

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK IN OUR PARISH

Especially: Erin Burton, Linda Cornelius, Mike Costanzo, Rosalea Donahue, Maggie Dull, Amber Firestine, Christy Kakassy,

Josephine “Jo” LeBlanc, Marion McLellan, Mary Rogier, Frederick A. Shinners, John Tiller, and all those in nursing homes.

MARRIAGE

We are unable to accommodate all of the requests for weddings at Stella Maris. To marry here, at least one party to the marriage should be an active parishioner, regularly attending Mass for one year before asking to schedule a wedding. As Catholics, we believe that God has a plan for marriage. Cohabitation before marriage is not part of God’s plan and decreases the chances of success in maintaining a permanent union. Cohabiting couples should separate and live apart before requesting the Sacrament of Matrimony. More information is available from the parish office regarding guidelines for weddings and parishioner status. Diocesan policy requires at least six months’ notice before setting a wedding date.

SACRAMENTAL POLICY

In order to receive First Holy Communion or Confirmation, students in Grades 2 and 8 must attend TWO FULL YEARS of religious instructions if they are NOT in our Catholic School system. No more than THREE (3) classes can be missed during the year of sacramental preparation.



If anyone wishes to receive Communion and is unable to come to Mass, call Deacon Jason Vaughan at 843-883-3044



BAPTISM

To schedule a Baptism please contact Deacon Jason Vaughan at 843-883-3044.

NURSERY

The Nursery in the parish hall remains closed until further notice.

ROSARY

Please join us every Sunday morning following the 9:30am Mass in the church to pray the Rosary. Everyone is welcome.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

February 27th – March 6th

Sat., Feb. 27 th	5:30pm Mass	×John M. Strickland×
Sun., Feb.28 th	8:00am Mass	×Susan Owens×
	9:30am Mass (c)	For the People
	9:30am Mass (h)	×Charles Robinson×
	11:30am Mass	×Sara Friedman Snyder×
	5:30pm Latin Mass	Ints. Jost Family
Mon. March 1 st	6:30pm Mass	×Murray Compton×
	7:00pm Miraculous Medal Novena	
Tues., March 2 nd	8:00am Mass	×Susan Owens×
Wed., March 3 rd	8:00am Mass	×Louis P. Stith, Sr.×
Thurs. March 4 th	6:30pm Mass	×Jessica Angara Ferreras×
Fri., March 5 th	8:00am Mass	Ints. Joseph Dennard
FIRST FRIDAY	4:00pm Latin Mass	×John Burkly×
Sat., March 6 th	4:15 – 5:00pm CONFESSIONS	

TODAY’S SCHEDULE

February 20th – 21st

EX. MIN. HOLY COMMUNION	LECTORS	HOST FAMILIES
5:30pm c	William Brumley	Thomas Knisley
8:00am c	Warren Tawes	Mary Ellen Way
9:30am c	Vincent Sottile	Miller Shealy
9:30am h		Howard Stone
11:30am c	Darrel Darby	Rob Fowler

SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEK

February 27th – 28th

EX. MIN. HOLY COMMUNION	LECTORS	HOST FAMILIES
5:30pm c	Nelson Little	Christen Hall
8:00am c	Cathy Burton	Patti Clark
9:30am c	Vincent Sottile	Howard Stone
9:30am h		Louis Hems
11:30am c	Christine Story	Matt Story

MONEY MATTERS

Last week’s collection amounted to \$15,350.00.

The facilities and services of Stella Maris Parish are available to its active members. This includes use of the Church for Baptisms, Weddings, and other sacramental events and includes parishioner status in our parochial schools. Active membership is determined by three things: being registered in the parish for a sufficient period of time, faithful attendance at Mass on Sundays and Holy Days, and the use of the envelope system in support of the parish. N.B. If you are attending Stella Maris but not receiving envelopes, then you are not registered. Please call the Parish Office for registration information.

Stella Maris

Roman Catholic Church



We welcome all visitors who have come to worship God with us today. And we hope that your visit is safe and enjoyable.



