



# St. Mary's Catholic Church



Greenville, South Carolina

13 September 2015

Dear Friends in Christ,

1. I am delighted to announce that our new organist is Dr. David Rhyne, a master musician who is the Artistic Director of the South Carolina Bach Choir and an instructor at Furman University and the South Carolina Governor's School. David will play on Sunday mornings during Mass at 9 and 11 am, at all celebrations of Vespers, and during special occasions throughout the year, and he will also assist Arlen Clarke with our choirs in a variety of ways. His work begins officially on 1 November 2015, though you'll hear him at the keyboard a few times before then. Please join me in welcoming Dr. David Rhyne, Organist of St. Mary's Catholic Church.

2. On Monday afternoon, Bishop Guglielmone will dedicate Holy Family Chapel in Charleston, one of the three buildings at our new Diocesan Pastoral Center. The chapel, the chancery, and a hall for meetings of various kinds have just been completed, and for the first time in years beyond reckoning, all of our diocesan staff in Charleston are located in one place. The new pastoral center has been years in the making and will serve as a wonderful resource for the priests and people of the Diocese of Charleston.

3. Two weeks ago in Rome, an announcement was made of a decision by Pope Francis to give every priest in the world the faculty of absolving the sin of abortion during the coming Jubilee of Mercy, but media reports of this decision created great confusion in two ways. First, every priest in the world already had the faculty to forgive the sin of abortion; what many priests around the world lacked was the authority to remit the penalty of excommunication that is often incurred by the sin of abortion, and that is what the pope extended to all priests. And the second misleading dimension of the report was this: nearly every priest in the United States - including all priests in the Diocese of Charleston - have had the faculty to remit the penalty of excommunication attached to the sin of abortion for many years. This means that the pope's gracious gesture added nothing to what we have already had for decades; it was, rather, for the benefit of the rest of the world.

4. Then last week in Rome, another announcement was made about changes in the canonical procedures that govern how bishops and their tribunals decide whether or not marriages that have ended in civil divorce were ever true sacraments of Christ and the Church. A declaration of nullity means that what was once thought to have been a sacrament is now known not to have ever been a sacrament but was a civil contract only, and such declarations are no "easier" to obtain this week than they were last week. The procedural changes announced last week are intended merely to simplify and expedite the ways in which tribunals do their work, and these changes to canon law in no way modify the teaching of the Lord Jesus on the nature and indissolubility of marriage which is part of the revealed truth of the Gospel and which no one may ever change.

Father Newman

# Calendar of Events

## Mass Schedule & Intentions

### Sunday, 13 September 2015

7.30 am ✱ Loretta Vorlick  
 9.00 am ✱ Carlos Restrepo  
 11.00 am Pro populo  
 1.00 pm Spanish Mass

### Monday, 14 September 2015

7.00 am Ashley Antrobus

### Tuesday, 15 September 2015

7.00 am ✱ Brian Antrobus  
 12.00 noon Henry Nielsen

### Wednesday, 16 September 2015

7.00 am Conchita Si  
 12.00 noon ✱ Deceased members /  
 Norungolo Family

### Thursday, 17 September 2015

7.00 am ✱ William O'Neill  
 12.00 noon ✱ Argemira Palacio

### Friday, 18 September 2015

7.00 am Ana Patricia Gomez

### Saturday, 19 September 2015

5.00 pm ✱ Deceased members /  
 Eassy Family

## Meetings & Events \*

### Sunday, 13 September 2015

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

### Monday, 14 September 2015

6.30 pm Cub Scouts

### Tuesday, 15 September 2015

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

### Wednesday, 16 September 2015

5.00-6.00 pm Holy Hour &  
 Confessions (church)  
 6.30 pm Religious Education  
 6.30 pm Program of Catholic Studies (M)  
 6.30 pm Program of Catholic Studies (M)  
 6.30 pm Introduction to Catholicism

### Thursday, 17 September 2015

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

### Friday, 18 September 2015

6.15 am Morning Prayer (church)  
 6.30-8.00 am Pillars of Christ  
 10.00 am Scripture Study Class  
 3.30-5.00 pm Youth Choir Practice

