

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Greenville, South Carolina

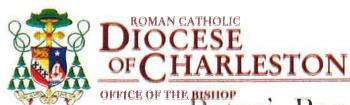
26 June 2016

Dear Friends in Christ,

The Third Principle of Evangelical Catholicism states that "The seven Sacraments of the New Covenant are divinely instituted instruments of grace given to the Church as the ordinary means of sanctification for believers. Receiving the Sacraments regularly and worthily is essential to the life of grace, and for this reason, faithful attendance at Sunday Mass every week (serious illness and necessary work aside) and regular Confession of sins are absolutely required for a life of authentic discipleship."

In the first chapter of his letter to the Ephesians, St. Paul teaches us that we exist to live for the praise of God's glory. This is a bold claim! If we exist to praise God, then until we worship Him according to the eternal plan of salvation revealed in Jesus Christ, we are not yet living a whole or a holy human life. In other words, a person who does not give thanks to God each week in the Most Holy Eucharist does not yet fully understand why he exists or how to find his eternal destiny. From the creation of the world, the Seventh Day was set aside for us from ordinary occupations so that we could share in the covenantal worship which completes and perfects our humanity, and the Passover meal of Israel was set by God as a perpetual remembrance of their deliverance from slavery so that they would never return to the condition of slaves. In his passion, death, and Resurrection, the Lord Jesus transformed the Passover of the Old Covenant into the Eucharist of the New and Everlasting Covenant, and for Christians the observance of the Sabbath moved to the Day of Resurrection, the Lord's Day on which we share each week in the Passover of the Lamb of God. But if all this true, why do so many Catholics not attend Mass every Sunday?

I don't get anything out of it. It's boring. I don't like the music. These are among the answers typically offered by non-practicing Catholics when asked why they don't attend Mass each Sunday. But those answers reveal a much deeper problem. People who don't attend Mass because "they don't get anything out of it" are revealing that they are not yet authentic disciples of the Lord Jesus who understand the cost of discipleship. We are not called to Mass to get anything; we are called to Mass to give something. In fact, we are called to give everything. We must offer our whole lives as a sacrifice of praise in and with the sacrifice of Christ, and in so doing we fulfill the command of the Lord Jesus given at the Last Supper: "Do this in remembrance of me." And when once we have learned to worship God in this fashion, then we find that we do receive something. We receive divine mercy, the forgiveness of our sins, the light of the Gospel to illuminate the mysteries of life, the strength to take up our cross and follow Christ, and the nourishment of the Body and Blood of Christ which is the pledge of eternal life and the medicine of immortality. And going to Confession whenever needed is Christ's Easter gift to the Church and an essential preparation for our worthy participation in the Eucharist. Since we exist for the praise of God's glory, let's use the tools He himself has given us to worship Him in spirit and truth.



Peter's Pence Collection Be a Witness of Charity

"This is my commandment: love one another as I love you." (In 15:12)

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

In this Jubilee Year of Mercy, the Peter's Pence Collection is an opportunity to become a **witness of charity** to those who suffer most. Pope Francis has encouraged us to "open our eyes and see the misery of the world, the wounds of our brothers and sisters who are denied their dignity, and let us recognize that we are compelled to heed their cry for help!" (*Misericordiae Vultus*, [MV] no. 15).

Through the Peter's Pence Collection, we stand in solidarity with Catholics all over the world to support the charitable works of our Holy Father. Contributions to this collection support Pope Francis as he reaches out to those suffering the effects of war and violence, natural disasters, and religious persecution.

Pope Francis has told us that "mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope" (MV, no. 10). Please prayerfully consider participating in this collection and becoming a **witness of charity**, a force of mercy that reaches out to those around the world.

In the Lord's Peace

Most Reverend Robert E. Guglielmone

Bishop of the Diocese of Charleston



The Center for Evangelical Catholicism

The Prophet & The Messiah

Catholicism and the Challenge of Islam

August 26 & 27, 2016

St. Mary's Catholic Church - Greenville, South Carolina



Featuring Speakers



Daniel Ali

Convert from Islam, Kurdish-American Evangelist and Author



Rev. Joseph Alobaidi, O.P.

Professor of Sacred Scripture at Dominican House of Studies in Washington, D.C.



Robert R. Reilly

Author and Director of the Westminster Institute



Timothy Nielsen

Director of the Center for Evangelical Catholicism

Learn About...

What do Muslims believe? How similar are Christianity and Islam? Where did radical Islam come from? What are the prospects for true dialogue and ecumenism?

