

St. Mary's Catholic Church

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17 April 2016

Dear Friends in Christ,

"I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep." The Fourth Sunday of Easter is also known as Good Shepherd Sunday because of the Scripture readings and Mass prayers appointed for this day in the sacred liturgy. The Latin word for shepherd is *pastor*, and this reveals why the Church also asks us to pray for more priests on Good Shepherd Sunday. The call to the priesthood comes from God, and the Lord has promised always to provide shepherds for his people. Through the Prophet Jeremiah, the Lord promised Israel: "I will give you shepherds after my own heart." (Jeremiah 3.15) But he also asks us to seek the gift of pastors in prayer: "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." (Matthew 9.37-38)

In the "developing" world - Africa, South America, and Oceania - the number of young men offering themselves for priestly formation is on the rise, in some cases a dramatic rise, but in the "developed" world – Europe and North America – this is not the case. It is strange but true that peace and prosperity seem to make it more difficult to hear the voice of God than do poverty and strife, and one reason for the difference, I think, is that those who live in peace and prosperity also live under the illusion of self-sufficiency. Young men are surely being called to the priesthood in sufficient numbers even in the First World, but too many of those called are afraid to hear and heed the voice of God. Why? A basic failure of Christian discipleship.

The priesthood is not an extraordinary life for extraordinary men; it is an ordinary Christian way of life for ordinary Christian men. But the key to hearing and heeding the voice of God is that the man called must first understand what it means to be a disciple of the Lord Jesus. The radical thing is not giving up marriage to give one's life to the Church; the radical thing is being baptized and giving one's life to Jesus Christ. When young men grow up in a vibrant Christian community in which the truth of the Gospel and the beauty of the Catholic Faith are the foundation of their lives, then those who are called to marriage will be equipped to be good husbands and those who are called to the priesthood will have the courage to answer the summons of the Good Shepherd to lay down their lives for his sheep.

Father Newman



Message of His Holiness Pope Francis for the 53rd World Day of Prayer for Vocations

17 April 2016 - Fourth Sunday of Easter Theme: The Church, Mother of Vocations

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

It is my great hope that, during the course of this Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy, all the baptized may experience the joy of belonging to the Church and rediscover that the Christian vocation, just like every particular vocation, is born from within the People of God, and is a gift of divine mercy. The Church is the house of mercy, and it is the "soil" where vocations take root, mature and bear fruit.

For this reason, on the occasion of the 53rd World Day of Prayer for Vocations, I invite all of you to reflect upon the apostolic community, and to give thanks for the role of the community in each person's vocational journey. In the Bull of Indiction for the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy, I recalled the words of the venerable Saint Bede, describing the call of Saint Matthew: *"Miserando atque eligendo"* (*Misericordiae Vultus*, 8). The Lord's merciful action forgives our sins and opens us to the



new life which takes shape in the call to discipleship and mission. Each vocation in the Church has its origin in the compassionate gaze of Jesus. Conversion and vocation are two sides of the same coin, and continually remain interconnected throughout the whole of the missionary disciple's life.

Blessed Paul VI, in his exhortation Evangelii Nuntiandi, described various steps in the process of evangelisation. One of these steps is belonging to the Christian community (cf. no. 23), that community from which we first received the witness of faith and the clear proclamation of the Lord's mercy. This incorporation into the Christian community brings with it all the richness of ecclesial life, particularly the sacraments. Indeed, the Church is not only a place in which we believe, but it is also an object of our faith; it is for this reason that we profess in the Credo: "I believe in the Church".

The call of God comes to us by means of a *mediation which is communal*. God calls us to become a part of the Church and, after we have reached a certain maturity within it, he bestows on us a specific vocation. The vocational journey is undertaken together with the brothers and sisters whom the Lord has given to us: it is a *convocation*. The ecclesial dynamism of the call is an antidote to indifference and to individualism. It establishes the communion in which indifference is vanquished by love, because it demands that we go beyond ourselves and place our lives at the service of God's plan, embracing the historical circumstances of his holy people.