### Saturday, 19 September 2015

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

## Financial Report

### Weekend of 5/6 September

Needed	32,500
Received	35,100
Surplus	2,600

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Catholic University of America	2,411
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### Offertory Year to Date

Needed	325,000
Received	326,428
Surplus	1,428

**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](mailto:jennifer.doiron@stmarysgvl.org).



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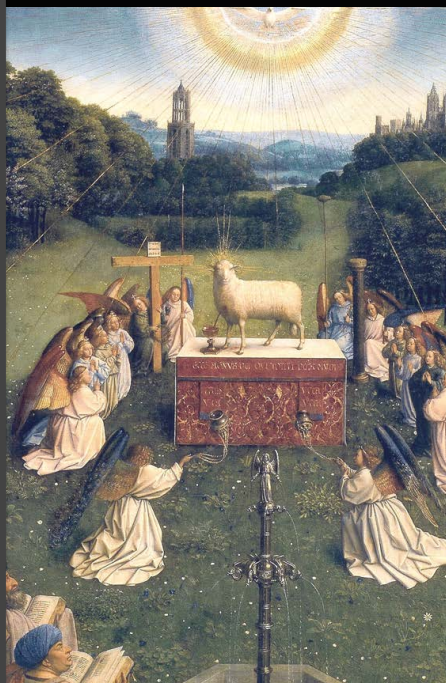
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 Greenville SC.

M - McGrady Hall

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

Visit us on the web at  
[www.stmarysgvl.org](http://www.stmarysgvl.org)

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



Tuesday 8.30 am — The Mystery of Redemption and Christian Discipleship

(Instructors: Joe Sanfilippo and Tony Owens)

Wednesday 6.30 pm — The Sacraments: Source of Our Life in Christ

(Instructors: Nestor Acosta and Tom Whalen)

Wednesday 6.30 pm — The Mystery of Redemption and Christian Discipleship

(Instructors: Joe Beauchemin and Charlie Bondurant)

**CLASSES BEGIN 8  
SEPTEMBER**

**MORE INFO OR TO REGISTER ONLINE**

please visit us at

[www.stmarysgvl.org/catechesis/program-of-catholic-studies](http://www.stmarysgvl.org/catechesis/program-of-catholic-studies)

Or call or email T.J. Nielsen at 864.679.4114 or [timothy.nielsen@stmarysgvl.org](mailto:timothy.nielsen@stmarysgvl.org)

### THE MYSTERY OF REDEMPTION AND CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

This course examines man's need for redemption after the fall; the promise of redemption renewed throughout the Old Testament; and the Redemption achieved by the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ, as well as its application in the life of each Christian. It also shows how the Holy Mass is a perpetuation of the Paschal Mystery in our lives.

### THE SACRAMENTS: SOURCE OF OUR LIFE IN CHRIST

Through his great love for us, Jesus Christ suffered and died for our redemption, and he desires to share the grace he won for us with every person. Christ entrusted the sacraments to the Church as the primary means by which we receive God's grace. This course examines each sacrament as a source of grace and an intimate encounter with Jesus Christ and the liturgy as the public worship of the Church.

## An Introduction to Catholicism



What is Catholicism?

Is the Catholic Faith in the Bible?

Did the Lord Jesus found the Catholic Church?

Our course called *An Introduction to Catholicism* is designed to answer these and many other questions about the origins of Catholic Christianity and the shape of Christian faith and life within the Catholic Church.

The classes meet on Wednesday evenings from 6.30 to 8.00 pm from Labor Day through Easter, and all are invited to come and discover what it means to be a disciple of the Lord Jesus in His holy Catholic Church.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

Contact T.J. Nielsen, Director of Christian Formation, at [timothy.nielsen@stmarysgvl.org](mailto:timothy.nielsen@stmarysgvl.org) or 864.679.4114.





# PARISH NEWS

## Requiescat in pace

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Stuart Miller, Tracey Johnson and Lorraine Philips who died recently. 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.

