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For the Son of Man did not
come to be served but to
serve and to give his life as a
ransom for many.

MARK 10:45



Pink Sunday—October 27

Next Sunday's Mass will be offered up for anyone who has survived or lost their battle with cancer. Everyone is invited to wear something pink in honor of these brave souls.

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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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Pastor

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All bulletin announcements must be in the office by note or email by Friday at 9:00 am for the following week's Sunday (space permitting).

Diocesan Victim Assistance

Kristin Eyre
843-856-0748 / 800-921-8122

October 20, 2024 - Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time



8 am: Pro Populo
10 am: Pro Populo

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, 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.

Faith Formation happenings

Mark your calendars to check out these upcoming, fun-filled Faith Formation events!

Middle School Night!

Attention Middle school parents! Join us on **Sunday, Oct. 27** in the Bakhita Room from 7-8:30 pm as we will host a middle school night. Come enjoy candy salad and learn about patron Saints, participate in activities, and more!

All Saints Party!

Saturday, Nov. 2 from 4:30-5:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall followed by Holy Hour at 6 pm. Come enjoy learning about the Saints. We will have a candy swap and a Saints costume contest! We hope to see everyone there!

Jr. High Rally!

The 26th Annual Jr. High Rally will take place **Saturday, Nov. 9**, from 10:30 am-5:30 pm at Cardinal Newman High School in Columbia. If interested in going, contact **Anna Caldwell** at acaldwell@charlestandiocese.org or 803-322-4548.

No Prayer Shawl meeting on October 22

WEEKLY COLLECTION October 13, 2024

Offering	\$5,940.00
Online Giving	\$2,937.90
Building Fund	\$145.00
Parking Lot	\$500.00
St. Mary Outreach	\$185.00
Mass Offerings	\$130.00
Faith Formation	\$170.00
Youth Ministry	\$25.00
At Home with the Word	\$64.00
Food Pantry	\$25.00
Volunteer Appreciation Dinner	\$50.00
Acolyte Cassettes	\$125.00
Hurricane Helene Relief	\$100.00

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

First Reading — Is 53:10-11
Psalm — Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22
Second Reading — Heb 4:14-16;
Gospel — Mk 10:35-45

Weekly Readings

Monday: Eph 2:1-10; Ps 100:1B-2, 3, 4AB, 4C-5; Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday: Eph 2:12-22; Ps 85:9AB-10, 11-12, 13-14; Lk 12:35-38
Wednesday: Eph 3:2-12; Is 12:2-3, 4BCD, 5-6; Lk 12:39-48
Thursday: Eph 3:14-21; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19; Lk 12:49-53
Friday: Eph 4:1-6; Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Lk 12:54-59
Saturday: Eph 4:7-16; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4AB, 4CD-5; Lk 13:1-9
Sunday: Jer 31:7-9; Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52



Volunteer Appreciation Dinner!



St. Mary's will hold a Volunteer Appreciation Dinner on **Friday, Oct. 25** from 7-9 pm in the Fellowship Hall. All adult parishioners that participate in a Church Ministry or Outreach are cordially invited along with their spouse or guest. **DJ Ready Freddie** will provide music...plus we'll have some special surprises in store! Mark your calendars for a fun evening of fellowship celebrating St. Mary's and the wonderful volunteers who help make it the best parish in Rock Hill! For planning purposes, please sign up after Mass in the Gathering space through **TODAY** to attend. Contact **Chuck Hagen** at 704-293-6618 for more info.

The price of discipleship

PRICE??

Devotees of daytime TV know all about "The Price is Right." I found out that it happens to be TV's longest running game show. The

gist of it is that participants try to win cash and prizes by guessing the prices of various merchandise. In order to win, their decision can neither be too low nor too high.

Coincidentally, we come across in today's Gospel from Mark about 2 "contestants" vying for the prize of glory with no idea of the price to pay. Their names are James and John, two of the twelve Apostles. To their way of thinking, glory involves sitting on thrones next to Jesus. So, it is worth their while to "play the game."

Before reflecting on His answer, please note that Jesus does not snap at His questioners or call them out for their selfish and disrespectful request. Instead, He simply tells them, "Fellas, you don't know what you are asking." Then he quotes the "price": undergoing a painful "baptism" of suffering. True discipleship has a price. They (and we readers of this gospel) are meant to understand that for all time. Of course, by now we know this from life experience.