On this day dedicated to prayer for vocations, I urge all the faithful to assume their responsibility for the care and discernment of vocations. When the Apostles sought someone to take the place of Judas Iscariot, Saint Peter brought together one hundred and twenty of the brethren (cf. Acts 1.15); and in order to chose seven deacons, a group of disciples was gathered (cf. 6.2). Saint Paul gave Titus specific criteria for the selection of presbyters (cf. Titus 1.5-9). Still today, the Christian community is always present in the discernment of vocations, in their formation and in their perseverance (cf. Apost. Ex. Evangelii Gaudium, 107).

Conversion and Vocation are two sides of the same coin... " Vocations are born within the Church. From the moment a vocation begins to become evident, it is necessary to have an adequate "sense" of the Church. No one is called exclusively for a particular region, or for a group or for an ecclesial movement, but rather for the Church and for the world. "A sure sign of the authenticity of a charism is its ecclesial character, its ability to be integrated harmoniously into the life of God's holy and faithful people for the good of all" (ibid., 130). In responding to God's call, young people see their own ecclesial horizon expand; they are able to consider various charisms and to undertake a more objective discernment. In this way, the community becomes the home and the family where vocations are born. Candidates gratefully contemplate this mediation of the community as an essential element for their future. They learn to know and to love their brothers and sisters who pursue paths different from their own; and these bonds strengthen in everyone the communion which they share.

Vocations grow within the Church.

In the course of formation, candidates for various vocations need to grow in their knowledge of the ecclesial community, overcoming the limited perspectives that we all have at the beginning. To that end, it is helpful to undertake some apostolic experience together with other members of the community, for example: in the company of a good catechist, to communicate the Christian message; together with a religious community, to experience the evangelisation of the peripheries sharing in the life of the cloister, to discover the treasure of contemplation; in contact with missionaries, to know more closely the mission ad gentes; and in the company of diocesan priests, to deepen one's experience of pastoral life in the parish and in the diocese. For those who are already in formation, the ecclesial community always remains the fundamental formational environment, towards which one should feel a sense of gratitude.

Vocations are sustained by the Church. After definitive commitment, our vocational journey within the Church does not come to an end, but it continues in our willingness to serve, our perseverance and our ongoing formation. The one who has consecrated his life to the Lord is willing to serve the Church wherever it has need. The mission of Paul and Barnabas is a good example of this readiness to serve the Church. Sent on mission by the Holy Spirit and by the community of Antioch (cf. Acts 13.1-4), they returned to that same community and described what the Lord had worked through them (cf. 14.27). Missionaries are accompanied and sustained by the Christian community, which always remains a vital point of reference, just as a visible homeland offers security to all who are on pilgrimage towards eternal life.

Among those involved in pastoral activity, priests are especially important. In their ministry, they fulfil the words of Jesus, who said: "I am the gate of the sheepfold [...] I am the good shepherd" (John 10.7, 11). The pastoral care of vocations is a fundamental part of their ministry. Priests accompany those who are discerning a vocation, as well as those who have already dedicated their lives to the service of God and of the community.

All the faithful are called to appreciate the ecclesial dynamism of vocations, so that communities of faith can become, after the example of the Blessed Virgin Mary, like a mother's womb which welcomes the gift of the Holy Spirit (cf. *Luke* 1.35-38). The motherhood of the Church finds expression in constant prayer for vocations and in the work of educating and accompanying all those who perceive God's call. This motherhood is also expressed through a careful selection of candidates for the ordained ministry and for the consecrated life. Finally, the Church is the mother of vocations in her continual support of those who have dedicated their lives to the service of others.

We ask the Lord to grant to all those who are on a vocational journey a deep sense of belonging to the Church; and that the Holy Spirit may strengthen among Pastors, and all of the faithful, a deeper sense of communion, discernment and spiritual fatherhood and motherhood.

Father of mercy, who gave your Son for our salvation and who strengthens us always with the gifts of your Spirit, grant us Christian communities which are alive, fervent and joyous, which are fonts of fraternal life, and which nurture in the young the desire to consecrate themselves to you and to the work of evangelisation. Sustain these communities in their commitment to offer appropriate vocational catechesis and ways of proceeding towards each one's particular consecration. Grant the wisdom needed for vocational discernment, so that in all things the greatness of your merciful love may shine forth. May Mary, Mother and guide of Jesus, intercede for each Christian community, so that, made fruitful by the Holy Spirit, it may be a source of true vocations for the service of the holy People of God.