## 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.

## Women of Grace Bible Study

The Women of Grace Bible Study will meet on Sunday, 13 September to resume the Scot Hahn study of the Gospel of John. New and returning members are welcome. The study, which includes praying the Rosary, reading Scripture and group discussion, meets on the second and fourth Sunday of each month from 6.00- 8.00 pm in Sacred Heart Hall. Please email Dorothy Whalen at [LittleDotW@aol.com](mailto:LittleDotW@aol.com) or Wileta Pennington at [wbpennington8284@yahoo.com](mailto:wbpennington8284@yahoo.com). with questions.

## St. Mary's Wedding Committee

The Wedding Committee is a team of volunteer women who help coordinate the weddings that take place at St. Mary's during the year. They are asking for new volunteers to join their team. You would be asked to help at the Friday evening rehearsal and Saturday wedding for a few hours several times a year. If interested please contact Cathy Markway at [cmarkway@bellsouth.net](mailto:cmarkway@bellsouth.net).

## Collection for 12/13 September

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

## Knights of Columbus Breakfast



The K. of C. Monthly Breakfast is scheduled for Sunday 20 September in Macalka Dining Room after all the morning Masses. All are welcome to share breakfast with the parish family.

## Welcome Newcomers

We welcome the following new members to our parish family: Mr. & Mrs. Antonio Lantigua, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Green, Mr. Eric Viale, Ms. Mary Jessica Oglesby, Ms. Marsha Kennedy, Mr. Marvin Short and Ms. Victoria Riggins.

## 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.

## Catholic Fellowship Dinners

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. We are a family of Christian disciples who enjoy getting to know their brothers and sisters. For more information or if you would like to participate, contact Cathy Markway at 504.251.4588 or [cmarkway@bellsouth.net](mailto:cmarkway@bellsouth.net). The next Fellowship dinner is on 19 September.

## Bulletin Submissions

Contact Lisa at [lisa.watkins@stmarysgvl.org](mailto:lisa.watkins@stmarysgvl.org) to submit items for the e-bulletin. The deadline for items is 12 days prior to the bulletin date.

# LAY DOMINICAN LIFE



Do you wish to strengthen your relationship with Christ? Do you want to deepen your prayer life? Do you love to read and learn about Jesus and his Church? Do you have a desire to share that knowledge with others?

Dominican Laity live their Christian commitments and are strengthened by:

- A Structured Prayer Life
- Regular Celebration of the Eucharist
- Frequent Participation in the Sacrament of Reconciliation
- Daily Prayer with the Liturgy of the Hours and the Rosary
- Deep Theological Study (especially of the Scriptures)

If this interests you, then you might prayerfully consider whether Christ is calling you to enter more fully into your Baptismal promises through the Lay Dominicans.

If you want to learn more about the Lay Dominicans please attend the first meeting of this year on Sunday, 27 September at 3.00 pm at St. Mary's Church, Sacred Heart Hall. For more information, please visit our blog at <http://saintthomasaquinasdominicans.wordpress.com/> and click on "Contact Our Chapter." Or call Joe Beauchemin at 864.710.0717 with questions.



**"Be who God meant you to be and  
you will set the world on fire."**

**-St. Catherine of Siena**

## Church League Basketball



Registration for church league basketball has begun. Deadline for player registration is 5 October. Forms are available on the parish website at

[stmarysgvl.org/our-parish/parish-organizations/basketball-program/](http://stmarysgvl.org/our-parish/parish-organizations/basketball-program/)

### Interested in Coaching?

If you are interested in getting involved this year by coaching or being an assist coach, please email Megan at [Megan.Soulsby@stmarysgvl.org](mailto:Megan.Soulsby@stmarysgvl.org). New coaches must have completed diocesan background screening and the safe environment Virtus class before the season begins.

## Sunday Morning Nursery

Just a reminder that we have a wonderful nursery during the Sunday morning 9am Mass. There are two rooms: The Baby Room is for children six months to approximately 1½ years, and the Toddler Room is for children 1½ years up to under 3 years of age. The Baby Room is limited to a maximum of 6 children and the Toddler Room is limited to a maximum of 8 children.

## 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 Monday 26 October 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](mailto:timothy.nielsen@stmarysgvl.org) or 864.679.4114.

## Knights of Columbus

K of C 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.

## 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.

# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

## Sunday Mornings for 3 & 4 Year Olds

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

## Religious Education Grades 1-8

Classes meet on Wednesday 6.30-7.30 pm.

