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Royal Martyr Day: Remembrance, Memory & Why

In just a few weeks, the word *Remember* will be on the minds, hearts, and lips of so many in our Society. Across North America, the faithful will remember the Royal Martyr's Day through the Daily Office, the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, and their private devotions. As a society, this is why we exist - for remembrance. Our aims are to promote a wide observance of January 30 as a day of



remembrance of the Royal Martyr and work to include this remembrance in the sanctoral kalendar of Churches across the Communion and to inspire shrines in churches where more can remember King Charles.

The other night I stumbled across a fascinating documentary about World War I. At the outset, the presenter asked a very interesting question: when the people of Great Britain observe with great devotion and solemnity the sacrifices made in the Great War, do they know *what* those sacrifices were for? The presenter's thesis was the people of Great Britain make acts of remembrance for something of which they have no memory. They have, he argued, exchanged memory for remembrance. It's a fair question for us, too. What are we doing on January 30?

As we approach this great feast, I ask that we set our intentions for both remembrance and memory, as each supports and amplifies the

other. Let us not allow the day to pass without an act of remembrance and prayer. If you are near to one of the churches listed in this *Communique* that will celebrate the Feast of King Charles, will you make an effort to attend? If you are not, will say a prayer in your own church? Wherever you may be on January 30, may we all call to mind *why* we venerate King Charles the Martyr. Let us remember why he died: for the catholic faith and order in the Church of England. Let us remember how he died: in full faith in Jesus Christ as his Lord.

May both our remembrance and memory enable us to grow deeper in the knowledge and love of Our Lord Jesus Christ and grant us strength to serve and fight for His Church.

- *The Rev'd Steven C. Rice, Obl.S.B., D.Min., President*

Archbishop Laud: Witness to the Catholic Faith

On 10 January 1645, **Archbishop William Laud** was beheaded on Tower Hill in London. He had been arrested in 1640 on a charge of high treason and then imprisoned in the Tower since 1 March 1641, accused of assuming tyrannical powers in both Church and state, as well as promoting "popish superstition." Two factors went into his arrest. The first was a rising sentiment towards Puritanism in Parliament and the second was overtly political, that of attacking those most closely associated with Charles I.



Laud had a long and successful ministry in the Church having succeeded Lancelot Andrewes as Dean of the Royal Chapel while Bishop of Bath and Wells under Charles. He then became Bishop of London in 1628 and Archbishop of Canterbury in 1633 at the age of almost 60. Throughout his episcopacy, Laud advocated a return to Catholic thought and practices, resulting in an increasingly polarized atmosphere within the Church in England. This included the preference for the doctrine of free will in contrast with the strict predestination of Calvinism, the emphasis on the Sacraments, traditional ceremony and vestments, and a focus on the altar at the east end of the sanctuary, with *ad orientem* celebration of Prayer Book services. Laud also advocated clergy to play a more prominent public role.

After his imprisonment. Laud remained in the Tower for three years before facing trial. In March 1644, he was brought before the House of Lords, where the prosecution was led by William Prynne, a Puritan lawyer who had himself been held in the Tower by Laud's orders. The House of Lords adjourned without condemning Laud of treason and equally the House of Commons was unable to arrive at a vote for impeachment. Eventually, both houses of Parliament issued a special decree to condemn him, the House of Commons on 15 November 1644 and the House of Lords on 4 January 1645.

Like Charles, William Laud was committed to the episcopacy as the Dominically ordained order for the Church. He also believed in the centrality of the Mass and like Andrewes before him, held to the importance of confession before receiving the Sacrament. Both in life and in death, Archbishop Laud gave witness to the Catholic faith in the most turbulent of times within the Church in England.

- *The Rev'd Canon Jonathan J. D. Ostman, SSC, OL, Vice President – Devotional Programs*

The 36th Annual SKCM-AR Royal Martyr Day Mass

SOCIETY OF KING CHARLES THE MARTYR XXXVI ANNUAL SOLEMN MASS OF SAINT CHARLES, K.M.

