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St. Mary Catholic Church

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Feast of St. Martin de Porres



To you, Saint Martin de Porres, we prayerfully lift up our hearts filled with serene confidence and devotion. Mindful of your unbounded and helpful charity to all levels of society and also of your meekness and humility of heart, we offer our petitions to you.

Pour out upon our families the precious gifts of your solicitous and generous intercession; show to the people of every race and every color the paths of unity and of justice; implore from our Father in heaven the coming of his kingdom, so that through mutual benevolence in God, men may increase the fruits of grace and merit the rewards of eternal life. Amen.

Join us for a special prayer and social after Mass

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Mass Times

Sundays: 8:00 & 10:00 am, Church
Fridays: 9:30 am, Chapel
Holy Day Masses: To be announced

Holy Hour of Prayer

Wednesdays: 6:30-7:30 pm, Chapel

Sunday Rosary (Church)

7:30-7:45 am
9:30-9:45 am (led by the Legion of Mary)

Reconciliation

Sundays: 9:15-9:45 am or by appointment

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November 3, 2024 - Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time



8 am: Pro Populo
10 am: Deceased members of the
Legion of Mary

Please pray for our St. Mary Sick List: Pamela Arciniega, Debbie Caiola, Susan Cameron, Fulvio Cangiano, Michael Caracappa, John Carr, Eileen Cline, Charles (Chuck) Dilworth, Maryellen Dilworth, Irene Dionne, Joan Elizabeth Doherty, Cathy Doty, Delores Dubisz, Donna Dumont, Shirley Dye, John Ellis, Frantz Etienne, Donna Fitzwilliam, Grace Flenniken, MaryPat Harvey, Barbara Hollis, Rose Hunt Samuda, Arlene Iannone, Jackie Jones, Trent Juroscio, Annette Kaczanowski, Tony Keys, Misty Konow, Olive Kulesa, Rita Leon-Guerrero, Frankie Mignano, Leigh Morin, Tony Motola, Kathy Murphy, Patty Placke, Bob Preusser, Walter Ratliff, Gary Redding, Hannah Robinson, Ricky Rollins, Dorothy Rumerich, Marie Ryan, Michael Sampere, Jeffrey Sligh, Murrie Smith, John Spencer-Coombs, Stacy Spinnato, Carla Thomason, Paul Wagner, Henry Walton.

Please pray for our St. Mary's Military Soldiers: Michael Abowd, Chris Colgrove, Caleb Cook, Dominic Cruz, Daniel Esposito, Jon Immel, Garrison Jackson, Jr., Christopher Laurencio, Sean Merrill, Erin Muga, Scott Starr.

Please pray for our St. Mary's Military Families: Roy & Tommie Blake, Jonathan & Julie Cook, Nina Gibson, Chris & Diane Laurencio, Bruce & Mary Rose Randall, Rosemary Phillips, Vickie Starr, Krisanne Walker.



2024 LOCAL HEROES FOR JUSTICE & EQUALITY

Tuesday, November 19, 2024

6:00 PM

The Gathering Space
135 East Main Street
Rock Hill SC

Our very own Father Edward Wahl, C.O. will be recognized at this honored event. Please attend!

WEEKLY COLLECTION October 27, 2024

Offering	\$12,647.00
Online Giving	\$1,865.00
Building Fund	\$500.00
St. Mary Outreach	\$1,085.00
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Food Pantry	\$25.00
Catholic Education	\$70.00

Second Collection

November 17 - Campaign for Human Development

Today's Readings Year B: Sunday Cycle Cycle II: Weekday

First Reading — Dt 6:2-6
Psalm — Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51
Second Reading — Heb 7:23-28
Gospel — Mk 12:28b-34



Weekly Readings

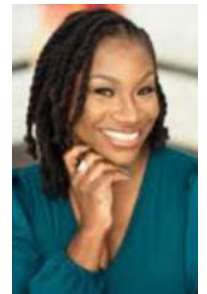
Monday: Phil 2:1-4; Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3; Lk 14:12-14
Tuesday: Phil 2:5-11; Ps 22:26B-27, 28-30AB, 30E, 31-32; Lk 14:15-24
Wednesday: Phil 2:12-18; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 14:25-33
Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a; Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Lk 15:1-10
Friday: Phil 3:17-4:1; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4AB, 4CD-5; Lk 16:1-8
Saturday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 1; Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22
Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16; Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10; Heb 9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44

Bakhita Arts



Free event in
Bannon Hall!

Sunday, Nov. 10
2:00 - 4:00 pm



Afternoon of Poetry & Prose will feature **Jennifer Bartell Boykin**, award-winning poet and current Poet Laureate of the city of Columbia, SC.

Visit bakhitaarts.org

Celebrating Black Catholic History Month

Part 1 of a 4-part series

Black Catholic History Month is an annual declared month that highlights the contributions of Black (and especially African-American) Catholics to events in history and contemporary society.¹ It is celebrated during the month of November in the United States and elsewhere, coinciding with the feasts of All Saints Day (Nov. 1), All Souls Day (Nov. 2), Saint Martin de Porres (Nov. 3), the birth of Saint Augustine (Nov. 13), and the death of Zumbi of Palmares (Nov. 20).²

The commemoration began in 1990 at the behest of the National Black Catholic Clergy Caucus during their annual meeting held that year at Fordham University in New York City.

