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The Most Reverend Robert E. Guglielmone

PASTOR

Rev. Daniel R. Papineau

OFFICE SCHEDULE

Monday through Friday 8:30AM – 2:00PM

ST. MARY'S SATURDAY SCHEDULE

Adoration 9:00AM - 3:00PM
Chaplet of Divine Mercy 3:00PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:15PM
Tues., Wed., and Thurs. After the 6:00PM Mass

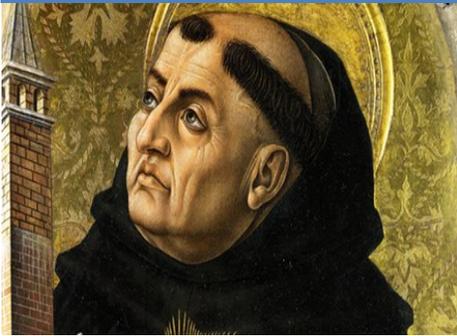
LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:30PM St. Mary's Church
Sunday 9:00AM St. Joseph's Church
Sunday 11:00AM St. Mary's Church

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE AT ST. MARY'S CHURCH

Tues., Wed., Thurs. 6:00PM
Friday 12:10PM (except First Friday)
First Friday Mass 6:00PM
First Saturday 8:00AM

SAINT'S CORNER



January 28th Saint
Thomas Aquinas

By universal consent, Thomas Aquinas is the preeminent spokesman of the Catholic tradition of reason and of divine revelation. He is one of the

great teachers of the medieval Catholic Church, honored with the titles Doctor of the Church and Angelic Doctor.

At five he was given to the Benedictine monastery at Monte Cassino in his parents' hopes that he would choose that way of life and eventually became abbot. In 1239, he was sent to Naples to complete his studies. It was here that he was first attracted to Aristotle's philosophy.

By 1243, Thomas abandoned his family's plans for him and joined the Dominicans, much to his mother's dismay. On her order, Thomas was captured by his brother and kept at home for over a year.

Once free, he went to Paris and then to Cologne, where he finished his studies with Albert the Great. He held two professorships at Paris, lived at the court of Pope Urban IV, directed the Dominican schools at Rome and Viterbo, combated adversaries of the mendicants, as well as the Averroists, and argued with some Franciscans about Aristotelianism.

His greatest contribution to the Catholic Church is his writings. The unity, harmony, and continuity of faith and reason, of revealed and natural human knowledge, pervades his writings. One might expect Thomas, as a man of the gospel, to be an ardent defender of revealed truth. But he was broad enough, deep enough, to see the whole natural order as coming from God the Creator, and to see reason as a divine gift to be highly cherished.

The *Summa Theologiae*, his last and, unfortunately, uncompleted work, deals with the whole of Catholic theology. He stopped work on it after celebrating Mass on December 6, 1273. When asked why he stopped writing, he replied, "I cannot go on.... All that I have written seems to me like so much straw compared to what I have seen and what has been revealed to me." He died March 7, 1274.

Reflection

We can look to Thomas Aquinas as a towering example of Catholicism in the sense of broadness, universality, and inclusiveness. We should be determined anew to exercise the divine gift of reason in us, our power to know, learn, and understand. At the same time we should thank God for the gift of his revelation, especially in Jesus Christ.

Saint Thomas Aquinas is the Patron Saint of:
Catholic Schools, Colleges, Schools, Students

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 24, 2021

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a]/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20
Monday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Mk 16:15-18
Tuesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10 [3]/Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 4:1-20
Thursday: Heb 10:19-25/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Mk 4:21-25
Friday: Heb 10:32-39/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40 [39a]/Mk 4:26-34
Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75 [cf. 68]/Mk 4:35-41
Next Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 [8]/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

In 2020 The Prayer Shawl Ministry gave out twenty-four wraps or lap robes. Twelve of these were given to Bishopville Manor in December. We also gave three to newly Baptized babies in our parish. Our faithful volunteers continue to make these gifts with the thought of providing warmth, comfort and solace to those who receive them. They are not just for warmth, but to convey the knowledge that St Mary cares for you as a part of our spiritual family. If you know anyone who would benefit from our wraps or robes, please let us know. Call Linda Yarborough 843 309 9664.

THE FOLLOWING PRAYER WAS PRAYED BY POPE FRANCIS ON THE SOLEMNITY OF SAINT JOSEPH

Prayer to St Joseph

Protect, O Holy Guardian, this our nation.

Enlighten those responsible for the common good, so that they might know — like you do — how to care for those entrusted to their responsibility.

Grant intelligence of knowledge to those seeking adequate means for the health and physical well-being of their brothers and sisters.

Sustain those who are spending themselves for those in need, even at the cost of their own safety: volunteers, nurses, doctors who are on the front lines in curing the sick.

Bless, O St Joseph, the Church: beginning with her ministers, make her the sign and instrument of your light and your goodness.

Accompany, O St Joseph, our families: with your prayerful silence, create harmony between parents and their children, in a special way with the youngest.

Preserve the elderly from loneliness: grant that no one might be left in desperation from abandonment and discouragement.