Quite naturally, the other ten Apostles were indignant at their comrades' behavior. They had asked a crude and manipulative question of the Master. We could well ask

ourselves the conscience troubling question: "Have we ever tried to manipulate God? Turned Him into some kind of good luck charm that puts Him at our beck and call to grant us some favor we crave?"

Worse still, have we ever turned against Him when He doesn't respond as we would like? That underlies such thoughts as "Well, I'm not going to believe in Him (or His Church) anymore because He didn't give me what I wanted!" But doesn't that read like a petulant toddler at worst, or a fair-weather friend at least?

The dialogue between Jesus and the 2 petitioners James and John leads Jesus to give the whole group (and us) the real "price" of discipleship: wholehearted giving of ourselves in service to others. It is amply illustrated by the nearest crucifix. The resurrection of Jesus tells us the price was right. Still, the way to greatness is life's labor. As the poet asks:

"Why are people great? Well...
The heights by great people reached and kept
We're not attained by sudden flight.
But they, while their companions slept,
We're toiling upward in the night."

God love you and give you his peace.

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson



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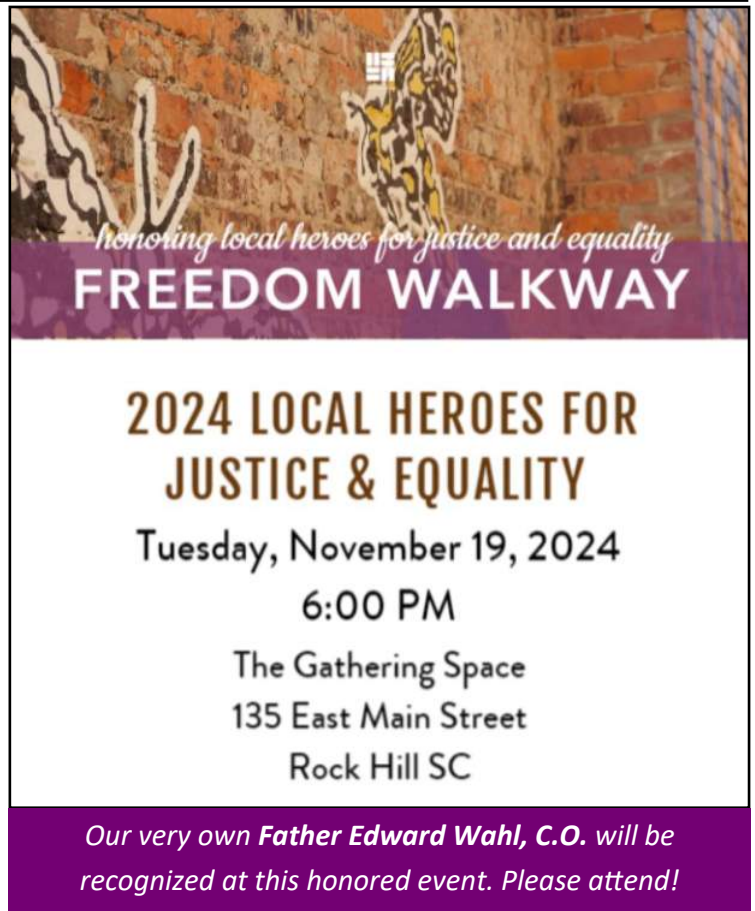
Holy Eucharist!

All *confirmandi* in the Diocese of Charleston who received the sacrament of Confirmation in the last year are invited to celebrate the Holy Eucharist with Bishop Fabre-Jeune and Bishop Emeritus Robert E. Guglielmono.

NOVEMBER 3, 2024
AT 3:00 PM
BASILICA OF ST. PETER

Family of the newly confirmed are also welcome!

Click on the QR code to sign up to attend. 



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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!

St. Mary Ministries and Outreach

ALTAR SERVERS: Call the Parish Office at (803) 329-1008

ARCHIVES: Grace Flenniken, Jim Avery, Danise Simpson. Call the Parish Office for contact info

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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

STEWARDSHIP: Deek Alexander, (803) 366-5864, deekalexander@comporium.net

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

ST. MARY QUILTERS: Mondays 9:00 am - 1:00 pm, Fellowship Hall. Mary Bell, (803) 389-0912

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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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Holy Hour of Prayer
Wednesdays at 6:30-7:30 pm - Chapel!

