

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Greenville, South Carolina

12 April 2015

Dear Friends in Christ,

Christos Anesti! Alithos Anesti! These Greek acclamations mean "Christ is Risen! He is truly Risen!", and in the Christian East — both Catholic and Orthodox — these acclamations replace the usual greetings of hello and goodbye during the fifty days between Easter and Pentecost, the liturgical season of Easter or Eastertide. During Eastertide, the first eight days have a special identity, and today in the liturgical calendar — eight days after Easter Sunday — has three names: 1) the Octave Day of Easter, 2) the Second Sunday of Easter, and 3) Divine Mercy Sunday.

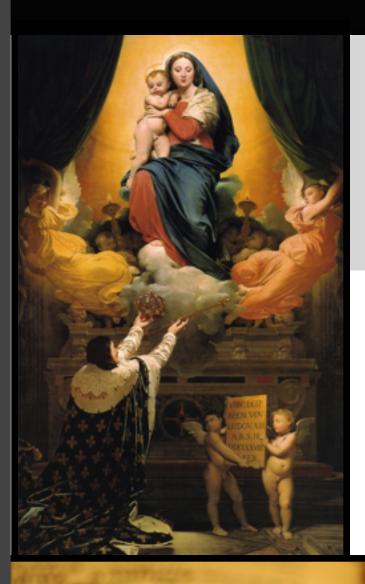
The number eight has special meaning in the sacred liturgy because it is a symbol of the new creation. The drama of creation unfolded over seven symbolic days, and the eighth day is the sign of God's pluperfect love revealed in the new creation. This is foreshadowed in the Old Covenant through circumcision taking place eight days after birth and is confirmed by the Resurrection taking place on Sunday, both the first day of the week and the eighth day. Accordingly, in the liturgical calendar the eight days from Easter Sunday until today are kept as one festive celebration of the Resurrection, and today completes the eighth day or Octave of Easter.

Moreover, because the Gospel appointed for today speaks of the divine power to forgive sins which the Lord Jesus gave to his Apostles when he first appeared to them after his Resurrection, the emphasis of the liturgy today is on the great mercy of God. Modern devotion to the Lord Jesus as the embodiment of Divine Mercy is connected to the spirituality of St. Faustina, a Polish mystic and religious Sister who was canonized by Saint John Paul the Great. John Paul died on the eve of Divine Mercy Sunday in 2005, was beatified on Divine Mercy Sunday in 2011, and was canonized on Divine Mercy Sunday in 2014. It was Saint John Paul who decreed that the Second Sunday of Easter would be kept as Divine Mercy Sunday, and now Pope Francis has announced a Jubilee Year of Mercy which will begin this fall on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception and will conclude in 2016 on the Solemnity of Christ the King.

In his first Apostolic Exhortation, *Evangelii Gaudium* or Joy of the Gospel, Pope Francis explained that as a teenager he had a life changing experience of mercy by going to Confession. "After making my confession I felt something had changed. I was not the same. I had heard something like a voice or a call." This moment of mercy in the life of Jorge Bergoglio helps explain his burning desire to share God's mercy with others, and now as Pope Francis he describes the Church as a "community [that] has an endless desire to show mercy, the fruit of its own experience of the power of the Father's infinite mercy" (EG, 24). Let us keep this Octave of Easter, Divine Mercy Sunday, by resolving to seek the Lord's mercy for ourselves and be instruments of that mercy for others. Christos Anesti! Alithos Anesti!

ST. MARY'S PROGRAM OF CATHOLIC STUDIES SUMMER 2015 COURSE OFFERINGS





Tuesday 8.30 am — The History of the Church (Instructors: T.J. Nielsen and Tony Owens)

Wednesday 6.30 pm — Unlocking Scripture through Stories and Stuff (Instructor: Christian LeBlanc)

Thursday 6.30 pm — The History of the Church (Instructors: T.J. Nielsen and Tony Owens)

REGISTRATION ENDS 13 APRIL Classes begin week of 4 May 2015

MORE INFO OR TO REGISTER

See our full booklet and registration form on the parish website,
www.stmarysgvl.org/catechesis/
program-of-catholic-studies
Call or email T.J. Nielsen at 864.679.4114 or
timothy.nielsen@stmarysgvl.org

HISTORY OF THE CHURCH

This course presents the story of God's intervention in human history from the Incarnation until the present day. It emphasizes God as the Lord of history and his actions that demonstrate his love for his people. This is an excellent survey for anyone wanting to know more about the history of the Catholic Church.

