



ROMAN CATHOLIC
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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This has been a difficult year. We are seven months into a pandemic and are preparing for elections in our country — all this, during one of the toughest times in our nation's history. However, we must not tire in our call to faithfully participate in civic life.

What is important for all of us to recognize, especially as Christians, is that we are not Republicans nor are we Democrats. We are Catholics first and foremost. We are one family in faith, and we have a responsibility to our nation and to our communities to seek the common good of all people. Our responsibility includes voting based on an informed conscience and our moral beliefs. We must research the issues and avoid any tendency towards favoring particular personalities or our own political bias. We must seek answers to sincere matters of policy, and find the truth buried in the daily assault of political rhetoric from every direction.

A year ago, my brother bishops and I issued a statement about the 2020 election. The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops agreed that abortion was to remain the preeminent moral issue facing our nation. The word "preeminent" was a deliberate choice meant to indicate urgency as we perform our civic duty this November. While the Catholic Church has clear teaching on many important issues, we cannot advocate for important social changes if our nation does not have justice or peace for those in the womb.

I urge you, please do not stand idle. Engage in proper research, find out what the candidates stand for, and then vote. Each of us must take this very seriously and cast a ballot. A well-formed conscience in light of the Church's teaching means we vote not from insecurity or selfishness, but for love of our God, love of our nation, and love for the most vulnerable.

God bless you and your families. Let us pray for our nation and seek the intercession of the patroness of South Carolina, Our Lady of Joyful Hope.

In the Lord's in Peace,

Most Reverend Robert E. Guglielmone
Bishop of Charleston



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Mis queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,

Este ha sido un año difícil. Ya llevamos siete meses de una pandemia y nos preparamos para las elecciones en nuestro país, todo esto, durante uno de los tiempos más duros de la historia de nuestra nación. Sin embargo, no debemos cansarnos de nuestro llamado a participar fielmente en la vida cívica.

Lo que es importante que todos reconozcamos, especialmente como cristianos, es que no somos republicanos ni demócratas. Somos católicos ante todo. Somos una familia en la fe, y tenemos la responsabilidad con nuestra nación y nuestras comunidades de buscar el bien común de todas las personas. Nuestra responsabilidad incluye el voto basado en una conciencia informada y nuestras creencias morales. Debemos investigar los temas y evitar cualquier tendencia a favorecer a personalidades particulares o a nuestro propio sesgo político. Debemos buscar respuestas a asuntos políticos sinceros, y encontrar la verdad enterrada en el asalto diario de la retórica política de todas las direcciones.

Hace un año, mis hermanos obispos y yo emitimos una declaración sobre las elecciones de 2020. La Conferencia de Obispos Católicos de EE.UU. acordó que el aborto debía seguir siendo el tema moral preeminente que enfrentaba nuestra nación. La palabra «preeminente» fue una elección deliberada para indicar la urgencia en el cumplimiento de nuestro deber cívico en noviembre. Mientras que la Iglesia Católica tiene una clara enseñanza sobre muchos temas importantes, no podemos abogar por cambios sociales importantes si nuestra nación no tiene justicia o paz para los que están en el vientre.

Les insto a que no se quede de brazos cruzados. Investiguen bien, averigüen qué representan los candidatos y luego voten. Cada uno de nosotros debe tomar esto muy en serio y votar. Una conciencia bien formada a la luz de la enseñanza de la Iglesia significa que no votamos por inseguridad o egoísmo, sino por amor a nuestro Dios, amor a nuestra nación y amor a los más vulnerables.

Dios los bendiga a ustedes y a sus familias. Recemos por nuestra nación y busquemos la intercesión de la patrona de Carolina del Sur, Nuestra Señora de la Esperanza Alegre.

El Señor está en paz,

Mons. Robert E. Guglielmone
Obispo de Charleston

Please help us keep this updated.

Our list has been updated, if a name has been removed and you would like to add it back to the list, please call the office. **Thank you.**

THE PRAYER LIST: Please pray for the physical and spiritual well-being of parishioners and friends: Michelle Adams, Bridie Healy, James Dixon, Susan Lindley, Sam and Debbie Coccia, Don Samsel, Kennedy James Kraft, Marc Timms, Randy Amos, Debbie Schaible, Carol Cole, Jimmy Wigal, Keith Derrickson, Geneva Twigg, Loretta Voghel, Rich Scalone, Frank Paone, Carmen Sherry, Ronald Solomon, Beth Miller, Morie and Angie Pollard, Bernard Swann, Jennifer Carter, Thomas Martorano, Marisa Jo Merliss, Katie Molenda, Tim Vance, Kevin Hamilton, Marie D'Andrea, Ronald Blank, Dennis Allen Main, Charles Wokutch, Fran Garrity, Gertrude Delitta, Bob Arias, Terry Youman, Travis Schrift, Jeffrey Goodrich, Phyllis Schaffer, Barbara Hatfield, Suzie Gordon, Rebecca Trustee, Joyce Sgro, Guy Aliotta, Billy Ray Hughes, Jr., Daniel Bireley, Kathy Walsh, Brendan Horstman, Lynn Clark, Joan McLean, Marion Fallone, Richard Greff, Janette Polon-Ramirez, Ray Kilpatrick, Maggie Heverly, Kurt Korczyk, Maureen Florio, Rick Barraza, Judy Cheney Davis, John DeSalse, Margaret "Peggy" Steptoe, Christi Rippy, Susan McGuffin, Devin Rinaldi, Christina Powell, Anna Schwartz, Sandy Lagasse, Joe Hughes, Maria Soto, Marcella Fahey, Sonia Hayes, David Bartlewski, Carol Ring, Cheryl Scerba, Andrew Zepada, David Larkins, Joshua Thomas, Bob Gagne, Karen Catania, Arlene Forman, Rachel Wesselius, Rita Williams, Barbara Geschlecht, and Joe Abate.

