



A Message from the President

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On 30 January our Society observes Royal Martyr Day, the Decollation of S. Charles, King & Martyr, at Whitehall in 1649. Greetings with the best wishes of your Board of Trustees as we approach this Feast Day of Our Blessed Martyr and Patron. Watch for a full report on our annual SKCM American Region Annual Mass & Luncheon to be celebrated a week from tomorrow at Holy Communion Charleston SC and local observances reported, in the June *SKCM News*. We will also keep you updated in the next email Communiqué following our mid-February annual organizational meeting of the Board of Trustees.

O SOVEREIGN GOD, who didst grace Thy servant **Charles** Stuart with nobility and fortitude, so that he was content to forfeit his throne, and life itself, for the cause of apostolic order in the Church: bestow on us, we beseech Thee, the like grace, that we, being steadfast in all adversity, may persevere unto the end, and attain with him the crown of everlasting life; through JESUS CHRIST the faithful witness, who with Thee and the HOLY SPIRIT liveth and reigneth, One GOD, for ever and ever. Amen.

[From Propers for Royal Martyr Day, 30 January, prepared for the Standing Liturgical Commission of the Episcopal Church by Society member The Rev'd Donald L. Garfield at General Convention in 1991. We rejoice that per initial action by the Episcopal Church General Convention last year, Royal Martyr Day may very well finally appear on the TEC liturgical calendar.]

A few announcements and reminders:

- + The winter edition of the SKCM News went to the printer several days ago, so we can expect to receive it soon. Please pardon the delay, which came from technical problems now overcome.
- + Don't forget to send any reports of local observances to the NEWS editors at editors@skcm-usa.org. We're hearing some good news from a variety of places and are eager to share this news with the membership.
- + We share the topical news that our Trustee & Associate Editor Richard Mammana recently posted this 1853 sermon on the observance of January 30: *The Occasional Form of Prayer for the Thirtieth of January: Its Claims upon the Observance of Churchmen*. A Sermon Preached in the Church of St. James, Thornes, Wakefield, on Sunday, the Thirtieth of January, 1853. By Hugh Smyth. London: Whittaker and Co., 1853. <http://anglicanhistory.org/charles/smyth1853.html>.

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