



Saint Mary's Catholic Church



Greenville South Carolina

from the pastor

Dear Friends in Christ,

A few items for your attention:

1. Our 114 year old parish school is truly outstanding, and we most often receive recognition of the school's quality for academic achievement. We are, for example, the only Blue Ribbon Middle School in the Upstate. But in this current school year, the recognition of excellence also comes to our athletic program. Our Girls Volleyball Team, Girls Basketball Team, and Boys Basketball Team were all undefeated in both regular season and post-season play, and all three teams won first place in both local league tournaments and the statewide diocesan tournaments. Congratulations to our victorious student athletes and to their dedicated coaches, Megan Soulsby and Willis Holliday, for a job so very well done. Go Ducks!
2. We will have four Masses for Ash Wednesday: 7 am, 12 noon, and 7 pm in the church and 7 pm in Spanish in the gym. Ashes will be distributed at all four Masses, and everyone without exception is welcome to receive the imposition of ashes during Mass. There will not, however, be distribution of ashes outside of Mass at any time on Wednesday.
3. Please refer back to my bulletin columns of the past two Sundays for suggestions on how to make a Plan of Life for Lent. Let's use these 40 Days of Fasting, Prayer, and Almsgiving in loving and creative ways to prepare for a worthy and fruitful celebration of the Passover of the Lord on Easter Sunday. Our goal should always be to follow the Lord Jesus more perfectly through radical conversion, deep fidelity, joyful discipleship and courageous evangelism.
4. We have known for several weeks that water is finding a path into the left wall of the sanctuary arch and causing the plaster to bubble and the paint to discolor in one section of the arch. We have not repaired the small amount of damage in the church because we could not find the source of the water with any certainty, but I believe we are close to finding and isolating the leak now. Once we ascertain the cause of the problem and the nature and extent of the needed repairs, we will move with speed to put things in order and restore the damaged plaster and paint.
5. In 2002 we restored the interior of the church for the 150th anniversary of the founding of this parish, but that was twelve years ago and our church has been in constant use every day since then. In the next few weeks, I will be identifying several capital projects that need to be undertaken in the coming months to preserve the interior of our church as a place of singular beauty and peace. Please begin to think now about your gift to the 2014 capital campaign for St. Mary's.

Father Newman

MASS SCHEDULE FOR ASH WEDNESDAY, 5 MARCH 2014

Ashes will be distributed at all liturgies.

7.00 am	Mass (church)
12.00 noon	Mass (church)
7.00 pm	Solemn Mass (church)
7.00 pm	Spanish Mass (gym)

Ashes may be received by everyone without exception.

WAY OF THE CROSS

Fridays of Lent, beginning 7 March

6.00 pm	English (church)
7.00 pm	Spanish (church)

VESPERS

Sundays of Lent, beginning 9 March

5.00 pm	English (church)
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LENTEN REGULATIONS 2014

Each year the holy season of Lent provides us a special time of grace and spiritual renewal so that we may become better instruments in sharing the Gospel.

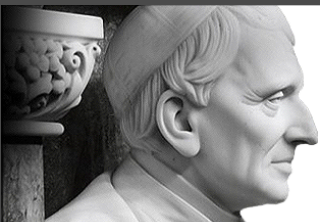
This year, **Ash Wednesday**, the beginning of Lent, falls on 5 March. The present laws of the Church regarding fast and abstinence during the Season of Lent are as follows:

1. **Ash Wednesday** and **Good Friday** are days of **fast**. On days of fast, one full meal is allowed. Two lesser meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted. Catholics who have completed their 18th year are bound by this law until the beginning of their 60th year.
2. **Ash Wednesday** and all **Fridays** of Lent are also days of **abstinence**. On days of abstinence, meat should not be eaten at any meal. The law of abstinence binds all Catholics who have completed their 14th year.

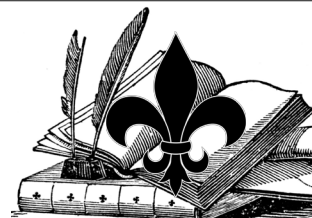
The Obligation to observe, as a whole or "substantially," the penitential days specified by the Church is a serious obligation. The Code of Canon Law states:

"On these days (of Penance), the faithful are in a special manner to devote themselves to prayer, to engage in works of piety and charity, to deny themselves, by fulfilling their obligations more faithfully and especially by observing the fast and abstinence..."