11 a.m., Saturday, 26 January 2019

**You are invited to join us at
NASHOTAH HOUSE
Nashotah, Wisconsin USA**

*Buffet Luncheon reservations: \$25 by 18 January;
checks to "Nashotah House" - memo "SKCM"*

Send to Nashotah House at 2777 Mission Road, Nashotah, WI 53058 USA
Website: www.nashotah.edu ... Contact: 262-646-6520 or apryor@nashotah.edu

Luncheon reservation not required to attend Mass only

*Also note: those who desire to support the Mass financially may still do so if received
by 15 January. Please go to the Society website (www.skcm-usa.org)
and use the Society's PayPal account.*

Local Observances in North America

Our updated list of reported commemoration plans, in addition to the Society's own Annual Mass & Luncheon, follows. If there is an observance available to you, you are encouraged to be there; if not, you may want to contact your local church and see if there will be one of which the Society is not aware. The June *SKCM News* will include a report on all observances held, so if you want to be included in that report or desire to update your information please email membership@skcm-usa.org by 31 March:

ST. BARNABAS' ANGLICAN CHURCH (APA), DUNWOODY, GA: This parish will hold a special mass for the Royal Martyr on Wednesday 1/30 at 6:30 pm with celebration of his life and a reception to follow. For further information contact Bishop Chad Jones at bspchj@gmail.com or Scott Goodwin at scottgoodwin@hotmail.com.

OUR REDEEMER ANGLICAN CHURCH (ACC), MARIETTA, GA: We will celebrate Royal Martyr Day transferred to Thursday, January 31st at 6PM. Contact Fr. Beau McLaurin Davis at beaumcd@gmail.com or 770-378-4658.

ST. ANDREW'S ANGLICAN CHURCH (ACNA), VERSAILLES, KY: The Rev. Deacon J. Todd Renner will be saying Morning Prayer in honor of the Royal Martyr on Wednesday, 30 January 2019, at 07:00 EST. Please let him know at todd.renner@woodfordfinancial.net if you have any questions or need more information.

ST ANNE'S CHURCH (TEC), ANNAPOLIS, MD: There will be a Royal Martyr commemorative liturgy at Saturday, January 26th @ 10:00. Please contact Fr. Richardson Libby at ra235lby@gmail.com for further information.

GRACE & ST. PETER'S CHURCH (TEC), BALTIMORE, MD: At 6 p.m. on Wednesday, 30 January 2019, a Sung Mass will be celebrated at Grace & St. Peter's Church in Baltimore in remembrance of Charles Stuart, KM. The setting of the Ordinary will be William Byrd's Mass for Three Voices, offered by select members of the parish's choir, directed by Mr. David Lawrie. The celebrant and preacher will be the Rev. Christopher Pyles. The service will conclude with the offering of prayers at the King Charles the Martyr shrine in the rear of the nave. Other local Episcopal churches have been invited to attend, as well as the Ordinariate parish of Mt. Calvary. A reception will follow in the rectory dining room. Located in Baltimore's historic Mt. Vernon neighborhood, Grace & St. Peter's was the first brownstone church built in Baltimore in 1852. For further information please contact Fr. Pyles at cvpyles@aol.com.



ST. JOHN'S IN THE VILLAGE (TEC), NEW YORK, NY: The Eucharist will be celebrated at 6:15 pm on Wednesday, 30 January 2019 according to the rite of the Scottish Prayer Book, introduced (some might say unsuccessfully) by King Charles in 1637. The Celebrant will be the Rev. Graeme Napier MA (Oxon), sometime Chaplain of the Royal Stuart Society (UK). The Eucharist is followed by appropriate drinks and by a long-table dinner in St John's Gallery. The church address is 218 W 11th St, New York, NY 10014. Those interested in joining in the dinner are encouraged to RSVP by email to admin@stjvny.org or by phone at (212) 243-6192.

ST LUKE'S CHURCH (TEC), DURHAM, NC: This parish will observe Royal Martyr Day at 12:10 pm on Wednesday, January 30. Contact: Fr. Jim Craven at jbc64@mindspring.com.

