



St. Mary's Catholic Church



Greenville, South Carolina

18 January 2015

Dear Friends in Christ,

Several items for your consideration:

1. Our stewardship guidelines ask every household at St. Mary's to divide your biblical tithe in this way: 5% directly to the parish in the primary offertory, 1% directly to our Bishop in the Annual Appeal, and 4% to other charities of your choice. And I have a suggestion for one of those other charities:
2. Habitat for Humanity of Greenville has received a challenge gift from an anonymous donor in honor of Pope Francis. The unknown benefactor will contribute half the cost of building a new home if area churches can raise the other half in donations and labor, and as with all homes built by Habitat for Humanity, the beneficiary will be a local family in need who otherwise would never own a home. If you would like to make a donation of money or time, please be in direct touch with Habitat for Humanity by contacting Barbara Martin at barbara@habitatgreenville.org or 864.370.1458.
3. This week is the annual diocesan Convocation of Priests, and most of the area clergy will be in Charleston through Thursday afternoon. For this reason, we will not have our Wednesday afternoon Holy Hour or Confessions, and there is no Mass at noon this week. We will, however, continue to have Mass at 7 am from Monday through Friday.
4. From time to time, we are blessed to host Evensong at St. Mary's, and these celebrations are the work of the Community of St. Anselm, part of the Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of St. Peter - the pastoral structure created by Pope Benedict for Anglicans received into full communion with the Catholic Church. On Sunday 1 February at 5 pm, Father Chalmers will preside at a celebration of Evensong, and all are welcome to come and bring a friend to experience thirty minutes of beautiful music and peaceful prayer.
5. Lent begins this year on 18 February, just over a month away, and now is the time to think about a way to deepen your commitment to the Lord Jesus so that when Ash Wednesday arrives, you'll be ready to keep a holy Lent. One of the very best ways to make the 40 Days fruitful is to pray the Liturgy of the Hours, and that is why we will gather at 5 pm on each Sunday of Lent to sing Vespers, the Church's evening sacrifice of praise. Please plan now to make Sunday Vespers a central part of your lenten observance.

Father Newman



Habitat
for Humanity®
of Greenville County

Pope Francis Habitat Home Project

“Among our tasks as witnesses to the love of Christ is that of giving a voice to the cry of the poor.”

Pope Francis I

Address to the Archbishop of Canterbury, June 2013



An anonymous gift of \$60,000 has been given to help build a Habitat home in honor of Pope Francis I. Your help is needed to make this project a reality.

- The donor has requested that parishes in the Upstate match this effort by raising an additional \$40,000.
- Volunteers are needed to build the home. For information, please visit habitatgreenville.org/volunteer.



Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sunday, 18 January 2015

7.30 am ✱ Joseph A. Galasso
 9.00 am ✱ Argemira Palacio
 11.00 am Pro populo
 1.00 pm Spanish Mass

Monday, 19 January 2015

7.00 am ✱ Terry Rainey

Tuesday, 20 January 2015

7.00 am ✱ Cathy Smith
No 12.00 noon Mass

Wednesday, 21 January 2015

7.00 am Gabriel Boyd
No 12.00 noon Mass

Thursday, 22 January 2015

7.00 am Soraya Chackal
No 12.00 noon Mass

Friday, 23 January 2015

7.00 am Luis Carlos Restrepo

Saturday, 24 January 2015

5.00 pm ✱ Deceased Members /
 Eassy Family

Meetings & Events *

Sunday, 18 January 2015

K of C Breakfast: After all morning Masses
 (Macalka)
No 3 & 4 Year Olds class today
 Nursery during 9.00 Mass
 9.00 am Scripture Study
 6.00 pm High School Youth Group
 (McGrady)

Monday, 19 January 2015

6.30 pm Boy Scout Meeting
 (McGrady)
 6.30 pm Cub Scouts

Tuesday, 20 January 2015

1.00 pm Senior Men's Club

Wednesday, 21 January 2015

No Holy Hour & Confessions
 6.30-7.30 pm Religious Education
 6.30-7.30 pm RCIA

Thursday, 22 January 2015

2.30 pm Cenacles/Rosary
 3.30 pm Prayer Meeting

Friday, 23 January 2015

6.15 am Morning Prayer (church)
 6.30-8.00 am Pillars of Christ
 10.00 am Scripture Study Class
 3.10-4.45 pm Youth Choir Practice

Saturday, 24 January 2015

8.00-9.00 am Rosary at Grove Road
 abortion clinic
 3.30-4.30 pm Confessions (church)

* All events in Sacred Heart Hall
 unless a location is listed.