May this Holy Lenten Season provide us an opportunity for deepening our faith, hope and love through a life of deeper prayer, penitential practices, and works of charity.



The St. Mary's
Program of Catholic Studies
presents



The Life and Thought of Blessed John Henry Newman

~ WITH ~

Father Jay Scott Newman
Pastor of St. Mary's Catholic Church

Event Location:
St. Mary's Catholic Church
Downtown Greenville
McGrady Hall
(the church undercroft)

Thursday
6 March
@ 6.30 pm

For More Information Contact T.J. Nielsen | Timothy.Nielsen@stmarysgvl.org | 864.679.4114

Podcasts on itunes &
<http://www.stmarysgvl.org/discipleship/program-of-catholic-studies>

Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sunday, 2 March 2014

7.30 am ✱ Francis M. Quinn
 9.00 am Ann Kraeger
 11.00 am Pro populo
 1.00 pm Spanish Mass

Monday, 3 March 2014

7.00 am ✱ Delmer F. Quackenbush, Jr.

Tuesday, 4 March 2014

7.00 am ✱ Ana Arroyave
 12.00 noon ✱ Members of the Bomian Family

Wednesday, 5 March 2014

Ash Wednesday
 7.00 am Lucia Nielsen
 12.00 noon Peter Esser Family
 7.00 pm Pro populo

Thursday, 6 March 2014

7.00 am ✱ Mary Lanzzone Smith
 12.00 noon ✱ James T. Mooney, Sr.

Friday, 7 March 2014

7.00 am ✱ Emily Rose Gomes

Saturday, 8 March 2014

5.00 pm ✱ Elizabeth Perelli

Meetings & Events *

Sunday, 2 March 2014

Coffee & donuts: After the 9.00 am Mass
 Nursery during 9.00 & 11.00 am Masses

9.00 am 3 & 4 Year Olds (K4 classroom of Sacred Heart Hall)
 9.00 am Scripture Study
 10.10 am Morning Prayer (McGrady)
 6.00 pm High School Youth Group (McGrady)
 6.00 pm Women of Grace

Monday, 3 March 2014

6.30 pm Boy Scout Meeting (McGrady)

Tuesday, 4 March 2014

1.00 pm Senior Men's Club

Wednesday, 5 March 2014

5.00-6.00 pm Holy Hour & Confessions (church)
 No Religious Education or RCIA

Thursday, 6 March 2014

3.00 pm Cenacles/Rosary
 4.00 pm Prayer Meeting
 6.30 pm Program of Catholic Studies (McGrady)

Friday, 7 March 2014

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
 6.00 pm Way of the Cross (E/c)
 7.00 pm Way of the Cross (S/c)

Saturday, 8 March 2014

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

Financial Report

Weekend of 22/23 Feb.

Needed	31,500
Received	25,458
Deficit	6,042

Poor Box	438
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Offertory Year to Date

Needed	1,071,000
Received	1,077,325
Surplus	6,325

Electronic Giving: To sign up or to receive more information, please contact Pat Perkins in the church office at 864.679.4109 or pat.perkins@stmarysgvl.org.

St. Mary's Accepts Credit Cards: To make your gift for the Regular Offertory Collection and Fund Drive for the Future using MasterCard, Visa or American Express, please call Pat Perkins at 864.679.4109 for the authorization form.



