

DIOCESE OF CHARLESTON

OUR LADY OF THE VALLEY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SCHEDULE

MASS:

Saturday Vigil	4:00 p.m.
Sunday Morning	11:00 a.m.
Weekday Masses	
Wednesday 9:00 a.m.	
Friday 9:00 a.m.	
Holy Days	6:00 p.m.
Reconciliation: Saturday	3:30 p.m. <i>(and by appointment)</i>

BAPTISMS:

Prior to the baptism of infants, parents are to receive instructions on the meaning and obligations of baptism. Please contact the parish office to arrange this.

MARRIAGE:

To make arrangements, please contact the parish office six months prior to the anticipated wedding days, as required by the diocese. This time is needed for adequate preparations for Marriage.

VISITATION TO THE SICK AND DISABLED:

Please contact the parish office to let us know of those who may be seriously ill or disabled in our parish so that we may visit, pray with and bring Holy Communion to them if desired.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

For the Sacrament of Anointment of the Sick please call the parish office.

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WELCOME

We welcome all visitors and family members who are worshipping with us today at Our Lady of the Valley Church. We are really glad you are here. After Sunday morning Mass, a period of fellowship with light refreshments is held in the Center. ALL are invited and encouraged to attend. We also hope you enjoyed your time with us and will return again soon! Do take a moment to sign our Guest Book.

REGISTRATION

If you attend Our Lady of the Valley regularly but are not yet registered, please ask our ushers for a registration form, or stop by the Parish office. We also ask all members to use their offering envelopes and practice good stewardship of the many gifts God has given to each of us.

Seeking the Heart of God — In the Heart of the Valley

**32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
NOVEMBER 8, 2020
SCHEDULE OF MINISTRIES**

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2020

(L) Barbara Thouin
(U) Jim Goodall and Tom Kilm
(AS) Paul Sauerborn

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2020

(L) Richard Wilson
(U) Jim Goodall and Tom Kilm
(AS) Paul Sauerborn

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2020

(L) Carol Covell
(U) Shot Widener and David Keel
(AS) Jake Walker

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2020

(L) David Keel
(U) Shot Widener, David Keel, Bob Anzoni
(AS) Jake Walker

PRAYER INTENTION OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER

Universal Prayer Intention – Artificial Intelligence
We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence
may always serve humankind

STEWARDSHIP

November 1, 2020	
Envelopes	\$ 1,936.00
Loose	\$ 342.00
Memorials to John Bergstrom	\$ 300.00
TOTAL	\$ 2,578.00
Year to Date OFFERING	\$ 41,195.04
Propagation of the Faith	\$ 15.00
OLV Yearly Budget 7/1/20-6/30/21	\$144,760.00
Needed weekly to meet budget	\$ 2,783.85

Thank you to each parishioner for your continued support of
Our Lady of the Valley Parish.

PRAYER DURING COVID-19 PANDEMIC

O clement, O loving, O sweet Mother Mary, we, your children of every nation, turn to you in this pandemic. Our troubles are numerous; our fears are great. Grant that we might deposit them at your feet, take refuge in your Immaculate Heart, and obtain peace, healing, rescue, and timely help in all our needs. You are our Mother. Pray for us to your Son. Amen

INFORMATIVE WEBSITES

Since we are no longer subscribers of FORMED, you may find the following websites informative on catholic news and happenings world-wide. Some offer daily updates, mass, the rosary and others include the Bible.
<http://www.charlestdiocese.org>
www.ourladyofthevalleyparish.org
<https://zenit.org> – A news website
www.ewtn.org – Eternal Word Television Network, Mass, programs, prayers – everything Catholic
www.usccb.org – The United States Catholic Bishops' website

Please remember to TURN OFF your cell phones, hand held games and electronic devices during mass. Thank you.



CHOIR PRACTICE

**There will be no choir practice
until further notice.**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Religious education will begin for our students on January 10, 2021. Our students have begun the 2020-2021 school year either physically or virtually and their safety must be kept in mind. Our facility – the church office- is too small to accommodate our students safely during this time of the Coronavirus. Linda Walker, our Religious Education director will be in touch with each family with children. If you do not hear from her in the next two weeks, please email her at Lwalker@charlestdiocese.org or call the church office 803-593-2241.

If you or someone you know want to become a Catholic, please notify Barbara in the church office 803-591-2241. Arrangements can be made to provide instruction in Catholicism taught by a trained parishioner. This is called the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA).

Our Lady of the Valley Parish wants to keep our children safe. Therefore, all volunteers who work with children in any capacity are required to take the Safe Haven Course and be approved by the diocese to work with children. Children 12 years or younger MUST be accompanied by an adult when going to the restroom or outside the church building.

OLV BULLETIN DEADLINE IS TUESDAY MORNING BY 9 A.M. Please send announcements or information to: mconner@charlestdiocese.org, call the church office at 803-593-2241, or submit a written announcement to the church office.



