



St. Mary's Catholic Church



Greenville, South Carolina

15 November 2015

Dear Friends in Christ,

Next Sunday is the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, and during Mass at 9 and 11 am our sacred music will be fitting for the sovereign Lord of all creation. This also means that in two weeks we will begin a new Year of Grace on the First Sunday of Advent, and once again we will celebrate Solemn Vespers at 5 pm on each Sunday of Advent. Please plan now to join us for Advent Vespers and to bring a friend for 30 minutes of beautiful music, peaceful prayer, and sacred silence.

Bishop Guglielmono will be with us on Tuesday 1 December to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation to more than 80 young men and women, and the week before last he did the same for a similar group at our mission of San Sebastian. Pray for these young Christians that they may be bold witnesses to Christ through radical conversion, deep fidelity, joyful discipleship, and courageous evangelism.

Tuesday 8 December is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, patronal feast of the United States and a holy day of obligation, and we will celebrate Mass at 7 am, 12 noon and 7 pm on that Tuesday. Every Sunday of the year is a holy day of obligation by divine precept, and several other days of the year are holy days of obligation by ecclesiastical precept – meaning that the Church is exercising the binding part of the power of binding and loosing given to the Apostles by the Lord Jesus. In the United States, these days of obligation are: 1 January, the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God; 15 August, the Solemnity of the Assumption; 1 November, the Solemnity of All Saints; 8 December, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, and 25 December, the Solemnity of the Birth of the Lord Jesus. The Solemnity of the Ascension is also a holy day of obligation, but in the United States that observance is now transferred from 40 days after Easter to the following Sunday.

All of the above means that in a year when none of the holy days falls on a Sunday, Catholics are expected to attend Mass a minimum of 59 times. Even if you allow an hour of travel time for each Mass, that comes to about 120 hours each year for us to be at Mass or traveling to and from Mass. Most studies show that Americans spend an average of 1500 to 1800 hours each year watching television, and the Church asks us for 120 hours each year to worship the living God in spirit and truth. When we so easily give ourselves to 15 hours of television for each hour spent in the celebration of the Most Holy Eucharist, how is it possible that so many Catholics simply don't bother to accept the invitation of the Lord Jesus to "do this in memory of me"? Resolve now to make every effort in the coming year to attend Mass each Sunday and holy day and help a faltering Catholic return to regular practice of the Faith.

Father Newman

Saint Mary's Catholic Church
Greenville, South Carolina

Fr. Jay Scott Newman, Pastor

ADVENT VESPERS

Sung by the Schola Cantorum

Arlen Clarke, Choirmaster
Dr. David Rhyne, Organist

SUNDAYS at 5:00 P.M.

29 November
6 December
13 December
20 December

Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sunday, 15 November 2015

7.30 am ✱ Erciso Massa
 9.00 am ✱ David Minette
 11.00 am Pro populo
 1.00 pm Spanish Mass

Monday, 16 November 2015

7.00 am ✱ Ronald Schiera

Tuesday, 17 November 2015

7.00 am ✱ James J. Kelly
 12.00 noon ✱ Argemira Palacio

Wednesday, 18 November 2015

7.00 am ✱ Ed Smith
 12.00 noon ✱ Michael Grismore

Thursday, 19 November 2015

7.00 am ✱ Brian Antrobus
 12.00 noon ✱ Conchita Si, Si Tay Ley & Minette Si-Tiglao

Friday, 20 November 2015

7.00 am ✱ Natividad Viloría

Saturday, 21 November 2015

5.00 pm ✱ Deceased Members / Eassy Family

Meetings & Events *

Sunday, 15 November 2015

K of C Breakfast: After all morning Masses (P)
 Nursery during 9.00 am Mass
 9.00 am 3 & 4 Year Olds (K4 classroom of Sacred Heart Hall)
 9.00 am Scripture Study
 6.00 pm High School Youth Group (M)

Monday, 16 November 2015

6.30 pm Cub Scouts
 6.30 pm Boy Scouts (M)

Tuesday, 17 November 2015

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

Wednesday, 18 November 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
 6.30 pm Introduction to Catholicism

Thursday, 19 November 2015

2.30 pm Cenacles/Rosary
 3.30 pm Prayer Meeting
 6.30 pm Program of Catholic Studies (M)

Friday, 20 November 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, 21 November 2015

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

Financial Report

Weekend of 7/8 November

Needed	32,500
Received	29,576
Shortage	2,924

Poor Box	1,341
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Church in Africa	3,406
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Offertory Year to Date

Needed	617,500
Received	606,580
Shortage	10,920

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.