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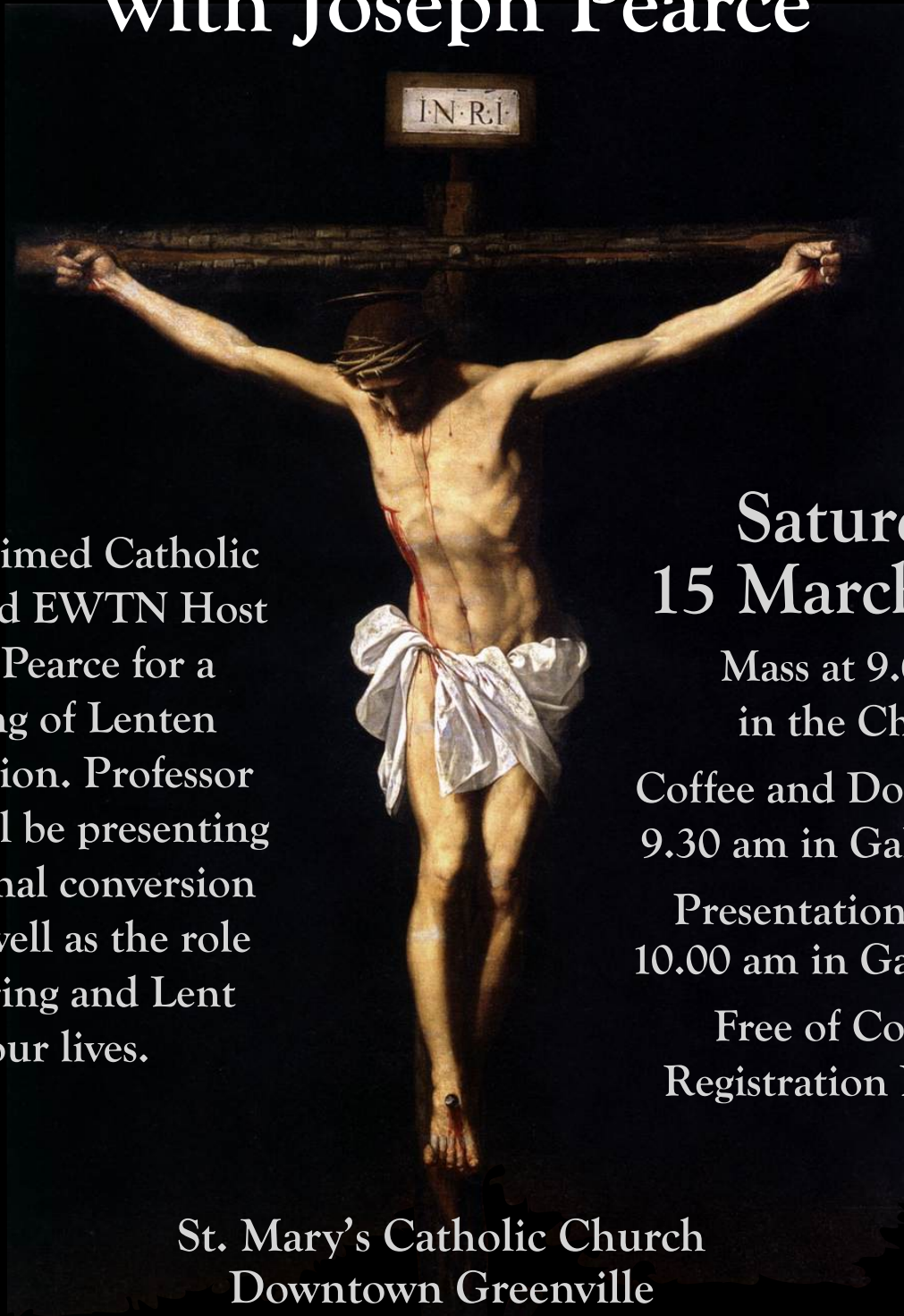
E - English / S - Spanish
 c - church

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

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Presents

A Lenten Day of Recollection with Joseph Pearce



Join acclaimed Catholic author and EWTN Host Joseph Pearce for a morning of Lenten Recollection. Professor Pearce will be presenting his personal conversion story as well as the role of suffering and Lent in our lives.

Saturday
15 March 2014

Mass at 9.00 am
in the Church

Coffee and Doughnuts at
9.30 am in Gallivan Hall

Presentation starts at
10.00 am in Gallivan Hall

Free of Cost, but
Registration Required

St. Mary's Catholic Church
Downtown Greenville

www.stmarysgvl.org

Please Contact T.J. Nielsen:

timothy.nielsen@stmarysgvl.org or 864.679.4114 to register

PARISH NEWS

Catholic Fellowship

You are invited to join The Catholic Fellowship program that facilitates the development of Christian community within the adult population of parishioners by coordinated regular scheduled dinners in homes of volunteers. For more information, or if you would like to participate, call Judy Lema, 884.9853.

Pray the Rosary

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

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, Gordon Gibbs, Mike McGrady, Ronald Labbe, Stephen Urban, Cassandra Gomes, Andrew Brett, Paulina Cruz and Patricia Ridgeway, Lorraine Beauchemin and John Narduzzi.

