

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Greenville, South Carolina

1 March 2015

Dear Friends in Christ,

- 1. In 2002 we closed the church for ten months of restoration work, during which we installed a new system of heating and air conditioning. That new system has served us well and is still in excellent mechanical condition, but the controls which allow us to monitor and change the operation of the boiler, chiller, and thirty-two fan coil units throughout the building need to be replaced. We have spent the past several months investigating our options for the new controls, and we are now ready to begin installation of a new system from Trane. The work will be accomplished around our schedule and we do not have to close the church during the installation of the new controls, but there is one downside. Next weekend the entire system will be offline, and so we will have neither heating nor cooling in the church. We have chosen a time when weather conditions will not be severe in either direction, and so we do not expect the church to be unbearably uncomfortable during Mass next weekend. But we want everyone to be prepared for the indoor temperature to be a bit cooler or warmer (depending on day and time of the Mass you attend) than you usually experience, and we apologize in advance for any inconvenience this poses. We anticipate that next weekend will be the only time during the installation of the new controls when the system is down, and we thank you for your patience.
- 2. A parishioner asked me last week if the parish is doing anything special for Lent, and I asked her if she had been to our Sunday Vespers or Friday Way of the Cross in the last ten years. With a quick blush, she acknowledged that she had not, and I invited her as I invite everyone to join us for those special observances of Lent. I also invite anyone interested in "doing more" during these 40 Days to attend a class in our Program of Catholic Studies which meet on Tuesday morning and Wednesday and Thursday evening. The liturgical and catechetical programs at St. Mary's are exceptionally strong, and the opportunities for service in our community are too numerous to be listed. There is always something "special" going on for those with open eyes and hearts, and I encourage everyone in the parish to take advantage of the many ways we offer to know, love and serve the Lord Jesus ever more perfectly.
- 3. This Tuesday is the Memorial of Saint Katherine Drexel, the Philadelphia heiress who founded the Missionary Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament for the service of American Indians and African Americans. She was born in 1858 and died at the age of 96 in 1955, having founded Xavier University in New Orleans and nearly fifty convents and centers of ministry throughout the country. In Charleston an old convent called Drexel House bears witness to the former presence of her Sisters in our diocese. Do some reading in this second week of Lent about the extraordinary life and work of Saint Katherine Drexel.

Father Newman

Roman Catholic Diocese of Charleston Office of the Permanent Diaconate



Deacon Sunday

This weekend we recognize the Permanent Deacons in the Diocese of Charleston. Currently, there are 91 active and 26 retired Deacons in our Diocese.

What is a Deacon?

A Deacon is ordained to be a witness to the Gospel through a life of service. They function in the three areas of the Church's life: **The Ministry of Charity**, by ministering to the sick, poor, incarcerated; **The Ministry of the Word**, by proclaiming the Gospel and preaching at liturgical gatherings; **The Ministry of Liturgy** by assisting at the Eucharistic celebration, administering baptisms, witnessing marriages, and officiating at wakes and funerals.

What is the process to become an ordained Deacon?

The Diaconate Formation Program is active and growing in the Diocese of Charleston. There are currently 73 men in the program. Formation is a 5 ½ year program; this includes a discernment period and scholastic instruction through Saint Leo University to receive a Master's Degree in Theology, or credits towards a Bachelor degree. Classes are held in Columbia, one weekend a month, 10 months out of the year.

Are you being called to the Diaconate?

Any Catholic man in good standing, who is between the age of 30 & 55, gainfully employed or retired, has sufficient time to devote to the formation program, and if married, the support of his wife can apply.

There will be information meetings held throughout the Diocese this spring. Please consider attending if you have any questions. Applications will be accepted in the spring as well.

For questions, please contact the Office of the Permanent Diaconate (843) 402-9115 Ext. 74 or visit the website: http://sccatholic.org/diaconate

Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Meetings & Events *

Sunday, 1 March 2015

7.30 am
9.00 am
1.00 am
1.00 pm

Susan Moore
Robert Hyslop
Pro populo
Spanish Mass

Sunday, 1 March 2015

Coffee & donuts: After the 9.00 am Mass
Nursery during 9.00 am Mass
9.00 am 3 & 4 Year Olds (K4 classroom of Sacred Heart Hall)
Nursery during 9.00 Mass
9.00 am Scripture Study
6.00 pm High School Youth Group (M)

Financial Report

Weekend of 21/22 February

 Needed
 32,000

 Received
 28,264

 Shortage
 3,736

Poor Box 675

Monday, 2 March 2015

7.00 am ♣ Paul Desroches

Monday, 2 March 2015

6.30 pm Boy Scout Meeting (M)