Cost: \$50

Includes registration, Friday evening program, breakfast, and light lunch

Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Meetings & Events *

Sunday, 26 June 2016

7.30 am → Weta & Frank Damon 9.00 am → Agnes Leverette 11.00 am Pro populo 1.00 pm Spanish Mass

Sunday, 26 June 2016

Coffee & doughnuts: After the 9.00 am Mass (P) Nursery: During 9.00 am Mass 9.00 am Scripture Study

Monday, 27 June 2016

7.00 am Leo Ambrose Grabosky

Monday, 27 June 2016

6.30 pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, 28 June 2016

7.00 am Susan K. Simon 12.00 noon ★ Matthew Cichoski

Tuesday, 28 June 2016

1.00 pm Senior Men's Club

Wednesday, 29 June 2016

7.00 am ★ Charles Ford 12.00 noon ★ Steve Casai 6.30 pm Anglican Use Mass

Wednesday, 29 June 2016

No Holy Hour & Confessions until 3 August

Thursday, 30 June 2016

7.00 am Brian Antrobus 12.00 noon ★ Marie Dietz

Thursday, 30 June 2016

2.00-4.00 pm St. Mary's Prayer Group

Friday, 1 July 2016

7.00 am ★ Mera Barbara Bouharoun

Friday, 1 July 2016

6.00 am Morning Prayer (church)
6.15-8.00 am Pillars of Christ
Sorieture Study Class

10.00 am Scripture Study Class 3.30-5.00 pm Youth Choir Practice

Saturday, 2 July 2016

5.00 pm ★ William Bouharoun

Saturday, 2 July 2016

8.00-9.00 am Rosary - Grove Rd

abortion clinic

3.30-4.30 pm Confessions (church)

G - Gallivan Hall P - Pazdan Hall Dining Room

Financial Report

Weekend of 18/19 June

 Needed
 32,500

 Received
 30,526

 Shortage
 1,974

Poor Box 862

Offertory Year to Date

Needed 1,657,500 Received 1,661,064 Surplus 3,564

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.



Facebook

'Like' us on Facebook at St. Mary's Catholic Church Greenville SC.

Visit us on the web at www.stmarysgvl.org



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

Parish News

Collections for 25/26 June

1st: Support of the Parish 2nd: Peter's Pence

St. Mary's is sustained by the generosity of our parishioners.

Thank you for your generosity and support.

Summer Church Office Hours 10 June - 5 August

Monday - Thursday 9 am - 4 pm Friday 9 am - 12 noon

The church office will be closed on Monday 4 July for Independence Day.

Summer Liturgical Schedule Changes

There will be no noon Mass on weekdays in July.

There will be no Holy Hour and Confessions on 29 June or any Wednesday in July.

Nursery Closure

The nursery will be closed all of July.

Prayer Chain Ministry

St. Mary's Prayer Chain is a network of parishioners who receive prayer requests by telephone and then pray for those requests. Please call the office at 864.271.8422, ext. 127 to submit your requests. Information received will be kept confidential.

Pray the Rosary for the Unborn

Rosary of the Unborn (rain or shine) at the abortion facility at 1142 Grove Road from 8 - 9 am every Saturday morning.

Bulletin Submissions

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.

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, Carlton Carpenter, Jim Barber, Jordan A. Upham, Dave Gibbons and Irene Karandisevsky.

Congratulations to

Jackson Matthew Ingram and Mason Abbott Staggs who were baptized last weekend.

George Ferguson Archer, III and Patricia Jean Fowler who were married last weekend.

Welcome Newcomers

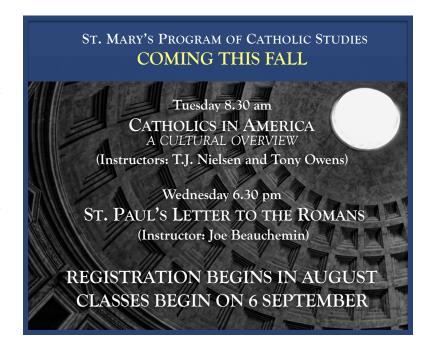
We welcome the following new members to our parish family: Mr. & Mrs. Dave Hagan and Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Quebedeaux.

