

7:00 am Mass
Envelope Intentions
7:30 am Men's Bible Study: CR
11:00 am Confession
12:05 pm Daily Mass
Envelope Intentions
12:45 pm Prayer Apostolate
12:45 pm Genesis to Jesus: Hall
7:00 pm Requiem Mass with Choir
Envelope Intentions

Reception to Follow in Lower Church

#### Friday 3 November 2023 Weekday

No Genesis to Jesus: L Church

#### FIRST FRIDAY

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

#### Saturday 4 November 2023 Saint Charles Borromeo, Bisho

10:00 am Confession 4:00 pm Confession 5:30 pm Vigil Mass The Turner Family

#### Sunday 5 November 2023 Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS

9:00 am Family Mass
IHSMGRJUSBCS Behshayrt'
10:15 am Religious Education: CR
10:15 am KOC Pancake Breakfast & Café: Hall
11:15 am Solemn Mass
Pro Populo
12:30 pm Café: Hall
2:00 pm Confirmandi Mass with Bishop
Fabre-Jeune

#### Overflow Seating & Cry Room Option

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



Charles Bateman
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Denice Gates
Laila Harrison
Rogelio Luengo
Maricela Maciel
Raymond Reiss
Charlotte Sarnowski
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.

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

#### **Weekly Offertory Reports**

22 October 2023

Offertory \$14,718.14 Electronic Offertory \$5,290.65 **Total Offertory** \$20,008.79

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! Sincere thanks for your generosity. Every gift matters!

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 E-Giving in the menu bar at the top of the page.

#### **DONATE**

Scan the QR code to donate via your phone.



**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).

The **Parish Financial Report** for FY 2022-2023 is now available. Visit: https://tinyurl.com/csjbfy2223.

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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