Financial Report

Weekend of 10/11 January

Needed	32,000
Received	28,590
Shortage	3,410

Poor Box	484
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Offertory Year to Date

Needed	928,000
Received	960,768
Surplus	32,768

Electronic Giving: If you want to have direct management of your Electronic Fund Transfer online, you can now do so through the "Manage Your EFT" link on the homepage of our website. For more information or if you have any questions please contact Jennifer Doiron at jennifer.doiron@stmarysgvl.org.



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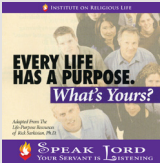
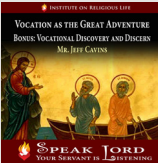
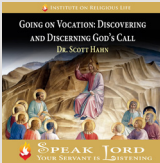
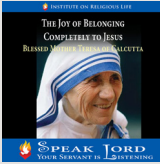
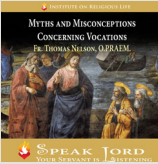
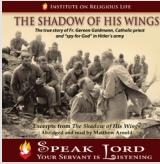
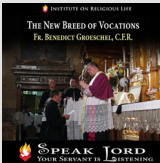
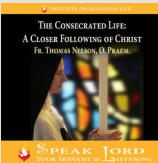
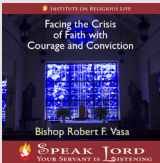
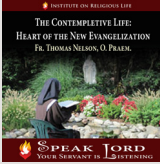
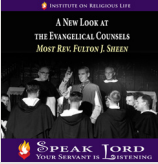
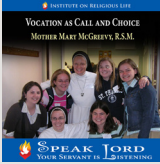
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www.stmarysgvl.org

Inspiring and informative presentations from the best Catholic speakers in the world for all those serious about discerning a possible vocation to the priesthood or consecrated religious life!

How It Works

- A twelve-month FREE SUBSCRIPTION is available to all young men and women (ages 13-35) who subscribe.
- A download of a new talk is provided every month for an entire year.
- Periodic emails will be sent providing helpful discernment resources, as well as notices for special events and other offers.
- Simply fill out the registration form found at www.LighthouseCatholicMedia.org/speakLord.

<p>First Month</p> <p>Every Life Has A Purpose. What's Yours? Dr. Rick Sarkisian</p> <p>A reflection on how the Lord has placed within each of us a unique, personal vocation and mission, and how to respond accordingly.</p> 	<p>Second Month</p> <p>Vocation As The Great Adventure Mr. Jeff Cavins</p> <p>Scripture instructor and Catholic revert shares how all Christians are called to embrace the great adventure on life's journey.</p> 	<p>Third Month</p> <p>Going On Vocation: Discovering and Discerning God's Call Dr. Scott Hahn</p> <p>A Biblically-based talk on the notion of "calling" as found in Scripture and within the various states of life within the Body of Christ.</p> 
<p>Fourth Month</p> <p>The Joy of Belonging Completely to Jesus Bl. Teresa of Calcutta</p> <p>A profound reflection on how living the evangelical counsels is the best way to give oneself completely to Christ.</p> 	<p>Fifth Month</p> <p>Myths & Misconceptions Concerning Vocations Fr. Thomas Nelson, O.PRAEM</p> <p>A practical guide designed to clarify the common misunderstandings regarding priestly and religious vocations.</p> 	<p>Sixth Month</p> <p>The Shadow of His Wings: The True Story of Fr. Gereon Goldmann</p> <p>This thrilling, true-life adventure is a powerful testimony to God's providence and the power of prayer amidst death and despair.</p> 
<p>Seventh Month</p> <p>The New Breed of Vocations Bonus: Answering the Master's Call Testimonies Fr. Benedict J. Groeschel, C.F.R.</p> <p>A closer examination of the types of young people today considering the priesthood and religious life.</p> 	<p>Eighth Month</p> <p>The Consecrated Life: A Closer Following of Christ Fr. Thomas Nelson, O.PRAEM</p> <p>A powerful reflection on how the vows of poverty, chastity and obedience lead to spiritual intimacy with Our Lord.</p> 	<p>Ninth Month</p> <p>Facing the Crisis of Faith with Courage and Conviction Bishop Robert Vasa</p> <p>Bishop Vasa courageously implores us to meet this difficult time with conviction and ardor.</p> 
<p>Tenth Month</p> <p>The Contemplative Life Heart of the New Evangelization Fr. Thomas Nelson, O.PRAEM.</p> <p>Rather than being a "waste of a life," a life dedicated to prayer is really the foundation of the Church's evangelization efforts.</p> 	<p>Eleventh Month</p> <p>A New Look at the Evangelical Counsels Most Rev. Fulton J. Sheen</p> <p>Why those professing the evangelical vows serve as visible witnesses to Christ in our turbulent times.</p> 	<p>Twelfth Month</p> <p>Vocation as Call & Choice Mother Mary McGreevy, R.S.M.</p> <p>How one called to the consecrated life must look deeply within oneself to foster a personal loving relationship with Our Lord.</p> 