From the Vatican, 29 November 2015 First Sunday of Advent

Franciscus

Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sunday, 17 April 2016

Monday, 18 April 2016

7.00 am ✤ Steve Brown

Tuesday, 19 April 2016

7.00 am ✤ Eugenia Massa 12.00 noon Michael Santy

Wednesday, 20 April 2016

7.00 am	Grayson Walworth	5.00-6.00
12.00 noon ¥	Elizabeth Morse Morrison	
6.30 pm	Anglican Use Mass	6.30-7.30

Thursday, 21 April 2016

7.00 am In Thanksgiving for the Children & Grandchildren of Robert Dowling, Sr. 12.00 noon ♣ Betty Deese (1st anniversary of death)

Friday, 22 April 2016

7.00 am J. Brodie Babb

Saturday, 23 April 2016

5.00 pm ♣ Harry Benner

Meetings & Events *

Sunday, 17 April 2016

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Monday, 18 April 2016

6.30 pm	Boy Scouts / Cub Scouts	
Tuesday, 19 April 2016		
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Program of Catholic Studies 1.00 pm Senior Men's Club

Wednesday, 20 April 2016

5.00-6.00 pm	Holy Hour &
	Confessions (church)
6.30-7.30 pm	Religious Education
6.30-7.30 pm	Program of Catholic Studies

Thursday, 21 April 2016

2.00-4.00 pm	St. Mary's Prayer Group
4.30-5.30 pm	First Communion Practice
	(Meet in Gallivan Hall)

Friday, 22 April 2016

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

Saturday, 23 April 2016

8.00-9.00 am	Rosary - Grove Rd
	abortion clinic
9.30 am	First Communion
3.30-4.30 pm	Confessions (church)

G - Gallivan Hall P - Pazdan Hall Dining Room * All events in Sacred Heart Hall unless a location is listed.

Financial Report

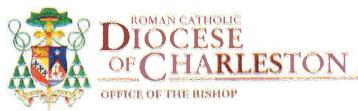
Weekend o	<u>f 9/10 April</u>
Needed	32,500
Received	30,179
Shortage	2,321
Poor Box	778
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Needed	1,332,500
Received	1,338,445
Surplus	5,945

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 Anderson at jennifer.anderson@stmarysgvl.org.



Visit us on the web at www.stmarysgvl.org





March 2016

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Church has great needs around the world, and the United States is no exception. Many dioceses here at home face challenges due to priest shortages, lack of funds, remote geography, or impoverished parishes. **The Catholic Home Missions Appeal** answers these needs and provides grants for projects to strengthen the faith of the people. Forty-two percent of all dioceses in the United States receive Catholic Home Missions support for evangelization, catechesis, ministry formation, and other areas of faith development. Your support of this collection will help your neighbors here in the United States and strengthen the Church at home.

In the Pacific Ocean, between Guam and Hawaii, are the Marshall Islands, a collection of atolls and islands covering an area of 500,000 square miles. Given the great distance between these islands, travel is often difficult and communication is unreliable. The Islands themselves do not have any local priests and have only one local permanent deacon and sister; and so, the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart provide for the pastoral and sacramental needs of the Islands. Additionally, many people move to the United States after high school, making it hard for the Catholic Church there to find men interested in joining the priesthood. Against those odds, the Marshall Islands welcomed with great joy a seminarian in 2014! Thanks to a grant from the Catholic Home Missions Appeal, they are able to afford to send him to seminary for his studies. Through his studies he is a witness and example to other young men on the Islands.

In addition, because not all of the islands are able to have a resident priest, the Church in the Marshall Islands relies on prayer leaders to lead the Sunday liturgy of Scripture reading and reflection as well as distribution of Communion. These prayer leaders are required to attend a yearly training and retreat, and all new leaders are guided by experienced prayer leaders. Thanks to a grant from Catholic Home Missions, the Marshall Islands were able to host this training again and bring in the same presenters from the previous year, providing for continuity and familiarity. At the closing ceremony, many of the participants could not contain their feelings of joy and appreciation.

Mission dioceses often struggle with isolation and a lack of educated pastoral and lay leadership. With your support, the Catholic Home Missions Appeal can continue to provide catechesis, lay leadership training, funding for seminarian education, and other essential pastoral outreach in home mission dioceses. Please be generous and help **strengthen the Church at home.**

Your support will truly make a difference. Please be generous in the Catholic Home Missions Appeal and help strengthen the Church at home. Thank you and God bless you.

