

# St. Mary's Catholic Church

# THE THE THE Greenville, South Carolina

26 July 2015

Dear Friends in Christ,

"Be still and know that I am God." Thus does the LORD instruct us in Psalm 46, verse 10. The stillness to which we are called in Holy Scripture is a letting go of actions and words that yields silence, both interior and exterior, and such silence is essential for every disciple of the Lord Jesus. We need times of exterior silence in order to cultivate interior silence, and without interior silence we make it very difficult to hear the Word of God. For this reason, silence is indispensable to authentic and mature Christian faith and life.

Our Evangelical Protestant brethren often emphasize the need for a daily "Quiet Time," which is accompanied by reading the Bible and keeping silent. This is nothing other than the ancient Catholic practice of lectio divina, or divine reading, which is a meditative reading of the Scriptures in a quiet place. Divine reading is understood to have four parts: lectio, meditatio, oratio, and contemplatio. Reading leads to meditating on what is read, and our meditation leads to prayer that culminates in the contemplation of the beauty of God. Understanding the parts, though, is not essential to the practice of lectio divina: simply set aside time each day, go to a quiet place, open the Sacred Page and read. "Be still and know that I am God."

Exterior and interior silence is also essential in the sacred liturgy. We come to the church from a life filled with action and noise, and when we enter the sacred space of the House of God, we need to be quiet. Conversations should end in the vestibule, so that by the time we reach the pew, we are on the path to being still. Prayerful readings of the Scripture lessons appointed for that Mass might be helpful, or perhaps it would be well simply to kneel in silent adoration of the Lord Jesus present in the tabernacle. "Be still and know that I am God."

Once the celebration of Mass begins, the liturgy will be punctuated by several periods of sacred silence: at the penitential rites, as we remember our sins and ask for mercy; during the Liturgy of the Word, to ponder the Scriptures; after the homily, to consider the instruction given; before the end of the Communion Rite, to give thanks for the gift of grace we receive in the Most Holy Eucharist. During these times of silence, we are not waiting for the next thing to happen; instead, we are waiting together upon the LORD. "Be still and know that I am God."

When Mass is ended, our need for silence does not end. The church is always a place of prayer, even after the procession leaves the sanctuary. For the sake of those who want to linger in adoration and of those who are arriving for the next Mass and need to prepare in stillness, we should save our conversations until we reach the vestibule or, even better, have walked outside the church, preferably into Miller Square which is designed for fellowship after Mass. With such reverential silence, we can begin to fulfill the precept: "Be still and know that I am God."

Father Newman

# 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
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# Calendar of Events

#### **Mass Schedule & Intentions**

#### **Meetings & Events \***

#### **Sunday, 26 July 2015**

7.30 am 

9.00 am

9.00 am

11.00 am

1.00 pm

Mary Butler

Emily Rose Gomes

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Spanish Mass

#### **Sunday, 26 July 2015**

No coffee & doughnuts No Nursery during July

#### **Cub Scout Camping Stuff Donation Day:**

After Masses in Miller Square 2-4 pm on Francis Field

#### **Monday, 27 July 2015**

7.00 am Marta Nelli Gomez

# Tuesday, 28 July 2015

7.00 am Ana Victoria Restrepo

No 12.00 noon Mass

#### Tuesday, 28 July 2015

Monday, 27 July 2015

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

#### Wednesday, 29 July 2015

7.00 am Elena Soto

No 12.00 noon Mass

#### Wednesday, 29 July 2015

No Holy Hour & Confessions

#### Thursday, 30 July 2015

7.00 am ♣ Anarita Desroches

No 12.00 noon Mass

#### Thursday, 30 July 2015

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

6.30 pm Program of Catholic Studies (M)

#### **Financial Report**

#### Weekend of 18/19 July

 Needed
 32,500

 Received
 30,824

 Shortage
 1,676

Poor Box 426

#### Offertory Year to Date

Needed 97,500 Received 97,373 Shortage 127

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.

#### **Friday, 31 July 2015**

7.00 am Br. Jonathan Polce

#### **Friday, 31 July 2015**

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

#### Saturday, 1 August 2015

5.00 pm Jose Roberto Restrepo

#### Saturday, 1 August 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.



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Visit us on the web at www.stmarysgvl.org





#### Welcome Newcomers

We welcome the following new members to our parish family: Mr. & Mrs. Jonathan Ingram, Mr. & Mrs. Kerry McTigue, Mr. & Dr. Jordan Roberts and Mr. Sean O'Connell.

