

## Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

This Week in Our Parish - July 12, 2020

Website: [www.stmartincolumbia.org](http://www.stmartincolumbia.org)

MONDAY, July 13, Fr. Michael's Day Off

TUESDAY, July 14, Noon Mass

WEDNESDAY, July 15, Noon Mass

THURSDAY, July 16, No Mass

FRIDAY, July 17, Noon Mass

SATURDAY, July 18, 5:00 pm Mass

SUNDAY, July 19, 9:00 am and 11:30 am Mass

No Soup Kitchen until further notice

### MASS INTENTIONS

July 11-12, 2020

5:00 pm – Mr. Walter Sinnott  
9:00 am -- † Mrs. Vickie Thomas  
11:30 am – Mr. Walter Sinnott

### MASS ATTENDANCE

July 4 & 5, 2020

Adults – 52 Children -- 2

### FINANCIAL MATTERS – July 5, 2020

Regular Collection	\$6,263.00
SMDP School	\$200.00
Soup Kitchen	\$272.00
Mortgage Reduction	\$1,027.00
Maintenance	\$55.00
Parish Charity	\$50.00
Peter's Pence	\$35.00
Infirm Priest	\$25.00
Father's Day	\$10.00
Flowers	\$65.00
MAP/Bicentennial	\$55.00
Bank Fess	\$30.45
	\$8,087.45

Thank you for your continued support of our parish!

### SECOND COLLECTION SCHEDULE

July 12 – Infirm Priests

July 19 – Parish Charity Appeal

July 26 – St. Martin de Porres School

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/stmartindeporres/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, Damon Frazier, Carla Gourdin, 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), Joseph McKenzie, Hank MacDonald, Samuel Marshall, Margaret Martin (aunt of Geraldine Arceneaux), Eugene Mincer, Elizabeth Murphy, John Roland Neal, Sr. (Tyrone Neal Sr.) Arthur Newson, Robert Pearson, Helen Pellicci, Joyce Poulard, Veronica Ramseur, Maria Reyes, Linda Rocano, Jane Rienzie, Tripp Roche, Royce Rosemond, Judith Scott, Brenda Singleton (Pheobe Malloy), Patricia McDermott Sinnott (Gerald/Sandra McDermott), Jaimie Smith, Brenda Easley Webb (mother of Cynthia Joseph), Robert Webb (Cynthia Joseph), Leroy White, Jr., Laretta Williams, and Marcia Wilson.

**Assisted Living:** Dorothy "Nana" Paul

**For the Souls of:** Mrs. Vickie Thomas, Mr. Walter Sinnott, victims of violence and for 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@charlestdioocese.org](mailto:smartinolumbia@charlestdioocese.org)*

### ALTAR FLOWERS

Thank you to Rick and Casey Giraudy for sponsoring this week's Altar Flowers in honor of Sid and Thelma Crougter

### SMDP SCHOOL NEWS

**School Registration:** Please share with your family, friends, and co-workers that we are accepting applications for the 2020-2021 School Year. Grades Pre K3, Kindergarten, First, Second, and Third.

\*\*PreK 4 is open for all counties with tuition paid by First Steps for students 4-year-old by September 1 of each year!

1. First Steps: [FREE4KSC.org](http://FREE4KSC.org)
2. School Applications: [www.saintmartindeporres.org](http://www.saintmartindeporres.org)
3. You may email for an application:

[smdpschool@charlestdioocese.org](mailto:smdpschool@charlestdioocese.org)

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 1:10-17; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23;  
Mt 10:34 — 11:1  
Tuesday: Is 7:1-9; Ps 48:2-8; Mt 11:20-24  
Wednesday: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16; Ps 94:5-10, 14-15;  
Mt 11:25-27  
Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Ps 102:13-14ab, 15-21;  
Mt 11:28-30  
Friday: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Is 38:10-12abcd, 16;  
Mt 12:1-8  
Saturday: Mi 2:1-5; Ps 10:1-4, 7-8, 14; Mt 12:14-21  
Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19; Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16;  
Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43 [24-30]

### 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: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Monday: St. Henry  
Tuesday: St. Kateri Tekakwitha  
Wednesday: St. Bonaventure  
Thursday: Our Lady of Mount Carmel  
Saturday: St. Camillus de Lellis; Blessed Virgin Mary

## FROM FR. MICHAEL

You can watch the Mass Sunday mornings on



Safety is the greatest challenge in all we do during this period. All individuals attending Mass **MUST** wear their masks during the Mass, except when they are reading or cantoring.



### Prayer to Overcome Racism

Mary, friend and mother to all, through your Son, God has found a way to unite himself to every human being, called to be one people, sisters and brothers to each other.

We ask for your help in calling on your Son, seeking forgiveness for the times when we have failed to love and respect one another.

We ask for your help in obtaining from your Son the grace we need to overcome the evil of racism and to build a just society.

We ask for your help in following your Son, so that prejudice and animosity will no longer infect our minds or hearts but will be replaced with a love that respects the dignity of each person.

Mother of the Church, the Spirit of your Son Jesus warms our hearts: pray for us.

Amen. [www.usccb.org/racism](http://www.usccb.org/racism)

***If you want peace, work for justice.***

—Pope Paul VI

***Be Safe.***

***Blessings, Fr. Michael Okere***

## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Charlemagne, crowned Holy Roman Emperor on Christmas Day, 800, had a major interest in shaping the worship life of the church, and began a long period of reform and regulation. We owe many confirmation policies and practices to his rule. A baptized person was required to be confirmed as soon as the bishop's presence made it possible. Priests were expected to do their best in seeing to it that a newly-baptized child received the Eucharist. One twelfth-century ritual insists that if the child is not yet capable of eating or drinking, then the priest might give him or her some of the Precious Blood on a leaf or a finger.

Despite the best efforts of the Empire to hold liturgical life together, the rules were not always lived out with great beauty. St. Richard of Chichester of thirteenth-century England, for example, was canonized for his holy life as a bishop. One of the remarkable signs of his sanctity was his willingness to climb down from his horse to confirm "merely baptized" layfolk who crossed his path! This praiseworthy practice points a finger of blame at less zealous bishops, whose casual attitudes revealed a sacrament in need of rescue.

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## EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES



**Sister Hope**, a free chat service providing encouragement and strategies on how to manage everyday stress and anxiety

using Chatbot technology. Sister Hope is anonymous, private, faith-based, emotional and mental support service. To get started, text "Hi" to Sister Hope at 315-276-3157, or visit [facebook.com/SisterHopeSC](https://facebook.com/SisterHopeSC).

If you are experiencing suicidal thoughts, please contact the Suicide Hotline 1-800-273-8255.



Are you looking to strengthen and enrich your marriage? **3RE -- Restore, Rekindle, Renew**, is a virtual experience course. There are 7 sessions and each will last approximately 2 1/2 hours. The sessions will be held **August 6th and ending August 27th** Monday and Thursday evenings from 7 - 9:30pm. For more information or to apply online go to: [scmarriagematters.org](http://scmarriagematters.org)

**Natural Family Planning Awareness Week, July 19 – 25**, celebrates God's vision for marriage and promotes Natural Family Planning. Learn about NFP by visiting <https://charlestondiocese.org/marriage/natural-family-planning/> or contact [jflorendo@charlestondiocese.org](mailto:jflorendo@charlestondiocese.org). Please like our FB page <https://www.facebook.com/NFPSC/>