During November, all Catholics should be celebrating Black Catholic History Month. This is part one of a four-week series as we will share stories of Black Catholic saints. At Saint Mary's parish, we often mention Saint Martin de Porres (1579-1639) from Peru and Saint Josephine Bakhita from Sudan. They are fully received in the church as Saints.



• **Saint Martin de Porres** knew what it was like to be despised, or hated, by others. When Martin was still a boy, his father left the family, and the family lived in poverty. Martin vowed to accept others, even when they weren't accepted by society. Martin's life was marked by ordinary tasks of

doing laundry, dishes and routine care for the sick. But he was extraordinary in his dedication to God and to prayer, and many saw him as a strong spiritual leader. It is Saint Martin's charity that made him the patron saint of social justice. Martin fed, sheltered, and doctored hundreds of families. He also provided the requisite dowry of 4,000 pesos to enable at least 27 poor young women to marry.

Last, but not least, he established the Orphanage and School of the Holy Cross, which took in boys and girls of all classes and taught them trades or homemaking skills. Over much criticism, he insisted that the school staff be well compensated so that they would give their best service. Saint Martin died on Nov. 3, 1639.¹ He is the patron saint of the sick and afflicted and his feast day is celebrated on Nov. 3.¹



• **Saint Josephine Bakhita** was kidnapped and sold as a slave in Sudan at age 7. Her owner brought her to Italy, where she became a babysitter. She eventually felt drawn to the Catholic Church. Her owners wanted to take her back to Sudan, but she refused. Slavery was actually illegal in Italy, so a court ruled her free. She later joined the Institute of Saint Magdalene of Canossa religious community. Saint Josephine Bakhita is the patron saint of Sudan and human trafficking survivors, and her feast day is celebrated on Feb. 8.²

¹ <https://www.stmartin.ie/life-st-martin/>

² https://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint_id=5601



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Looking for some neat gift ideas as we kick off the holiday season? Then plan to come to our **Holiday Craft Show on Nov. 24** after the 8 & 10 am Masses. An array of beautiful items await you! If you are interested in being a vendor to sell your crafts, please contact **Tina Glapinski** at 803-417-7086 to reserve a table (no charge).

St. Mary Ministries and Outreach

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ROSARY & CONFRATERNITY SOCIETY: 1st Sunday of the month at 11:15 am. Gwen D. Finley, (803) 322-3344, gwendfinley@yahoo.com

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SR. FRANCIS SARING SHAWL MINISTRY: 4th Tuesday of the month at 6 pm, Fellowship Hall, Nancy Scholl, (863) 287-1649, nscholl79@gmail.com

ST. MARY OUTREACH PROGRAM: Open Tuesday & Thursday 9-11:30 am, Bannon Hall. Deacon Walt Hollis, (843) 295-9192, walthollis67@yahoo.com

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ST. MARY'S PANTRY: Thursdays from 11:30 am-12:30 pm at Bannon Hall. Bettye Finley, (803) 329-1008, betfinley41@gmail.com

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WOMEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST: 2nd Saturday from 8-10 am in Fellowship Hall. Regeana Phillips, (803) 370-8999, regeanap@yahoo.com

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Local Shelter: Pilgrims' Inn: 803-327-4227



Our Food Pantry is always in need of canned and packaged goods, cash, and plastic grocery bags. If you can help, it would be greatly appreciated.



Holy Hour of Prayer

Wednesdays at 6:30-7:30 pm - Chapel

10 Benefits of Legion of Mary membership

Benefit #9 - Saves Souls

This is what life on earth is all about and it has its basis in the Letter of James, chapter 5, verse 19: Brothers, if anyone among you should stray from the truth and someone brings him back, he should know that whoever brings a sinner from the error of his way will save his soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins. Therefore, if you help to bring back a fallen away Catholic, or bring a convert into the Catholic religion – if you are God's instrument to do that – the Bible says that you will cover a multitude of sins and save your own soul from death as well. The Legion, with its programs of works which includes the friendly encouraging of the lapsed to live again their Catholic Faith, ensures its members of the future blessing.



Blessings to our parish family from St. Mary's Legion of Mary members. We'd love for you to visit one of our weekly meetings held every Wednesday at 6:30 pm in Faber Hall at the Rock Hill Oratory.

Stay tuned for Benefit #10 coming to you next month!

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

October 25, 2024

A great time was had by all!

Photos by David Anderson



Sunday, November 3
Feast of St. Martin de Porres -
prayer and social after Mass
NO Faith Formation
11:15 am - Rosary & Confraternity
Society, Fellowship Hall
Thursday, November 7
6 pm - Social Justice, Fellowship Hall
Saturday, November 9
8-10 am - Women's Prayer Breakfast,
Fellowship Hall
Sunday, November 10
8:30-9:45 am - Faith Formation, Cenacle
2-4 pm - Bakhita Arts Afternoon of Poetry &
Prose
7-8:30 pm - Youth Ministry, Cenacle



Tuesday, November 12
6 pm - Finance Council meeting, Parish Office
7 pm - Knights of Columbus, Bakhita Room,
Rosary at 6:30 pm

Weekly events:
Mondays (9 am-1 pm) Quilters, Fellowship Hall.
Wednesdays (6:30 -7:30 pm) Holy Hour of Prayer,
Chapel; (6:30 pm) Legion of Mary, RH Oratory Faber
Hall. **Fridays** (1:30 pm) Dominoes, Bakhita Room

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