

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. Shinnors, 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.

WELCOME

Stella Maris parish welcomes Alexis Victoria Simpson Hughes, daughter of parishioners Eric & Heather Hughes, who was recently Baptized.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 13th –20th

Sat., March 13 th	5:30pm Mass	×Eileen Burkly×
Sun., March 14 th	8:00am Mass	×Mickey McMahon×
	9:30am Mass (c)	×George Williams×
	9:30am Mass (h)	×Charlie & Jo Goss×
	11:30am Mass	×Ralph & Mary Lou Turney×
	5:30pm Latin Mass	For the People
Mon. March 15 th	6:30pm Mass	Ints. Patricia Curtis
	7:00pm Miraculous Medal Novena	
Tues., March 16 th	8:00am Mass	×Bob Lancaster×
Wed., March 17 th	8:00am Mass	×Patricia Carrier×
Thurs. March 18 th	6:30pm Mass	Ints. Gerard Gaeta
Fri., March 19 th	8:00am Mass	×Joe Darby×
Sat., March 20 th	4:15 – 5:00pm CONFESSIONS	

TODAY’S SCHEDULE

March 13th – 14th

EX. MIN. HOLY COMMUNION	LECTORS	HOST FAMILIES
5:30pm c Christen Hall	Ann Louise Armstrong	
8:00am c Cathy Burton	Marge Leber	
9:30am c Nelson Little	Miller Shealy	
9:30am h	Sarah Eyre	
11:30am c Matt Story	Mary Ellen Way	

SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEK

March 20th – 21st

EX. MIN. HOLY COMMUNION	LECTORS	HOST FAMILIES
5:30pm c William Brumley	Peter Schmitt	
8:00am c Cathy Burton	Bob Duke	
9:30am c Nelson Little	Garen McDowell	
9:30am h	Don Smith	
11:30am c Darrel Darby	Marty Fosberry	

MONEY MATTERS

Last week’s collection amounted to \$20,841.00.

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.



**4th SUNDAY
OF LENT
March 14, 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,

Laetare Sunday (today) calls us to rejoice. We are halfway through Lent and will come to the joy of celebrating the Resurrection at Easter. Might we try to compare it to the worldwide COVID pandemic? It's been a year since we started the "temporary" shutdown to prevent a "bump" in cases that might overwhelm hospitals. That's some kind of "temporary" and quite a "bump" that still has us distancing a year later! Yet, can imagine something like a Laetare Sunday in this long Lent of COVID. People are getting vaccinated; some restrictions are being modified or lifted. Might we really hope to rise from the darkness of a pandemic as we celebrate Christ's victory over death?

The week to come brings two popular feast days in the life of the Church: St. Patrick on Wednesday and St. Joseph on Friday. The feast of St. Joseph is in the highest rank of celebrations for saints: a Solemnity. You might be interested to know that Solemnities are not observed as days of penitence even during Lent. To put it simply: this Friday is not a day of abstinence from meat because it is the Solemnity of Saint Joseph! For those who might wish to celebrate with solemnity, you are invited to a Semi-Solemn Traditional Latin High Mass at 7:00 P.M. this Friday at Sacred Heart Church, 888 King Street, Charleston.

The day after Laetare Sunday marks a subtle shift in what I like to call the "layers" of Lent. Beginning tomorrow, the Gospel at daily Masses will be from St. John. From early in the life of the Church, these readings for the fourth and fifth weeks of Lent presented St. John's account of the growing tension between the claims of Jesus and the response of people. In the revision of the Lectionary after Vatican II, the readings were re-arranged in order according to chapters and verses of the Gospel of St. John. In tradition, next Sunday represents yet another "layer" of Lent: Passiontide. The daily readings of the first weeks of Lent were about the works of Lent (prayer, fasting and almsgiving) then Lenten catechesis for those preparing to enter the Church at Easter or be reconciled through the Sacrament of Penance (the public sinners who were doing public penance during Lent). Passiontide is more specifically about the approaching suffering and death of our Lord. In the revised liturgy, next Sunday is not called Passion Sunday, but on the following day the Preface of the Mass changes to the Preface of the Passion. Don't worry about forgetting it's Passiontide: the statues in the sanctuary will be veiled and remain covered until we celebrate the Resurrection (a sort of "fasting of the eyes"). As we journey through suffering and death with our Blessed Lord, let us look forward to Resurrection and new life.

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

Father McInerney

PARISH NEWS

REMINDER: MISSALETTES DURING COVID

The well is running dry! The current 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. **We are already down to the last box!** 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.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Spring is sprung, the grass is green: do you wonder where our collectors have been? The first week of every month is like the beginning of spring: St. Vincent de Paul looks forward to the green signs of your generosity for those in need, just as a gardener looks for the tender tips of new green sprouts. We appreciate all of you who have faithfully brought in your donations or mailed them to the church, so that this ministry can continue. You are helping to relieve many people who are burdened. We look forward to the time when we can release our well-rested volunteers to again greet you outside our parish doors.

MEN'S CLUB – ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Corned Beef and Cabbage

St. Patrick's Day Corned Beef and Cabbage: The Men's Club will be sponsoring a Corned Beef and cabbage sale after all Masses on **March 13th and 14th**. This will be **take-out only**, and sales will be available outside the Church after each Mass. Servings of corned beef and cabbage ready to reheat, enough to two people, will be \$10.00. Please contact Matt Story at 843-224-2405 with any questions.

STELLA MARIS WOMEN'S CLUB

Stella Maris Women's Club will be meeting on Tuesday, April 6th, at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall. Our guest speakers will be Ann Dovere and Marie Rabun from Flip Flop Garden Twins of Mt. Pleasant. Ann and Marie will demonstrate and help each participant make a spring flower arrangement. Bring a vase and \$12 for flowers. Take home your own beautifully arranged flower arrangement. Please RSVP to iopgator@gmail.com so that we can order the correct number of flowers and have a work space set up for you

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.**

St. Vincent de Paul donations must be made out to the society, and not to the parish. There are no online donation methods available, except for your own online banking bill-pay. All donations should be sent to the parish post office box address to the attention of "St. Vincent de Paul".

The parish webpage now has a GIVING button to the far right on the top. You will have the option of using a card or an electronic check, as well as the above recurring payment options. There is a box provided for your envelope number, and also a comment box where you can specify what the donation is for, **but please do not include St. Vincent de Paul or Grateful to Give building fund.**

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 betsycahill.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 betsy@betsycahill.com.

RETREAT

Sacred Art Retreat: Making Mosaics

Are you looking for a unique way to rejuvenate your spiritual health? On April 16th – 17th, the Catholic Conference Center in Hickory, NC, is offering an all-new "Art as Spiritual Therapy" retreat. Using hands-on activities, skilled presenters will invite you to explore the mosaic of your own life. Assemble your very own cross from personal mementos, offer prayers through the ancient practice of making Pysanky eggs. Plus enjoy our beautiful setting in full springtime bloom and some delicious full-course meals prepared by our own Executive Chef. Visit www.catholicconference.org/mosaics (while there, check out our Marian Retreat in May!) email info@catholicconference.org.