Please Pray For

John Farmer, Steve Hamerick, Kay Livingston, Ricky Franklin, Austin Reeves, Shelley Lindell, Deborah Rutland, Doris Roberts, Cindy Barton, Barbara Dickert, Michele Conner, Kim Deschaine, Ray Rutland, Monica Cordero, Cole Lindell, and Carol Keel

NOTE: Call Barbara if names need to be added to this list or if names can be taken off.



St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl throughout the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS

**November 7, 2020 – 4:00 pm –
Mary Franklin**

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul, and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

If you want a Mass said for a particular person or intention, please call the office to schedule the Mass. Masses can be requested for particular dates and times.

**NOVEMBER –
MONTH OF ALL SOULS**

The Book of the Names of the Dead will be placed below the Offertory basket on the choir ledge. You may record the names of your deceased loved ones to be prayed for all month. The names will be read at Mass and Father will offer a prayer for each person. Additional names will be read as they are added.

SECOND COLLECTIONS

**NOVEMBER 15, 2020 –
Bicentennial Campaign**

**(Please use your envelope and make checks payable to
Catholic Community Foundation of SC)**

NOVEMBER 22, 2020 –

Campaign for Human Development

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) allocates funds to community projects that promote the mission and vision of CCHD while adhering to the moral and social teachings of the Catholic Church. Please visit www.usccb.org/cchd to view funding criteria.

**WHY DO WE CELEBRATE
ALL SAINTS DAY?**

Last Sunday, we celebrated the feast of All Saints, let us note the reasons to have a feast for all the saints:

1) To Honor God Almighty: In all the festivals we celebrate, including those of the saints, God Almighty is the only object of worship and our praises. When we honor and praise the saints, we worship God who bestows His graces upon them. We admire the goodness of the saints only to praise the greatness of God Almighty. We admire God Almighty who could work such wonder with weak human beings. God Almighty and Christ, our Redeemer, are the source of all the sanctity and glory of the saints. The virtues of the saints are not only the copies of God's goodness, but are, also, the fruits of Christ's redemption; they are entirely His gifts and graces. Thus, when we honor the saints, we, in fact, honor the source and the giver of those graces, who is the Almighty God.

2) To Imitate the Saints: The saints of God portray to us the way to love God and live unto Him. With all their weaknesses, they were able to honor and praise God Almighty through their lives. They demonstrate to us that it is feasible in this sinful and wretched world to remain faithful to His calling. We like, St. Augustine, should say, "When he and she could do, why can't I?" The lives of the saints persuade and compel us to imitate them. Their examples inspire and strengthen us to aspire to honor and praise God through our holy lives. Their holy lives enlighten us regarding the transitory nature of the world. They set their hearts on the Lord and eternal things, and they despised the passing things of this world. They clearly, by their example, enlighten and teach us about the lasting and eternal things, which we ought to love. The paths of the saints beckon and make easy our way to heaven.

3) To Plead for Their Intercession: When these saints lived upon this earth, their hearts were filled with great charity for us; they prayed for us and often offered their sufferings for our conversion. Now that they are in heaven, before the Throne of Grace, they are in a position where they can plead for us more earnestly and efficaciously. When they prayed so earnestly for us when they were upon this earth, how much more earnestly would they be now to pray for us when they are in heaven!

When we honor all the saints together on this holy day, we can be sure that all the saints of God together intercede for us. If God heeds to the cry of a single soul, how much more willing would He be to answer the cries of His elect when they cry together. In All Saints we have a legion of holy soldiers interceding on our behalf before the Throne of Grace.

4) To Amend for Our Negligence: We just have 365 days in a year, but have thousands and thousands of saints. Very few of these saints are remembered and honored during the year; many saints of God are forgotten and most of them we have not even heard about. Both for our negligence and our omissions, the feast of All Saints is included in the calendar, so that we remember and honor even the forgotten and the neglected ones.

5) To Strengthen Our Hope: No Christian needs to despair in life as long as there is life there is hope. When we look at the gallery of the saints, we see all sorts of people who have conquered themselves by the grace of God. Some have honored God from the beginning of their lives, other turned towards God in their midlife, and still others before their deaths. Some have been great and wretched sinners, while others were moderately sinful. The celebration of the feast of All Saints must remind and encourage us to adore and praise God wherever we are and in whatever condition we may be. However sinful we may be, we can still turn towards God. We must strengthen our hope in the promise of the Bible, in Isaiah 59:1 "The hand of the Lord is not shortened that it cannot save."

6) To Honor Ourselves: When we celebrate the feast of All Saints, we send the message that we stand for God and all His saints. By taking the side of these holy men and women, we declare that we honor goodness and virtue in life; we declare that we are for God, and not for the devil. We imply that we stand for things honorable in life. Thus, when we honor the saints, we honor ourselves. We add prestige to our self-worth. Let us then strive to travel that ceaseless journey of holiness so that one day we too will be counted among the saints. Amen.

Father Raj – Homily, – All Saints Day, November 1, 2020