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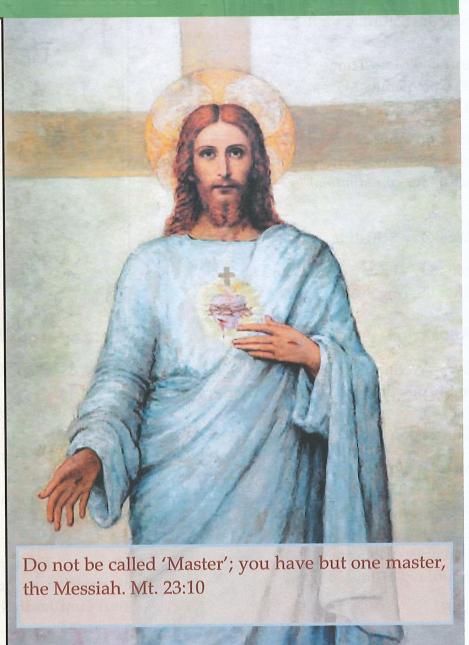
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Cathedral Schedule

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





ADORATION EVERY WEDNESDAY

Join us every Wednesday for Adoration of Our Eucharistic Lord following 12:05 pm Mass until 7pm. Benediction is at 6:45pm. There is a sign up sheet in the back of the church for both committed weekly adorers and those joining us for occasional Wednesdays.

Pray a Rosary during your adoration for reparation for our country, for life, for peace in our families in the world and for our Church.

STAY IN TOUCH WITH CATHEDRAL NEWS! SUBSCRIBE TO THE CATHEDRAL E-NEWSLETTER

Do you receive our Friday E-Newsletter? Get the big news, timely for that weekend sent every Friday. Contact Diane Horkey at: parish.secretary@charlestoncathedral.com.

RECTOR'S CORNER

+JMJ+

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time - 2023

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Throughout the month of November, we pause frequently to pray for our dear Faithful Departed. Let us especially remember those who have no one to pray for them. By doing this, we will find one day that we will have made many friends in heaven.

To help us better understand why we pray for our departed brothers and sisters, I offer excerpts from two articles by Fr. Steve Grunow from *Word On Fire Catholic Ministries*:

"The reality of the communion of saints means that the dead remain in a relationship with the living, and both can intercede for one another. This prayerful rapport is to the benefit of both. The communion of saints also means that the Church is simultaneously a reality of earth and of heaven and the two co-inhere with each other in tangible ways."

"Twentieth-century Swiss theologian Hans Urs von Balthasar ... wrote, 'Purgatory is perhaps the deepest but also the most blissful kind of suffering. ... The doors we have frantically held shut are now torn open. ... Now I can feel my wings growing; now I am fully becoming myself.' "In praying for the dead, we, the Church, pray that the deceased become what God intends them to be in the New Adam, Jesus Christ. The prayer is not rooted in fear but in the great hope of fully partaking in the glory of God, a participation that brings about each soul's fulfillment in the divine life at the wedding feast of the Lamb.

"The Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC) describes purgatory in this way: 'All who die in God's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven' (CCC 1031). This is good news for all of us who despite our imperfections are rooted in the faithfulness to the Lord.

"But this is not a road we trod alone. In the bond of charity, we support each other, especially the dead, in prayer. The Catechism says that 'the Church also commends almsgiving, indulgences, and works of penance undertaken on behalf of the dead' (CCC 1032), concluding with a passage from a homily by St. John Chrysostom: 'Let us not hesitate to help those who have died and to offer our prayers for them.'"

Let us heed the call of St. John Chrysostom and make an effort to pray for the faithful departed, especially by visiting the graves of loved ones. We can even visit those of strangers with tangible signs of our love and prayers. We are, after all, bound in one, human family.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord; and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

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Father Wilson

Cathedral of St. John the Baptist

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

PLEASE NOTE: THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON WEDNESDAY 22 NOVEMBER—FRIDAY 24 FOR THANKSGIVING AND REOPEN ON MONDAY NOVEMBER 26 AT 9AM.

