## Pulpit Announcements

## Sixth Sunday of Easter May 17

- The charitable portion of our tithe this week will go to Saint Martin de Porres School in Columbia, SC.
- The flowers in the sanctuary are in honor of the Nowak and Belk Wedding Anniversaries. Happy Anniversary!
- As previously announced, our Parish Bookkeeper will be retiring soon. We are in need of strong applicants. If you are skilled in bookkeeping, and are looking for some part-time work, please consider applying. All application can be sent to Carola Baptiste (<a href="mailto:cbaptiste@charlestondiocese.org">cbaptiste@charlestondiocese.org</a>) or to Natalie Jackson (<a href="mailto:njackson@charlestondiocese.org">njackson@charlestondiocese.org</a>).
- Our public Masses have resumed. This weekend, we start our transitional schedule. I remind everyone that *the Bishop's dispensation is still in effect. If you are not comfortable coming to Mass, you are dispensed.* Our live stream service will continue for our daily Masses and our 11 AM Sunday Mass.
- During the transitional period, when I am offering multiple Masses, I'll be maintaining our recent practice of celebrating Mass *ad orientem*, which means we will face the tabernacle together for the Sacrifice of the Mass. After the transition period, our Mass celebration will be re-evaluated.
- With the addition of new Masses during this transitional period, we will have space for new Mass intentions. I ask that these intentions be reserved for those who have died from Covid-19. I know that several of our parishioners have lost loved ones from this virus. Please reach out to Natalie Jackson with names and information (<u>njackson@charlestondiocese.org</u>). We want very much to offer a Mass for these souls.
- By the Bishop's directive, public Confession times cannot resume until June 1. A schedule is forthcoming, but please note that we will have extensive Confession times on June 1, 2, and 3.
- Please be sure that you're on our parish REALM email list. By way of explanation, "REALM" is our parish database system. When you register as a parishioner, you're placed in REALM. Any email addresses that are submitted are placed on our parish distribution list. This is the list we use to send updates and keep everyone informed about what's happening in the parish.

This Saturday at 4 PM, we sent out a REALM email with all our week's information. If you did not receive that email, then we do not have an email address (or a current email address) for you. If that's the case, please let us know and we'll add you. Contact Jamie Nolan (jnolan@charlestondiocese.org).

• Lastly, I make a brief request and reminder to please consider moving to online giving. This diminishes the administrative time that's required to count, record, and process the weekly offertory. *I'm grateful for your tithe however it's given!* But I do make this request. Please consider this possibility.