

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Greenville, South Carolina

19 July 2015

Dear Friends in Christ,

We often receive requests from people who want to get married at St. Mary's or want to have their baby baptized here or who have been invited by a friend or relative to serve as a sponsor for a Baptism or Confirmation somewhere else. And very often these requests come from people who even if they are registered here are not regularly practicing the Catholic faith by participating in Sunday Mass. Such requests from non-practicing Catholics are one sign of the most important religious trend of our time: the majority of baptized Catholics in the United States live as though they are not Catholics, but despite not practicing the Catholic Faith they still think of and identify themselves as Catholics. This is part of the phenomenon that I call cultural Catholicism, and I believe that hastening the end of cultural Catholicism is an essential part of clarifying for everyone what it means to be a Catholic Christian.

One enters the Church, as through a door, by Baptism, and because most Catholics are baptized as infants or very young children, their parents and godparents must profess the Catholic Faith on their behalf. But if the parents and godparents are not practicing the Catholic Faith and living according to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, they cannot make that profession of faith without swearing a false oath. And that is why I cannot grant permission for the baptism of a child whose parents are not practicing the faith or allow a non-practicing Catholic to serve as a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation. To do so would be a lie, and nothing good can come from complicity in that sort of self-deception. Moreover, when parents ask to have their child baptized without any serious commitment to practicing the Faith, then in truth they are merely laying heavy burdens on the child in the years to come.

Baptism is not a permanent membership card in the Church that confers privileges; it is an indelible mark on the soul that brings obligations. Baptism brings the Cross into our lives, both the burden and the victory of the Cross. I ask you who are reading this column to understand and be ready to explain all of this, because those who most need to hear this summons to continuing conversion will probably never read these words. They very rarely join us at Mass. They seldom hear the Gospel proclaimed and explained. They are not atheists, but they do not experience the grace of their own Baptism as a life-changing friendship with the Lord Jesus. In many ways they live their lives as though God does not exist, though if asked they would deny this. These are the 45 million "baptized pagans" or lapsed Catholics who constitute the largest religious body in the country, but while I cannot reach them, you can. You live and work side by side with them, and you may be the only evangelist they ever hear. Remember, then, that you are all missionaries and that with cultural Catholics you have a precious opportunity to teach by word and deed what it means to be a disciple of the Lord Jesus Christ and a member of his holy Catholic Church.

Introduction to Catholicism



Introduction to Catholicism is an introduction to the beliefs and practices of the Catholic Church, and anyone who wants to understand the Catholic Faith more deeply is invited to participate. This course meets each Wednesday evening from Labor Day until Easter. Those who have never been baptized, those who were baptized but never confirmed, and those simply seeking to know more are all welcome to attend.

While this course is first and foremost a process for bringing non-Catholic adults into the Church, it is also a great place for practicing Catholics to increase their knowledge of foundational Church teaching - in particular on those topics that often come up in conversations with non-Catholics. One practical thing that any parishioner could do to evangelize would be to invite a non-Catholic friend who might be interested in learning what the Catholic Church really teaches to join you in attending when the class begins in the fall.

For More Information
Contact T.J. Nielsen | <u>Timothy.Nielsen@stmarysgvl.org</u> | 864.679.4114

Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sunday, 19 July 2015

7.30 am ♣ Robert Karandisevsky 9.00 am ♣ John Narduzzi 11.00 am Pro populo 1.00 pm Spanish Mass

Sunday, 19 July 2015

K of C Breakfast: After all morning Masses (Macalka) No Nursery during July

Meetings & Events *

9 00 am Scripture Study (M)

Monday, 20 July 2015

7.00 am Genevieve Smith

Monday, 20 July 2015

Tuesday, 21 July 2015

7.00 am Juan Carlos Gomez No 12.00 noon Mass

Tuesday, 21 July 2015

Program of Catholic Studies (M) 8.30 am Senior Men's Club 1.00 pm

Wednesday, 22 July 2015

7.00 am ★ Frank & Frances Watkins No 12.00 noon Mass

Wednesday, 22 July 2015

No Holy Hour & Confessions

6.30 pm Program of Catholic Studies (M)

Thursday, 23 July 2015

7.00 am ♣ Andy Zalecki No 12.00 noon Mass

Thursday, 23 July 2015

Cenacles/Rosary (M) 2.30 pm 3.30 pm Prayer Meeting (M)