Mass Intentions

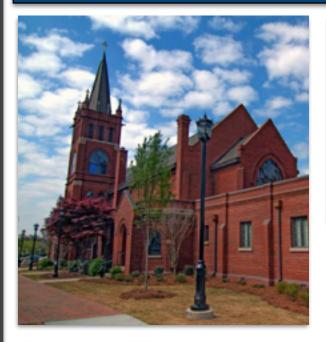
Open dates are available for Mass intentions in August as well as the rest of 2016. If you would like to schedule a Mass intention, please contact Vickie Acosta in the church office at 864.271.8422 or vickie.acosta@stmarysgvl.org.

Caritas Counseling Services, LLC

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



An Introduction to Catholicism

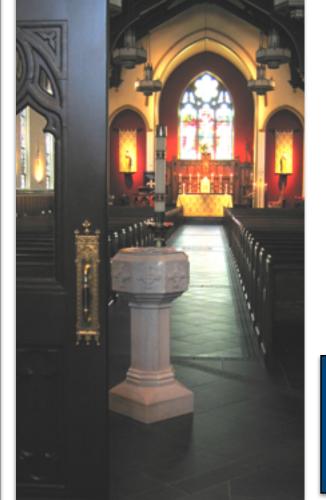




What is Catholicism?

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 or 864.679.4114.

St. Mary's Catholic School

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Director of St. Mary's Classic & Gala lisa.lyvers@stmarysgvl.org

www.stmarysgvl.org/theschool



School Office Hours for Summer

13 June - 7 August Monday through Thursday 9.00 am - 2.00 pm

A lot goes into keeping our school buildings beautiful and safe; most of that work takes place over the summer. Before visiting the School Office, please call ahead to ensure that it is open: 864.271.3870. Thank you for your patience.

Private tours are available by appointment.

For more information, please contact Nelle Palms, Director of

Admissions, at 864.679.4117 or nelle.palms@stmarysgyl.org.

Donations needed for the Really Good, Really Big, Really Cheap Book Sale!

Do you have books at home in new or gently-used condition that you would like to donate for a great cause? The Really Good, Really Big, Really Cheap Book Sale, Greenville Literacy Association's largest annual fund-raiser, will be held at McAlister Square on 12-14 August. A successful book sale needs tons of books – both adult and children's, fiction and non-fiction, modern and classic, hardbound and soft cover. Please place your books in the collection boxes located in Sacred Heart Hall. The boxes will be in place for the month of June.



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 meets on Friday mornings from 6.00–8.00 am for prayer in the church and then in Sacred Heart Hall for study.

Find out more at www.PillarsofChrist.org.

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 July 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.

Safe Environment Concern

Why do I have to accompany my child to the restroom during Mass? Most children should be able to sit through the entire Mass without having to use the restroom. A short stop to the restroom before Mass starts should ensure your child's comfort throughout Mass. For those rare occasions during Mass that your child may need to use the restroom, parents are asked to accompany their child to the restroom to ensure the safety and well-being of the child. Our parish and the Diocese of Charleston are committed to the safety of all children. Restrooms are located in Sacred Heart Hall and can be accessed by anyone from the street. You would not allow your child to enter a restroom at a mall or a sports venue alone. As much as we would like to believe that no one would come on church property to harm a child, the church is open to the public. Also should your child become ill, you will be at hand to tend to his/her immediate needs.





Last week's bulletin incorrectly showed the picture from last year's VBS. Above is the 2016 group picture.

Vacation Bible School 2016 Birthday Blast: A Celebration of Life!!

It was truly an amazing week – 87 children, 34 teen helpers, and 22 adult volunteers, and a weeklong program learning about Discovering Life, Respecting Life, Protecting Life, Serving Others and Celebrating Life. They were taught all about St. Gabriel the Archangel, St. Anthony of Padua, Our Lady of Guadalupe, St. Damien of Molokai and St. Louis & St. Zelie. We also studied a virtue each day: Appreciation, Respect, Compassion, Helpfulness and Cheerfulness. The children completed beautiful crafts including Crosses and Party Hats, Cupcake Prayer Banks, Faith Journals, and Praying Hands Clip Holders, and each day the children took home a saint card for the day.

Special thanks to Elizabeth McLeer (chair), Kayla Weston & Elise Teague (crafts), Chiara Braud (faith), Judy Harrington (games), Kelly Burns (music), Jessica Devine & Judy Lema (nursery), Shana Upham (saints & virtues), Megan Eaton & Maureen Lesley, (snacks), Seminarian Michael Cellars and Claire Capelle (our special guest). Also thanks to Kristen Aleshire, Kay Betsch, Erin Brasington, Magdalena Canfield, Diane Hickey, Catherine Johanning, Karen Joseph, George, Michael & Mairin McLeer, Rosemarie Ortiz, Jennifer Pienta, Rich Stephens, and Heather Vreeman who were group leaders or assisted in the special areas.