WHEN YOU OR A LOVED ONE IS IN THE HOSPITAL: Would you like an Extraordinary Minister to bring communion? Would you like a priest to administer the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick? Please call the office and let us know.



St. James New Mission/Vision Statement

Go and make disciples/Vayan y hagan discipulos

A community of joyful disciples/Una comunidad de discipulos alegres

Pastoral Staff

Pastor.....Father Oscar Borda, ext. 222
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.....**843-457-4012**
Deacons.....Jim Hinnerschitz and Tim Papa
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.....Suzanne McDonough, ext. 234
Director of Evangelization.....Felipe Castillo, ext. 229
Youth Minister.....Taylor Monahan, ext. 235
Secretary.....Kathy Caughey, ext. 224
Maintenance Director.....Earl Videan, ext. 232
Director of Music.....Peggy Kamp
Organists.....Bradley Hardee
RCIA.....Tuesday, 6:15pm-7:30pm
Blood Pressure Screening.....2nd weekend of each month
Eucharistic Adoration.....Daily in the Chapel
.....Check the schedules for an open hour
Pro-Life.....Lori Videan, 843-503-3607
Ladies Guild.....3rd Monday, 10:00am (Sept.-June)
Knights of Columbus 4th Degree.....4th Monday, 7:00pm
Knights of Columbus.....2nd Wednesday, 7:00pm
Catholic Charities.....1-855-377-1357
Diocesan Office of Child Protection Services.....843-853-2130 ext. 209
Diocesan Victim Assistance Minister.....800-921-8122
Safe Environment Coordinator.....Taylor Monahan, ext. 235

To email staff members, use
first initial, last name@stjamesconway.org

Parish Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9:30AM - 3:30PM

Religious Education/Catecismo: Call office

Infant Baptism: The Sacrament is normally celebrated during a weekend Liturgy. Please call the office to register for the preparation process.

Marriage: By arrangement at least six months before the proposed wedding.

Ministry to the Sick: Call to request visitation. Please let us know when loved ones are in the hospital.

Bulletin Articles: Items of communal interest must be at parish office no later than 9:00am Monday.

New Parishioners: Welcome! There are several ways you can register, please see the article inside for details.

Altar Flowers \$150: Call the office to arrange donations in memory of a loved one, or in honor of a special occasion.

Religious Articles are available for purchase Monday-Friday, 9:30am-3:30pm. Special orders are always welcome. Contact the church office at 843-347-5168.

Columbarium: Available to all registered Catholics of the Diocese. Call the church office for more information

Tree of Life: This is a great way to remember your loved ones or honor a special occasion. Donations start at \$250. Contact the parish office for details.

Prayer Chain Request: If you have a special need we would like to help you pray. Simply call Fern Daniels at 843-397-2728 or Shirley at 843-397-2318.

Catholic Charities

Holiday Assistance Events

It's the most wonderful time of the year! Catholic Charities Pee Dee Regional Office has two events coming up for the holiday season to assist those in need in our area. Our annual Thanksgiving Turkey and Trimmings Distribution will occur on November 21st and our Christmas Assistance Program will occur this year on December 18th. For more information please call 843.438.3108.

Looking to Volunteer? If you are interested in volunteering for either of these events there are multiple volunteer shifts to assist that day and leading up to the event. We are able to accommodate groups that would like to volunteer together throughout the month of December at our Christmas warehouse preparing toys and donations for distribution day.

Looking to Donate? We are also in need of help with donations to make both of these events successful! If you would like to donate in-kind items the list of needs for these events is below. If you would like to donate to either of our events monetarily, please make a donation payable to Catholic Charities and earmark the check for Special Events in the memo.

Thanksgiving

All items must be dropped off by Monday, November 16th

- Canned Corn
- Canned Green Beans
- Canned Peas
- Mashed Potatoes Mix
- Stuffing Mix
- Bottled or Canned Gravy
- Evaporated Milk
- Pie Crusts & Canned Pie Filling (Cherry, Apple, Lemon, Pumpkin, etc.)
- Assorted Baked Good Mixes (Cake Mix, Brownie Mix, etc.)
- Walmart Gift Cards



Christmas

All items must be dropped off by Monday December 14th

- Children (0-12): New Unwrapped Toys and New Books
- Teenagers (13-18): Makeup Kits, Nail Kits, Bath Sets, Curling Irons, Straighteners, Blow Dryers, Purses, Teenage Board Games, Table Top Games, Dart Boards, Sports Gear, Headphones, Watches, Wallets, Tool Kits, \$10 Fast Food or Movie Theater Gift Cards
- Clothing: New Winter Coats (Newborn to Adult XL), Hats, Gloves, Ear Muffs, Scarves

