

The Solemnity of the Holy Family

Mass Intentions

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

Saturday, December 28

Feast of the Holy Innocents

8:00am: +Mary Ellis+

5:00pm: Buster Dangerfield

Sunday, December 29

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

9:00am: Pro Populo

11:30am: John Thom

Monday, December 30

Sixth Day Within the Octave of Christmas

8:00am: Rosie Esposito

Tuesday, December 31

Optional Memorial St. Silvester I, Pope

8:00am: Steve Darling

Wednesday, January 1

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

Holyday of Obligation

8:00am: Pro Populo

12 noon: +Josephine Esposito+

6:00pm: Cathy Rosenblum

Thursday, January 2

Memorial of Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory

Nazianzen, Bishops, Doctors

8:00am: Steve Darling

Friday, January 3

Optional Memorial of the Most Holy Name of Jesus

8:00am: Katherine Thom

Saturday, January 4

Memorial of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious

8:00am: +Mrs. Margaret Weeks+

5:00pm: Doris Kasprak

New Sunday Mass Schedule.

A reminder that there is an additional Mass on Sunday at 11:30am.. This will give our religious education program more breathing space so that some may attend the later Mass if needed.

Parking Code

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

Parish News

New Year's Day Schedule

The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

A Holyday of Obligation

Wednesday, January 1st

8:00am Mass. 12 noon Mass. 6:00pm Mass

Christmas Prayer

Word Made Flesh

Thank you for becoming human to show us the face of Love and set us free from all sin. May our celebration of the history of the Incarnation extend throughout the year and draw us closer to you each day.

As we rejoice this festive season, keep us mindful of those who do not feel joy at this time because of their suffering. Give them the consolation of your love and help us to reach out to them in your name. Amen

Christmas Wishes

On behalf of Monsignor Droze, Deacon Rosenblum, Deacon Wagner and the Saint Mary Staff, we wish all our parishioners, visitors and their families a:

Very Happy, Holy and Merry Christmas

and

Happy New Year.

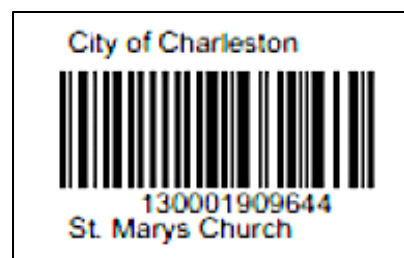
God bless each of you.

St. John the Evangelist Painting

The restoration of the painting (circa 1896) of St. John the Evangelist by Cesare Portia on the southeast corner of the nave ceiling is complete. The restoration work included removal of surface grime and old varnish, application of isolating varnish, filling and inpainting of paint losses and application of finishing varnish to protect the painting for future generations. The finished work is shown here:

https://www.sma.church/uploads/1/1/2/3/112306669/painting_of_st_john_the_evangelist_after_restoration

Our thanks to Catherine Rogers and Craig Crawford for their wonderful restoration work.



Notes of Interest

The Charleston Catholic School congratulates to our Music and Band Students! Thank you to Dr. Piran and Mrs. Ostapeck for a great music show. GO SAINTS!

Theology on Tap for young adults is returning in January! The winter dates we have reserved at Tommy Condon's are:

- Wednesday, January 15. - Wednesday, February 12. - Wednesday, March 12 - Wednesday, April 9

Our speaker on January 15 is Fr. Robert Spencer from Christ Our King! Fr. Spencer's speech will touch upon a variety of topics including making promises, swearing oaths, taking the name of the Lord in vain, and lying.

For more information, please contact Scott at shillbc93@gmail.com.

Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This program has helped thousands of couples experiencing difficulties, sometimes misery, in their marriage. For confidential information about, or to register for, the program beginning with a weekend on January 24-26th in the Charlotte area, contact Bill and Lyn Folsom at 727-343-6701 or email: 3062ac@helpourmarriage.org or visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.org

