



# St. Mary's Catholic Church



## Greenville, South Carolina

20 December 2015

Dear Friends in Christ,

The popular Advent Hymn “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” took shape in France in the 17th century and was translated into English and set to the hauntingly beautiful plainchant melody we know in the 19th century. But the text of the hymn dates from the 9th century and earlier and is taken from the Liturgy of the Hours, or Divine Office, the Church’s daily prayer of adoration and praise.

Each evening in the Divine Office, the Church sings Mary’s great hymn of thanksgiving recorded by St. Luke (1.46-55) and called, from the first word of the text in Latin, the Magnificat. Every day of the year, the Magnificat is preceded and followed by a sung verse called an antiphon, and from December 17th to 23rd, this Magnificat antiphon invokes the Lord Jesus by a different Old Testament title. These Great O Antiphons, so called because each begins with the vocative “O”, are a summary of the prophecies about the Messiah and are chanted to a sublime Gregorian melody.

+O Wisdom, you come forth from the mouth of the Most High. You fill the universe and hold all things together with your strong yet gentle care. O come to teach us the way of truth. +O Lord of Might and Leader of Israel, you appeared to Moses in the burning bush and gave him the Law on Sinai. O come and save us with your mighty power. +O Stock of Jesse, you stand as a signal for the nations; kings fall silent before you whom the peoples acclaim. O come to deliver us, and do not delay. +O Key of David and Sceptre of Israel, what you open no one can close; what you close no one can open. O come to lead the captive from prison; free those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death. +O Rising Sun, you are the splendor of eternal light and the sun of justice. O come and enlighten those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death. +O King of the Nations, whom all peoples desire, you are the cornerstone which makes all one. O come and save man whom you made from clay. +O Emmanuel, you are our king and judge, the One whom the nations desire and the Savior of all people. O come and save us, Lord our God.

Thus is the New Testament concealed in the Old, and the Old Testament revealed in the New. Praised be Jesus Christ! Now and forever!

Father Newman

# 2015 Holiday Liturgical Schedule

## Christmas Eve, Thursday 24 December

4.30 pm	Choir Program in the Baum Center
5.00 pm	Mass in the Baum Center for families with children ( <i>Youth Choir</i> )
5.00 pm	Sung Mass in the church ( <i>Schola</i> )
7.00 pm	Sung Mass in the church ( <i>Schola and Brass Ensemble</i> )
9.00 pm	Choir Program in the church ( <i>Adult Choir and Brass Ensemble</i> )
10.00 pm	Solemn Mass During the Night ( <i>Adult Choir and Brass Ensemble</i> )

*The 10.00 pm Mass During the Night takes the place of the Mass at Midnight.*

## Christmas Day, Friday 25 December

11.00 am	Sung Mass in the church
1.00 pm	Spanish Mass in the church

*The schedule of Confessions and Masses on 26 and 27 December is as usual.*

*The weekday Mass schedule from 28 to 30 December is as usual, but there is no Holy Hour on Wednesday 30 December. And on Thursday 31 December there is no Mass at 7 am or 12 pm.*

## The Solemnity of the Mother of God, a Holy Day of Obligation

Thursday 31 December	5.00 pm	Sung Mass in the church
	7.00 pm	Spanish Mass in the church
Friday 1 January	11.00 am	Sung Mass in the church

*The church office will close at noon on Thursday 24 December and reopen on Tuesday 29 December.*

*The church office will close at noon on Thursday 31 December and reopen on Monday 4 January.*

# Calendar of Events

## Mass Schedule & Intentions

### Sunday, 20 December 2015

7.30 am ✱ Brian Antrobus  
 9.00 am ✱ Catherine "Kitty" Francis  
                 Norman  
 11.00 am Pro populo  
 1.00 pm Spanish Mass

### Monday, 21 December 2015

7.00 am In Thanksgiving to  
                 the Holy Trinity

### Tuesday, 22 December 2015

7.00 am ✱ Richard Hennessey  
 12.00 noon ✱ Lillian Sasso

### Wednesday, 23 December 2015

7.00 am ✱ Thomas Lockett  
 12.00 noon ✱ Andy Galecki

### Thursday, 24 December 2015

Baum  
 5.00 pm ✱ Deceased Members /  
                 Norungolo Family

Church  
 5.00 pm ✱ Deceased Members /  
                 Eassy Family  
 7.00 pm ✱ Ranghelli Families  
 10.00 pm Pro populo