G - Gallivan Hall M- McGrady Hall
 P - Pazdan Hall Dining Room

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

Visit us on the web at www.stmarysgvl.org

Changes to Holy Hour & Confessions

Wednesday 21 October 2015 will be the last time Father Chalmers hears Confessions at St. Mary's. After that, only Father Newman will regularly hear Confessions on Saturday afternoon and during the Holy Hour on Wednesdays. Father Cruz hears Confessions on Sunday morning in Spanish in Sacred Heart Hall, beginning at 11.30 am.

And on the following Wednesdays,
the Holy Hour and Confessions are canceled:

25 November 2015

16 December 2015

30 December 2015

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, Michael Pinto, Jim Sponsler, Joseph Srp, Neal Campbell, IV, Rose and Anne Eassy, Marie-Therese Isidore, Thomas Thomason and Judy McColl.



Knights of Columbus Breakfast

The K. of C. Monthly Breakfast is scheduled for Sunday 15 November in the Pazdan Hall Dining Room after all the morning Masses. All are welcome to share breakfast with the parish family.

Communion Minister Training

On Monday 23 November at 6.30 pm, Deacon John Heuser will conduct a training session for those willing to serve as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion at St. Mary's. To be eligible for this service, one must be a confirmed Catholic in full communion with the Church, a registered parishioner of St. Mary's, and have been regularly attending Mass here for at least six months. Our Communion Ministers take Holy Communion to parishioners who are unable to attend Mass, and so this ministry involves visiting people at home, in the hospital, or in nursing homes or other facilities for assisted living. The training session will begin at 6.30 pm in the church and will last about one hour. For more information, please contact Deacon Heuser at john.heuser@stmarysgvl.org.

PARISH NEWS

Collections for 14/15 November

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

Office Closure

The parish office will be closed 25-27 November for the Thanksgiving holiday.

St. Mary's Senior Fellowship

Our mission is to provide fellowship to members of St. Mary's Catholic Church who are 65 years or older. Please join us Saturday 14 November at 12.00 noon in Sacred Heart Hall. Bring your favorite dish or dessert to share. For more information, contact Patricia Wellham at 864.294.9270.



Bulletin Submissions

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

Welcome Newcomers

We welcome the following new members to our parish family: Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Kamzol, Mr. Cyrus Berdan, Ms. Melissa Strelec and Mr. Christopher Miro.

Christmas Flowers



St. Mary's parishioners are encouraged to participate in helping to decorate our church and gym for the Christmas liturgies. Each year we set up a Christmas Flower Fund for that purpose. If you wish to honor a loved one, living or deceased, please send in your donation in the Christmas Flower envelope available in your envelope packet or use a plain white envelope).

Please **print** your name and the names of those whom you wish to honor. Memorial requests must be submitted to the church office no later than **Sunday 13 December** for the names to appear in the Christmas Flower list.

Thank you for your cooperation and support.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Sunday Mornings for 3 & 4 Year Olds

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

Religious Education Grades 1-8

Wednesday 6.30-7.30 pm

Confirmation Practice

St. Mary's Confirmation students and their sponsors will have a dinner and practice for Confirmation on Monday 30 November at 6.00 pm. Please meet in Pazdan Hall.

Confirmation

Bishop Robert E. Guglielmone will confirm the candidates at St. Mary's on Tuesday 1 December at 7.00 pm. Please keep our Confirmandi in your prayers.



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.

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.

Thank You

"The Board of Governors, staff, and volunteers of Project Host thank you for your donation. Contributions like yours help The Project Host Soup Kitchen offer a balanced, nutritious meal each day in a safe, clean, and loving environment to all who are hungry."

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.