In the Lord's Peace,

Most Reverend Robert E. Guglielmone Bishop of the Diocese of Charleston

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, Michael Pinto, Joseph & Sandy Srp, Marie-Therese Isidore, Thomas Thomason, Zack & Judy McColl, Jim Barber, Carlton Carpenter, Fr. Bart Leon, Jordan A. Upham and Karen Waldrop.

Knights of Columbus Breakfast

The K. of C. Monthly Breakfast is scheduled for Sunday 17 April in the Pazdan Hall 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. Andrew Waters, Mr. & Mrs. Roy Harmon, IV and Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Walker.

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 23 May 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.

Caritas Counseling Services, LLC

Counseling services available at St. Mary's. Contact Dorothy Whalen at dorothy.whalen@stmarysgvl.org or 864.679.4122.

Bulletin Submissions

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

PARISH NEWS

Collections for 16/17 April

1st: Support of the Parish 2nd: Catholic Home Missions

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

Mass Intentions

Open dates are available for Mass intentions in April and May as well as the rest of 2016. If you would like to schedule a Mass intention, please contact Vickie Acosta in the church office at vickie.acosta@stmarysgvl.org or 864.271.8422.

Friday Morning Scripture Study

The Friday morning Scripture study will begin a new study, *The Bible and the Virgin Mary*, on 6 May from 10.00 am to 12.00 noon in Sacred Heart Hall. If you wish to join this 12 week study please contact Sue Prevost at 288.6649 or sbkprevost@gmail.com for more information.

Women's Club \$1,000 Scholarship

The scholarship was created to encourage and promote such themes among St. Mary's females who are: 1) graduating from high school within South Carolina and enrolled in an institution of higher education, or 2) currently in a continuing education program.

Please visit the Women's Club page on the parish website, stmarysgvl.org, for complete instructions and to download the application form. The application must be received by the Women's Club no later than 22 April. No late applications will be considered.

Virtus Training

The next training class at St. Mary's will be in the Monsignor Gwynn Room of Sacred Heart Hall from 6.00-9.00 pm on 3 May. You must register online at virtusonline.org. Click on "first-time registrant".



CHARLESTON VOCATIONS Catholic Diocese of Charleston, Se

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

Prayer for Vocations

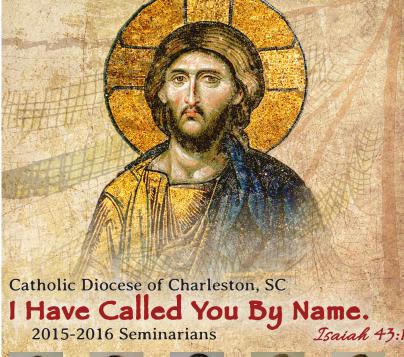
Loving and gracious God, Father of all, you bless your people in every time and season and provide for their needs through your providential care. Your Church is continually in need of priests, sisters and brothers to offer themselves in the service of the Gospel by lives of dedicated love.

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.

GOD'S WORK. YOUR HANDS. CONSIDER PRIESTHOOD







Facebook: Charleston Vocations



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.

Consoling the Heart of Jesus A Do-It-Yourself Retreat Begins 18 April at 7.00 pm in Sacred Heart Hall

A Devotion to the Sacred Heart following Fr. Gaitley's book, *Consoling the Heart of Jesus*. This retreat gives us an awareness of God's infinite mercy and how we can give Him joy, showing us the way to console His heart, by accepting His love and trusting Him completely. *Consoling the Heart of Jesus* is a continuation of the *33 Days to Morning Glory*. It is <u>not necessary</u> to have participated in the *33 Days to Morning Glory* to sign up for *Consoling the Heart of Jesus*. This retreat is suited to men and women who live busy and demanding lives. *Consoling the Heart of Jesus* will be 6 sessions which will run on Monday evenings beginning on 18 April. Please register by calling Barb Bathon 574.261.2294 or Eileen Scoggins 864.415.8289.

Religious Education News

Sunday Mornings for 3 & 4 Year Olds

Class meets at 9.00 am in the K4 classroom of Sacred Heart Hall.