## Confirmation Meeting for Students & Parents

Fr. Newman will meet with students and parents preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation on Wednesday 16 September from 6.30-7.30 pm in Gallivan Hall. This meeting is mandatory.

## First Holy Communion Meeting with Parents

Fr. Newman will meet with parents who have children preparing for the Sacraments of Penance & Eucharist on Wednesday 23 September (*corrected date*) in Gallivan Hall at 6.30 pm. This meeting is mandatory.

## United Ministries Transformation WALK Take a Step Change a Life

2pm - Sunday 25 October - Fluor Field

Register online at [TransformationWalk2015.kintera.org](http://TransformationWalk2015.kintera.org). Please note: make sure you "Join a Team" and select St. Mary's Confirmation Class, so we receive credit for the donations & walkers. Please register each walker in your family and make sure you join our team each time.

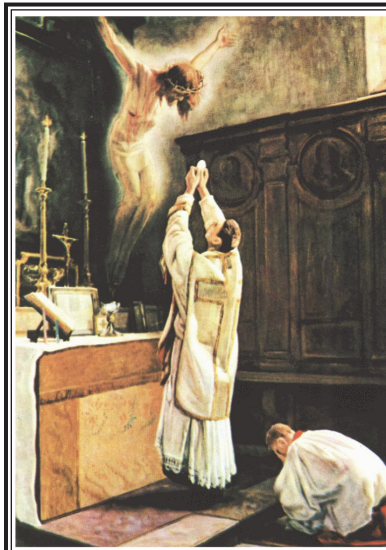
Deadline for all money is noon on Wednesday 14 October. If you are unable to walk, you can support this worthy cause by sponsoring a walker. For additional questions contact Joann in the RE Office at [joann.miller@stmarysgvl.org](mailto:joann.miller@stmarysgvl.org) or 864.679.4110.



## Ancient Order of Hibernians



The Ancient of Order Hibernians will celebrate Halfway to St. Patrick's Day at the TD Convention Center on Friday 18 September. The celebration will include a delicious dinner with Irish music, Irish dancing and a live auction. The cost is \$45 per person with a cash bar. There will also be a drawing (\$10 per ticket) for a weekend for two at the Grove Park Inn (\$1,500 value). Proceeds from the event will benefit two pro-life organizations, Birthright of Greenville and the "Close the Mill" campaign, which provide counseling and support to women in crisis pregnancies. To make reservations (a private table will seat 10 people) and to purchase drawing tickets, please contact Joe Deehan at [deehanj@bellsouth.net](mailto:deehanj@bellsouth.net) or 864.836.1121.



Prince of Peace Catholic Church

Cordially invites you to the  
10th Anniversary of  
Ordination to the Priesthood for  
Fr. Christopher Smith

Beginning with a  
Votive Mass of the Holy Cross  
on Friday, 11 September at 6p.  
A reception will follow.

## 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 South Carolina;
- Complete Background Screening Forms;
- Read & sign the Diocesan Code of Conduct; and
- Read & sign the Diocesan Abuse Policy.

Forms are available from  
the Safe Environment Coordinators  
and on the parish website at  
[stmarysgvl.org/our-parish/virtus-classes-background-checks/](http://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:

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864.679.4105

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Pat Lanning

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864.271.3870

## Upcoming Virtus Classes

Prince of Peace - Taylors  
Thursday 17 September  
6.00 pm

St. Mary's  
Tuesday 24 September  
6.00 pm

Register online at [virtus.org](http://virtus.org)



# st. mary's catholic school

2015-2016  
The Year of Faith



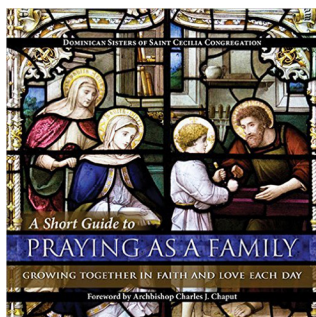
## School Spotlight - Music

Our 4th & 5th grade students are learning to play the ukulele during music class. These beautiful instruments are a brand new purchase to help enhance our growing Music Department. The students will be learning how to read music while playing the instrument and singing American Folk Tunes. They will be working with the ukulele through December, and they hope to debut their new musical skills during the Christmas Pageant.