UNLOCKING SCRIPTURE THROUGH STORIES AND STUFF

This course covers the sweep of Salvation History, beginning in Genesis and ending in Revelation. Along the way we'll get a big-picture view of Catholicism and the Bible as a unified whole, with an emphasis on the continuity of body and soul, the Stuff and Spirit that comprise each human being. This course has no textbook and so it is FREE.

Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Meetings & Events *

Sunday, 12 April 2015

7.30 am → Deceased Members / Murphy Family

9.00 am → Deceased Members / Rogalski Family

11.00 am Pro populo 1.00 pm Spanish Mass

Sunday, 12 April 2015

Coffee & doughnuts: 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)

6.00 pm High School Youth Group (M)

6.00 pm Women of Grace

Monday, 13 April 2015

7.00 am ★ Maria Calabro

Monday, 13 April 2015

6.30 pm Boy Scout Meeting (M)

6.30 pm Cub Scouts

Tuesday, 14 April 2015

7.00 am ★ Melissa Mitchell 12.00 noon ★ Tom Madira

Tuesday, 14 April 2015

1.00 pm Senior Men's Club 7.00 pm Knights of Columbus (M)

Wednesday, 15 April 2015

7.00 am Theresa Sandri 12.00 noon ★ Richard Herrmann

Wednesday, 15 April 2015

5.00-6.00 pm Holy Hour &

Confessions (church)

6.30-7.30 pm Religious Education

Thursday, 16 April 2015

7.00 am ★ Loraine King
12.00 noon ★ Deceased Members /
Norungolo Family

Thursday, 16 April 2015

3.00 pm Cenacles/Rosary 4.00 pm Prayer Meeting

Friday, 17 April 2015

7.00 am Michael Santy

Friday, 17 April 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, 18 April 2015

5.00 pm ♣ Argemira Palacio

Saturday, 18 April 2015

8.00-9.00 am Rosary at Grove Road

abortion clinic

3.30-4.30 pm Confessions (church)

M - McGrady Hall

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

Financial Report

Weekend of 4/5 April

Needed	32,000
Received	33,992
Surplus	1,992

Poor Box 874

Easter 36,368

Holy Land 3,344

Seminary Support

3,277

Offertory Year to Date

Needed 1,312,000 Received 1,344,471 Surplus 32,471

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.



Parish News

Collection for 11/12 April

Support of the Parish & Parish Endowment Fund

Requiescat in pace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Leo Marchand who died this week. 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 members to our parish family: Mrs. Lonnie Stadler, Mr. & Mrs. Mike Kissel, Ms. Rebecca Shafer, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Black, Mr. Roger Dillard and Mrs. Laura Whims.

Congratulations to

Mary Keller Johnston and George Bernard Johnston who were baptized last weekend.

St. Mary's Senior Fellowship

Spring has sprung! Join us in fellowship at 12.00 noon on Saturday 11 April in Sacred Heart Hall to celebrate warmer days ahead. Bring a covered dish or dessert to share. New friends and guests are always welcome. For more information, contact Patricia Wellham at 864.294.9270.

Pillars of Christ

Pillars of Christ is a men's ministry led by a group of St. Mary's men who are on fire with the love of Christ and His Church. The group meet on Friday mornings from 6.15–8.00 am for prayer in the church and then in Sacred Heart Hall for study.

Sunday Morning Bible Study

The Sunday Morning Bible Study will begin The Book of Acts starting 19 April. Every year during the Easter Season the Church replaces the Old Testament readings at Mass with readings from the book of Acts. Come join us every Sunday at 9.00 am as we explore in depth the book which chronicles the first steps of the early Church. For more information, please contact Joe Beauchemin at josephbeauchemin@hotmail.com or 864.710.0717. No class on 12 April.

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, Susan Sullivan, Gary Blanton, Celine Brouillard and Noah Thomas.

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.

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.

