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A monthly newsletter from the Diocese of Charleston



JANUARY 2022

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DETAILS

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[First Friday Table Talk](#) (virtual)

Jan. 7 | 10-11 a.m.

Sister Roberta Fulton, Arthur C. McFarland and Kathleen Merritt will reflect on the life and impact of Father Paul Williams, OFM. Father Williams served in the diocese from 1997-2013 and passed away on Monday, Jan. 3, 2022. Dr. Michael Martocchio will reflect on Father Williams' devotion to the priesthood as he discusses the National Eucharistic Congress. Sister Pam Smith will give a weather report and what to expect over the weekend, and Father Michael O'Kere will do opening and closing prayers. Register: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_rKUJPBFZRpS8tV-xS9VALg.

Proudly Pro-Life Weekend 2022

Jan. 7-8

Proudly Pro-Life Weekend is Jan. 7-8, with featured speaker Mississippi Attorney General Lynn Fitch, who has asked the U.S. Supreme Court to overturn Roe v. Wade. Proudly Pro-Life Dinner is Jan. 7 from 5:30-9 p.m. at Seawell's, 1125 Rosewood Drive in Columbia. Your space at dinner must be reserved. Cost is \$45. Stand Up for Life March and Rally is Jan. 8. Line-up begins at 11 a.m. at the UofSC Russell House on Greene Street. March begins at 11:30 a.m. and the rally begins at noon. Visit sclife.org/proudly-pro-life-weekend for details or to register.

Men's Discernment Retreat

Jan. 7-9

Come join us for a retreat designed for young adult men who would like to go more deeply in discernment of their possible call to priesthood or religious life. This event will take place at the Heart Ridge Retreat Center in Sunset. Visit charlestondiocese.org/vocations or call 843-261-0532.

"Prophets: Yesterday & Today" Year VII Faith Formation Seminar *(virtual)*

These events will be taking place via Zoom from 9-11 a.m. on the following dates for these parishes:

- Jan. 11 — Christ Our King, Stella Maris, St. Benedict, St. Clare of Assisi
- Jan. 13 — Blessed Sacrament, Church of the Nativity, Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, St. Mary of the Annunciation, Sacred Heart, St. Patrick, St. John, Sts. Frederick and Stephen Mission, St. Joseph the Worker, Our Lady of Good Counsel, Holy Spirit
- Jan. 18 — Immaculate Conception, St. John the Beloved, St. Theresa the Little Flower, St. Thomas the Apostle, St. Philip Benizi, Divine Redeemer, Our Lady of Peace Mission.

Bishop's Annual Appeal Training

Jan. 11-13, 20, 25 | 11:30 a.m.

The Bishop's Annual Appeal regional committee training meetings will begin Jan. 11. All meetings begin at 11:30 a.m., include lunch, and will conclude no later than 1:00 p.m.

- Jan. 11 — Diocesan Pastoral Center, Charleston
- Jan. 12 — St. Joseph, Columbia
- Jan. 13 — St. Mary Help of Christians, Aiken
- Jan. 20 — St. Philip Neri, Fort Mill
- Jan. 20 — St. Gregory the Great, Bluffton
- Jan. 25 — St. Mary's, Greenville

Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration *(virtual)*

Jan. 17 | 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

You are invited to join the Office of Ethnic Ministries in the annual celebration of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day! We will have a prayer service, music, online quiz and special presentation and discussion on *Economic Equality Leads to Racial Equality: The Other Dream*. Register here: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_adBYWmKLTPSHVXy8XJpSog

PBOC Boutique Auction

Jan. 23 | 1-4 p.m.

Precious Blood of Christ Women's Guild will hold a Boutique Auction Jan. 23 from 1-4 p.m. It is an afternoon of shopping, silent and live auctions, cash and carry jewelry/accessory items. Hors d'oeuvres will be provided, with cash bar available. All proceeds from this "fun-raiser" will go to the Women's Club Grant Fund. Cost is \$5 pre-purchase, or \$6 at the door.

Nurses United in Faith

Jan. 29 | 1-4 p.m.

The S.C. Council of Catholic Nurses invites you to Nurses United in Faith Jan. 29 at 11 a.m. at Cardinal Newman School, 2945 Alpine Road in Columbia. We will have a Mass, reception and lunch, with a presentation on compassion fatigue by Nourish for Caregivers. Registration, which includes lunch, is \$15. RSVP by Jan. 8 at nursesunitedinfaith.rsvpify.com.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bishop's Annual Appeal rollout

The Bishop's Annual Appeal 2022 four-week rollout dates are as follows:

- **Weekend of Feb. 5-6** — Kickoff - BAA Video Pastor
- **Weekend of Feb. 12-13** — Chairperson Weekend Chairperson
- **Weekend of Feb. 19-20** — BAA Pledge Weekend Pastor/Chairperson
- **Weekend of Feb. 26-27** — Follow Up Weekend Pastor

Pray for Dobbs

In 2018, Mississippi passed a law protecting unborn children after 15 weeks of gestation, when a baby has a heartbeat, eyes that open, ears that hear and can move and kick. The law was challenged and the case, known as Dobbs v Jackson Women's Health Organization, is being heard by the U.S. Supreme Court. This is truly a landmark case that could potentially overturn the decision of Roe v Wade. For information, visit www.prayfordobbs.com.

Faith Formation Classes / Clases de Formación en la Fe (virtual)

The Diocese of Charleston has partnered with the University of Dayton to offer continuing education courses. Courses are available in both *English* and *Spanish*. For more information or to apply for a tuition grant, please contact Sister Kathy Adamski, OSF, at 843-261-0498 or kadamski@charlestdiocese.org. Registration for Cycle 1 continues through Jan. 12, and classes begin Jan. 17:

- Click her for Cycle 1 course offerings in [English](#)
- Haga clic aquí para ver las ofertas de [español](#)
- See what UD has to offer at <https://vlcff.udayton.edu>