2nd SUNDAY OF LENT
February 28, 2021



1204 Middle Street, P.O. Box 280
Sullivan’s Island, South Carolina 29482

Rev. Msgr. Lawrence B. McNerny, J.C.L.	Pastor
Rev. David F. Michael	Parochial Vicar
Mr. Jason Vaughan, MA, MS	Deacon, Pastoral Associate & D.R.E.
Mr. John Byrnes	School President
Mrs. Susan Splendido	School Principal
Mrs. Ann Thompson, MSW	Registration, Counseling & Activities
Mrs. Elizabeth Bolchoz Sanford	Communications Coordinator
Mr. Huey Waldon	Director of Liturgical Music
Mr. Stephen M. Collins	Associate Musician
Mrs. Winnie Van Meir	Secretary to the Pastor

Parish Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday, 9:00 – 4:00; Friday, 9:00 – Noon

Parish Office	843-883-3108	Fax	843-883-3160
Jason Vaughan	843-883-3044	Ann Thompson	843-607-0135

Diocesan Office of Child Protection Services 843-261-0430
Diocesan Victim Assistance Minister 843-856-0748

St. Vincent De Paul Society Help Line: 843-814-1229

Parish Website: stellamarischurch.org

FORMED WEBSITE: formed.org/register (Access Code: R8ZH23)

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

My dear people,

Friday of this week is First Friday, a day of special devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. In normal times, we would have the Blessed Sacrament exposed all night on Thursday for prayer and adoration. Due to the ongoing pandemic, we will not have Nocturnal Adoration this month but we will have a **Eucharistic Holy Hour** following the 6:30 P.M. Mass until 8:00 P.M. As the isolation of the pandemic wears on, please consider an hour in the real presence of Jesus. He is the ultimate source of connection.

As we continue in Lent, I remind you that we pray the Stations of the Cross at 6:15 P.M. on Wednesdays (except the Wednesday of Holy Week). Unfortunately, as the pandemic wears on we cannot offer soups and sandwiches afterward. As we continue in distancing and isolation, we can seek God's graces. The Lord was alone in the desert. Eucharistic Holy Hours recall that Thursday night when He was alone in the garden of Gethsemane. Of course, He was not completely alone; He prayed and so can we. This does not mean solitude is easy. We are social creatures (some more so than others). We can and do maintain social contacts, perhaps not personally but at least we have many electronic means of connection as well as the tried and true paper and pen. One grace of the pandemic could be an appreciation for much that we have taken for granted in the past.

Writing to you from the mountains of North Carolina, I am enjoying solitude with some structure. Early on in the pandemic, I was here and wrote about the utility of a schedule. Indeed, the discipline of the Church's Liturgy of the Hours (the Divine Office) gives us a skeleton on which to build our day with God. Here, I continue to wrestle with the right balance between responsible citizenship (knowing what is going on politically) and the distraction of news media. National media is obsessed with politics. In 1995 the bell-hanger from England was at Stella Maris and could not get over the lack of international news in American media. He was right. There is more happening than politics. I suspect the un-ending political drama keeps people hooked into the media and their adverts. Suffice it to say: I have backed away from the 24 hour news cycle while trying to stay informed about what's important.

An unusual coincidence brought the same warm and sunny weather to the mountains as you had on the coast this week. Usually, it's about ten degrees colder here. Wasn't the sunshine great? I was able to set up a folding chair in the sun and read some *Theology and Sanity* as well as a murder mystery I am working on. Glory! Once it gets here, I do believe we will appreciate Spring this year. And I hope my Lent can include some spring cleaning, especially when I see the pandemic clutter grow and grow. Hope springs eternal!

*Saint Roch, pray for us that we may be preserved
from all diseases of body and soul.*

Father McNerny

PARISH NEWS

REMINDER: MISSALETTES DURING COVID

The new edition of the Missalette is here and it will go through Easter Sunday. We could have visitors at any time, as COVID travel restrictions ease, so we really need to still have some small stock through Holy Week! Please remember, if you pick up a Missalette to use at Mass, take it home with you AND bring it back for your personal use!

MASS IN THE HALL

With our increased Mass attendance, we have resumed the 9:30am Mass in the parish hall on an experimental basis, depending on the response. Wearing masks is strongly recommended. Those who arrive together may sit together. All others are asked to maintain proper distancing. Saint Roch, pray for us, that we may be preserved from all diseases of body and soul.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will be said Wednesdays during Lent at 6:15pm with Benediction following. Due to the COVID we will not be serving soup and sandwiches after.

