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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD 7 JANUARY 2024 - YEAR B

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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

6:00 pm Spanish 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

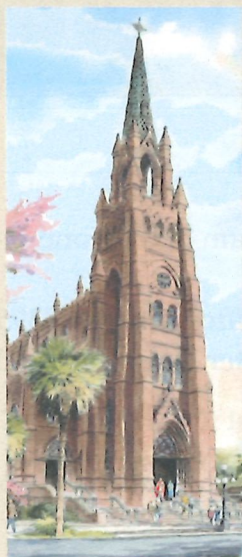
Thursday 11- 11:45 am

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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



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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

It is customary to bless your house at Epiphany! The Rite of Blessing & Blessed chalk will be available after Masses on Epiphany for you to take home.

PARISH DESSERT COMPETITION

Join the Cathedral Women's Club for a parish-wide dessert competition on Sunday, February 4th following the 11:15 Mass! Enter your best dessert in the competition or attend as a spectator to sample all of the delicious submissions! This fundraiser will benefit multiple community organizations, including the Mepkin Abbey Reconciliation Garden.

QR to sign up to compete:



Buy tickets here:



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The Epiphany of the Lord – 2024

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Merry "Little Christmas!" Traditionally, the Epiphany of the Lord closes out the major celebrations of the Christmas season, which will continue through this week until the Baptism of the Lord. Although the secular world may have stripped and thrown trees to the curb, returned decorations to a dusty attic, and reverted its gaze to the world below, we disciples of Jesus Christ know that the joy of the Incarnation cannot be constrained so narrowly. Our joy continues.

"Epiphany" comes from a Greek word that means "manifestation," and means "to make something known." From our Catechism: "The Epiphany is the manifestation of Jesus as Messiah of Israel, Son of God and Savior of the world. The great feast of Epiphany celebrates the adoration of Jesus by the wise men (magi) from the East, together with His baptism in the Jordan and the wedding feast at Cana in Galilee. In the magi, ... the Gospel sees the first-fruits of the nations, who welcome the good news of salvation through the Incarnation." (CCC 528)

With accelerated bulletin deadlines the norm during holidays, this column is the first in which I can address the declaration from the Vatican *Fiducia supplicans* (FS). You would think from the secular headlines in various publications that an earthquake had occurred in Catholic doctrine. This is not the case. Please know that the Church has not changed her divine teaching on Christian marriage – a.k.a., holy matrimony, which reflects the fruitful, heavenly love of Christ and His Bride, the Church.

"Some of the secular world willingly views FS as a reversal of teaching, that the Catholic Church now upholds homosexual unions. This is not the case. Blessings are not a new practice in our faith, and the blessings discussed in FS are inadmissible if they in any way cause public scandal, affirm irregular or same-sex unions or celebrate sin. To quote the document directly, '... This Declaration remains firm on the traditional doctrine of the Church about marriage, not allowing any type of liturgical rite or blessing similar to a liturgical rite that can create confusion' " (Bishop Fabre).

Those with same-sex attractions "need encouragement to persevere and guidance to follow Christ in their call to holiness and bravely carrying this cross." The Bishop also asks us all to pray for the our Holy Father, "especially for the Holy Spirit to guide him as the head of the Church on earth. The papacy is a heavy responsibility, and our pope needs the support which the prayers of the laity help to provide."

I find these words from our Bishop particularly inspiring: "Finally, we as a Church are called to be countercultural; this especially pertains to the family unit. Our nation and our world have twisted the definition of love and union, words that are beautiful and essential for Christian living. So let us be beacons of light and truth for those steeped in darkness and confusion. Let us act as messengers of the Word Made Flesh and proclaim the Gospel always."

O come, let us adore Him!

Father Wilson

KOC PANCAKE BREAKFAST & CATHEDRAL CAFÉ

Today, Sunday 7 January, 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



CATHEDRAL YOUTH GROUP—WINTER SCHEDULE:

- Jan 20th Ice Skating 12:30-2:30 pm at Carolina Ice Palace. RSVP by 1/13.
- Feb 7th Service Project: Sandwich making for the needy from 6-7pm at Cathedral hall.
- Feb. 23 Sky Zone Trampoline Park! RSVP by 2/9

BIBLICAL WALK THROUGH THE MASS SCHEDULE:

- Wednesday night: January 10 last class.
- Thursday afternoon: January 11 last class.
- Young Adults Thurs night: Jan 11 last class.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: A longtime parishioner is seeking help with transportation to the 11:15 am Mass from North Charleston. If you are able to help please contact the office at 843-724-8395.