St. Mary's Catholic Women's Club \$1,000 Scholarship Award

This Scholarship was created to encourage and promote Spirituality, Leadership, and Service among Catholic females graduating from high school, in a continuing education program, or enrolled in a college or university. The applicant must be a registered member of St. Mary's parish. Deadline is 27 April 2015. To download the application, visit www.stmarysgvl.org and click on 'Parish Organizations', then 'Women's Club'.

Bulletin Submissions

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



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 in the K-4 classroom of Sacred Heart Hall.

First Communion Practice

First Communion practice will be held on Thursday 23 April from 4.30-5.30 pm. Children should meet in Gallivan Hall.

First Communion

On Saturday 25 April the students will make their First Communion at 9.30 am. Please pray for our First Communicants as they receive Jesus for the first time.

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 stmarysgyl.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.

High School Ministry Open House Picnic

On Saturday 18 April from 6.30 - 9.30 pm, the St. Mary's High School ministry will host an Open House Picnic, on the St. Mary's campus. We are inviting all high school youth as well as graduating 8th graders. We are committed to providing the best possible experience for our high school youth at St. Mary's. Our program is a good balance of fun and catechesis. Events like the Open House Picnic are provided to give youth an opportunity to give us a try. The Youth Group will be providing the hamburgers, hotdogs and utensils. If you plan to attend, bring a Dessert, Soda (6 pack or 2 liters), or a side dish (beans, veggie and dip, chips... just no mayo).

If your last name begins with: A-G: Dessert / H-Q: Side Dish / R-Z: Soda

Catholic Fellowship Dinners for Adults

If you would like to enjoy a good meal and fellowship you are invited to attend the evening dinners and socials held throughout the year. Meet and greet new and old friends of our parishes. Come join us! For information call Judy at 864.884.9853.

Natural Family Planning

The Next Introductory Session of Natural Family Planning will be held at Bon Secours St. Francis Women's Hospital (East Side) on Thursday 23 April at 7.00 pm. This is the model taught by the Pope Paul VI Institute and Creighton University and has been very successful for couples wishing to achieve or avoid a pregnancy. To register to attend, please contact Nancy McGrath, RN, CFCP at 864.292.0475 or NaProNurse@aol.com.



For programming information, visit catholic radioins c.com

${\cal P}$ ERPETUAL ${\cal E}$ UCHARISTIC ${\cal A}$ DORATION

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 Lisa Buss at 772.215.7123 or by email at adoration@princeofpeacetaylors.org if you would like to take one of these hours.

Hours in need of an adorer
Sunday 3 am & 12 pm
Monday 4 am, 8 am, 3 pm & 8 pm
Tuesday 1 am
Wednesday 2 am
Friday 4 pm
Saturday 3 am rotation



For all St. Mary's High School Youth, & current 8th Graders!

Bring a Friend & Come Have Some Fun!

SATURDAY NIGHT

Spring 2015 Open House Plans

Sports and Icebreakers An Evening of Faith and Fun!!

April 1867st. Mary's is providing yummy picnic with Grilled Burgers and Doggies!

If you plan to attend, bring a Dessert, Soda (6 pack or 2 liters), or a side dish (beans, veggie and dip, chips... just no mayo). If your last name begins with: A-G: Dessert H-Q: Side Dish R-Z: Soda

This event is for all thigh School Teams bring your friendstt



st. mary's catholic school

2014-2015 The Year of Charity





St. Mary's Classic & Gala

Friday 29 May 7.00 pm at Embassy Suites

Order Tickets: http://SMSGala.myab.co

For More Information: http://stmarysgvl.org/golfgala/

Come enjoy heavy hors d'oeurves, an open bar, dancing and bidding!

If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Lyvers at lisa.lyvers@stmarysgvl.org.

www.stmarysgvl.org/our-school



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Lisa Lyvers

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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 next testing date is:

Wednesday 29 April 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

Virtue of the Month

Forgiveness: pardoning those who offend you

Saints of the Month

K3-2nd Grade: St. Patrick Grades 3-5: Bl. Margaret of Castello Grades 6-8: St. Josephine Bakhita

School Spotlight - 2nd Grade

Sr. Maureen's 2nd Grade class designed and created church dioramas. Each diorama labeled different items found in church, and students were very creative with their use of materials: wooden blocks, play dough, Legos, house hold items, etc. In preparation for their First Holy Communion, this activity helped the candidates familiarize themselves with the sacred objects that are used during the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.







