

The Third Sunday of Easter

Mass Intentions

If you would like a Mass offered for a special intention, please contact the Parish Office at office@sma.church.

Saturday, April 13

Optional Memorial of St. Martin I, Pope, Martyr

8:00am: +Kathleen Blanchard+

5:00pm: Sisters of Charity, Our Lady of Mercy

Sunday, April 14

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9:00am: Pro Populo

Monday, April 15

Easter Weekday

8:00am: +Kathleen Blanchard+

Tuesday, April 16

Easter Weekday

8:00am: Thomas Finnegan

Wednesday, April 17

Easter Weekday

8:00am: Priest's Intention

Thursday, April 18

Easter Weekday

8:00am: Priest's Intention

Friday, April 19

Easter Weekday

8:00am: +Joseph Neuuhoff+

Saturday, April 20

Easter Weekday

8:00am: +Kathleen Blanchard+

5:00pm: Francis Bleeker

Elizabeth Good

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Elizabeth Good, mother of Father Mark Good, Pastor of St. Benedict's in Mt. Pleasant. Eternal Rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace.

Housebound?

Going into the Hospital?

If you or your loved one would like to receive the Anointing of the Sick or Holy Eucharist, please contact Msgr. Droze at 843.834.7050 or Father Allen at 843.261.4188. Your contact is the only way we will know you are in need.

Please Pray for:

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| Alice | Caleb Marshall |
| Clayton | Steve McLaughlin |
| DBF | Robin Mahal |
| Regina | Michael Moore |
| D. Carter | Robin Ann Parker |
| Robin Dagostino | Sydney Reddick |
| John Devane | John Rowland |
| Steve Donaldson | David Shah |
| C. Evans | Joe Ward |
| David Kerr | Carole White |
| Paul Madden | Chloe |
| Nancy S. | Marvin H. |
| Keith Preston | Val Preston |
| Richard Redican | Norma Nance |
| Diane P. | Carter Naile |
| Janet Mogolnicki | Laura Fontaine |
| Joan Bowie | Nick Digangi |
| Eleanor Alter | James Darby Parker |
| Nicole Carey | Mark E. |
| Maggie | Carson Parker |
| Denise McNulty | Sister Sandra Makowski |
| John Thom | |

To add someone to the prayer list, email the person's name to office@sma.church.

Parish News

Reminder: Spring Mini-Course on Prayer

The three-week class on prayer and the Bible will begin next Sunday, April 21. The class will meet on April 21, 28 and May 5 from 10:30 – 11:30, at the same time as our children's Religious Education classes. A study guide will be provided in advance. Participation will be limited to 12 people.

There is no cost for the course, but you must register so that we can have an accurate count. To register, email Betsy Cahill directly at betsy@betsycahill.com. The deadline for registration is Monday, April 15 at 5 pm.

Thank You!

Thank you to all who volunteered their time and talent in decorating the church for Holy Week and Easter; and serving in our several ministries, with a special thanks to the Counting Teams.

Spiritual Reflection

- From the first apology in defense of the Christians by Saint Justin, martyr

No one may share the Eucharist with us unless he believes that what we teach is true, unless he is washed in the regenerating waters of baptism for the remission of his sins, and unless he lives in accordance with the principles given us by Christ.

We do not consume the eucharistic bread and wine as if it were ordinary food and drink, for we have been taught that as Jesus Christ our Savior became a man of flesh and blood by the power of the Word of God, so also the food that our flesh and blood assimilates for its nourishment becomes the flesh and blood of the incarnate Jesus by the power of his own words contained in the prayer of thanksgiving.

The apostles, in their recollections, which are called gospels, handed down to us what Jesus commanded them to do. They tell us that he took bread, gave thanks and said: *Do this in memory of me. This is my body.* In the same way he took the cup, he gave thanks and said: *This is my blood.* The Lord gave this command to them alone. Ever since then we have constantly reminded one another of these things.

On Sunday we have a common assembly of all our members, whether they live in the city or the outlying districts. The recollections of the apostles or the writings of the prophets are read. When the reader has finished, the president of the assembly speaks to us; he urges everyone to imitate the examples of virtue we have heard in the readings. Then we all stand up together and pray.