We would also like to thank the teen volunteers, who gave their time, making VBS a huge success. Please know that we are grateful, and it could not have happened without you. Just to name a few who went the extra mile with the preparation and execution: Arlen Clarke, Philip Paluszak, Lisa Bethea, Steve Francis from Francis Produce, Grace Doiron, Lisa Watkins.

Thanks to Father Newman, the families shared in a special Mass on Friday and it was a great way to end our week.

Then to top it off the children brought in items for Birthright as a service project.

Great job!

Have a great summer!









the Joy of Love

Join **Christopher West** for a hope-filled presentation on God's plan for the family seen through the lenses of St. John Paul II's Theology of the Body and Pope Francis's *Joy of Love*.



LIVING THE JOY OF LOVE

Featured Presenters



Christopher West, best-selling author and world-renowned presenter of Catholic teaching on marriage and the family, is Founder and President of The Cor Project.



Jason Clark, Executive Vice President of The Cor Project, has led worship around the country for numerous parishes, conferences, retreats and pilgrimages for 25 years.



Mike Mangione is a nationally touring Americana musician and host of the podcast Time & the Mystery on the intersection of faith, art and culture.

PLUS: High School and Middle School Sessions led by **Marcus Guevara (ThirstingforTruth.com)**.

INFORMATION

Saturday, July 16 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Precious Blood of Christ Catholic Church 1633 Waverly Road Pawleys Island, SC 29585

SUGGESTED DONATION: \$20 Individual \$30 Couples \$50 Family Registration: http://sccatholic.org/living-joy-love

- Learn what St. John Paul II called the three "infallible and indispensable" means for a fruitful marriage.
- Experience how God's plan for marriage and family life illuminates the entire biblical story.
- Learn how to combat the distortions of family life that are becoming more and more widespread in our world today.
- Find true hope and healing for the wounds inflicting marriages and family life today.

Lunch will be provided.



For more information, contact the Diocese of Charleston Office of Family Life at 803-547-5063, familylife@catholic-doc.org or Tara Joseph at 843-833-5479, tobjuly16@gmail.com



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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:

Sunday 11 am*

Wednesday 1 am*

Monday 2 pm*

Friday 4 am*, 5 am* & 7 pm*

Tuesday 1 am*

Saturday 1 pm



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.

7 July - Book Study: Screwtape Letters: 7 pm at Croghan Hall on Prince of Peace campus (1209 Brushy Creek Rd, Taylors, SC 29687). Come read and discuss it in an 8-week long small group led by Nicole R.

8 July - Monthly Happy Hour: 6 pm at Pour Taproom (7 Falls Park Dr, Greenville, SC 29601).

17 July - Monthly Meal (Dinner): 7 pm at Yard House (1025 Woodruff Rd, Greenville, SC 29607).

23 July - Game Night, 2nd Edition. 6.30 pm at private home near Five Forks. Contact LVGreenville@gmail.com or 864.266.8843 for directions.

Facebook.com/LVgreenville www.lvgreenville.com LVgreenville@gmail.com

4th of July Celebration

You are cordially invited by The Knights of Columbus, Msgr. Charles J. Baum, Assembly 1073, to their annual 4th of July celebration on Friday 1 July from 6.30 pm to sunset at the council hall on 762 Mauldin Road, Greenville, SC 29607. We will have hot dogs, burgers, sides and beverages beginning at 6.30 pm and fireworks at sundown. Admission is free but donations are gladly accepted.

Rachel's Vineyard

Rachel's Vineyard Retreats bring spiritual healing and strengthening of faith to individuals who have had or participated in an abortion. Join us on the journey to healing, peace and reconciliation. 22-24 July in Charleston, SC. For information and registration call Christy 803.554.6088 or Kathy 803.546.6010.



For programming information, visit catholic radioins c. com.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

In the second reading today we are told, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Our spouse is our closest neighbor. Are we striving every day to love our spouse as Christ calls us to? The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend is 8-10 July in Columbia. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: SCMarriageMatters.org or contact us at applications@scmarriagematters.org or 803.810.9602.

Mass Times

Making summer vacation plans? Don't forget to plan where you and your family will attend Mass.

To find Mass times in areas of the US:

1-800 MASS TIMES
MassTimes.org
TheCatholicDirectory.com



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