Vacation Bible School

Looking for a way to get involved? We are still looking for a Craft and Games Leader. Materials are provided. If you are interested, please contact Kayla Weston at kaylalee97@hotmail.com or 864.320.0100.

Welcome Newcomers

We welcome the following new members to our parish family: Mr. & Mrs. John Sudnick and Mr. & Mrs. John Armentrout.

2013 Tax Statements

Please call Vickie Acosta in the church office at 679.4100 if you would like a copy of your contribution statement for 2013. Statements will be issued only upon request.

Please allow us several days to process and mail your statement. Thank you.

St. Mary's Senior Fellowship

Our mission is to provide fellowship to members of St. Mary's Catholic Church who are 65 years or older. Join us Saturday 8 March at 12.00 noon in Sacred Heart Hall to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. Bring a dish or dessert to share. New friends are welcome! For more information, contact Patricia Wellham at 864.294.9270.

Women of the Parish:

You are invited to join us for a Day of Reconciliation at the Monastery of St. Clare, 33 McCauley Road, Travelers Rest, SC 29690 on Tuesday 11 March. Our day will begin with Mass, celebrated by Brother Henry Fulmer, OFM, at 9.00 am in the Chapel. A discussion session will follow in the retreat house, La Foresta, until noon. Limited seating. Please bring a brunch food to share and a little extra to leave for the nuns at the Monastery. Contact President Peggy Moulton at peggym4644@aol.com or 864.386.2309 for questions.

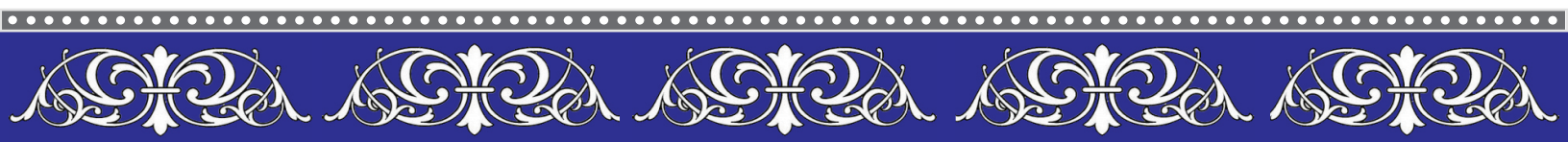
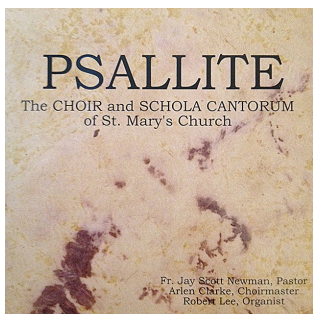
Congratulations to

Andrew Christopher Hill and Matthew Nadeem Armaly who were baptized last weekend.

St. Mary's Choir CD

The newest St. Mary's Choir CD complimentary recording, PSALLITE is available to all families of the St. Mary's community (one per family). If you wish to have extra copies to give to friends and colleagues, please make a donation to St. Mary's for each CD you need.

Please see the choirmaster or any member of the choirs after each Mass. They will be delighted to help out.



WOMEN OF ST. MARY'S
WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US:

St. Mary's Women's Club
Annual Day of Recollection

At

The Franciscan Monastery of St. Clare
33 McCauley Road, Travelers Rest, SC 29690

Date: Tuesday, 11 March 2014
Celebrant/Speaker: Brother Henry Fulmer, OFM
9:00 AM: Mass at Chapel in Monastery
10:00AM: Move to retreat house, La Foresta on property (space limited to 40 people*)
10:20 AM: Session with Brother Fulmer
11:45 AM: Brunch

PLEASE BRING A BRUNCH FOOD AND A LITTLE EXTRA TO SHARE WITH THE SISTERS AT THE MONASTERY.

Directions: Hw. 25N to Right onto Tigerville Road,
3rd Left onto Shelton Road,
1st Right onto McCauley Road.
Monastery is on the left. Enter front doors to Chapel.

*Reply to Peggy at
peggym4644@aol.com or
864-386-2309 for seat.



Photos from 2013 with Fr. Romanoski.