Religious Education Grades 1-8

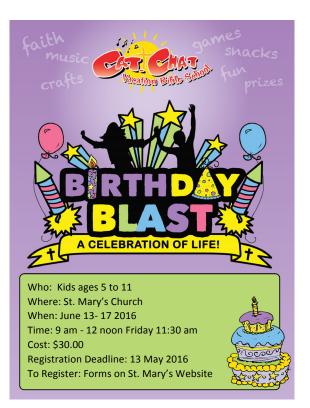
Classes meet on Wednesday from 6.30-7.30 pm.

First Communion Practice

Thursday 21 April from 4.30-5.30 pm. Children should meet in Gallivan Hall.

First Communion

On Saturday 23 April the students will make their First Communion at 9.30 am. Please pray for our First Communicants as they receive Jesus for the first time.





St. Mary's School 28th Annual Classic & Gala 3 June 2016

Classic Invitation & Registration

It is our pleasure to invite you to participate in the 2016 St. Mary's Classic. The funds for this year's event will go towards the purchase and installation of a state of the art digital projection system for Gallivan Hall and iPads for our elementary classrooms.

The Golf Tournament will be played at The Preserve at Verdae on Friday 3 June.

Registration for your team can now be completed online

http://goo.gl/forms/246UWMTorV

Have questions? Contact

Mrs. Lisa Lyvers, Director of St. Mary's Classic & Gala lisa.lyvers@stmarysgvl.org or 662.466.1333

Volunteer Registration

We are in great need of volunteers to help solicit donations for the St. Mary's Silent and Live Auction. To be more efficient, we have divided up Greenville and surrounding areas. Once you sign up, you will be contacted with more information. You will receive a list of businesses to visit or call, along with a donation solicitation letter. It is really quite easy once you get started! Please sign up today to help.

We are also looking for a Day of Play Volunteer Coordinator, a Golf Tournament Scoring/Prize Distribution Volunteer, and Set Up Volunteers Gala.

Sign up online:

signupgenius.com/go/20f0c4daaac2fa2fe3-stmarys or contact Danielle Andrews: dnandrews110@gmail.com or Lisa Lyvers: lisa.lyvers@stmarysgvl.org.

${\cal P}$ erpetual ${\cal E}$ ucharistic ${\cal A}$ doration

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

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." (Mt 11.28). To share an hour with Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, contact Lisa Buss at adoration@princeofpeacetaylors.org or call 864.508.7123 Choose an hour of your convenience or consider one of our EMPTY HOURS (*) or one needing a prayer partner:

Monday 1 pm*Thursday 1 am*Tuesday 12 noon*Friday 5 am* & 7 pm*Substitutes are needed for Midnight - 6 am.

Lay Carmelites

Seeking a deeper relationship with God? Drawn to the Carmelite saints...Therese of Liseux, Teresa of Avila, John of the Cross? The Lay Carmelite Community of Greenville invites interested Catholic men and women to attend an upcoming meeting to learn more about what it means to be a Lay Carmelite. Our monthly Meetings will be held on 7 May and 4 June at St Elizabeth Ann Seton following the 9 am Mass. Call Jan at 864.287.5495 for more information.

Marriage Encounter Weekend

The good news of the Gospel reminds us that we are God's people, the sheep of his flock! Because of Jesus' death and resurrection we are given the ultimate gift of eternal life and are held tight, safe and secure in God's hand! Let these amazing and life giving truths fill you and your marriage relationship with His love and peace. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are are 29 April - 1 May Chapel Hill, NC, 10-12 June Atlanta, GA, 8-10 July (Columbia Area Nonresidential) Columbia, SC. Go to wwme.org to apply or scmarriagematters.org or call 803.810.9602.





st. mary's catholic school

2015-2016 The Year of Faith

Match #1: 21 March

Match #2: 7 April



St. Mary's Catholic School

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Hollytree country club. The course was long and the weather was windy with sporadic rain showers. It was not a great day for golf. Both the weather and the length of the course took it's toll on our young golfers as we went down in defeat. However, the number

six seed on the team, Natalie Davis, shot the low score for St. Mary's! Huzzah! It should be noted that our 5th grader, Yasmene Clark, ineligible for play due to her youth, competed anyway, firing a 48, four strokes better than Natalie. Watch out. She's improving week after week.

