

Twenty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

This Week in Our Parish - August 30, 2020

Website: www.stmartincolumbia.org

MONDAY, August 31, Fr. Michael's Day Off

TUESDAY, September 1, Noon Mass

WEDNESDAY, September 2, Noon Mass

Mass Intention: † Lucille & Joe Tirying

THURSDAY, September 3, No Mass

FRIDAY, September 4, Noon Mass

Mass Intention: † Souls in Purgatory

SATURDAY, September 5, 5:00 pm Mass

SUNDAY, September 6, 9:00 am and 11:30 am Mass

No Soup Kitchen until further notice

† Denotes deceased

MASS INTENTIONS

August 29-30, 2020

5:00 pm – † Riddell Family

9:00 am – Grovetta White & Cynthia Caldwell

11:30 am – † Reginald Harris

MASS ATTENDANCE

August 22-23, 2020

Adults – 75 Children – 8

FINANCIAL MATTERS – August 22-23, 2020

Regular Collection	\$3,543.00
SMDP School	\$25.00
Mortgage Reduction	\$165.00
Maintenance	\$130.00
Parish Charity	\$40.00
Mission Fund	\$192.00
Flowers	\$65.00
MAP/Bicentennial	\$40.00
Bank Fess	\$15.95
	\$4,215.95

Thank you for your continued support of our parish!

SECOND COLLECTION SCHEDULE

August 30 – Parish Charity

September 6 – Bishop's Stewardship Appeal

September 13 – Catholic University of America

Parishioners are encouraged to post their offerings, so that we can continue to carry our parish responsibilities. Post checks to:

St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church,

2229 Hampton St., Columbia, SC 29204

OR USE:

Online Giving

<https://abundant.co/stmartindepores/give>

Download the mobile app: *Abundant Giving*

Text: *SMDP to 73256, click the link & follow the prompts to give*

"Lord, Hear Our Prayer"

For the healing of: Terrell Alexander, Adren Bailey (Larry Bailey), Pearl Bartley, Rose Bailey, Paula Baylis, Hermina Bellingher, Kelvin Brown, Mary Beth Callais, Irma Coleman, Janice Coleman, Savi Culbertson, Dolores DiMaria, James T. Easley, Sidney Fomby (Ljubica Arceneaux), Damon Frazier, Carla Gouridine, Robin Green, Ellen Greiner, Dierdre Harris, Leroy Henry, Frank Herty, Leslie Hodges-Jackson, Amira Johnson (Barbara Johnson), Keddrick Jones, Sandra Joseph (Harrison Joseph), Vivian Kates, Dawn Lance, Maxine Lloyd, Wayne Lopez (Stanley Lopez), Hank MacDonald, Joseph McKenzie, Mary McLawrence (sister-in-law Rosa Garcia), Samuel Marshall, Eugene Mincer, Elizabeth Murphy, John Roland Neal, Sr. (Tyronne Neal Sr.) Arthur Newton, Robert Pearson, Helen Pellicci, Joyce Poulard, Veronica Ramseur, Maria Reyes, Linda Rocano, Jane Rienzie, Tripp Roche, Royce Rosemond, Judith Scott, Patricia McDermott Sinnott (Gerald/Sandra McDermott), Jaimie Smith, Brenda Easley Webb (mother of Cynthia Joseph), Robert Webb (Cynthia Joseph), Jackie Weedon, Leroy White, Jr., Laretta Williams, and Marcia Wilson.