#### **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.

#### 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 25 August 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.

### Parish News

#### Collection for 25/26 July

Support of the Parish & Bishop's Appeal

#### **Summer Office Hours**

<u>Church</u> Monday - Thursday 9 am - 4 pm

Friday 9 am - 12 noon

School Monday - Thursday 9 am - 2 pm

#### Holy Hour & Confessions Canceled

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

#### **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.

#### Congratulations to

Blaise Anthony Smith and Claire Adelaide Lewis who were baptized last weekend.

#### 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**

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.





## 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.

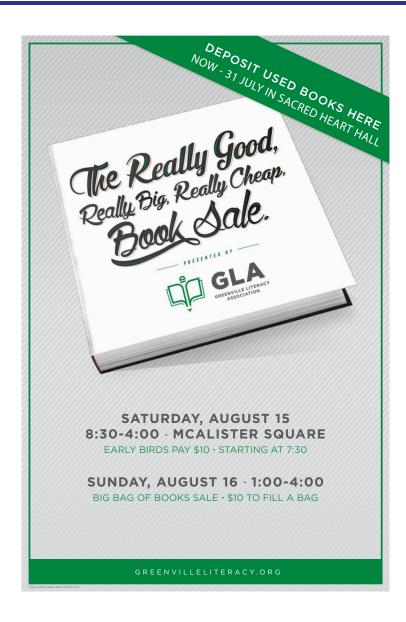
They aren't interchangeable. While single parents and others raising children often make heroic sacrifices and deserve support, society should also affirm every child's basic, natural right to come from and be raised in the loving marital union of his or her own father and mother.

#### **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.





# 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 one-week mission runs from 20-27 September. Participants pay their airfare and \$200 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.



For programming information, visit catholic radioins c.com

# SAINT MARY'S SCHOOL

#### www.stmarysgvl.org/school-main



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

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#### Religious Education Grades 1-8

Classes meet on Wednesday 6.30–7.30 pm and begin 9 September. Only one form per family is needed. Registration will be available before and after all Masses in Sacred Heart Hall on 22 & 23 August.

Home School / St. Joseph's Confirmation Students / Prince of Peace First Communion & Confirmation Students who plan to make their Sacraments at St. Mary's

We would like to have the HS and Sacraments for St. Joe/POP students in the RE database so we can notify you when we have Sacrament information or special events during the school year. Please return form by 4 September.

### Religious Education

All registration forms for 2015-2016 are available on the Religious Education page in the Catechesis section of our website at stmarysgyl.org.



# Sunday Mornings for 3 & 4 Year Olds

Sunday school class starting 13 September for 3 & 4 year olds whose birthdates fall between 1 June 2011 - 1 June 2012. Class will meet on Sundays during the 9.00 am Mass. This is only for families attending the 9.00 am Mass. Space is limited.

#### 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/

Boy Scouts Spanish Youth School Volunteer
Cub Scouts Girl Scouts

Church League Basketball
Youth Group Vacation Bible School
Homeschool Association Driver

Religious Education

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

#### Safe Environment Coordinators:

Church: Lisa Watkins lisa.watkins@stmarysgvl.org 864.679.4105 School: Pat Lanning patricia.lanning@stmarysgvl.org 864.271.3870

#### **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



#### Perpetual Eucharistic 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.

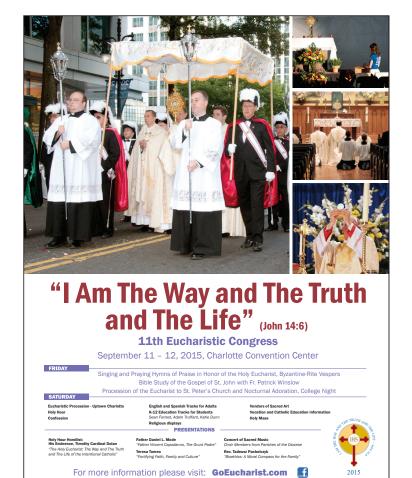
#### Hours in need of an adorer

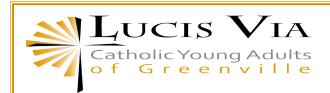
Urgent needs: 2nd adorer needed for:

Sunday 3 am & 7am Monday 4 am, 10 am, 2 pm & 3 pm

Tuesday 10 am Wednesday 11 pm Friday 4 pm & 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.