Knights of Columbus Poster Contest Alcohol Awareness and Abuse & Drug Awareness and Abuse

Monsignor Charles J. Baum Council #13112 is holding the Knights of Columbus Alcohol Awareness and Abuse and Drug Awareness and Abuse Poster Contest. The contest is for Boys and Girls 8-11 and 12-14. The youth select to make a poster for either Alcohol Awareness and Abuse or Drug Awareness and Abuse. Posters should be 11" x 17" and include a slogan, visual image and completed entry form. The deadline is 4 December. For more information and entry form, please contact Mr. John McGrath at 864.292.0475 by 30 November.

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 25 January 2016 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.



Catholic Radio in South Carolina

WCKI 1300 AM

For programming information, visit catholicradioinnc.com



ST. MARY'S WOMEN'S CLUB

2015 Christmas Ornament

Pope Francis has proclaimed 2015-2016 as the Holy Year of Mercy, beginning 8 December 2015. We are proud to offer the 'Our Lady of Mercy' stained-glass window located in the vestibule on the parking lot side of the church as this year's ornament.

A small supply of the 2014 ornament, 'Pray and Labor', is also available for purchase.



3.5" x 2.5"

Christmas Bake Sale

After all English Masses
5 and 6 December 2015
in the Pazdan Hall Dining Room

Remember to
pick-up ornaments
at the bake sale!



2015 Ornament - 'Our Lady of Mercy'

- Cakes
- Candies
- Cookies
- Jams
- Pies
- Christmas Cards
- Note Cards
- More!

Sponsored by St. Mary's Catholic Women's Club

Your purchases enable us to support our church and various Catholic charities.
Thank you for your continued support!

2015 ORNAMENT ORDER FORM

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY:

Name: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Number of 2015 Ornaments Ordered: _____ @ \$16.00 each = \$ _____

Number of 2014 Ornaments Ordered: _____ @ \$16.00 each = \$ _____

Paid by check cash (if mailing, checks only) Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Make check payable to: St. Mary's Catholic Women's Club
Mail to: St. Mary's Catholic Women's Club, P.O. Box 1505, Greenville, SC 29602
For questions, contact Loretta Mulle at lmulle@att.net or 864-376-6235

We invite you to join the members of the St. Mary's Catholic Women's Club in their mission to serve the church and community. Contact Patty Naylor, Membership Chair, at patnay@live.com or 864.414.8919 for more information.

Ornaments may be picked up at the Women's Club's Annual Christmas Bake Sale.



st. mary's catholic school

2015-2016
The Year of Faith



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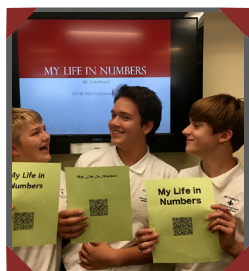
www.stmarysgvl.org/theschool



School Spotlight -

Computer Lab Grades 1 - 8

Students in grades 1 - 8 recently completed a *My Life in Numbers* project in computer lab. Using the QRstuff.com website, students created personal QR Codes which contained number information, such as their birth month squared, number of vowels in their first name, and number of brothers and sisters. Students then designed, created, and printed a Word document containing each personal QR code. Finally, the students used a QR code reader app to access the information stored in each QR code to guess which classmate created it.

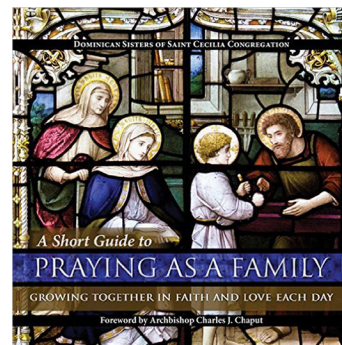


Family Prayer Corner

Life Lessons: Learning from our Mother

In the Joyful, Sorrowful, and Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary, we reflect on the mysteries of our salvation: God entered into our world as a tiny child, He suffered and died to save us from sin and death, and rose from the dead in order to give us His life. Pope Saint John Paul II added the five Luminous Mysteries to these traditional mysteries of the Rosary. In this way, he pointed out that the Rosary fixes our gaze on Jesus as we encounter Him throughout the Gospels.

Reading a Gospel passage that corresponds to each mystery helps to focus our gaze on Jesus as we pray the Hail Marys. This is particularly appealing to children; they love to hear these stories over and over again. It takes more time to pray in this way, so you may decide to pray just one mystery at a time, or to focus on a different mystery each day in this way.