Assisted Living: Dorothy "Nana" Paul

For the Souls of: Those who have died from the Coronavirus COVID-19, and all of our departed Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

Please provide notice of additions to our prayer list (hospitalizations, sick and homebound). Kindly call the office at (803)254-6862 or email smartinolumbia@charlestandiocese.org

ALTAR FLOWERS

This week's Altar Flowers are in memory of Mrs. Vickie Thomas

SMDP SCHOOL NEWS

We will welcome back our students to full day classes **August 24, 2020.**

School is seeking a **Spanish Teacher** for the 2020-21 school year

- Position is for 1-day week for grades Pre K3 to 3rd
- Experience in teaching the language to students
- Teacher may be retired

We are also seeking **substitute teachers** for the school year 2020-2021. Contact the school for more information, 803-254-5477.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5; Ps 119:97-102; Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10b-16; Ps 145:8-14; Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9; Ps 33:12-15, 20-21; Lk 4:38-44
Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6; Lk 5:1-11
Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5; Ps 37:3-6, 27-28, 39-40; Lk 5:33-39
Saturday: 1 Cor 4:6b-15; Ps 145:17-21; Lk 6:1-5
Sunday: Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20

SPIRITUAL READING

You will not see anyone who is truly striving after spiritual advancement who is not given to spiritual reading.

—St. Athanasius

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday: World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation
Thursday: St. Gregory the Great
Friday: First Friday
Saturday: First Saturday; Blessed Virgin Mary

FROM FR. MICHAEL



We are welcoming new members in the parish. RCIA-Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults will be done virtually. Individuals interested in becoming

Catholics are requested to call the office for direction 803-254-6862.

God of All Creation



How splendid and majestic is the world you created!
It reveals your glory; it teaches us about you.

When you made us in your image, you gave us this command: care for the world and for all the creatures in it, for this is our common home.

Yet your holy creation cries out, for our home is “burdened and laid waste,” scorched and scarred.

Come among us that we might remember our interdependence. Let us see the face of your Son in those who suffer from the destruction of our common home.

Help us to be stewards who honor you in the world you have made for the good of all creation and for future generations.

May your justice reign forever! Amen.
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Be Safe.

Blessings, Fr. Michael Okere

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Penance

We know for certain that the sacrament of penance was a fairly rare event in the life of a Christian in the early centuries, but that everyone had a duty to admit their sins and ask forgiveness before giving thanks in the Sunday Eucharist and receiving Christ’s Body and Blood at the table. Everyone today is familiar with this same ancient pattern. We also know about Lent and its journey of renewal, and even those who are returning from summer vacations may speak of a fresh perspective on life and a resolve to do better. Saint Augustine spoke of a third kind of penance, beyond the turning of the catechumens to a different life, beyond the normal everyday fresh starts, to a form that is severe and serious. Certain sins broke faith with the community: the sinners were obliged to give their names to the bishop and were barred from participation in the Eucharist. Augustine mentioned sacrilege, adultery, and murder as the culprits, great wounds for the perpetrator, wounds that were serious, deadly, mortal. Penance was such a frightening prospect that many people delayed their baptism for fear that they would sin, a practice with which Augustine was well acquainted. Pastoral need would eventually call the church to reconsider its practice.

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EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

3rd Annual SC Life Conference

Saturday, September 12, 2020 - 9:00am - 5:00pm

Learn more about the most important issue of our day, from the most knowledgeable and respected Pro-Life leaders in our State. To Register and for information please visit www.Charleston40days.com/pro-life-conference



SEPTEMBER 11-12, 2020

Are you suffering from the pain of separation or divorce? “Your road to abundant life begins here.” Learn how you can find love and joy again at our New Beginnings online summit, Friday evening and Saturday. The event is free, with donations requested. Visit <https://www.newbeginningsevents.org/> to register.

<https://2020census.gov/en.html>

The census occurs every 10 years and matters for South Carolina because the population numbers...

- determine the state’s representation in Congress for the next decade;
- influence the way legislative lines are drawn at the federal and state levels;
- inform emergency preparedness and public safety plans across the state;
- guide how federal funding is distributed to communities for local needs.

When the state’s people are not counted, *South Carolina communities lose out!* **Did you know?** In Fiscal Year 2016, South Carolina received nearly \$12.7 billion through federal programs that used 2010 census data!