On the conclusion of our prayer, bread and wine and water are brought forward. The president offers prayers and gives thanks to the best of his ability, and the people give assent by saying, "Amen." The eucharist is distributed, everyone present communicates, and the deacons take it to those who are absent.

We hold our common assembly on Sunday because it is the first day of the week, the day on which God put darkness and chaos to flight and created the world, and because on that same day our savior Jesus Christ rose from the dead. For he was crucified on Friday and on Sunday he appeared to his apostles and disciples and taught them the things that we have passed on for your consideration.

Saint Mary's Youth Ministry Events

High School Youth Group: High School meets this Sunday, April 14th from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at St. Joseph's, where we will be continuing talking about Marian Apparitions!

Middle School Youth: St. Mary's youth are invited to St. Joseph's for middle school youth nights every other Thursday at St. Joseph's! Our next meeting is Thursday, April 21st, from 6:00-7:45 p.m., which is Rising 6th Grade Night! All 5th graders are invited to join us and see what youth ministry is like!

Upcoming Event in April: We will be doing a Family Picnic in the Park next Saturday, April 20th! Contact Molly for more information!

Molly Pereda, Youth Minister
806.341.7127

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Charleston Catholic School

We hope everyone had a wonderful time during Grandparents/Special Friend Day at CCS. We are grateful to our extended family and friends for their continued support of our school and mission.

Visit www.charlestoncatholic.com

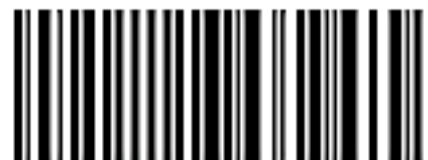
Retreat for Grieving Parents

"A Walk with Jesus for Grieving Parents" is one-day healing retreat for Parents who have had child loss of any age. Saturday, May 4, 2024, from 8:30-5:00pm at Finbar Hall, 901 Orange Grove Road, Charleston, presented by Deacon Henry de Mena. For more information and to register contact Christy Brown 803 554 6088 or <http://cbrown@charlestondiocese.org>

Parking Code

For free parking in the city garage during Sunday Mass, please scan this barcode in the parking kiosk.

City of Charleston



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Catholic Appeal of South Carolina

(Bishop's Annual Appeal)

Please remember, if you have not done so, to complete your pledge offering to the Catholic Appeal for South Carolina (CASC). The diocesan programs and ministries supported by the CASC include Catholic Charities, Catholic Schools, Vocations, Retired Priests, Youth and Young Adult Ministries and so many more.

You may fulfill your pledge by check to the Diocesan Office of Stewardship, by check or cash in the collection basket or on-line at <https://charlestondiocese.org/donate>.

The parish goal for 2024 is \$25,789. To date, we have raised \$6,305, or 24% of our goal. The parish will receive back 50% of any amount over our goal.

Produce Distribution Event

Catholic Charities of South Carolina is having a Produce Distribution on Thursday, April 25th from 3:00pm – 4:00pm at 1662 Ingram Road, Charleston, SC 29407. This is a no cost event.

Ministry Volunteers Asked to Update Availability

Volunteers for the Greeter, Lector, Extraordinary Minister, Altar Server, Safety and Usher Ministries are asked to please log in to the “Ministry Scheduler Pro” system **before 10:00pm, Monday, April 15, 2024**, using the web address sent in an email to all volunteers this past week to inform us of any service preferences and / or dates you will not be available to serve in the May 1 - July 31 period. The new schedule will be available on “Ministry Scheduler Pro” to see scheduled assignments by 5:00pm on Wednesday, April 17th. If you did not see that email, please check your spam or junk folder, or email the parish office and ask that a new email be sent to you. Thank you as always for your service to St. Mary’s.