Ministry Schedule

	<i>Greeters</i>	<i>Lectors</i>	<i>Extraordinary Ministers</i>	<i>Altar Servers</i>	<i>Safety</i>	<i>Usher</i>
December 28 – December 29: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph						
Saturday 5:00 PM	Michael Rowell Christine Rowell	Tommy Hartnett-1 st Bill Booth-2 nd	Pete Ward Al Stiles	Charles Gerken Tolly Gerken Open Open	Jordan Rock Open	John Swanson
Sunday 9:00 AM	Anne Condon Billy Condon	Lisa Castillo-1 st Mark Castillo-2 nd	Cliff Moore April Cullen Cathy Rosenblum Open	4 altar servers needed	Taylor Rodriguez Marck Zdanewicz	Jose Rodriguez
Sunday 11:30 AM	Joseph Koval Susan Koval	Anne Frances Bleecker-1 st Open-2 nd	Open Open	Benjamin Coco Landon Coco Molly Gill Sarah Gill	Carl Wohlfeil John Gill	Lee Gastley
Sunday Hospitality: No Coffee: Christmas and New Year's						
January 4 – January 5: Solemnity of The Epiphany of the Lord						
Saturday 5:00 PM	Mary Catherine Gill Mary Frances Kastner	Al Stiles-1 st Pete Ward-2 nd	Cathy Rosenblum Al Stiles	Max Barreira Pippa Taylor Clare Wofford Damian Wofford	Jordan Rock John Gill	John Swanson
Sunday 9:00 AM	Fran Bennett Chuck Bennett	Randy Teegarden-1 st Brandon Hoffman-2 nd	Mary Elizabeth Sease Jimmy McAlister Adelaida Bennett Brandon Hoffman	Charles Gerken Tolly Gerken Bennett Sease Jane Teegarden Liam Teegarden	Marc Oberdorff John Pauldine	Billy Condon
Sunday 11:30 AM	Michael Rowell Christine Rowell	Tommy Hartnett-1 st Anne Frances Bleecker-2 nd	Open Open	Jack Wohlfeil Joey Wohlfeil Luke Wohlfeil Paul Wohlfeil	Carl Wohlfeil Open	Lee Gastley
Sunday Hospitality: P. McAlister C. Aimar A. Finnegan J. Hill C. Gryniewski N. Scheurer M. Cleland R. Quagliardi						

Offertory Report

December 21 - December 22	Budget	Variance
Offertory		
In Pew \$ 8,809.26		
Online \$ 3,225.50		
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This Week's Total \$ 12,034.76	\$ 8,443.00	\$ 3,591.76
Total Fiscal YTD \$ 199,749.74	\$ 211,075.00	\$ (11,325.26)
Building & Renovation		
In Pew \$ 11,825.00		
Online \$ 106.43		
Total \$ 11,931.43	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 7,931.43
Total Fiscal YTD \$ 32,042.46	\$ 100,000.00	\$ (67,957.54)
Bicentennial Campaign		
	Goal	Raised
In Pew		
Online		
Total \$ -	\$ 5,100,000.00	\$ 3,185,957.56
Catholic Appeal of SC		
\$ 100.00	Goal	Raised
	\$ 25,789.00	\$ 34,575.00

Second Collection

The Second Collection for this week and next week will be for our Building and Renovation Fund. Thank you for your continued generosity for our Second Collections.

Catholic Appeal for South Carolina

Thank you for your continued generosity to the Catholic Appeal for South Carolina (The Bishop's Appeal). Thanks to all who enabled St. Mary's to achieve 130% of our goal.

On-Line Giving

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.

Recently, we have received notices from Vanco, our online giving provider, detailing declined transactions because of card expiration, invalid card number or the card issuer declining the transaction. Please review your recent donations for accuracy. Thank you for your generosity in supporting our Church through on-line giving.

Bicentennial Campaign

Total Raised: \$ 3,186,957.56
 Current Amount Collected: \$ 3,041,642.22
 Fulfillment Rate: 95%
 Still To Be Collected: \$ 145,315.34
 Number of Donors: 174

We are continuing the next phase of restoring the church ceiling paintings. To learn more and to pledge or donate on-line, 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!



Saint Mary of the Annunciation

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Volunteers from The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Peninsula Conference will be begging for alms after Mass on Saturday and Sunday. Please assist the Society's good work in helping the poorest among us; and please keep this ministry in your prayers.

Counters Needed

The Parish Office is looking to add counters for the Offertory Collection. For more information, and to volunteer, please call the Parish Office at 843.722.7696 or via email at office@sma.church.

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. Your contact is the only way we will know you are in need.

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After Hours Emergency Number:
 843.834.7050

St. Vincent de Paul Society

For help with food, electric & water bills, medical & prescription costs, rent, transportation, and clothing.
 843.727.1577

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