MEN'S MORNING MASS AND BREAKFAST READING GROUP

All men of the parish are invited to join our Men's Morning Mass and Breakfast Reading Group which will meet on Friday mornings. Mass will be offered in the church at 6:30am, followed by breakfast and discussion in the parish hall. We will be reading *Theology and Sanity*, by Frank Sheed. Please contact Deacon Jason Vaughan at 843-883-3044 or jmvdoe@yahoo.com if interested.

STELLA MARIS WOMEN'S CLUB

Stella Maris Women's Club will meet on Tuesday, **March 2nd**, at 6:30pm. Our program will be presented by Sarah Hammond of Charleston Sweetgrass Baskets. Sarah is one of Charleston's finest sweet grass basket makers. She started making baskets at age 7 and has passed this art down to her children and grandchildren. Sarah has taught the art of sweet grass basket making in the schools throughout South Carolina, at the Charleston Museum, and at the Smithsonian National Museum of African American History and Culture in Washington, DC. Please RSVP to iopgator@gmail.com if you plan to attend so that we can save a place for you!

HIGH SCHOOL AND MIDDLE SCHOOL BOYS

High School and Middle School boys are invited to attend a paintball activity with youth from Christ Our King and Saint Clare's on **March 13th**, from 10:00am – 1:00pm. The activity will be at Paintball Charleston and the cost is \$30 which includes paintball equipment, paintballs & pizza. There will also be a talk given on Spiritual Warfare by one of the chaperones. Please contact Ashley Arominski, 843-790-3779, for permission slip and additional information. To sign up go to: COK.youth.org/paintball and sign the permission slip. Contact Ann Thompson, 843-607-0135, with questions.

A REMINDER FROM THE BOOKKEEPER

Regular weekend donations are deposited in the parish operational checking account, along with donations to diocesan second collections, which are then passed on to the Diocese. **All methods below are applicable.**

"Grateful to Give" building fund donations are deposited in another bank, in an interest bearing account. Therefore, we really do need separate checks for those donations. **Please do not include these donations in our online giving.**

If you are not comfortable coming to Mass yet, you can always put your envelope in a regular envelope and mail it to parish post office box (and not the street address): Stella Maris Church, P.O. Box 280, Sullivan's Island, SC 29482. Other options for donations to the parish are:

Personal bank account via "online banking" by setting up a payment in "bill pay." There is no fee for this service, either for you or for us. You will have options for: a one-time payment, or a recurring payment on either a weekly or monthly basis, including a specific period of time, i.e. how many weeks or months. If you use this option, please include your 4-digit envelope account number (next to the date, above your address on your envelope) and specify what the contribution is for. If you are not sure of your envelope number, please call the parish office.

If you using a smart phone, you can use the VENMO app for online giving. Once you have downloaded and installed the app, please make your payment to "@StellaMarisChurch". Please, include your envelope number and what the contribution is for.



NEWS FROM OTHER SOURCES

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Knights of Columbus is again hosting a golf tournament for the benefit of The Daughters of St. Paul. It will be held at Wild Dunes Harbor Course on **May 10th**, at noon with a shotgun start. The cost is \$110.00 per golfer and includes golfing on a championship golf course, lunch, beverages, awards dinner and great prizes. For more information, contact Neil Whitman at ngwhitman@yahoo.com. Or use the online form at: http://kofc9475.org/KofC_Golf_2021_Brochure.pdf.

SONGS FOR LENT

Again this year St. Mary of the Annunciation parishioner, Betsy Cahill, will be offering "Songs for Lent," daily reflections on a verse or verses from the lectionary, embellished with images and music, a link to the readings, and a prayer. In Lent, these meditations will focus on the Responsorial Psalm, since the psalms lend themselves so beautifully to prayer, indeed, can even form the substance of it. If you wish to subscribe, or if you have friends who may be interested, the sign-up form may be accessed through this link: <http://eepurl.com/gj22CH>, or at betsvcahill.com. Reflections will begin on Wednesday, February 17th and go through Holy Saturday, April 3rd. There will be no reflection offered on Sundays. If you have further questions, you may reach Betsy at betsv@betsvcahill.com.