ST. TIMOTHY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH (TEC), WINSTON-SALEM, NC: St Timothy's will celebrate the Feast of King Charles the Martyr with a sung mass on January 30 at 6pm. The mass setting will be from Palestrina's *Missa Brevis in F*. The celebrant and preacher will be the rector (and SKCM-AR president), Fr Steve Rice (email frsteve@sttimothys.ws).

ST. THOMAS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH (TEC), BEREA, OH: A 1979 BCP Rite I Low Mass will be offered at 8:00 AM on January 30th in honor of King Charles the Martyr at the Church of St. Thomas, Berea, OH where I am Rector. The address and phone number are as follows: St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 50 E Bagley Rd, Berea, OH 44017, [\(440\) 234-5241](tel:4402345241), Fr David R. Radzik, Rector, email dradzik85@gmail.com.

HOLY TRINITY ANGLICAN CHURCH (ACC), GREENVILLE, SC: This parish will offer a Low Mass, Wednesday, 16 January in observance of the Martyrdom of Blessed William Laud, Archbishop and Martyr at 7:00 p.m., and on Wednesday, 30th January there will be a Low Mass in observance of the Martyrdom of St. Charles, K & M, at 7:00 p.m. Fr. Lawrence C. Holcombe, Rector; contact at 1745Holcombe@gmail.com.

ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH (TEC), GREENVILLE, SC: This parish will observe and celebrate The Feast Day of Bl. Charles, King and Martyr on Wednesday, January 30th, 2019 with a 6:30 pm said mass. Fr Gary Eichelberger will preside and preach. Contact the church at 864-235-5884 or office@standrewsgreenville.org.

TENNESSEE CHAPTER: The chapter's local observance of Royal Martyr Day will be held on Coronation Day, SATURDAY, 2 FEBRUARY 2019 @ 11:00 AM at St. George's Episcopal Church, 4715



Harding Rd., Nashville. The chapter's chaplain, The Rev'd Roger Senechal, will be the celebrant and preacher. After the service we will have our meeting to conduct business and elect new members, followed by a luncheon at Dalts American Grill. If you know of anyone who might be interested in membership, please invite them to the event. Contact: <https://tnskcm.org> or gregsmithdtm@gmail.com.

HOLY CROSS ANGLICAN CHURCH (ACC), CLEVELAND, TX: This parish will have a Low Mass at noon on the 30th. Contact: The Ven. James G. Monroe at jimmon39@gmail.com.

ST. TIMOTHY'S ANGLICAN CHURCH (ACNA), FORT WORTH, TX: There will be a Mass at St. Timothy Church (ACNA) Fort Worth Texas on 30 January at 9:30 am. Contact the church at [\(817\) 536-7856](tel:817-536-7856) or Bishop Keith Ackerman, Vicar, at bishop@bishopkeithackerman.com.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST ANGLICAN CHURCH (DHC), MARSHALL, VA: This parish will celebrate a Mass at 10:00 AM on Royal Martyr Day, Wednesday, 30 January. For further information contact Fr Jonathan Ostman at fr.jjdostman@gmail.com.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH (TEC), RICHMOND, VA: This parish will be hosting an Annual Mass on Monday, January 28th at 6:00 pm. The church is located at 1101 Forest Avenue, Richmond, VA 23229. Fr. Steve Schlossberg will celebrate; John Alley will preach. Contact John Alley for further info at jalley@veritasschool.com.

Martyrdom Observances in Great Britain

We are pleased to share the following previews of Martyrdom Commemorations in Great Britain:

SOCIETY OF KING CHARLES THE MARTYR: Observance of the Feast of the Martyrdom: Wednesday 30th January 2019, **Banqueting House, Whitehall:** 11.40am Commemoration of S. Charles' Martyrdom at the entrance of the Banqueting House, followed by Noon Sung Mass with Veneration of the Relics inside the Banqueting House.

The Society's relics of S. Charles are placed upon the altar for the Mass and may be venerated and viewed after the service. A choir, usually from King's College, London sings at the Mass. The Banqueting House is where S. Charles was kept for several hours on the day of his decollation. It is a magnificent setting for the Mass: the architect was Inigo Jones and the ceiling adorned by the great paintings of Rubens.