Prayer Requests

Please pray for all those who are hospitalized and for all those who are shut-ins, ill or recuperating at home, especially Alan Howard, Alice Howard, Ronald Labbe, Andrew Brett, Cassandra Gomes, Paulina Cruz, Brett Gervais, Judy Byrum, Charles Moran, Susan Sullivan and Gary Blanton.

St. Mary's Prayer Chain Ministry

St. Mary's Prayer Chain is a network of parishioners who receive prayer requests by telephone and then pray for those requests. Please call the office at 864.271.8422, ext 127 to submit your requests. Information received will be kept confidential.

Requiescat in pace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Tommy Tomlin, Jr. who died recently. We extend our prayers and sympathy to his family and friends.

Prayer For The Faithful Departed

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls, and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Welcome Newcomers

We welcome the following new member to our parish family: Mr. & Mrs. John Sharkey, Mr. John Bruno, Mr. & Mrs. Nickolas Cwian, Mr. & Mrs. Thierry deMontalembert and Mr. & Mrs. Rick Popillo.

Knights of Columbus Breakfast



The K. of C. Monthly Breakfast is scheduled for **Sunday 18 January** in Macalka Dining Room after all the morning Masses.

All are welcome to share breakfast with the parish family.

Menu Items:

A variety of Danish and Fresh Hot Southern Biscuits
Crisp Bacon and Mild Savory Sausage
Homemade Omelets
Vegetable, Bacon, Sausage, and Gluten Free Quiche
Scrambled Eggs, Eggs Benedict, Pancakes, and Grits
Top it off with Hot fresh-made Pepper Southern Gravy

PARISH NEWS

Collection for 17/18 January

Support of the Parish & Catholic Miscellany

Office Closure

The church office will be closed on Monday 19 January for Martin Luther King Day.

Schedule Change for 19-22 January

Priests in the Diocese of Charleston will be attending the Convocation in Charleston from Monday through Thursday, 19-22 January. There will be no 12.00 noon Mass this week and no Holy Hour/Confessions on Wednesday.

2014 Tax Statements

Tax statements are available upon request. Please call Vickie Acosta in the church office at 679.4100 if you would like a copy of your contribution statement for 2014. Please allow us several days to process and mail your statement. Thank you.

Culture of Life

The Culture of Life, together with Birthright of Greenville, wish to thank our parishioners at St. Mary's for their very generous contribution toward the annual Baby Bottle Boomerang Campaign this year. Your commitment to this program is heartwarming, and your generosity helps to save the lives of many babies. So again, thank you very much and God bless you!

Pray the Rosary for the Unborn

Rosary of the Unborn (rain or shine) at the abortion facility at 1142 Grove Road from 8 - 9 am every Saturday morning.

Bulletin Submissions

To submit items for the e-bulletin, contact Lisa Watkins at lisa.watkins@stmarysgvl.org. The deadline for items is 12 days prior to the bulletin date.



CATHOLIC DAYS



AT THE CAPITOL

January 28th | 8 a.m. - noon

South Carolina State House and Blatt Building Room 102
Hosted by South Carolina Catholic Conference
\$20 per person

Join Catholics from across South Carolina as they gather in Columbia for Catholic Days at the Capitol, January 28, 2015. This annual event provides an opportunity to put into action our faith's call to political responsibility and gives Catholics a voice in shaping our state laws.

Registration required: visit sccatholicconference.org for details.

Family Honor Program *Real Love & Real Life*

11, 18 & 25 March 2015

6.30-8.45 pm

St. Mary's will host Real Love & Real Life for parents and their 7th, 8th, & 9th graders. Topics include: communication skills, chastity, dating and marriage, true self worth, fertility appreciation, friendships and lots more. Most importantly, this program gives you focused time with your child to talk about some of the most important topics in life. Pre-registration is required. Registration deadline is 27 February 2015. Register online with Family Honor at familyhonor.org/programs/find-a-family-honor-program-near-you/

Come and See

Wanting to deepen your faith and prayer life? Drawn to the Carmelite saints and spirituality? The Lay Carmelite Community of Greenville invites interested Catholic men and women to come to their next meeting on Saturday 7 February following the 9 am Mass at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, 8 Gillin Drive, Simpsonville. For more information, contact Carolyn 864.320.7889 or Jan 864.287.5495.