School Spotlight - Golf

The St. Mary's Ducks Golf Team scored 177 vs Langston (156) and SDS

(176). We missed second place by 1 stroke! Congratulations to Kacy Lyvers'

The golfing ducks took on Mitchell Road Academy and Langston at

score 38. She had the best Ducks score! 3-putting was our undoing.



Prayer Corner

Life Lessons: What's wrong?



The formation of conscience is a delicate yet essential task - a task begun by our parents, yet carried on throughout life by each individual. Children desire to do what is right. At times their emotions get in the way or the example of others confuses them, but they are trying. For that reason, they know when they fail. Children may not be able to give a name to a particular action or label it a sin, but when asked if they have ever known that something was wrong but chose to do it anyway - their heads nod sadly. Whether or not the word "sin" enters into their vocabulary, children can feel sorry for sin.

Virtue - Excellence

However, not everything children feel bad about is a sin. Helping a child understand his actions and emotions is a first step in forming his conscience. Unlike an accident or mistake, a sin is a deliberate choice, a choice we make with knowledge and free consent. But, when a child feels bad about a mistake or accident, or is struggling with his emotions, he needs an adult to help him name and understand his actions and emotions: "It was a mistake; that's just part of learning." "It was an accident, but this is how we can make things better." "You're feeling angry; tell me about what upset you." Finally, no matter what the case-accident, mistake, emotion, or sin-when a child says, "I'm sorry," he needs to hear, "I forgive you. I still love you. Nothing you do could ever make me stop loving you."

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. Joseph's Catholic School

Join us at St. Joseph's Catholic School for our annual "Jubilate Knight Talent Competition" to be held on Saturday 30 April from 6.00-10.00 pm. This annual fundraiser for the school's Fine Arts Department includes an evening with dessert, arts-related merchandise, and a talent competition featuring dance, vocal and instrumental performances by students, and staff. Bring your family to this joyful event celebrating the arts! Visit sjcatholicschool.org for ticketing information.



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.

STUDY

13 April - Unpacking the Pope's Visit to the US: 7 pm at St. Mary Magdalene (2252 Woodruff Rd, Simpsonville, SC 29681). We'll spend about 6 weeks discussing the transcripts from all of Pope Francis' talks while in the US providing important context, referencing supportive documents/texts for a deeper dive into key topics, and answering guided questions. Deacon Ivan Hawk of SMMCC will be attending and available to support discussion. LVG leaders include Heather B, Kylee H and Sarah P.

Fellowship

16 April - LVG-Dinner & Game Night: 6.30 pm at Kylee & Sarah's House (text 864.266.8843 for address)

17 April - Monthly Lunch: 1 pm at The Playwright (401 River St, Ste 100, Greenville, SC 29601). Teresa is the hostess and can be reached at 864.607.8941 with questions!

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Sidewalk Advocacy Training

You are invited to attend a Sidewalk Advocates for Life twoday training program at Blessed Sacrament Church in West Ashley on Friday 29 April from 6.30-10.00 pm and Saturday 30 April from 1.00-5.00 pm. Registration (payable at the door) is \$15 and includes course materials and refreshments. The only pre-requisites are a humble desire to reach out in love and a willingness to volunteer two hours a month – either as either a prayer partner or an advocate at the abortion clinic after training is completed. To register, please email SAFLCharleston@gmail.com or call Anne at 843.437.3190.

Employment Opportunities

Parish Accountant/Bookkeeper: part-time position, approx. 25 hours/week, no benefits. Position reports to the Director of Administration and Finance. Responsible for processing payable invoices, check processing, preparing financial statements, bank reconciliations, payroll and other accounting duties as assigned. Candidates shall have advanced accounting experience and courses, knowledge of general accepted accounting principles, advanced computer skills (Excel & Word) and experience with accounting software systems.

Maintenance Worker: part-time position, approx. 20 hours/ week, no benefits. Position performs general preventative maintenance and corrective repairs of buildings, equipment and grounds to ensure campus grounds are maintained according to quality maintenance standards. Requires light cleaning of facilities, maintenance, light carpentry, painting, lifting/carrying heavy loads of 50 lbs. or more, set-up and break down of tables and chairs for parish events, landscape maintenance, and other maintenance/janitorial duties as required. Must be available to work days, nights and/ or weekends as needed. At least one year of similar work experience.

Interested candidates should submit a cover letter and resume to bookkeeper@princeofpeacetaylors.org.



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