Eventually, we learn these Scriptures by heart, which makes it easier to pray the Rosary at any time or place. When we reflect on the mysteries of Christ's life in this way, we are like children looking through the family photo album as we listen to the stories that go with each picture. We were not there to see the events for ourselves; we need our Mother to tell us about them. As she does, those events touch our lives and we learn from her what it means to be a Christian.

This bi-weekly series of reflections on family prayer 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 (St. Benedict Press, 2015). Reflection text © 2015 St. Cecilia Congregation. For reprinting permission or questions, contact neoffice@op-tn.org.

St. Mary's Ducks Basketball

(Home games in bold)

		Girls	Boys
16 November	Legacy Charter	5.00 pm	6.00 pm
19 November	Spartanburg Day	4.00 pm	5.15 pm
20 November	Greenville Home School	4.00 pm	5.15 pm
24 November	Shannon Forest	4.00 pm	5.15 pm

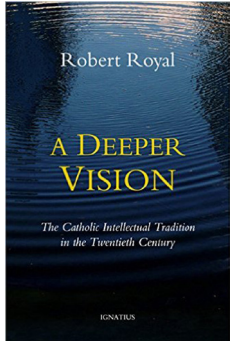


Tradition - Virtue - Excellence





A Deeper Vision: The Catholic Intellectual Tradition in the Twentieth Century
Robert Royal



In this wide-ranging and ambitious volume, Robert Royal, a prominent participant for many years in debates about religion and contemporary life, offers a comprehensive and balanced appraisal of the Catholic intellectual tradition in the twentieth century.

Royal argues that without rigorous thought, Catholicism – however welcoming and nourishing it might be – would become something like a doctor with a good bedside manner, but who knows little medicine.

Available at [Ignatius Press](#) and [Amazon](#).

Tribunal Workshop

On Tuesday 17 November at Saint Paul the Apostle in Seneca, Valerie Maxineau, JCL/Director of the Tribunal and Judge will be offering a Tribunal workshop for all interested. This information session is scheduled to begin at 6.30 pm and end at approximately 8.00 pm.

Prayer for Vocations

Loving and gracious God, Father of all, you bless your people in every time and season and provide for their needs through your providential care. Your Church is continually in need of priests, sisters and brothers to offer themselves in the service of the gospel by live of dedicated love.

Open the hearts of your sons and daughters to listen to your call in their lives. Give them the gift of understanding to discern your invitation to serve you and your Church. Give them the gift of courage to follow your call. May they have the spirit of young Samuel who found fulfillment in his life when he said to you, “Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.”

We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Redeemer. Amen.

Vespers at Prince of Peace

Each Sunday through 22 November, Prince of Peace in Taylors is celebrating Solemn Vespers (Evening Prayer) in the church at 5.00 pm. This 30-35 minute service is a great way to join in the public prayer of the Church at the end of the day.

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 a weekly prayer hour with Him in the Blessed Sacrament. Contact Lisa Buss at adoration@princeofpeacetaylors.org or call 864.508.7123 to schedule an hour. Choose an hour of your convenience or consider one of our EMPTY HOURS (*) or one needing a prayer partner:

- Monday 3 pm & 11 pm
- Tuesday 1 am*
- Thursday 1 pm
- Friday 4 am* & 7 pm
- Saturday 3 am & 3 pm



Website: www.charlestonvocations.com
 Facebook: Charleston Vocations

If you are discerning a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact the Vocations Office.

**I Have Called
 You By Name.**

Isaiah 43:1





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

13 November - Monthly Happy Hour: 6.00 pm at Local Cue (30 Orchard Park Dr, Ste 7, Greenville, SC 29615).



Diocese of Charleston
Young Adult Ministry

Follow the Diocese of Charleston Young Adult Ministry on Facebook.

SAVE THE DATE



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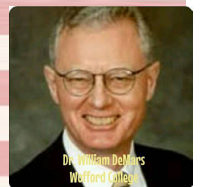


7.00 pm at Sticky Fingers
3 Market Point Dr, Greenville, SC 29607

23 Nov Fr. Renaurd West
St. Peter's Church
Columbia, SC



30 Nov Dr. William DeMars
Wofford College



16 NOV Michael Aquilano
Director
SC Catholic Conference



7 Dec Jim Burns
County Council
District 21



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