Hear the Author of the book that is "Rocking the Catholic World"



Sherry Weddell to speak at St. Mary Magdalene Parish Saturday 21 February 2015, 8.30 am - 4 pm

This *Forming Intentional Disciples* conference will be an eye-opener to the biggest problem facing the Church today, and at the same time will clearly offer a solution: how we can form disciples in our postmodern culture, and transform our parishes as we do so.

It's a wonderful opportunity for parish staff, lay leaders and anyone interested in making the New Evangelization come to life in their parish.

This important conference is open to all Catholics in the Upstate. Registration is required.

To learn more and to register, go to St. Mary Magdalene's website at smmcc.org. Both online and downloadable mail-in registration is available on this website. There is a \$15 fee which includes lunch.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Religious Education Grades 1-8

Classes for grades 1-8 meet on
Wednesday 6.30-7.30 pm.

Sunday Mornings for 3 & 4 Year Olds

No class on 18 January.

Nine Days of Prayer, Penance and Pilgrimage 17-26 January

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops has called us to Nine Days of Prayer, beginning 17 January, so that, together we may be united in our common belief that all human life is sacred, created in the image and likeness of God and must be cared for and protected with tenderness and warmth. If you would like to participate in this prayer effort, please visit www.9daysforlife.com.



Why John Paul II is a Saint

George Weigel, a TV commentator, columnist, and biographer of St. John Paul II will be presenting "Why John Paul II is a Saint: The Family and Religious Freedom" on 13 February 2015 from 7-9 pm at The Harbour Club 35 Prioleau Street Charleston as a fundraiser for SC families with difficult pregnancies. Tickets are \$50.00 per person, \$75.00 per couple. For more information or to register please email Michael Acquilano at MAcquilano@catholic-doc.org or call the Family Life Office at 843.547.5063.

Make checks to Diocese of Charleston-Family Life, write "difficult pregnancies" in memo line. Mail checks to: Diocese of Charleston, Attn: Michael Acquilano, 1662 Ingram Road, Charleston, SC 29412.



st. mary's catholic school

2014-2015
The Year of Charity



Virtue of the Month

**Fortitude: being brave and strong
in the face of trials**

Saints of the Month

K3-2nd Grade: St. Bernadette

Grades 3-5: St. Joan of Arc

Grades 6-8: St. Paul Miki & Companions



Joan is asked : Do you know if you are in the grace of God? "If I am not, may God place me there; if I am, may God so keep me. I should be the saddest in all the world if I knew that I were not in the grace of God."

Sir John Everett Millais (1829-1896). *Joan of Arc*.

www.stmarysgvl.org/our-school



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2015-2016 Admissions Testing

St. Mary's School has begun the 2015-2016 new family application process for grades K3-8. Admissions testing is required for grades K5-8 and the priority testing dates are:

Saturday 24 January at 9.00 am

Saturday 28 February at 9.00 am

Applications and registration for testing are required.

Please see our website for more information:

www.stmarysgvl.org/our-school/admission-overview/

or

contact Nelle Palms, Director of Admissions
at nelle.palms@stmarysgvl.org or 864.679.4117

St. Mary's Ducks Basketball

(Home games in bold)

		Girls	Boys
20 January	Christ Church	4.00 pm	5.15 pm
22 January	Hampton Park	4.00 pm	5.15 pm

School Spotlight - Catholic Schools Week

During the last week of January, the diocese of Charleston celebrates National Catholic Schools Week. During Catholic Schools Week 2015, the community of St. Mary's is preparing for the World Meeting of Families (WMOF) with Pope Francis in September. The WMOF includes a week of presentations at the convention center in Philadelphia (registration required) followed by the Festival of Families with Pope Francis on Saturday 26 September and the Papal Mass on Sunday 27 September (open to the public). For more information about the WMOF, please visit www.worldmeeting2015.org.

St. Mary's Catholic Schools Week theme, in conjunction with the World Meeting of Families, is "Love is Our Mission: The Family Fully Alive." During the week, students, parents, faculty, and staff will have special activities which focus on our mission to the world and our mission in each of our particular roles as parents, students, and educators.



Tradition - Virtue - Excellence



Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

The next Rachel's Vineyard Retreat will be in the Columbia area on 13-15 March. The retreat is very helpful in sorting out feelings and thoughts about an abortion experience so that healing can occur.