6.30 pm Cub Scouts

Tuesday, 3 March 2015

7.00 am ♣ Carlos Jose Restrepo 12.00 noon ♣ Susan Moore

Tuesday, 3 March 2015

8.30 am Program of Catholic Studies (M)

1.00 pm Senior Men's Club

6.00 pm Virtus Class

Wednesday, 4 March 2015

7.00 am ♣ Ana Arroyave
12.00 noon ♣ Deceased Members /
Norungolo Family

Wednesday, 4 March 2015

5.00-6.00 pm Holy Hour &

Confessions (church)

6.30-7.30 pm Religious Education

6.30-7.30 pm RCIA

6.30 pm Program of Catholic Studies (M)

Thursday, 5 March 2015 Thursday, 5 March 2015

7.00 am ★ Stephen Urban 12.00 noon Richard Herter

2.30 pm Cenacles/Rosary 3.30 pm Prayer Meeting

6.30 pm Program of Catholic Studies (M)

Friday, 6 March 2015 Friday, 6 March 2015

7.00 am ★ Gary Lee Renteria

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) (church)
7.00 pm Way of the Cross (S) (church)

Saturday, 7 March 2015

5.00 pm ♣ Mack Pazdan

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8.00-9.00 am Rosary at Grove Road

abortion clinic

3.30-4.30 pm Confessions (church)

M - McGrady Hall

(E) - English (S) - Spanish

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

Offertory Year to Date

 Needed
 1,120,000

 Received
 1,148,853

 Surplus
 28,853

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.



Facebook

'Like' us on Facebook at St. Mary's Catholic Church Greenville SC.

Visit us on the web at www.stmarysgvl.org



Parish News

Collection for 28 February/1 March

Support of the Parish & St. Mary's Building Fund

Requiescat in pace

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Andrzej Zalecki and David Merline who died this week. We extend our prayers and sympathy to their 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 members to our parish family: Mr. Jim Andreasson.

Knights of Columbus Council & District Free Throw Championship Winners

The Monsignor Charles J. Baum Council #13112 winners of the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship were Hannah Boylan, Davis Dickerson, Henry Hall, and Adam Rogers. The players had the opportunity to compete at the District Level. Henry Hall and Adam Rogers each won their age division and will have an opportunity to compete at the State Level in Columbia in March. Congratulations to our players.

Bulletin Submissions

The deadline for items is <u>12</u> days prior to the bulletin date. Contact Lisa Watkins at lisa.watkins@stmarysgvl.org to submit items for the e-bulletin.

Women of Grace Bible Study

The Women of Grace Bible Study will meet on the second and fourth Sunday of each month in Sacred Heart Hall from 6.00-8.00 pm. For more information, please contact: Wiletta Pennington at wbpennington8248@yahoo.com or Dorothy Whalen at Littledotw@aol.com.

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, Gary Blanton and Kitty Norman.

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.

Virtus Training

The next training class at St. Mary's will be in the Monsignor Gwynn Room of Sacred Heart Hall from 6.00-9.00 pm on 3 March. Registration must be done online at virtusonline.org. Click on "registration".

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.

Baptism Class

Prior to having a child baptized at St. Mary's, you must have been registered in the parish for at least six months, attending Sunday Mass each week, using the stewardship envelopes, and participating in the life of the parish. Baptisms take place on Saturdays at 6.15 pm after the 5.00 pm Mass. Attending a Baptism Preparation Class is required and may be attended prior to birth of child.

The next class is scheduled for Tuesday 24 March at 6.30 pm in Sacred Heart Hall. Pre-registration in the Church office is required. Contact T.J. Nielsen at timothy.nielsen@stmarysgvl.org or 864.679.4114.

Knights of Columbus

Knights of Columbus is a Catholic Men's Fraternal Organization with principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity & Patriotism. Our service programs are Church, Community, Youth and Pro Life. We meet on the second Tuesday of each month at 7.00 pm in McGrady Hall.



Culture of Life

40 Days for Life Campaign 18 February - 29 March

"COULD YOU NOT WATCH WITH ME ONE HOUR?"

Matthew 26 vs 40

These are the words JESUS asked Peter, James, and John in the Garden of Gethsemane. JESUS probed the hearts and minds of the apostles when he returned from praying and found them asleep.

We are asked the same question during Lent. Saint Mary's day for the clinic is Tuesday. We are asking volunteers to spend one hour at the Clinic on Grove Road on Tuesday praying in silence to end abortion. If your constraints are such that you physically cannot be there at the Clinic, can you spend an hour in Prayer, or reading the Bible, saying a Rosary or in a devotion to end abortion? I know personally that prayer can change events; I have witnessed small miracles through prayer.

During this Lent, please make a conscious effort to pray one hour weekly. Devote this time for the elimination of abortion May the Lord's question resound in your mind.....