Divine Mercy Conference

At Our Lady of the Rosary Church, Greenville, SC



Saturday, April 11, 2015 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM* Sunday, April 12, 2015 3:00 PM – 8:00 PM

SPEAKERS:

Johnnette S. Benkovic



- Founder and President of Living His Life
 Abundantly
- Executive Producer of "Women of Grace" TV show on EWTN

Steve Wood



- Founder of The Family Life Center
- Host of "Faith and Family Radio" program

Fr. Dwight Longenecker



- ❖Parish Priest
- ❖Blogger
- ❖Radio Host
- Author

For more information and to Register: OLR Church (864) 422-1648 OLRChurch@Charter.net

*Fee for the conference is \$25/person (\$40/couple). (\$30 per person after 03/31/15) Includes lunch on Saturday.



The Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Pray the Chaplet on Your Rosary Beads





1. Make the Sign of the Cross

2. Pray the Opening Prayers

After making the Sign of the Cross, pray the following opening prayers:

"You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us."

"O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in You!" (three times)

- 3. Pray the Our Father
- 4. Pray the Hail Mary
- 5. Say the Apostles' Creed
- 6. Pray the Prayer "Eternal Father"

On the Our Father bead before each decade, pray the following prayer:

"Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world. Amen."

7. Pray the Prayer "For the Sake of His Sorrowful Passion" Ten Times

On each of the Hail Mary beads in each decade, pray the following prayer:

"For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world."

8. Repeat Steps 6 and 7

On each of the next four decades of the Chaplet, repeat steps 6 and 7 (pray the Eternal Father, followed by ten "For the Sake of His Sorrowful Passion").

9. Pray the Concluding Doxology Three Times

After you have prayed all five decades of the Chaplet, pray the following prayer:

"Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world." (three times)

10. Pray the Closing Prayer

After the doxology, pray the following final prayer:

"Eternal God, in Whom mercy is endless, and the treasury of compassion inexhaustible, look kindly upon us, and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments, we might not despair, nor become despondent, but with great confidence, submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy Itself. Amen."



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.

FELLOWSHIP

10 April - Monthly Happy Hour from 6 - 7 pm at Blue Ridge Brewing Company (217 N Main St, Greenville, SC 29601). Host: Claudia.

23 April - Women's Rosary Group at 7.30 pm. 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 Victoria B. To get the exact address, contact Victoria at 770.366.3246.

Sex, God and the Bible with Giovanni Calise

Monday 13 April 7 pm at Fitzpatrick's Irish Pub



Theology on Tap Speaker Series



20 & 27 April 4 & 11 May

Liberty Tap Room

More details soon.



Diocese of Charleston Young Adult Ministry

Follow the Diocese of Charleston Young Adult Ministry on Facebook.

SERVICE

Saturday 25 April from 8 am - 12 noon at 2 Abba Way (use 210 Edwards Street to get to the neighborhood) Taylors, SC 29687. Christina C is organizing a LVG team to help with the Pope Francis Habitat for Humanity build! Tasks include putting on the 2nd coat of paint and installing the attic hatch.

More information and RSVP on the Facebook event.



For more information or to register, visit catholicyoungadultsofsc.com.

Follow us: Facebook.com/LVgreenville
Visit us at: www.lvgreenville.com

Email us: LVgreenville@gmail.com Call: 864.266.8843



5th Annual

Charlotte Catholic Men's Conference

Being Catholic Men, Being Catholic Leaders

Proverbs 27:17

Saturday, April 25, 2015 8:00am - 3:30pm St. Matthew's Catholic Church 8015 Ballantyne Commons Parkway Charlotte, NC 28277

For more details: http://www.catholicmenofthecarolinas.org/

Women's Night of Reflection: April 24, 2015 more details to come

Featuring:



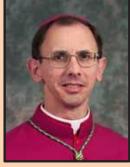
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Catholics Come Home



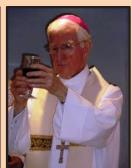
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MLB Urban Youth
Academy, VP Youth
and Facility
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You)



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