For more information, contact Christy 803.554.6088 or Kathy 803.546.6010 or grace4healing@gmail.com. The retreat is confidential and non-judgmental. This is the time.



stclareshomesc.org

PERPETUAL EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

St. Mary Magdalene

A key card is required to enter the chapel. If you would like to sign up as an adorer or regular visitor, or just visit for the day, please come to the St. Mary Magdalene parish office Monday - Friday, between 9.00 am and 3.30 pm.

Prince of Peace

Please contact Tom O'Donnell (POP parishioner and Guild coordinator) at 864.610.0588 if you would like to take one of these hours.

Hours in need of an adorer

Monday 4 am
Wednesday 2 am
Thursday 1 am
Friday 12 am, 4 am & 12 pm
Saturday 3 am

FROM THE DIOCESE

Marriage Celebration Mass

The Diocese of Charleston Anniversary Family Life Office is sponsoring the Marriage Celebration Mass with Most Reverend Robert Guglielmone, on 15 February at St. Peter Church in Columbia, SC at 3.00 pm. There is a form at www.sccatholic.org/family-life or contact FamilyLife@catholic-doc.org.

World Meetings of Families

The Diocese of Charleston Office of Family Life is organizing a trip that will include transportation and lodging from 21-28 September 2015. Registrations must be done by the individual or family online at worldmeeting2015.org/. Please contact the Office of Family Life if you have any questions or would like to be a part of the diocesan trip by emailing FamilyLife@catholic-doc.org or calling the office at 803.547.5063.

Guatemalan Gala

Most Reverend Bishop Robert E. Guglielmone requests your presence at the Guatemalan Gala for the benefit of the Clinic in San Pedro on Saturday 28 February @ 6.30pm at Blessed Sacrament Church (5 Saint Teresa Dr., Charleston, SC 29407). Join us for an evening of music and mingling, dinner and learning more about the Diocese of Charleston's missionary work in Guatemala. Dress is Cocktail Attire. **To Purchase Tickets:** Contact Teresa Garcia at 843.531.5540 or tgarcia@catholic-doc.org or visit our website: sccatholic.org/guatemalangala.



Website: www.charlestonvocations.com

Facebook: Charleston Vocations

Phone: 1.800.660.4102

Discernment Retreat

The Vocations Office of the Diocese of Charleston is hosting a discernment retreat for men (Ages 18-49) on 6-8 February at White Oak Conference Center, Winnsboro SC. If you are interested in learning more about Christian discipleship, discernment, and the different vocations of the church, please consider this retreat. Registration is now open!





All young adults (18-39)
are welcomed & encouraged to join
our ministry whose mission is to help
young adults answer the universal call to holiness.

STUDY

Women's Book Study

Tuesdays beginning 20 January
St. Francis Eastside - Room 201

Father Karol Wojtyla (Pope John Paul II) published *Love and Responsibility* in 1960, the fruit of his pastoral work, particularly among young people. His analysis of the true meaning of human love is life-transforming and practical, shedding light on real issues between men and women.

Edward Sri unpacks the contents of this great work, making it accessible to every reader. The author emphasizes the down-to-earth nature of *Love and Responsibility*, helping readers appropriate practical information.

Discussion led by Lorena R and Christina C. Questions? Call Christina - 443.986.5945 or Lorena - 843.833.3820.

Lucis Via Winter Bible Study

The Gospel of Mark

St. Mary's Catholic Church
Downstairs in Sacred Heart Hall
Mondays from 7.00 - 8.30 pm
January to March

*Please plan to bring your Bible; many folks
use the Ignatius Study Bible. Readings/
homework will be assigned.*

Giovanni Calise

"From Clubs to Christ"

Friday 23 January 2015
7.30 pm at Local Cue
30 Orchard Park Drive, Suite 7
Greenville, SC 29615

RSVP on the Facebook event.

National speaker Giovanni C. will share his testimony about why he left the nightclub industry and a \$100,000 job to follow Christ.



FELLOWSHIP

18 January - Monthly Lunch at Liberty Tap Room (941 S Main St, Greenville, South Carolina 29601) at 1.00 pm. Claudia W will be your hostess.

29 January - Women's Rosary Group. Join other LVG women in praying the rosary! Bring an hors d'oeuvres to share and enjoy wine provided by the hostess. The location of the event is the home of Hannah T. To get the exact address, contact Hannah at 805.750.5663.

March - Salsa Lessons. Join us for an evening of Salsa lessons with Angel and Annie at the gym at Prince of Peace Catholic Church. Lessons will begin at 8pm on: 3, 10, 16, 24, and 31 March (all Tuesdays with 1 Monday). Wear comfortable, slippery-soled shoes!

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<https://www.facebook.com/CatholicYAMS>



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