'COULD YOU NOT WATCH WITH ME ONE HOUR?"

To enroll go to www.40daysforlife.com.

Please contact Chuck Gaschler at 360.7744 if you are interested in the pro-life ministry at St. Mary's.



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WAY OF THE CROSS

FRIDAYS OF LENT 6 PM ENGLISH / 7 PM SPANISH

27 FEBRUARY

6 MARCH

13 March

20 MARCH

27 MARCH

SOLEMN VESPERS SUNDAYS OF LENT 5 PM

1 MARCH 8 MARCH 15 MARCH 22 MARCH 29 MARCH

Feast of St. Joseph & Fr. Smith Installation

Come celebrate the Feast of St Joseph and the installation of Fr. Smith as Pastor to Prince of Peace, on Thursday, 19 March at 6 pm. Fr. Jay Scott Newman, Dean of the Piedmont Deanery, will preside.

Events:
English High Mass
Procession with the St Joseph Statue
Blessing of the St Joseph Table
Potluck Dinner

Bring bread to be blessed and a covered dish to share for dinner! The feast of St Joseph is celebrated as Father's Day in Catholic countries around the world, and we would especially like our fathers to attend and share in this wonderful celebration of the Patron Saint of Fathers.

SC Council of Catholic Women 85th Annual Convention

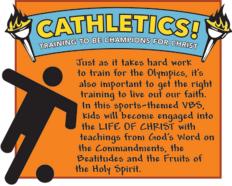
The theme of this year's Convention is, "and She said YES! Source of our salvation, Blessed Mother Mary heard your Word in love and kept it in faith. Make us humble servants of Your saving work!" We invite and encourage all Catholic women from around the state to join the members of the South Carolina Council of Catholic Women at the Embassy Suites Golf Resort and Convention Center, 650 Verdae Boulevard, Greenville, SC 29607, on 20-22 March for this spiritual and educational journey. Visit www.scccw.org and click on 'Activities and Events' for the Convention Registration Form. The deadline for Convention Registration is 6 March.

Please contact Pat Webb at patwebb1010@charter.net for any other questions.



Vacation Bible School 2015

Cathletics: Training To Be Champions For Christ 15-19 June from 9 am to noon



St. Mary's parishioners, entering K5 - 5th grade, are welcome to attend this fun filled week of faith based learning! A nursery for younger children (rising K-4 and younger) will be provided for children of volunteers only. Registration forms for families, teen volunteers and adult volunteers are now available online at www.stmarysgvl.org under Catechesis tab or the church office.

We are now looking for adult volunteers; if you are interested please contact Elizabeth McLeer at gemcleer@gmail.com or 864.245.0753.

Faith Formation News

Religious Education Grades 1-8

Classes meet on Wednesday 6.30-7.30 pm.

Sunday Mornings for 3 & 4 Year Olds

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

First Communion Retreat

Sunday 1 March from 10.15 am - 12.45 pm in Pazdan Hall.

Women's Discernment Retreat

Spring Women's Discernment Retreat on 13-15 March at White Oak Conference Center, Winnsboro, SC. The Lord has a vocation for each of us. He calls us into different vocations within the Church as 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 at www.CharlestonVocations.com.

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 grace4healing@gmail.com or Christy 803.554.6088 or Kathy 803.546.6010. The retreat is confidential and non-judgmental.

The Secular Franciscans invite you to a Lenten Retreat "Peace & the Consecrated Life"

14 March from 9.30 am - 3.30 pm at St. Anthony of Padua (309 Gower St. Greenville, SC 29611). Speakers: Fr. Mike Jones, OFM and Br. Henry Fulmer, OFM.

Will also include:

Celebration of Mass Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Stations of the Cross Confessions

Lunch will be provided - No cost, but registration is required. (A free will offfering will be taken for the speakers)

RSVP by 11 March to Alice Ramos, OFS at Lekceorha@att.net or 864.246.1684.



For programming information, visit catholic radioins c.com

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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 2 pm





st. mary's catholic school

2014-2015 The Year of Charity



Tournament MVPs

Right: Senior Boys MVP Colin B.

Below left: Senior Girls MVP Trinity F.

Below right: Junior Girls MVP Iulia B.



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 next priority testing date is:

Wednesday 25 March at 1.00 pm

Applications and registration for testing are required.

Please see our website for more information: www.stmarysgvl.org/our-school/admission-overview/

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

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Ducks Athletics

Congratulations to the St. Mary's Ducks on sweeping the diocesan youth basketball tournament. In our local conference play this year, the Ducks and Lady Ducks were both undefeated and won their conference titles. And then they went to the diocesan contest and remained undefeated: Ducks, Junior Lady Ducks, and Senior Lady Ducks, all triumphant! To Coach Willis Holliday and all the student athletes: Well done!



