Greetings in the name of the Royal Martyr—

Today marks the anniversary of the recognition of King Charles’s Martyrdom, in what is now generally called the Prayer Book of 1662. Most important in King Charles’s case, however, is not the question of the precise year as it is the fact that it took place—a formal recognition by the Church of England that Charles does stand on the line of Martyrs for the Faith that extends from the Cross of Jesus Christ to the present. I am pleased that you are among those who are willing to take a stand on his behalf and witness to the wider Christian world.

We are pleased to report that six more members have been added to the rolls of the Order of Blessed William Laud, Abp. & Martyr. They are The Rev’d John D. Alexander, SSC, Mr. Richard D. Appleby, Suzanne G. Bowles, Ph.D., The Rt. Rev’d James W. Montgomery, D.D., The Rev’d Cn W. Gordon Reid, and The Rev’d Frederick S. Thomas, SSC. See the upcoming June 2013 SKCM NEWS for further details.

Per Board of Trustees policy adopted in 2009, the members of the Laud Society are elected “in recognition of contributions rising to a certain level, or higher, of significance as to impact and benefit to the Society by members and supporters who are not members …”

Society members are invited to submit nominations for Board consideration as additional Laud Society designees. Such nominations, giving background on the candidate and stating why he or she should be honored, should be sent by 2 November 2013 to The Ven. James G. Monroe, Ph.D., SSC, Secretary of the Board, at jimmon39@gmail.com or 4310 Meadow Forest Lane, Kingwood TX 77345-3007USA, for consideration during the next awards cycle.

Finally, upcoming Annual Masses will be: 2014, St. Vincent’s Cathedral, Bedford, TX … 2015, Resurrection, New York, NY … 2016, Holy Communion, Charleston, SC … 2017, S. Clement’s, Philadelphia. We had inadvertently switched the 2015 and 2016 venues in the March Communiqué.

As always, please contact me at skcm_usa@verizon.net should you have any questions.

Fr. Bill Swatos, President