Ministry Schedule

| | <i>Greeters</i> | <i>Lectors</i> | <i>Extraordinary Ministers</i> | <i>Altar Servers</i> | <i>Safety</i> | <i>Usher</i> |
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| <i>April 13 – April 14: The Third Sunday of Easter</i> | | | | | | |
| Saturday 5:00 PM | Michael Powell Christine Powell | Adelaida Bennett-1 st Anne Frances Bleeker-2 nd | Pete Ward Open | Open Open Open Open | John Pauldine Marc Oberdorff | Lee Gastley |
| Sunday 9:00 AM | Lenore Hammerbacher Glenn Hammerbacher | Cherie Aimar-1 st Conrad Linhart-2 nd | Cathy Rosenblum Brandon Hoffman April Cullen Jimmy McAlister | Sarah Gill Max Barreira Molly Gill | Travis Hipp Glenn Hammerbacher | Brandon Hoffman |
| Sunday Hospitality: P. McAlister C. Aimar A. Finnegan J. Hill C. Kersting M. Cleland N. Scheurer M. Testa C. Woods | | | | | | |
| <i>April 20 – April 21: The Fourth Sunday of Easter</i> | | | | | | |
| Saturday 5:00 PM | Mary Gastley Lee Gastley | Brandon Hoffman-1 st Betsy Cahill-2 nd | Pete Ward Cathy Rosenblum | Joey Wohlfeil Luke Wohlfeil Jack Wohlfeil Paul Wohlfeil | Jordan Rock Open | Open |
| Sunday 9:00 AM | James Godefroy Kara Beth Godefroy | Robert Hagood-1 st Roy Howell-2 nd | Anne Condon Billy Condon Mary Elizabeth Sease April Cullen | Pipa Taylor Open Open Open | Carl Wohlfeil Open | Billy Condon |
| Sunday Hospitality: C. Rosenblum, P. Bachofner, D. Hoppe, S. Leadem, E. Marshall, M. Savinda, J. Nuss, A. Zdanewicz, M. Zdanewicz | | | | | | |

Offertory Report

| April 6 - April 7 | Budget | Variance |
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| Offertory | | |
| In Pew \$ | 3,997.00 | |
| Online \$ | 3,068.19 | |
| C of C \$ | 163.91 | |
| This Week's Total \$ | 7,229.10 | \$ (1,213.90) |
| Total Fiscal YTD \$ | 305,635.70 | \$ (40,527.30) |
| Building & Renovation | | |
| In Pew \$ | 810.00 | |
| Online \$ | 101.01 | |
| Total \$ | 911.01 | \$ (3,088.99) |
| Total Fiscal YTD \$ | 146,151.27 | \$ (17,848.73) |
| Bicentennial Campaign | | |
| | Goal | Raised |
| In Pew \$ | 120.00 | |
| Online \$ | 30.00 | |
| Total \$ | 150.00 | \$ 3,155,021.68 |
| Catholic Appeal of SC | | |
| \$ | 5.00 | |
| | Goal | Raised |
| | \$ 25,789.00 | \$ 6,305.00 |

Offertory Option

Giving online is easy and allows you to schedule contributions and view your complete online giving history. To do so, visit sma.church/online-giving.html.

Second Collection

The second collection for this week and next week is for our Building and Renovation Fund. Many thanks for your continued support!

Bicentennial Campaign

Total Raised: \$3,155,021.68
 Current Amount Collected: \$2,741,717.13
 Fulfillment Rate: 87%
 Still To Be Collected: \$413,304.55
 Number of Donors: 171

We are planning the next phase of restoring the church ceiling paintings. To learn more and to pledge or make a donation online, please visit sma.church and click on the "Bicentennial Campaign." Thank you to all who have made pledges. You have helped make all this possible.

Saint Mary of the Annunciation, pray for us!



Baptisms

To have your child baptized, please call the Parish Office at 843.722.7696. Please call before the birth of your child.

The Sacrament of Holy Matrimony

The Wedding Policy Booklet may be found on our website: sma.church/wedding-policy. Contact the Parish Office for more information, office@sma.church or 843.722.7696. For Marriage Preparation / Request information please contact Angelia Grech at grechj@comcast.net.

Altar Flowers

Would you like to celebrate a special event or honor the memory of a loved one by sponsoring the Sunday flower arrangements? There are two arrangements in the sanctuary. Each arrangement sponsorship is \$75. Unless you prefer anonymity, your gift will be noted in the weekend bulletin. To make a request, please visit sma.church/forms.html, download and print the form, and mail it to the Parish Office, with your check payable to the Parish. If you wish to learn which weekends are available, please call the Parish Office at 843.722.7696. Thank you for your gift of beauty to our Masses.

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 843.834.7050

For help with food, electric & water bills, medical & prescription costs, rent, transportation, and clothing.

St. Vincent de Paul Society
 843.727.1577

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