



## A Message from the President

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Dear Friends in the Cause of King Charles the Martyr:

I'm pleased to announce the details of our 33rd Annual Mass and Luncheon, to be held on Saturday, January 30, 2016 at the Church of the Holy Communion in Charleston, SC. We thank The Rev'd M. Dow Sanderson, SSC, Rector and The Rev'd Daniel Clarke, SSC, Curate, both SKCM members, and their parishioners for their fine hospitality. As we know, this annual observance, which rotates among various churches in the United States and is supplemented by many local parish observances, commemorates the martyrdom of King Charles I on January 30, 1649.



This Mass follows the initial significant action of the recent General Convention of the Episcopal Church in adding this observance to the church calendar.

Father Sanderson will celebrate and preach at the 11 a.m. Solemn Mass, where the musical setting will be W. A. Mozart's popular *Spatzenmesse*, with orchestra. The Mass will include full propers, traditional hymns and music, the Walsingham Angelus after the Mass, and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament following the luncheon. I'm told that we also can expect such additional "extras" as an opening procession during Handel's "Zadok the Priest" when the official Caroline portrait is placed in the proper chapel.



A buffet luncheon with wine will follow, based on a local barbecue tradition, for which reservations are required at \$20 per person. Checks are payable to "Holy Communion," memo line "SKCM," and should be sent by January 20 to the church office at 218 Ashby Ave., Charleston, SC 29403. Contact the church at 843-722-2024 or [fatherdaniel@holycomm.org](mailto:fatherdaniel@holycomm.org). The church's website address is at [www.holycomm.org](http://www.holycomm.org).

As always, members and all others interested are invited.

Two additional announcements:

- + With the fiscal year about to end, we are now at **66 new members** (7 more than last year's final number) and 387 total membership, both records. We've grown 25% during the last two years.
- + A final reminder: Society members are invited to submit nominations for Board of Trustees consideration as members of the **Order of Blessed William Laud, Abp. & Martyr**. Members of the Order are elected in recognition of contributions of significance that will impact and benefit the Society. Both members and supporters who are not members may be considered for this recognition. Election to membership in the Order of Laud is considered equivalent to the designation of Benefactor status with regard to impact and benefit to the Society. Such nominations, giving background on the candidate and stating why he or she should be honored, should be sent by 2 November 2015 to The Ven. James G. Monroe, Ph.D., SSC, Awards Chairman, at [jimmon39@gmail.com](mailto:jimmon39@gmail.com) or 4310 Meadow Forest Lane, Kingwood TX 77345-3007 USA, for consideration during the current awards cycle.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at [skcm@skcm-usa.org](mailto:skcm@skcm-usa.org) should you have any questions, ideas or concerns.

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