### Friday, 25 December 2015

#### Nativity of the Lord

11.00 am ✱ Deceased Members /  
                 Kuczewski Family  
 1.00 pm Spanish Mass

### Saturday, 26 December 2015

5.00 pm ✱ Joseph A. Galasso

## Meetings & Events \*

### Sunday, 20 December 2015

**No coffee & doughnuts this week**  
**No nursery this week**  
**No 3 & 4 Year Olds class this week**  
 9.00 am Scripture Study  
 5.00 pm Solemn Vespers (church)  
 6.00 pm High School Youth Group (M)

### Monday, 21 December 2015

### Tuesday, 22 December 2015

1.00 pm Senior Men's Club

### Wednesday, 23 December 2015

5.00-6.00 pm Holy Hour &  
                 Confessions (church)  
**No Faith Formation for children or adults**

### Thursday, 24 December 2015

4.30 pm Youth Choir Program (Baum)  
 9.00 pm Office of Readings (church)

### Friday, 25 December 2015

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

### Saturday, 26 December 2015

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

## Financial Report

### Weekend of 12/13 December

Needed	32,500
Received	37,407
Surplus	4,907

Poor Box	486
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Retirement Fund for Religious	5,010
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### Offertory Year to Date

Needed	780,000
Received	768,174
Shortage	11,826

**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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 Greenville SC.

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

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

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

## MASS COLLECTS FOR THE FOURTH WEEK OF ADVENT

*(May be used at home when lighting your Advent Wreath)*

### Sunday 20 December

Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord,  
your grace into our hearts,  
that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ your Son  
was made known by the message of an Angel,  
may by his Passion and Cross  
be brought to the glory of his Resurrection.  
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.

### Monday 21 December

Hear in kindness, O Lord,  
the prayers of your people,  
that those who rejoice  
at the coming of your Only Begotten Son in our flesh  
may, when at last he comes in glory,  
gain the reward of eternal life.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.

### Tuesday 22 December

O God, who, seeing the human race fallen into death,  
willed to redeem it by the coming of your Only Begotten Son,  
grant, we pray,  
that those who confess his Incarnation with humble fervor  
may merit his company as their Redeemer.  
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.

### Wednesday 23 December

Almighty ever-living God,  
as we see how the Nativity of your Son  
according to the flesh draws near,  
we pray that to us, your unworthy servants,  
mercy may flow from your Word,  
who chose to become flesh of the Virgin Mary  
and establish among us his dwelling,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.

## MASS COLLECTS FOR THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

### Vigil Mass

O God, who gladden us year by year  
as we wait in hope for our redemption,  
grant that, just as we joyfully welcome  
your Only Begotten Son as our Redeemer,  
we may also merit to face him confidently  
when he comes again as our Judge.  
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.

### Mass During the Night

O God, who have made this most sacred night  
radiant with the splendor of the true light,  
grant, we pray, that we, who have known the mysteries of his  
light on earth,  
may also delight in his gladness in heaven.  
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.

### Mass at Dawn

Grant, we pray, almighty God,  
that, as we are bathed in the new radiance of your incarnate Word,  
the light of faith, which illumines our minds,  
may also shine through in our deeds.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.

### Mass During the Day

O God, who wonderfully created the dignity of human nature  
and still more wonderfully restored it,  
grant, we pray,  
that we may share in the divinity of Christ,  
who humbled himself to share in our humanity.  
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.



## Knights of Columbus Breakfast



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

## Changes to Holy Hour & Confessions

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 Wednesday 30 December 2015 the Holy Hour and Confessions are canceled.

## Diocese of Charleston Christmas Television Special

Please tune in to Fox 21 on Christmas Day, 25 December at 4.00 pm for "An Afternoon in the Upstate with the Roman Catholic Diocese of Charleston." This is our 4th year for this Christmas special. It will also be available on the Ethnic Ministries webpage after the TV showing. This is our 4th year for this Christmas TV special, and it will feature a Christmas message from Bishop Robert E. Guglielmone's, interviews with Fr. Jay Scott Newman, pastor of St. Mary's Catholic Church in downtown Greenville, and Fr. Christopher Smith, pastor of Prince of Peace Church in Taylors and more. There will even be a special culinary demonstration by Bishop Robert E. Guglielmone. We hope that you will tune in!