St. Mary's Catholic School Now Hiring!

St. Mary's Catholic School is seeking an enthusiastic and qualified middle school History teacher with at least 5 years experience. Applicants should email their resumes to school.office@stmarysgvl.org by 1 March 2015.





THE MANY FACES OF MARDI GRAS!

Thank you to everyone who attended the Mardi Gras Masquerade Gala and helped to make it such a huge success, from the Mardi Gras Committee members, Youth Group volunteers, chefs, band, donors, and guests. All profits will be used to support work of area Catholic charities.





The King and Queen of Hearts, Chris and Aziza Stansberry



Peter and Angie Finazzo



Fred and Michael Webb



Mr. Darcy and Miss Elizabeth Bennet



Greg and Mary-Michelle Moody



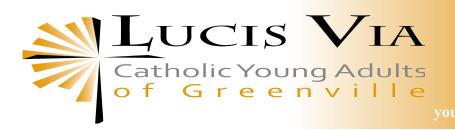
Sister Mary Sheila Maksim and Sister Maureen Clarke



— Mask Contest



See additional photos on the Women's Club Facebook page at Saint Mary's Catholic Church Women's Club, Greenville, SC



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

Tuesday 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.

FELLOWSHIP

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!

7 March - Building Men of Faith SC Catholic Men's Conference at St. Philip Neri in Fort Mill, SC. Along with the energetic and engaging presentations; Bishop of Charleston, Robert Guglielmone, will concelebrate Mass with a distinguished group of Priests and Deacons from across the State of South Carolina. Throughout the day the sacrament of reconciliation will be offered. Dan B is leading carpool arrangements from Greenville to Fort Mill. Leave @ 6am and return by 7/8pm - SAME day. Contact burnosdr@gmail.com or 412.651.5333.

22 March - Monthly Lunch at Bavarian Pretzel Factory (534 Woods Lake Road, Greenville, SC 29607) at 1.00 pm. Host: Annie Z.

Spartanburg Young Adults

Follow the Catholic Young Adult Ministry of Spartanburg on Facebook:

https://www.facebook.com/CatholicYAMS



Lenten Evening of Recollection

Friday 27 February at 7.00 pm Prince of Peace - Taylors

We will begin with Stations of the Cross in the church and continue into the talk with a light meal in keeping with Lent. The evening will focus on the importance of silence, discernment, fasting, virtue, prayer, and other aspects of Christian discipleship. In particular, Father Smith will expand on the notion of penance, redemptive suffering, obstacles to holiness, and how to carry the discipline of Lent throughout the year. This special evening is co-sponsored by the Diocese of Charleston Office of Young Adult Ministry.

RSVP on the Facebook event.

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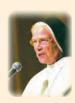
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Dr. Edward Sri Professor of Theology at Augustine Institute



David Calavitta Youth Minister and Blogger at Hold Fast Hope



Mother Mary Assumpta Long

Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist



Adam Blai Peritus of Religious Demonology and Exorcism



Melissa Ohden Abortion Attempt Survivor, Voice for the Voiceless



Vigil Mass at 5:00 PM Saturday Celebrant and Homilist **BISHOP MICHAEL F. BURBIDGE** Diocese of Raleigh, NC

Bringing to light the truth of the teachings of the Catholic Church and igniting in our hearts a love for our Faith



SATURDAY 8:30 AM-6:30 PM

Full Day of Presentations – Includes Lunch!



EARLY REGISTRATION DISCOUNTS THROUGH MARCH 1

Adults \$30 (for Groups of 5 or more) Individual Adults \$40 • Students (age 10+) \$25 After March 1: Adults \$50, Students (age 10+) \$30



REGISTRATION (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

Major credit cards and PayPal accepted on-line.
Questions: Ignited@IgnitedByTruth.com or (919) 789-1428

REGISTRATION FOR:

of Adults: ___

of Students* (Age 10+): ___

Optional Tax-Deductible Donation Gratefully Accepted: \$_

Donor Name (optional): ___

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$

PLEASE NOTE: Parking decks near the Raleigh Convention Center charge \$7.00 per car on entrance.

YOUR NAME: _____

NAMES (FIRST AND LAST): (for name tag printing)

CITY/STATE/ZIP: E-MAIL:

Headphones Available

for Hearing Impaired

PARISH:

* College Students and Chaperoned Youth age 10+ are welcome. Regretfully, childcare cannot be provided, but all are welcome to join us for Mass at 5:00 PM Saturday.

Make check payable & mail to: St. Joseph Catholic Church c/o IBT, 4501 New Bern Ave., Suite 130, PMB 215, Raleigh, NC 27610

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