6.30 pm Program of Catholic Studies (M)

Friday, 24 July 2015

7.00 am
♣ Judith Ann Wagner

Friday, 24 July 2015

6.15 am Morning Prayer (church) 6.30-8.00 am Pillars of Christ (M)

Saturday, 25 July 2015

5.00 pm ♣ Deceased Members / Eassy Family

Saturday, 25 July 2015

8.00-9.00 am Rosary at Grove Road

abortion clinic

3.30-4.30 pm Confessions (church)

M - McGrady Hall

Financial Report

Weekend of 11/12 July

Needed 32,500 33,522 Received Surplus 1.022

Poor Box 449

Infirm Priests 5,264

Offertory Year to Date

65,000 Needed Received 66,549 Surplus 1.549

Electronic Giving: If you want to have direct management of your Electronic Fund Transfer online, vou 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

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



MARRIAGE AND THE SUPREME COURT



USCCB Nationwide Bulletin Insert

Summer 2015

The Supreme Court has tragically declared that states must issue marriage licenses to two persons of the same sex and recognize same sex "marriages" that were contracted in another state.

This broad, adverse ruling redefines marriage in the law throughout the entire country, changing thousands of laws regarding marriage, family and children and threatening religious freedom in numerous ways. "Regardless of what a narrow majority of the Supreme Court may declare at this moment in history, the nature of the human person and marriage remains unchanged and unchangeable." -Archbishop Kurtz, President of the USCCB

WHAT YOU CAN DO

PRAY, FAST, SACRIFICE

The Bishops have encouraged Catholics to participate in a **Call to Prayer for Life, Marriage, and Religious Liberty**. Visit www.usccb.org/pray to learn more and commit to praying and fasting for life, marriage, and religious liberty.



ADVOCATE FOR MARRIAGE

Don't be afraid to talk about it.

Be a witness for the truth of marriage. Take advantage of opportunities to speak about it kindly with family, friends, neighbors or co-workers. Be prepared for false charges of discrimination and to respond with the following truths in charity.

What is marriage?

Marriage is the permanent and exclusive union of one man and one woman, for the good of the spouses and for the procreation and education of children. **One man, one woman, for life.**

The difference *is* the difference.

Men and women are equal and different. Sexual difference is essential to marriage and raising children. Ignoring or removing "the difference is... the problem, not the solution" (Pope Francis).

Mothers and fathers matter.

They aren't interchangeable. While single parents and others raising children often make heroic sacrifices and deserve support, society should also affirm every child's basic, natural right to come from and be raised in the loving marital union of his or her own father and mother.

Support religious freedom

The First Amendment Defense Act is one way that Congress is seeking to protect religious believers from being coerced to accept, condone, or participate in same-sex "marriage." The Child Welfare Provide Inclusion Act is another important piece of legislation. Please let your representatives know that you support this legislation through our action center, and keep informed of other such measures.

LEARN MORE

Visit www.MarriageUniqueForAReason.org for more resources on the authentic meaning of marriage. For resources for engaged couples and married couples, visit www.ForYourMarriage.org and www.PorTuMatrimonio.org.

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, Paulina Cruz, Brett Gervais, Judy Byrum, Celine Brouillard, and Michael Pinto.

Welcome Newcomers

We welcome the following new members to our parish family: Mr. & Mrs. Richard Haddad, Mr. Jacob Lacey and Ms. Erin McLear.

Congratulations to

Ryan Elizabeth Suddeth, Benjamin Burns Suddeth and Noah James Price who were baptized last weekend.

Baptism Class

The next class is scheduled for Tuesday 25 August at 6.30 pm in Sacred Heart Hall. Pre-registration in the Church office is required. Contact T.J. Nielsen at 864.679.4114 or timothy.nielsen@stmarysgvl.org.

Knights of Columbus Breakfast



The K. of C. Monthly Breakfast is scheduled for Sunday 19 July 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

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.

Parish News

Collection for 18/19 July

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

Summer Church Office Hours

5 June - 7 August

Monday - Thursday 9 am - 4 pm Friday 9 am - 12 noon

Nursery Closure

The nursery will be closed all of July.

Holy Hour & Confessions Canceled

There will be no Holy Hour and Confessions on any Wednesday in July.