Interested in Spreading Jesus' Message to the public?

Join our St. Paul Street Evangelization Team. Training will be provided. All ages are welcome!

To learn more and get started:

Contact Brian at 843-724-8395, and/or email christian.formation@charlestoncathedral.com

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THEOLOGY ON TAP: Wednesday, January 17 from 7-10pm at Henry's on the Market (Whiskey Room). Ben Robertson will be joining us from Bishop England to deliver a talk about Christian Charity, and how it differs from secular charity. The talk will last 30 minutes, and the rest of the time is reserved for socialization and food! Every Young Adult (18-35) and college student in the city is invited. Future Dates: February 21 and March 13.

Marriage Troubles? If marriage has become troubled, stressed, or unloving: if divorced, separated or are thinking about it, Retrouvaille can help. Sign up for January 19-21 weekend. Visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com or call 727-343-6701. *Not counseling or group therapy.* All contacts & names held in strictest confidence.

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

Cathedral Active Parishioner Guide

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.)

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. Please see the Active Parishioner Guide and 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. 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.

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.

Ministry Leader List

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Daniel Barton

Altar Linens

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Café Teams

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Cathedral Women's Club

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Women's Faith Sharing

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Cathedral of St. John the Baptist

The Epiphany of the Lord

Sunday 7 January 2024
The Epiphany of the Lord

5:30 pm Vigil Mass
Ciaran O'Rourke +
9:00 am Family Mass
IHSMGRJUSBCS Behshayrt'
10:15 am Religious Education: CR
10:00 AM KOC PANCAKE BREAKFAST & CAFÉ: HALL
11:15 am Solemn Mass
Pro Populo
12:30 pm Café: Hall
6:00 pm Spanish Mass

Monday 8 January 2024
The Baptism of the Lord

11:00am Confession
12:05 pm Mass
Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Buttarazzi +
6pm Interior Life Reading Grp: Conf

Tuesday 9 January 2024
First Week in Ordinary Time

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
Martha Kanapaux
6:30 pm CWC: Hall

Wednesday 10 January 2024
Weekday

12:05 pm Daily Mass
Dooley Fava +
12:30 pm Confession
12:30 pm - 7:00 pm Adoration
6:00 pm Confession
6:30 pm RCIA: Hall
7:10 pm Bible Study: Lower Church

Thursday 11 January 2024
Weekday

7:00 am Mass
7:30 am Men's Bible Study: Hall
11:00 am Confession
12:05 pm Daily Mass
Moriola Dassounda
12:45 pm Prayer Apostolate
12:45 pm Bible Study: Hall
7:00 pm Young Adults: Hall

Friday 12 January 2024
Weekday

11:00 am Confession
12:05 pm Daily Mass
Jocelyn Notz +

Saturday 13 January 2024
Weekday

10:00 am Confession
4:00 pm Confession
5:30 pm Vigil Mass
Fedir Hreb +
6:30 PM OYSTER ROAST!!!

Sunday 14 January 2024
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am Family Mass
Martha Kanapaux
No Religious Education: CR
10:00 AM CAFÉ: HALL
11:15 am Solemn Mass
Pro Populo
12:30 pm Café: Hall
6:00 pm Spanish Mass

The Parish Office is closed Monday 15 January in observance of MLK Day. The office will reopen on Tuesday at 9am.

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
Tony Bray
David Carter
Naile Carter
Moriola Dassoundo
Denice Gates
Rogelio Luengo
Bob McBurney
Sue McManus
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? Birth-right 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.

Cathedral of St. John the Baptist

7 January 2024

Weekly Offertory Reports

24 December 2023

Offertory	\$31,034.28
Electronic Offertory	\$6,823.05
Total Offertory	\$37,857.33

25 December 2023

Offertory	\$25,609.16
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31 December 2023

Offertory	\$22,731.65
Electronic Offertory	\$10,143.35
Total Offertory	\$32,875.00

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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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