Comfort those who are the most frail, encourage those who falter, intercede for the poor.

With the Virgin Mother, beg the Lord to liberate the world from every form of pandemic.

Amen.



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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

ACT OF CONSECRATION – ENTRUSTMENT
OF THE DIOCESE OF CHARLESTON
TO ST. JOSEPH, THE UNIVERSAL PATRON OF THE CHURCH

St. Joseph, Virginal Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ and Virginal Spouse of the Immaculate Mother of God, and Chosen Head of the Holy Family, the Church acknowledges you as its Universal Patron.

You are the spiritual and material provider and protector of all its institutions and individual members on our pilgrimage of faith on earth, awaiting fulfillment in heaven.

In view of these truths, as Shepherd of the Diocese of Charleston, I consecrate and entrust the Diocese of Charleston with all its members and institutions to your paternal care, development and safety.

Guide us according to the Holy Spirit to achieve the purposes that God the Father establishes through the Church founded by our Lord Jesus Christ. Inspire our minds and hearts to assure our continuous fidelity. Assist us to be the worshippers and witnesses that God the Father desires and deserves.

We thank you for your patronage and ask you to accept this Act of filial devotion.

By decision of the

Most Reverend Robert E. Guglielmo
Bishop of Charleston

January 14, 2021



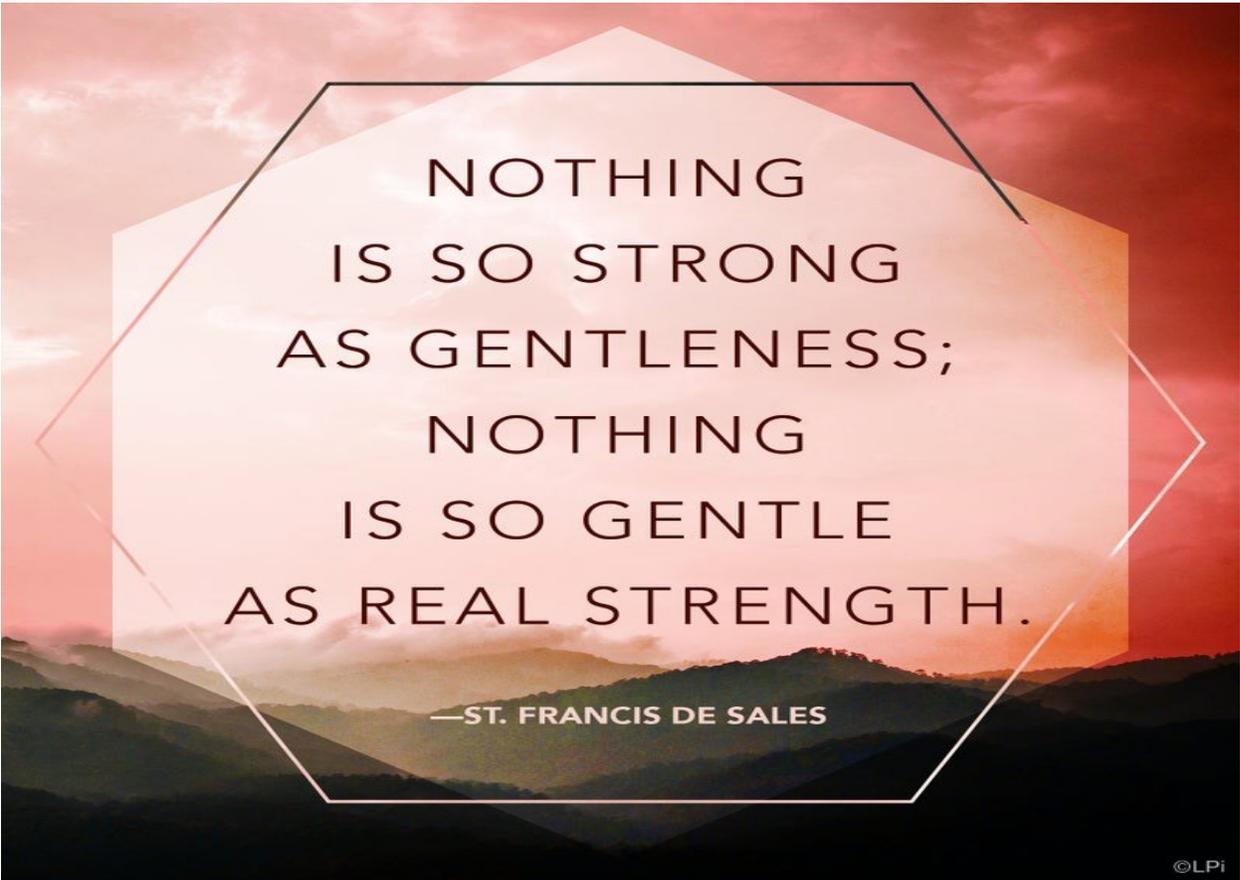
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**HOLD YOUR EYES
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ST. JANE FRANCES DE CHANTAL

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AS REAL STRENGTH.

—ST. FRANCIS DE SALES

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