Sacred Heart Hall Closure

Between Monday 6 July and Sunday 26 July, the interior of Sacred Heart Hall will be painted, and therefore we are closing the nursery and canceling coffee and doughnuts during July. The rest rooms in Sacred Heart Hall will remain open on those two weekends. All meetings which would normally take place in Sacred Heart Hall between 6 and 26 July will need to be moved to other facilities, and if you need assistance in doing that, please contact Joann Miller at 864.679.4110 or joann.miller@stmarysgvl.org.

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.

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.









Do you have that box of old Camping Equipment taking up valuable space?

Have you upgraded your Camping Supplies, but didn't want to throw out older but perfectly useful equipment?

SAINT MARY'S CUB SCOUT PACK 521

has a suggestion for you!

Sunday 26 July

is going to be

Cub Scout Camping Stuff Donation Day!!!

The Cub Scouts will be accepting donations after the Sunday Masses at a donation station in Miller Square

and will also accept drop off donations between 2-4 pm Sunday on the field behind the gym

Pack 521 is happy to accept serviceable backpacking and camping gear, including but not limited to: tents, tarps, sleeping bags, pads, pop-up canopies, backpacks, walking sticks, lanterns, flash lights, camp kitchens, camping tables, camping chairs, Dutch ovens, cast iron cookware, cast iron tripods, mess kits, canteens, stoves, small camping grills, coolers, ice packs, water storage, water filters, camping kitchen equipment, utensils, Nalgene water bottles, first aid supplies, and compasses.











Safe Environment

St. Mary's, along with the Diocese of Charleston (the "Diocese") and the Catholic Church, is committed to ensuring that all programs, ministries and operations affiliated with the Parish are conducted in a Safe Environment. Prior to serving as a volunteer with children at the church or school, parishioners and/or parents must fulfill several requirements outlined by the Diocese before they are allowed to serve.

Prior to involvement, a volunteer must:

- Attend Safe Environment Training (VIRTUS class) in SC;
- Complete Background Screening Forms;
- Read & sign the Diocesan Code of Conduct; and
- Read & sign the Diocesan Abuse Policy.

Forms can be found on the parish website at stmarysgvl.org/our-parish/virtus-classes-background-checks/



All forms and VIRTUS certificate should be returned to the Safe Environment Coordinator.

Safe Environment Coordinators:

Church:School:Lisa WatkinsPat Lanninglisa.watkins@stmarysgvl.orgpatricia.lanning@stmarysgvl.org864.679.4105864.271.3870

Upcoming Virtus Classes

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
Saturday 10 August
10.00 am
St. Mary's
Tuesday 18 August
6.00 pm

Register online at virtus.org

www.stmarysgvl.org/school-main



Main Office Number: 864.271.3870 Email: school.office@stmarysgvl.org Fax: 864.271.0159

> Nelle Palms Director of Admissions nelle.palms@stmarysgvl.org 864.679.4117

Pat Lanning
Safe Environment Coordinator
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Lisa Lyvers

Director of St. Mary's Classic & Gala
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St. Mary's Catholic School

School Office Hours for Summer

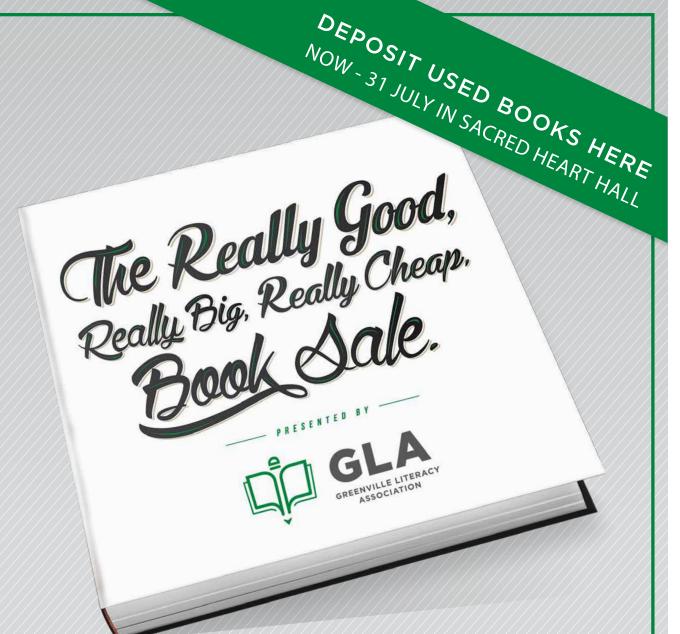
15 June - 3 August Monday through Thursday 9.00 am - 2.00 pm

A lot goes into keeping our school buildings beautiful and safe; most of that work takes place over the summer. Before visiting the School Office, please call ahead to ensure that it is open: 864.271.3870.

