

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, Brittany Person, Mary Rogier, 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 IS NOW OPEN

ROSARY

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

17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 24th – 31st

Sat., July 24 th	5:30pm Vigil Mass	×Nadine Nicotra×
Sun., July 25 th	8:00am Mass (c)	×Ralph Riols×
	9:30am Mass (c)	Ints. Curtis Family
	9:30am Mass (h)	For the People
	11:30am Mass (c)	×Denise Nusome×
Mon., July 26 th	5:30pm Latin Mass	Ints. Thomas P. Ferri
	6:30pm Mass	×Bette & Joe Griffith×
	7:00pm Miraculous Medal Novena	
Tues., July 27 th	8:00am Mass	×George & Alline Williams×
Wed., July 28 th	8:00am Mass	×Fred Shinners×
Thurs., July 29 th	6:30pm Mass	×Susan Owens×
Fri., July 30 th	8:00am Mass	Ints. Brent Curtis
Sat., July 31 st	4:15 – 5:00pm CONFESSIONS	

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

July 24th – 25th

EX. MIN. HOLY COMMUNION	LECTORS
5:30pm c Christen Hall	Ann Louise Armstrong
8:00am c Kati Eller	Stephen Blanchard
9:30am c Eileen Kittrell	Mary Ellen Way
9:30am h	Sarah Eyre
11:30am c Christine Story	Patricia Vitkovic

SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEK

July 31st – August 1st

EX. MIN. HOLY COMMUNION	LECTORS
5:30pm c Kati Eller	Amy Rankin
8:00am c Warren Tawes	Sandra Tawes
9:30am c Anthony Stith	Don Smith
9:30am h Caroline Young	Louis Herns
11:30am c Micki O'Connell & Helena Bastian	Marty Fosberry

MONEY MATTERS

The collection this week amounted to \$17,305.25.

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.



17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
July 25, 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,

No column in a church bulletin could convey the many thoughts and various sentiments in reaction to the Apostolic Letter of Pope Francis issued last Friday regarding the celebration of the Traditional Latin Mass (TLM). Having celebrated the TLM for some twenty years, I am appalled. The directives of Pope Francis are not simply pastorally insensitive; they are cruel. As noted by one commentator, no one can cite a more blatant repudiation of a previous Pope by a successor than what Francis attempts to do to the pastoral work of Pope Benedict.

Ironically entitled *Traditionis Custodes* ('Guardians of Tradition'), the letter extends greater latitude to Diocesan Bishops in the regulation of the Traditional Mass, but simultaneously supersedes local bishops by restricting their approval for the newly ordained to celebrate the TLM. The letter contains no theological, liturgical or spiritual references. The motivation for the letter is given as a concern that some TLM communities are rejecting the teachings of Vatican II. I neither know of any such communities nor am able to find any priests who knows of them. Pope Benedict addressed this very concern in *Summorum Pontificum* and present-day evidence supports the rectitude of his prediction that the TLM would not divide the Church, not the claims of Pope Francis.

While purporting to defend Vatican II, the letter claims to be based on a survey of Bishops in 2020, a survey some charge was conducted in order to justify an agenda. Contrary to the Decree on the Church of Vatican II, no laity appear to have been consulted (*Lumen Gentium* #37). Most puzzling is the purported desire to avert schism. If fully implemented, this letter would probably cause a schism. Attention to this non-existent threat while German laity and hierarchs are headed for a real schism based on their "synodal path" simply makes no sense. Among the dictates of the letter is a prohibition against celebrating the TLM in parish churches, this from the same leader who seemed to have no problem with blessing a pagan pachamama statue in the Vatican Gardens, seeing the statue carried in procession, and having it present for the Synod on the Amazon. Fortunately, a consensus is emerging that local Bishops can dispense from these directives for the spiritual good of the people in accord with Canon 87 which flows from Vatican II's document *Christus Dominus* (#8b).