Oratory Center for Spirituality

Fri. Oct. 25, 7-9 pm & Sat. Oct. 26, 9:30 am-4 pm

Practical Mysticism

The Wisdom of the Christian Mystics for Today
Facilitator: Carl McColman, writer, spiritual director

This retreat is for anyone who wants a deeper spirituality, and who suspects that the great mystics, visionaries, and contemplatives of the Christian tradition have something to share with us. We'll bring mysticism down to earth and consider how the contemplative life is for everyone—not just saints, nuns and monks. We'll reflect on what mysticism is, why it matters, and how we can draw on the wisdom of mystics to find a more meaningful spiritual life. Friday: Wisdom of the Christian Mystics. Saturday: Practical Christian Mysticism: Experiential retreat day considering some mystics' teachings on prayer, meditation and contemplation.

Event is online & in person (*Pre-registration required to receive online link*). Registration can be made via email to oratorycenter@gmail.com (add *Practical Mysticism* in the subject line), or visit www.rockhilloratory.org and click on Center for Spirituality/Events.

Suggested Donation: \$55. Limited overnight accommodations available for Friday night: \$45

From the Editor...

I would like to address a recent concern regarding the Respect Life article published in last Sunday's bulletin. It has come to my attention that some parishioners felt the content may have been politically charged or implied a particular stance on the upcoming election.

I want to sincerely apologize for any misunderstanding or offense this may have caused. It was my sole decision to include the article, and I regret not fully considering its potential impact. My intention was to highlight the Catholic Church's teachings on the sanctity of life, and I did not mean to imply any specific political affiliation or endorsement.

I want to emphasize that the article does not represent the views of St. Mary's Church or Father Agustin. Please know that we strive to create a welcoming and inclusive environment for all parishioners, regardless of their personal beliefs.

Thank you for your understanding and patience.

*Respectfully,
Maryanne Genus*



BLINGO BINGO! The St. Mary Rosary & Confraternity Society invites you to get your bling on! Join us for an evening of bingo, snacks, and fun! Prizes will be beautiful Parklane jewelry graciously provided by **Nancy Summers**.

When: Friday, November 1, 7-9 pm — Fellowship Hall

Donation: \$20/card (\$20 for each additional card)

For more info, contact **Gwen Finley** at (803) 322-3344, gwendfinley@yahoo.com.

Mass Etiquette tip...

Staying a few minutes for Father's announcements once Mass has ended is highly encouraged as it allows you to learn about important parish information, upcoming events, and other newsy news!

Calendar



Sunday, October 20

8:30-9:45 am - Faith Formation, Cenacle

Monday, October 21

6:30-8:30 pm - Parish Pastoral Council, Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, October 23

5:30-6:45 pm - O.C.I.A., Cenacle

7-8:30 pm - Youth Ministry, Cenacle

Friday, October 25

7-9 pm - Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, Fellowship Hall

Saturday, October 26

10a-12p - Confirmation Event: Catholic Faith Alive, Cenacle. *One parent is asked to attend with their child*

Sunday, October 27 *Chat & Chew, Pink Sunday*

8:30-9:45 am - Faith Formation, Cenacle

7-8:30 pm - Youth Ministry, Cenacle

7-8:30 pm - Middle School Night, Bakhita Room

Wednesday, October 30

5:30-6:45 pm - O.C.I.A., Cenacle

6 pm - Bible Study, Fellowship Hall

Thursday, October 31

6 pm - Vigil Mass for All Saints Day

Friday, November 1

9:30 am - Mass for All Saints Day

7-9 pm - Blingo Bingo, Fellowship Hall

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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EARLY VOTING

Visit any location in York County and Photo ID ready

Dates: Monday, Oct. 21, 2024, thru Saturday, Nov. 2, 2024

Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (Monday - Saturday)

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- **Fort Mill Community Center (Fort Mill & Tega Cay Areas)**
1011 Talbot Dr, Fort Mill, SC 29715
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