The Society is very grateful to the Historic Royal Palaces for their permission to hold the Mass. Access to the Banqueting House for the commemoration and Mass is free of charge. The costs of the service are considerable and donations are gratefully received. SKCM also provides a bookstall after the Mass when materials are available. See www.skcm.org for further details on the SKCM in the UK.

ROYAL MARTYR CHURCH UNION: Eucharistic Commemorations in Great Britain in January and February 2019:



11.30 am, Thursday 31 January: **St Mary's Episcopal Cathedral, Palmerston Place, Edinburgh** - Solemn Eucharist: celebrant, the Very Reverend John Conway, Provost of Edinburgh; preacher, the Reverend Giles Dove, Chaplain of Glensalmond College.

11.30 am, Saturday 2 February (anniversary of King Charles's Westminster Coronation, 1626): **St Mark's, Regent's Park, London NW1** (new location - nearest Underground, Camden Town) - Solemn Eucharist with Candlemas ceremonies: celebrant, the Bishop of Southwark, the Right Reverend Christopher Chessun, President of the RMCU; preacher, the Reverend Marcus Walker, Rector of Great St Bartholomew, City of London.

Light refreshments after both services. For more information please contact David Roberts, Secretary and Treasurer of RMCU, at robertssopwellnunnery@btinternet.com.

ROYAL STUART SOCIETY: We will have our Service of the Commemoration of the Martyrdom of King Charles I on January 30th at 11.00am under the equestrian statue of the King in **Trafalgar Square**. The ceremony will be conducted by our Anglican Chaplain Father Alan Gyle. Our Chairman Lord Aylmer will lay a wreath. A piper and bugler will be in attendance. Wreaths will also be laid on behalf of the Memorial of Merit and the Crown of Stuart.

In the evening The Society will attend Choral Evensong at the **Queen's Free Chapel of St. George, Windsor Castle**. Lord Aylmer will lay a wreath over the royal vault during the service. Anyone wishing to attend should meet at the Castle main gate at 4.45.

On February 8th at 2.15 members and guests will assemble in **Westminster Abbey**. At 2.30 Canon Jamie Hawkey will conduct a short service of remembrance at the tomb of Queen Mary Stuart, a wreath will be laid by Lord Aylmer. This will be followed by our AGM at **St. Saviour's Church Pimlico** at 3.30pm.



Further details: contact Hugh Macpherson, Principal Secretary, Royal Stuart Society, at principal-secretary@royalstuartssociety.com.

KING CHARLES THE MARTYR ANNUAL LECTURE: If you are in England on the 26 January you may wish to attend the King Charles the Martyr annual lecture, which will take place at the Parish Church of King Charles the Martyr, London Road, Tunbridge Wells, Kent, TN1 1YX on Saturday 26th January 2018 at 2pm. This year's lecture entitled "The Cult of King Charles – the Tyrant King?" will be given

by Rev. Canon Prof. Mark D Chapman; Professor of Modern Theology at the University of Oxford and Vice Principal of Ripon College Cuddesdon. Admission is free: donations to the church are of course welcome. The lecture will be followed by tea (yes - this is England) in the church hall.

The Parish Church of King Charles the Martyr, London Road, Tunbridge Wells, Kent, TN1 1YX is near The Pantiles on the A26 London Road by its junction with the A267. The church hall is down a lane to the right of the church. There is limited parking [disabled only please] near the church hall but several car parks are within easy walking distance. The church is well worth a visit.

Thanks & Apologies

We thank three new **Life Members** who have joined since the 30 September 2018 timeline for the listing in the December *SKCM News* – Dr. Kenneth L. Grambihler of TN, Michael Popp of TN, and Gary T. Scott of DC. We also apologize to four continuing Life Members who did not get listed in that edition – Bp. Anthony Clavier, Fr. Richard Alton, Fr. W. Patrick Edwards, and William L. Younger, Jr. The June 2019 edition of the News will include a complete updated list, but in the meantime we wanted all concerned to know that you have not been forgotten!



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