## Family Prayer Corner

If you could give your child ANYTHING, what would it be? Parents have many different answers to this question . . . a good education, high moral standards, a long life, faith, love, a million dollars . . . But then ask yourself, why that? Ultimately, all end up with the same answer, "I just want my child to be happy." Isn't that what you really want for your children? Happiness. We're not talking about an emotional high; we mean a state of being. There's a difference between feeling happy and being happy - the first comes and goes, the second can remain



even in the midst of suffering, persecution, and war. It endures beyond death. This happiness is the state of being in relationship with God, living in communion with Him. You cannot give your children this everlasting happiness, but you can lead them to that communion with God which alone will bring them true happiness in this life and forever.

Throughout the course of this year, these short reflections will supplement initiatives at St.

Mary's School to assist you in fostering your child's relationship with God. May they also assist you in your own relationship with Him, for as St. Augustine wrote, "You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you." Only in God will we find the happiness for which we are constantly searching. Parents desire happiness for their children, because that is what God our Father desires for all his children, including you.

This bi-weekly series of reflections on family prayer, provided by the Dominican Sisters, draws inspiration from the book *A Short Guide to Praying as a Family: Growing Together in Faith and Love Each Day* by the Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia Congregation.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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[www.stmarysgvl.org/theschool](http://www.stmarysgvl.org/theschool)



## St. Mary's Ducks Cross Country

15 September Spartanburg Day 4.30 pm



## St. Mary's Ducks Volleyball

(Home matches in bold)

17 September	St. Joes	4.00 pm
18 September	Hampton Park	4.00 pm
22 September	<b>Mitchell Road</b>	4.00 pm



## White Mass & Physicians Conference

The annual White Mass and Physicians Conference, sponsored by the Diocese of Charleston Academy of Life, will be on Saturday 24 October at St. Peter Church in Columbia. The Mass will begin at 10 am and is open to medical professionals. The Mass will be followed by two presentations by Sr. Mariana Koonce, RSM, MD on "The Gospel of Life is the Gospel of Joy" and "Proclaiming the Gospel of Life in the Exam Room." Sr. Koonce is a family practice physician and Religious Sister of Mercy of Alma, Michigan. She currently serves the St. Mary's Legacy Clinic for the Diocese of Knoxville, a mobile clinic providing free primary care to rural areas of Appalachia.

Suggested donation is \$10 and includes lunch. Register online at [sccatholic.org/white-mass-mass-medical-professionals](http://sccatholic.org/white-mass-mass-medical-professionals) or for more information, please either call the Office of Family Life at 803.547.5063 or email [familylife@catholic-doc.org](mailto:familylife@catholic-doc.org).

## Remembrance Mass

The Diocese of Charleston is sponsoring a Remembrance Mass for Early Child Loss on Saturday 17 October at 10.00 am at Blessed Sacrament Church in Charleston, SC. The Mass is open to all who have suffered from the death of a child for any reason such as miscarriage, stillbirth, illness, accident or abortion. There will be a speaker and reception to follow. For more information, email [familylife@catholic-doc.org](mailto:familylife@catholic-doc.org) or call Christy Brown at 803.554.6088.



Website: [www.charlestonvocations.com](http://www.charlestonvocations.com)  
Facebook: Charleston Vocations

### Discernment retreat for men (ages 18-49) 30 October - 1 November

If you're interested in learning more about Christian discipleship, discernment, and the priesthood, please consider this retreat.

For information, contact the Office of Vocations at 1.800.660.4102. To sign up for the retreat, visit the Discernment Retreats page of the Programs tab at [CharlestonVocations.com](http://CharlestonVocations.com).