## 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.

## Bulletin Submissions

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

## PARISH NEWS

### Collection for 19/20 December

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

### Collections for 24/25 December

- 1st: Support of the Parish
- 2nd: St. Mary's Capital Campaign

*St. Mary's is sustained by the generosity of our parishioners.  
Thank you for your generosity and support.*

## Welcome Newcomers

We welcome the following new members to our parish family: Dr. & Mrs. Jeffrey Elder, Mr. Jacob Smith, Ms. Katie Dutch, Ms. Nancy Colarossi and Mrs. Clara Colarossi.

## Religious Education Grades 1-8

Classes resume 6 January 2016.

## Sunday Mornings for 3 & 4 Year Olds

Classes resume 10 January 2016.

## Lectors Needed

We will soon be needing a number of lectors to replace our Deacon Candidates who have been serving in this capacity over the past 3 years. If you are interested in serving as a lector, please plan on attending one of our two assessment meetings to be held in the church on 18 & 19 January, from 6.30 - 8.00 pm. Questions may be directed to Deacon John Heuser at [john.heuser@stmarysgvl.org](mailto:john.heuser@stmarysgvl.org).



## Advent Day of Confession

Wednesday 23 December

9.00 am - 6.00 pm

St. Rafka

1215 S. Highway 14  
Greer, SC 29650

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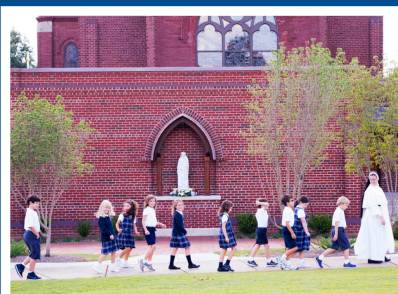
TRADITION



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EXCELLENCE



Priority Testing  
Dates at 9 am  
30 January 2016  
20 February 2016



**GRADES  
K3 - 8TH**

Call to schedule your school tour: 864.679.4117

101 Hampton Avenue, Greenville, SC 29601 ♦ [www.stmarysgvl.org/theschool](http://www.stmarysgvl.org/theschool)

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

## Women of Grace Bible Study

The Women of Grace Bible Study will not meet on Sunday 27 December. We will resume study on 10 January 2016, at 6.00 pm in Sacred Heart Hall. For questions, please contact Dorothy Whalen at 363.4483.

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

SUNDAY at 5:00 P.M.  
20 December





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

From the Diocesan Vocations Prayer Card

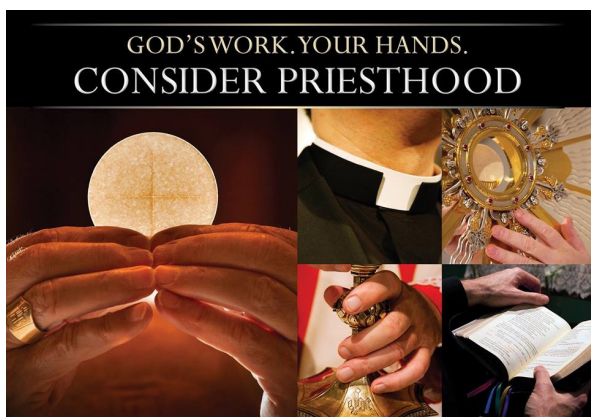
Please pray for the seminarians listed on each day of the month.

1 <sup>st</sup> & 16 <sup>th</sup>	All newly ordained priests
2 <sup>nd</sup> & 17 <sup>th</sup>	Andrew Fryml
3 <sup>rd</sup> & 18 <sup>th</sup>	Rhett Williams
4 <sup>th</sup> & 19 <sup>th</sup>	Francisco Oñate-Vargas
5 <sup>th</sup> & 20 <sup>th</sup>	Jimmy Touzeau
6 <sup>th</sup> & 21 <sup>st</sup>	Michael Cellars
7 <sup>th</sup> & 22 <sup>nd</sup>	William Frei
8 <sup>th</sup> & 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Patrick Judd
9 <sup>th</sup> & 24 <sup>th</sup>	Matthew Curley
10 <sup>th</sup> & 25 <sup>th</sup>	Matthew Bauer
11 <sup>th</sup> & 26 <sup>th</sup>	All priests serving in our diocese
12 <sup>th</sup> & 27 <sup>th</sup>	All women religious in our diocese
13 <sup>th</sup> & 28 <sup>th</sup>	All deacons & religious brothers
14 <sup>th</sup> & 29 <sup>th</sup>	All men called to the priesthood
15 <sup>th</sup> & 30 <sup>th</sup>	Bishop Robert Guglielmone

