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### **The Roman Catholic Diocese of Charleston honors volunteers on International Volunteer Day**

CHARLESTON, SC – Dec. 5 is International Volunteer Day. It's a day that acknowledges the efforts of volunteers who give their time to improve their community. The [Roman Catholic Diocese of Charleston](https://www.charlestdiocese.org/) wants to publicly honor and thank all South Carolina volunteers, especially those who volunteer in diocesan parishes, schools, and ministries.

[Catholic Charities of South Carolina](https://www.charlestdiocese.org/) is one of the diocesan organizations that depend on volunteers to fulfill its mission of helping those in need. The non-profit boasts 383 volunteers. They serve at locations across the state including Catholic Charities regional offices as well as in its [immigration legal services](https://www.charlestdiocese.org/), [Carter-May](https://www.charlestdiocese.org/) assisted living facility, [Clean of Heart](https://www.charlestdiocese.org/) laundry and shower ministry, and [Restorative Justice](https://www.charlestdiocese.org/) program.

“Thousands of South Carolinians depend on us,” said Lydia Doyle, executive director of Catholic Charities of South Carolina. “We could not serve them without our volunteers. They do so much for us, from helping in our food pantries, to doing laundry at Clean of Heart, to visiting the incarcerated in prison. Our volunteers are at the heart of everything we do.”

To learn more about Catholic Charities of South Carolina and its volunteer opportunities, go to <https://charitiessc.org/office-locations>.

#### **ABOUT THE ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF CHARLESTON**

Founded in 1820, the Roman Catholic Diocese of Charleston is comprised of 114 parishes and missions, 32 Catholic schools, and 350,000 people. It encompasses the state of South Carolina.

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