Follow us: Facebook.com/LVgreenville
Visit us at: www.lvgreenville.com
Email us: LVgreenville@gmail.com
Call: 864.266.8843

#### Ladies Basketball at POP

Ladies Basketball at Prince of Peace will begin practice and scrimmaging Sunday, 2 August from 7-8.30 pm. Games will begin 5 November. Even if you are not sure you want to play, feel free to come practice with us! Please bring your insurance card with you. For more information, call Maria Rauch at 864.901.8880 or email mhrauch@att.net.



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Bishop of Charleston

This inspirational and educational conference is open to all.

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www.onfirewithfaith.org

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

Phone: (843) 402-9115 (ext 18)

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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
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# October 2-3, 2015 Friday 7 :00 p.m. to Saturday 5:00 p.m.

### St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church Simpsonville, SC

□ \$35 Early Bird Registration (before July 31) □ \$40 General Registration (after July 31) Refreshments & Saturday lunch included. Please select one lunch option: □ Meat □ Veggie			
Name			-
Address			
Telephone		Parish/School	
E-Mail	-		
Please choose 4 workshops you wish to attend, by ranking them 1—4, with 1 as your first choice:			
	pening Our Hearts to the Year of Mer		"Ecology & The Gospel"
	lost Rev. Robert Guglielmone	-b!- Nd- to V	Rev. Jeffrey Kendall
		"Lay & Ordained Ministry" Sr. Pamela Smith, SSCM, Ph.D.	
			Kathy Schmugge
"The Baptismal Catechumenate — Inspiration for Catechesis" "Apologetics"			
			Rev. Jay Scott Newman
			"Being the Hands & Feet of Christ"
	RCL Benziger Michael Acquilano		
	"More Like Christ: Active Faith in Today's World" "God's Gift of Forgiveness"		
	John (Jack) Rabbit  John (Jack) Rabbit  Pixie Smith, RCL Benziger		
	"Encouraging Global Disciples in Your Ministry" —— "Mary: Mentor for the Domestic Church		
	Matthew Burkhart, Catholic Relief Services  Dr. Patricia McCormack, IHM, Pflaum		
			"Catholic Parents — Keepers of the Promise"
	atricia McCormack, IHM, Pflaum  Dr. Patricia McCormack, IHM, Pflaum		
	Staying True to the Mission: The Church & The Gospel" "Evangelizing With Mary"		
	Christopher Gustafson, STD  Mark Chapman, Ph.D.		
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	"Go Forth: How to Keep Your Faith Encounters from Turning into "Class"		
	Dennis Feltwell, Ph.D.  "Fishers of Manager Males Associated Formalisation Boston Males" Hoston Melina		
"Fishers of Men or Keepers of the Aquarium: Evangelization Beyond the Parish Walls" Hector Molina			
RECOMMENDED FOR YOUNG ADULTS 18-35			
"Т	he Sacrament of Reconciliation & Yo	u" "Four Prophets"	"7 Pillars of Catholic Spirituality"
	Rev. Marcin Zahuta	Rev. Marcin Zahuta	
"Young Adults: Kindling the Fiery Heart of the Church through the Teachings of St. John Paul II"  Rachel Neubauer			
<u>SESIONES EN ESPAÑOL</u>			
"Lit	urgia y Evangelización"	"Catequesis en la Familia"	"Cómo Defender la Fe: Apologética 101"
"Ev	angelización, Catequesis, y la Biblia" stavo Valdez	"Evangelización con Maria" Ana Hidalgo	"Pescadores de Hombres o Guardianes del Acuario: Evangelización Mas Allá de las Paredes de la Parroquia" Hector Molina
Please make your check payable to the <i>Diocese of Charleston</i> with <i>On Fire with Faith</i> on the memo section and mail to			
Office of Catechesis and Christian Initiation, 1662 Ingram Rd., Charleston, SC 29407.			

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