*Your Serrant is Listening.*  
1 Samuel 3:10



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*Bishop of Charleston*

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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**



## 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

The Lord invites each of us to share a weekly hour with Him in the Blessed Sacrament. Contact Lisa Buss at [adoration@princeofpeacetaylors.org](mailto:adoration@princeofpeacetaylors.org) or call 864.508.7123 to schedule an hour. Choose an hour of your convenience or consider one of our urgent needs:

Monday 4 am  
Tuesday 1 am & 2 am  
Friday 7 pm  
Saturday 3 am & 7 am

### JOIN US!

A 1-day marriage retreat for husbands & wives  
at St. Michael Catholic Church in Gastonia

## Love Your Marriage

**Saturday, September 19**  
**8am—3pm**

**Facilitated by John & Terri Bosio**

(Authors of *Happy Together, the Catholic Blueprint for a Loving Marriage*,  
and *Blessed is Marriage: a Couple's Path to Greater Joy*)

**Cost: \$25 per couple, to cover 2 meals and materials**

**Reservation Deadline: September 14, 2015**

**To register, pay online, and view the Retreat schedule, visit  
the Marriage Retreat page on [www.stmichaelsgastonia.org](http://www.stmichaelsgastonia.org)  
Donations will be solicited for a stipend for the retreat leaders**

Questions? Email: [LindaMooney726@gmail.com](mailto:LindaMooney726@gmail.com)  
Sponsored by St. Michael's Vocation Commission



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.

### Upcoming Events:

**14 September - Monday Bible Study:** This Fall, LVG will explore the Mercy of God through reading the Book of Jonah and 1-3 John. Join us at 7pm on Mondays at St. Mary's in downtown from 14 September - 9 November.

**20 September - Monthly Lunch:** 1.00 pm at The Local Taco (3608C Pelham Road, Greenville, SC 29615).

**24 September - Women's Rosary Group:** 7.30 pm at the home of hostess Elizabeth E. To get the exact address, contact Elizabeth at 814.521.4482.

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Call: 864.266.8843





## Made For Greatness

In a world that encourages the human person to 'just get by', many suffer from the unbearable sense of a life filled with unfulfilling relationships, meaningless work, and an unclear purpose and direction that seem to only lead to a greater longing for something more. 'The World offers you comfort, but you were not made for comfort, you were made for greatness.' –Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

Knowing that we are created in the 'image and likeness of God' (Gen 1:26), there is freedom in acknowledging our weaknesses and as our Holy Father, Pope Francis reminds us 'trusting in the infinite mercy and patience of our Lord Jesus Christ...in a spirit of penance' to take off the burdening yokes of complacency and feelings of unfulfillment, and place on the robe of joyfully



living in the freedom of the fullness of life in Christ.



Join young adults from across the Catholic Diocese of Charleston in retreating for a weekend away, while learning of the greatness we are created in while living in the fullness of life in Christ with purpose, direction and joy!



**Featured Speaker & Spiritual Director: Fr. Marcin Zahuta.** Fr. Marcin is a native of Poland. Prior to becoming a priest he was a professional soccer player in Europe. He attended Sacred Heart Seminary in Detroit and was ordained in the Diocese of Charleston in 2006. Fr. Marcin has a great hunger to challenge and inspire young adults to live an excellent life in the fullness of Christ's teachings. He is currently the Pastor of St. Thomas More in Columbia.

**'The World offers you comfort, but you were not made for comfort, you were made for greatness.'** –Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

## Who should come?

Any young adult (18-35) who wants to grow in holiness and attain a greater knowledge of the Catholic faith.



## How much does it cost\*?

Private Room: \$130

Shared Room: \$75

Cost includes dinner on Friday, breakfast, lunch & dinner on Saturday, breakfast on Sunday, and snacks.

*\*For scholarships, please contact the Office of Young Adult Ministry*



## Questions?

Contact Rachel Neubauer, Associate Director of Young Adult Ministry

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843.261.0445 or 843.670.2586



## Diakonia Retreat Center



Located on 210 pristine acres in upstate South Carolina (Salem, SC), this Eco-friendly retreat center featuring walking trails, scenic lakes, gardens and much more...will put you closer to God and nature than you have ever been before.

Online Registration: <http://goo.gl/forms/AzjEof7xjW>

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Parish: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Food allergies/dietary needs: \_\_\_\_\_

Room options: (check one)

Private Room: (\$130) \_\_\_\_\_

Shared Room: (\$75) \_\_\_\_\_

Roommate: \_\_\_\_\_

## Send completed registration form & check to:

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