The entire Church needs prayers, but please remember three groups in particular. Pray for our Bishops. This letter has triangled them between Pope Francis and many, many faithful Catholics. Likewise, pray for young adults. Many, today, abandon the Faith. Of young adults who remain in communion, many are drawn to the depths and riches of the TLM. One particular group is seminarians. Many of them are disheartened and hurt by these dictates. Please encourage them in fidelity to their call from God. In his time, Pope Saint John Paul exhorted the Bishops of the world to extend a "wide and generous" permission for the Traditional Mass. Pope Benedict expressed his hope for "an interior reconciliation in the heart of the Church" when he issued universal norms for the renewed celebration of the TLM.

As the letter refers to our Bishops as guardians of the tradition, let us remember that all the baptized participate the episcopal mission. In the spirit of *Traditionis Custodes*, I am pleased to announce that, as the pan-

demical subsidies, we are able to renew our parish tradition of a **Solemn High Traditional Latin Mass** on the feast of the Assumption (August 15). For the first time since COVID struck, we will be able to hold a covered dish supper after the Mass. Those planning to participate in the potluck meal are asked to contact Mrs. Tina Jost at tmjost@yahoo.com.

Father McInerny

PARISH NEWS

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 meets 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 "*Beyond Order: 12 More Rules for Life*" by Jordan Peterson. If you are interested, please contact Deacon Jason Vaughan at jmvdoe@yahoo.com or 843-883-3044.

WEEKEND NURSERY IS NOW OPEN

Our Nursery is now open again. It is available in the parish hall during all the weekend Masses. Anyone interested in working in the nursery should contact Ann Thompson at 843-883-3108.

ATTENTION HOMESCHOOLERS

Please join us for a morning of encouragement and support on Saturday, August 7th, 9:30 – 12:00, at Stella Maris Catholic Church, Sullivan's Island. The agenda will include Rosary, helpful talks, and open discussion time. Bring used books to sell. Coffee and pastries provided. RSVP to mjshahid@gmail.com.

THE CATHOLIC MISCELLANY NEW FORMAT

The Catholic Miscellany, our Diocesan newspaper, is changing its format to a magazine style that will be published once a month. The first issues have already been delivered. We are, therefore, in the process of updating our subscribers list. To this end we would appreciate hearing from those parishioners who **would be interested** in receiving this magazine. Please let us know if you are interested by sending us an email at stellamarisbulletin@yahoo.com. Only those parishioners who wish to receive the magazine need reply. Any questions please call the office 843-883-3108 during regular office hours 9:00am - Noon.

FROM THE BOOKKEEPER

PLEASE NOTE

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 REGULAR AND
BUILDING FUND DONATIONS IN THE SAME CHECK.**

Bicentennial Campaign payments on pledges need to be sent to the address as included in your pledge information.

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.

**SINCE THESE DO NOT COUNT AS ATTENDANCE,
WEEKLY ENVELOPES AND CHECKS ARE NOT NECESSARY.
ONE MONTHLY CHECK WILL SUFFICE.**

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.

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.

**PLEASE DO NOT INCLUDE ST. VINCENT De PAUL
OR BUILDING FUND IN ONLINE GIVING.**

If you are comfortable 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.

St. Vincent de Paul also has a Venmo account, which requires a sign up process similar to Facebook. Donations made there will be recorded as made to St. Vincent, and included in the separate year-end tax statement sent by SVdP. Their ID is "@StellaMarisChurchSVDP".

JOIN FLOCKNOTE FOR PARISH NEWS

Do you want to stay in the loop with events, messages, and reminders from Stella Maris Catholic Church? Text **StellaMaris** (code is case sensitive) to the number 84576 to opt-in to receiving parish news from Flocknote. or send an email to stellamaris.ebs@gmail.com to be added.

NEWS FROM OTHER SOURCES

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING

The Diocese of Charleston Family Life Office joins with the U.S. Bishops in highlighting the benefits of NFP as ethical methods of help married couples live God's design for their marriages. We are going to hold a **Virtual NFP Talk with Q and A Series** via Livestream @NFPSC on Facebook and Zoom from July 26th – 30th. We have powerful speakers in line that you would not want to miss. Register in advance if you want to attend via Zoom. A schedule of local and virtual NFP classes can be viewed at <https://timyurl.com/NFPSC>. We will give free introductory classes for the month of July. Please "like" our FB page at <https://www.facebook.com/NFPSC/>.