CATHEDRAL WOMEN'S CLUB is 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! Contribution Link: https://tinyurl.com/2p9fd2ur.

ROSARY RALLY FOR OUR POLICE on the Corner of Bacons Bridge Rd & Dorchester Rd. in front of the CVS Summerville on Saturday, November 11th at 10am. Any questions, please feel free to call. Patricia Bascom 843-367-7007.

Men's Study Group – Exploring the Eucharist. All men are welcome to the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist starting Thursday October 19th for Mass at 7am, bible study in the lower church at 7:30 am until a hard stop at 8:00am.

In your kindness, you are asked to pray for the happy repose of the soul of George Massar +, father of parishioner Tom Massar. May God grant him eternal rest and may the Lord's consolation be with his family.



Young adults:

- THEOLOGY ON TAP: This Wednesday, November 8 form 7-10pm at Henry's on the Market (Whiskey Room) featuring Ben Robertson as speaker Director of Campus Ministry at Bishop England HS discussing Christian Charity.
- Potluck Dinner: with a talk from Rev. Paul Lacombe, on Thursday November 30th in the Parish Hall. Join other Catholic Young adults in our area in faith & fellowship. Come and eat whether you bring something or not! Text CYAG to 84576 to sign up for notifications of future events.
- Young Adults meet every Thursday at 7pm in the Cathedral hall for faith & formation with Fr. Lacombe.

FR. WILSON RECORDINGS: On October 7th, during the Day of Recollection about St. Therese of Lisieux here at the Cathedral, Fr. Wilson presented talks that are now available at: https://charlestoncathedral.com/d/.

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

Your Role in the Public Square: As Catholics, our baptismal commitment to bear public witness to the values of Jesus Christ requires our active participation in the democratic life of our nation. Your Catholic Conference once again urges all faithful to participate in the upcoming elections. Pick up a Simply Catholic Voter Guide at the back of the church or go to: https://tinyurl.com/votecatholicsc.

SAVE THE DATE! The Mepkin Abbey Crèche Festival is from November 13 – 18 and November 24 – December 2. For questions, please 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: www.charlestoncathedral.com/active-parish-policy-faq.

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.

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Sunday 5 November 2023 Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

> 5:30 pm Vigil Mass The Turner Family

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS 9:00 am Family Mass

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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

Monday 6 November 2023 Weekday

11:00 am Confession 12:05 pm Daily Mass *The Turner Family* 6:00 pm Interior Life: Conf

Tuesday 7 November 2023 Weekday

9:00 am Women's Faith Sharing: Conf 10:30 am Women's Bible Study: Conf 11:00 am Confession 12:05 pm Daily Mass Timothy Prezzano + 6:30 pm CWC: Hall

Wednesday 8 November 2023 Weekday

12:05 pm Daily Mass

The Turner Family
12:30 pm Confession
12:30 pm - 7:00 pm Adoration
6:00 pm Confession
6:30 pm RCIA: Classrooms
6:30 pm Marian Catechist Class: Conf
7:00 pm KOC Meeting: Hall
7:10 pm Bible Study: Lower Church

Thursday 9 November 2023
Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

7:00 am Mass
7:30 am Men's Bible Study: LC
11:00 am Confession
12:05 pm Daily Mass
The Turner Family
12:45 pm Prayer Apostolate
12:45 pm Genesis to Jesus: Hall
7:00 pm Genesis to Jesus: L Church

Friday 10 November 2023 Saint Leo the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church

> 11:00 am Confession 12:05 pm Daily Mass William Saad +

Saturday 11 November 2023
Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop

10:00 am Confession4:00 pm Confession5:30 pm Vigil MassThe Turner Family

Sunday 12 November 2023 Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary

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



Overflow Seating & Cry Room Option

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



Charles Bateman
Deborah Bray
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Naile Carter
Moriola Dassoundo
Denice Gates
Laila Harrison
Rogelio Luengo
Sue McManus
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

29 October 2023

Offertory \$18,298.30 **Electronic Offertory** \$5,816.75 **Total Offertory** \$24,115.05

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.

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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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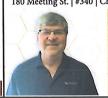
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