

## Saint Mary's Parish News

Parish office closes at noon on Friday, December 30<sup>th</sup> for the New Year holiday and will reopen Tuesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Please Note:** Last week's bulletin incorrectly listed Monday's 7:00AM Mass as cancelled. **There WILL be a Monday 7:00AM Mass on January 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

**Crisis Ministry** will be preparing food for the Shelter on Tuesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>, in the Parish Hall. Thank you to all those involved in this wonderful ministry.

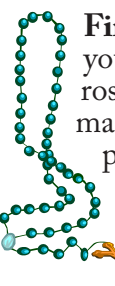
*Thank You!* 

Thank you to Dolly and Ross Lipman for hosting the parish Christmas party and to all who brought food and libation. We had a wonderful turnout and a great time was had by all.

**St. Mary's Holy Name Society Meeting:** The next meeting of the Holy Name Society will be conducted on January 9, 2012 in the St. Mary's Parish Hall. The meeting will begin at 6:00PM with a social followed by the business meeting and dinner. All men of the Parish are members in good standing of the Holy Name Society and are encouraged to attend. Please RSVP to Al Stiles at 345-8206 or [astiles@comcast.net](mailto:astiles@comcast.net) so that we will have an accurate count for dinner. Please mark your calendars for subsequent meetings as follows

Date	Time	Location
January 9, 2012	6:00PM	St. Mary's Parish Hall
February 13, 2012	7:00AM	St. Mary's Parish Hall
March 12, 2012	6:00PM	St. Mary's Parish Hall
May 14, 2012	6:00PM	Mevers Beach House

The February meeting will be our annual Communion Breakfast after which, we will attend Mass as a group.

 **First Saturday Family Rosary Group:** Are you looking to introduce the prayers of the rosary to your children in a "child friendly" manner and atmosphere? Would you like to pray a family rosary to support and encourage your child/children in preparation to receive First Holy Communion? We are blessed with families with older children who will lead the rosary and model charity, purity, and devotion as together we learn to pray her special prayer and to love Our Blessed Virgin Mary. With the help of the Holy Spirit, we aspire to foster family devotion to Our Blessed Mother and we welcome young families to pray together on First Saturdays at 8:30AM in the Cathedral. Please join us for our next rosary on Saturday, Jan. 7<sup>th</sup>. We hope you can join us this month...and if not, we hope to see you next month! For further information, please contact Marie Donnelly, 724-8394 x234.



January 1<sup>st</sup> is a day when we commemorate the divine motherhood of Mary. We are honoring Mary, who was chosen among all women to be the mother of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. On this day, we give thanks to Mary, for her, "yes" to God. We sing her praises and honor the role she plays in the mystery of salvation.

## Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God

**Today! Newborns in Need:** The Charleston chapter of Newborns in Need is asking for donations. All infant clothing (purchased or handmade) is welcome. The items are given to assist hospitals, new mothers, and orphanages. A collection box will be placed in the vestibule on the first Sunday of each month. Any monetary donations will go to buy toiletries and diapers. For more information, contact Brenda Kanehl at 209-2981, or email [Grannycrochet@aol.com](mailto:Grannycrochet@aol.com).

**The Holy Name Society** is pleased to announce the availability of the 7<sup>th</sup> in our series of unique brass Christmas ornaments based on our church windows. This year's subject is a reproduction of "The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin." Also available is a limited quantity of ornaments from previous years. The renderings are available for \$18.00 each. The proceeds will be directed to the support of various charitable causes and to support the needs of our parish. Please be reminded to always store your ornament collection at normal room temperature.

*Happy  
New  
Year!* 

## Charleston Catholic School

Have a blessed and Merry Christmas from all of us at The Charleston Catholic School!

**2012 Student Art Calendars:** The Charleston Catholic School is now selling 2012 student art calendars for only \$10! Almost thirty percent of our students showcase their talent and love for the school in the calendar. During our Christmas break, we will receive orders by voicemail (577-4494) and complete requests when school is back in session on January 3<sup>rd</sup>.

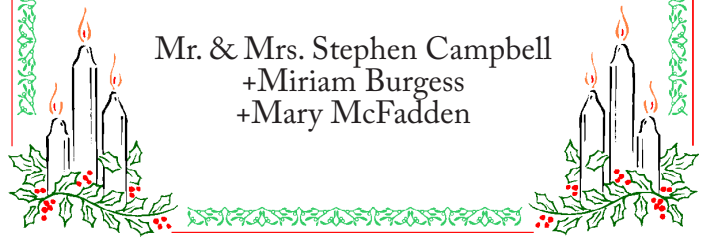
## Daughters of St. Paul

**Pauline Book Club!** Come enrich your faith, rejuvenate your spirit, and have fun building friendships and fellowship in the New Year at the Women's Book Clubs at Pauline Books & Media in downtown Charleston. The morning group meets Thursday mornings from 10:30AM-12:00PM, and will be reading 'Rediscover Catholicism' by Matthew Kelly. In it, "Kelly reveals the essence of authentic Catholic spirituality while addressing some of the most important questions we face today both as individuals and as a Church." The evening group will meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of every month from 5:30-7:00PM, and will be reading 'Between Heaven and Mirth' by James Martin, SJ. It discusses "why joy, humor and laughter are at the heart of spiritual life." Please join us and share in some great conversations and refreshments when we begin on January 12, 2012. For more information, please contact Marie at [Charliefsp@yahoo.com](mailto:Charliefsp@yahoo.com) or 843-670-0492.