**Catholic Diocese of Charleston, SC**  
**I Have Called You By Name.**  
 2015-2016 Seminarians *Isaiah 43:1*

 <b>Andrew Fryml</b> Third Theology Jesus, Our Road, Senior Spartanburg, SC	 <b>Rhett Williams</b> Second Theology St. John the Baptist Charleston, SC	 <b>Francisco Oñate-Vargas</b> Second Theology Our Lady of the Hills Columbia, SC	 <b>Jimmy Touzeau</b> First Theology Holy Cross Pickens, SC	 <b>Michael Cellars</b> Second Pre-Theology St. Mary of the Annunciation Charleston, SC
 <b>William Frei</b> Graduate Year St. Mary, Help of Christians Aiken, SC	 <b>Patrick Judd</b> Second College St. Mary, Help of Christians Aiken, SC	 <b>Matthew Curley</b> First College St. Catherine of Siena Lancaster, SC	 <b>Matthew Bauer</b> First College Prince of Peace Taylors, SC	

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## Prayer for Seminarians

O Lord Jesus Christ, great High Priest, I pray that You call many worthy souls to Your holy priesthood.

Enlighten the Bishop in the choice of candidates, the Spiritual Director in molding them, and the professors in instructing them.

Lead the seminarians daily in Your unerring footsteps; so that they may become priests who are models of purity, possessors of wisdom and heroes of sacrifice; steeped in humility and aflame with love for God and man; apostles of Your glory and sanctifiers of souls.

St. Charles Borromeo, pray for our seminarians.





## PERPETUAL EUCCHARISTIC 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](mailto: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 4 am\* & 11 pm

Tuesday 7 pm\*

Thursday 3pm

Friday 4 am\*

Saturday 3 am & 3 pm

Sunday 11 am\*

## PROUDLY PRO-LIFE WEEKEND

January 8-9, 2016

**South Carolina Citizens for Life**

Will host the

**Proudly Pro-Life Weekend**

January 8-9, 2016, Columbia SC

Come show your support for the inalienable right to life



### Proudly Pro-Life Dinner

Friday, January 8, 2016

Featured Speakers

**Stars of A&E's Duck Dynasty**

**Al and Lisa Robertson**

To Reserve Your Tickets contact South Carolina Citizens for Life at [sccl@scclife.org](mailto:sccl@scclife.org) or (803) 252-5433

#### Venue Location

Seawell's  
1125 Rosewood Drive  
Columbia, SC 29201  
**\$40 per ticket**

Doors Open at 6:00pm, beginning with a silent auction  
Dinner Served at 7:00pm

#### Overnight Accommodations Available At:

Inn at USC Wyndham Garden  
Call: (803) 779-7779 to make reservations

Request Special Rate  
for South Carolina Citizens for Life

### Stand Up for Life March and Rally

Saturday, January 9, 2016

11:00 a.m.  
11:30 a.m.  
12:00 p.m.

Line Up for the March, USC Russell House, Greene Street  
March steps off led by Knights of Columbus  
Rally begins, State House plaza, Gervais Street side

Music provided by  
**Joyful Sound**  
North Greenville University

## Eagle Scout Award



Alexander "Alex" Foley, son of Mike and Frances Foley, received his Eagle Scout Rank Award on December 6th. Alex has been in Scouting since 2004, starting as a Tiger Cub at St. Mary's, and crossed over into Boy Scouts in 2009 with Troop 925 in Taylors, South Carolina.

Alex has served as Scribe, and Assistant Quartermaster, completed the National Youth Leadership Training course, and was the Senior Patrol Leader for over 400 Scouts at the



South Carolina Catholic Camporee in 2014. Alex also earned the Catholic religious medal, Ad Altare Dei, and was thrilled to receive this award from Bishop Guglielmone alongside other Scouts.

Currently a Senior at St Joseph's Catholic School, Alex wanted to give back to his school. He designed and built a wood and brick pergola for his Eagle Scout Project. Alex wanted a place that all students could go to meditate and pray throughout the school day. His Eagle project amassed more than 250 man-hours.





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