40 Hours Devotion Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church 9-11 March

Join us as we gather for 40 continuous hours before Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament to pray publicly and privately for a greater respect for the sanctity of human life. Come for a short visit with Our Lord or stay as long as you like. Adoration will begin after the 5.00 pm Sunday Mass and conclude on Tuesday at 10.00 am with a procession, benediction, and final reposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Our special guest will be Father Denis Wilde from the Priests for Life. He will celebrate Mass at 5.00 and then open the 40 Hours Devotion with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and a powerful homily on the sanctity of life. Daily Mass will be celebrated at the regular time on Monday and Tuesday. Deacon Ballard will close the 40 hours on Tuesday at 10.00 am.

During the 40 Hour Devotion, there will be Bible readings, the Rosary for Life, the Divine Mercy and Infant of Prague Chaplets, Litanies, Lives of the Saints, pre-recorded music, and time for personal prayer. A schedule of hourly events can be emailed to participants.

This event is open to all. To sign up for an hour or more, contact Victoria Norris at 864.967.2713 or gynorris@charter.net.

Secular Franciscan Lenten Retreat

Our Lady of Good Counsel Fraternity will host a Lenten retreat at St. Anthony of Padua parish hall, 307 Gower Street, on Saturday 15 March from 9.00 am to 3.30 pm. Open to all at no cost. Speakers, Stations of the Cross, Mass and confession included. Contact Alice Ramos, OFS at 864.246.1684 or lekceorha@att.net.

Perpetual Adoration

Prince of Peace Parish in Taylors, SC wishes to extend a warm invitation to all area parishioners to become members of our perpetual adoration Guild of St. Thomas Aquinas. 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 2 pm
Tuesday 1 am & 4 pm
Wednesday 1 pm
Thursday 2pm
Saturday 3 am
Sunday 8 am & 11 am

Spring Women's Discernment Retreat

April 11-13, 2014

White Oak Conference Center, Winnsboro, SC

The Lord has a vocation for each of us. He calls us into different vocations within the Church and he leads us closer to himself. If you're a single Catholic woman, ages 18-49, and are ready to explore the Lord's call in your life - this retreat is for you!

Registration is now open! Visit CharlestonVocations.com for information and to sign up online, or contact the Office of Vocations at 1.800.660.4102.

Pilgrimage to EWTN and Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament

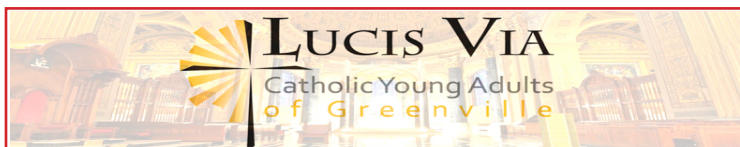
Blessed Trinity Catholic Church in Greer announces the plan for a pilgrimage to EWTN and the Divine Mercy Sunday celebration at the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament in Alabama from 25-27 April. This pilgrimage will focus on asking for His Mercy, being merciful to others, and completely trusting in Jesus. Price of trip: \$270 (double occupancy), \$320 (single occupancy) includes transportation, lodging at St. Bernard Abbey Retreat Center, Ave Maria Grotto and 9 meals. **Register by 11 April.** For more information, please call at 864.879.4225 or visit www.blessedtrinitysc.com.



2nd Annual Greenville St. Patrick's Parade



The Ancient Order of Hibernians, an Irish Catholic fraternal organization is marking the feast of St. Patrick by holding its Second Annual St. Patrick's Parade on Saturday 8 March beginning at 12.00 noon. We are expecting a wide range of participation from throughout the Upstate to join us in beautiful downtown Greenville to share in the St. Patrick's spirit. The parade route will be primarily along Main Street from Coffee Street to Broad Street. In this year's parade we have an entire section devoted to Irish families from the Upstate area. We would love to invite you to participate and represent your "Irish Heritage".



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.

Learn about our upcoming events:

Check www.lvgreenville.com

Email lvgreenville@gmail.com

Call 864.266.8843

Thursdays: Adoration at 7.00 pm at Prince of Peace

Mondays: Join us in the St Francis Eastside Hospital 125 Commonwealth Drive Greenville, SC 29615. We meet in Room 201 except on the 2nd Monday of the month when we'll meet in the Chapel. Class starts at 7:00 pm.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

We would like to reach out to individuals who have had or participated in an abortion. We can experience the saving power of Jesus Christ and the forgiveness that He extends to all of us by exploring His forgiveness and mercy on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat. Our next retreat is 28-30 March in the Charleston area. For more information please contact Christy at 803.554.6088 or Grace4Healing@gmail.com.