## Youth Group News

**The Youth Groups** of Cathedral-St. Mary's, Blessed Sacrament, Nativity, and St. Benedict have hired a bus to go to the "Diocesan Youth Stand-Up For Life Rally" in Columbia, SC on Saturday, Jan. 14<sup>th</sup>. All 6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> graders are encouraged to join us. The bus will leave from Blessed Sacrament parking lot at 11:15AM, sharp, and will return at approx. 7:30PM. Cost is \$15 per person. Please contact Marie Donnelly in the Youth Office, 724-8395 x234 for more details and a spot on the bus.

## Christmas Remembrances



Bishop England  
Triple B Booster Club  
Annual Oyster Roast Fundraiser  
For The Athletic Department  
Elks Lodge West Ashley  
January 21, 2011  
6:30-10:30  
For Ticket Information Call  
Bud Wham at 324-7007  
Lee Ann Garnett at 345-4352

## Community News

**Sacred Heart Church:** Beginning January 2, 2012, Sacred Heart Church, 888 King Street, will have daily Mass at 9:00AM on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. All are welcome.

**Cursillo:** There will be a Cursillo Ultreya on Tuesday, January 3, at 7:00PM. in the Christ Our King Life Center. Plan to be there and bring a friend. Please pray for a continued outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the Cursillo movement. All are welcome to attend. If childcare is needed or for more information, call Lola Reilly, 225-5812

**The Annual 'Stand Up for Life' March and Rally** will be Saturday, January 14, 2012, in Columbia at the State House. Our featured speaker is to be Abby Johnson, author of the best-seller 'UNPLANNED', the amazing story of her former life as an abortion center director and her conversion to the pro-life movement.



## MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

### **Greeters and Gift Bearers:**

**This Week:**

Dick & Cathy Dalla Mura

**Next Week:**

Scott & Jeannie Fanjoy

### **Altar Servers:**

**This Week:**

Rachel Lindbergh, Nicole Lindbergh,  
Morgan Boes & Taylor Boes

**Next Week:**

James McAlister, John P. McAlister, Ben Fanjoy, Sally  
Fanjoy, Vivian Fanjoy, Gyles Laney & Gracie Lady

### **Lectors:**

**This Week:**

Dick Dalla Mura

**Next Week:**

Kristin Quinn

### **Extraordinary Ministers of the Distribution of Holy Communion:**

**This Week:**

Dick Dalla Mura, Patricia Milner

**Next Week:**

Paul Rosenblum

### **Hospitality:**

**This Week:**

No Hospitality

**Next Week:**

Jeannie Fanjoy, Ann Privitera, Jane Stiles,  
Joan Cary, Gloria Novello, Doris Booth,  
Joan Keating, Claudia McKay

### **Altar Care:**

**This Week:**

Rose Mary Willson, Claudette Bell

**Next Week:**

Bonnie Hartnett, Anne Richter, Fran Bennett

### **Nursery:**

**This Week:**

No Nursery

**Next Week:**

Margaret Hagood

**Please pray** for those who are ill or are in harm's  
way, especially...



Joshua, Lilian Andrews, Maj. Kenneth Boes,  
Jim Brady, Lorraine Emanuel,  
Patty Emerick, Richardine Grant,  
Annabelle Heil, Goleta Kincer, Aidan Lane,  
Bob McDowell, Judy McDowell, Anne Mosley,  
Heather Nadel, Annie Neese, Drayton Parker, Heather  
Riley, Jane Stiles, Owen Weldon and Archie Willis.



## *Mass Intentions*



### **Sunday, January 1**

9:30AM

### **Monday, January 2**

7:00AM +Speziani Twins

### **Tuesday, January 3**

7:00AM +Julia K. Shahid

### **Wednesday, January 4**

7:00AM +Marie Garety Wigger

### **Thursday, January 5**

7:00AM

### **Friday, January 6**

7:00AM

### **Sunday, January 8**

9:30AM



### Weekly Financial Report

<i>Collections</i>	<i>Christmas, 2011</i>	<i>2010-11 YTD</i>
Actual	\$11,671.50	\$139,687.75
Budget	\$10,154.80	\$136,744.30
Difference	\$1,516.70	\$2,943.45

<i>Collections</i>	<i>Dec. 25, 2011</i>	<i>2010-11 YTD</i>
Actual	\$475.00	\$140,162.75
Budget	\$5,063.58	\$141,807.88
Difference	\$(4,588.58)	\$(1,645.13)

Restoration 3.00

### **Confession Times at St. Marys**

Sundays: 8:45 - 9:15AM

### **Confession Times at Cathedral**

Saturdays: 3:30PM - 5:00PM

Wednesdays: 5:30PM to 6:30PM

Monday through Friday: 11:15AM to 11:50AM

*Confession heals, confession justifies,  
Confession grants pardon of sin.  
All hope consists in confession.  
In confession there is a chance for mercy.  
Believe it firmly.*

*Do not doubt, do not hesitate,  
Never despair of the mercy of God.  
Hope and have confidence in confession.*

--St. Isidore of Seville