Private tours are available by appointment.

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





SATURDAY, AUGUST 15 8:30-4:00 · MCALISTER SQUARE

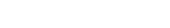
EARLY BIRDS PAY \$10 · STARTING AT 7:30

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16 · 1:00-4:00

BIG BAG OF BOOKS SALE • \$10 TO FILL A BAG

Dentists, Nurses & Translators Needed!

The Diocesan medical mission to Guatemala this coming September is in need of one dentist, two nurses and two interpreters (English-Spanish). This mission is a direct program of the Diocese of Charleston, which has built a small clinic to support the local community in San Pedro La Laguna. The oneweek mission runs from 20-27 September. Participants pay their airfare and \$ 200.00 to cover for food and lodging for the week. For more information, visit sccatholic.org/medical-missions, or call Deacon Gabriel Cuervo or Ellen Tyler at 803.726.7767.



Marriage Encounter

Are you like sheep without a shepherd? Deepen your communication, strengthen your relationship, rekindle your romance and renew your sacrament by attending the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend in SC on 9-11 October in Myrtle Beach. Please apply early. For more information, go to scmarriagematters.org or call 803.810.9602.



Website: www.charlestonvocations.com Facebook: Charleston Vocations Twitter: ChasVoc YouTube: Charleston Vocations

> "Christ does not force our will, He takes only what we give him. But he does not give himself entirely until he sees that we yield ourselves entirely to him."

> > - St. Teresa of Avila



$\mathcal{P}_{\mathsf{ERPETUAL}}$ $\mathcal{E}_{\text{UCHARISTIC}}$. 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

If you would like to take one of these hours, please contact Lisa Buss at adoration@princeofpeacetaylors.org or 772.215.7123.

Hours in need of an adorer

Urgent needs: 2nd adorer needed for: Sunday 3 am & 7am Monday 10 am, 2 pm & 3 pm

> Tuesday 10 am Wednesday 11 pm Friday 7 pm

Saturday 3am



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.

26 July - Monthly Lunch: 1.00 pm at Compadres Mex Mex Grill (929 S Main St, Greenville, SC 29601). Host: Sarah M.

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"I Am The Way and The Truth and The Life" (John 14:6)

11th Eucharistic Congress

September 11 - 12, 2015, Charlotte Convention Center

FRIDAY

Singing and Praying Hymns of Praise in Honor of the Holy Eucharist, Byzantine-Rite Vespers
Bible Study of the Gospel of St. John with Fr. Patrick Winslow
Procession of the Eucharist to St. Peter's Church and Nocturnal Adoration, College Night

SATURDAY

Eucharistic Procession - Uptown Charlotte Holy Hour Confession

Holy Hour Homilist: His Eminence, Timothy Cardinal Dolan "The Holy Eucharist: The Way and The Truth and The Life of the Intentional Catholic" English and Spanish Tracks for Adults K-12 Education Tracks for Students Sean Forrest, Adam Truffant, Katie Dunn Religious displays

PRESENTATIONS

Father Daniel L. Mode
"Father Vincent Capadanno, The Grunt Padre"
Teresa Tomeo

"Fortifying Faith, Family and Culture"

Vendors of Sacred Art Vocation and Catholic Education information Holy Mass

Concert of Sacred Music

Choir Members from Parishes of the Diocese

Rev. Tadeusz Pacholczyk

"Bioethics: A Moral Compass for the Family"





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Join...



The Most Rev. Robert E. Guglielmone, DD

Bishop of Charleston

This inspirational and educational conference is open to all.

Additional speakers and information available at

www.onfirewithfaith.org

For more information and to register, contact Mrs. Cathy Roche in the Office of Catechesis and Christian Initiation:

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Igniting Hearts in the New Evangelization

OCTOBER 2-3, 2015
St. Mary Magdalene
Catholic Church
Simpsonville, SC



Hector Molina
"The Motivangelist"



Dr. Carol Eipers
Sadlier





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