Knights of Columbus - 4th Degree Assembly 1073 Lenten Fish Dinners

Come join us for our Lenten Fish Dinners beginning on Friday 7 March at the Knights of Columbus Council Home at 762 Mauldin Road. Doors open at 6.30. Cost is \$10 for adults, \$6 for kids 6-12, kids under 6 eat free. Seniors only pay \$9. Family rate with 3+ kids under 12 is \$35. Enjoy great food and fellowship at the Knights of Columbus this Lent. Contact Eric Bricco at embricco@gmail.com or 884.2617 for more information.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Sunday Mornings for 3 & 4 Year Olds

Class meets Sunday at 9.00 am in the K-4 classroom in Sacred Heart Hall.

Religious Education Grades 1-8

No classes this Wednesday 5 March,
Ash Wednesday.
Families attend Mass at 7.00 pm.

Vacation Bible School 2014

Cool Kingdom Party: Mary Leads Me Closer to Jesus will be the week of 16-20 June from 9 am to noon.

FIFTH DAY Overview: **Theme:** Build the Kingdom of God on Earth. **Saint:** Blessed Mother Teresa. **Virtue:** Joy.

Registration forms for families, teen volunteers and adult volunteers are now available on the parish website at stmarysgvl.org under the Family & Youth tab or in Sacred Heart Hall or the Church office.

We are now looking for adult volunteers; if you are interested please contact Kayla Weston at kaylalee97@hotmail.com or 864.320.0100.



SAINT MARY'S SCHOOL

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SAVE THE DATE:

St. Mary's 26th Annual Golf Gala
Friday 30 May

This exciting event is not only an excellent way to support our school, but a very fun day with parents and faculty! Information regarding purchasing tickets to the Evening with St. Mary's (Gala) will be coming soon. Registration and information for the golf tournament during the day are available in the Golf Classic section of the school website.

Spirit Night @ Sully's Steamers

Mark your calendars! Saint Mary's PTO will be hosting the last Spirit Night of the school year at Sully's Steamers on Friday 28 February from 3.00-7.00 pm. Come on by right after school to get something to eat and enjoy the company of our school community! St. Mary's PTO will earn a portion of the sales revenue.

Sully's Steamers is located in downtown Greenville at 6 East Washington Street, and is owned and operated by a St. Mary's School Family. Visit www.SullysSteamers.com to see their menu.



St. Mary's School Testing

The third testing date will be held Wednesday 19 March at St. Mary's School. The deadline to register is Wednesday 12 March.

The fourth testing date will be held Wednesday 12 April at St. Mary's School. The deadline to register is Wednesday 4 April.

Please contact Nelle Palms for more information at 864.679.4117 or nelle.palms@stmarysgvl.org.

Lend a Hand this Lent

Through prayer and fasting we come to a deeper understanding that the needs of all are the responsibility of all in the Body of Christ. This Lent consider a gift to Catholic Charities to support them in their mission to provide care and services to improve the lives of South Carolinians in need. Catholic Charities assists our Brothers and Sisters through Case Management, Counseling, Senior Services, Financial Assistance, Immigration Services and the Save-a-Smile Denture program.

In 2013, 1611 Families received assistance and 5929 individuals received benefits, services and assistance through the programs of Catholic Charities. Due to the generosity of those who share in this mission, Catholic Charities was able to provide these services. Most importantly, 100% of your donations remain in the Upstate and are tax deductible. So this Lent, join Catholic Charities as they love and serve Christ. If you would like to help, please contact Catholic Charities at 864.242.2233 ext. 2629 or send your contribution to: Catholic Charities, 204 Douthit Street, Greenville, SC 29601



Opening Rally

Please join others across the Upstate on Saturday 8 March at 9:30 am for the Kick-off Rally featuring Priests for Life, Father Denis Wilde, O.S.A., Ph.D. The Rally will be held at Greenville Women's Clinic, 1142 Grove Rd., Greenville. Call JoAnn 864.248.0264 or Ingrid 864.329.0044.

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