

# St. Mary's Catholic Church

### Greenville, South Carolina

28 August 2016

Dear Friends in Christ,

1. Deacon John Heuser is leaving us for a few years, and the reason why requires some back story. John served in the US Navy for 20 years, and when he left active duty he continued to serve the Department of the Navy as a contractor at the Donaldson Center supervising the maintenance of the Lockheed P-3 Orion, an anti-submarine and maritime surveillance aircraft essential to the defense of the United States and our allies. John has just completed 19 years of that work at Donaldson, and now the Navy has asked him to move to Greece with wife Veronica to continue that same mission abroad for the next three years. Accordingly, in mid or late October Deacon and Mrs. Heuser will depart the United States for life in Greece, and so it will be at least three years before he is back at the altar of St. Mary's. Deacon John has been an integral part of our pastoral team since his ordination in 2007, and he will be sorely missed. Deacon and Mrs. Heuser go with our prayers and best wishes, and we will count the days until their return. The tasks that have been entrusted to Deacon John will now be divided among our most recently ordained deacons, and I am grateful to them for taking up these new burdens.

2. You may have noticed recently in the pages of our diocesan newspaper that St Mary's has a new parochial vicar, Father Orlando Cheverría Jiménez, but you have not yet seen or heard anything about him locally and that is because he won't be working with us at St. Mary's. Since December 2012 St. Mary's has had a mission congregation about two miles from our campus: San Sebastian Catholic Church on Old Buncombe Road. Normally a mission is founded by a mother parish, but in this case, the Diocese of Charleston simply gave a canonical identity to a prayer group that was organized several years ago and had slowly taken shape as a distinct congregation of people. When Bishop Guglielmone issued the decree which acknowledged San Sebastian, St. Mary's became the sponsoring parish simply because the physical home of San Sebastian lies within the parish boundaries of St. Mary's, and for this reason the clergy appointed to serve San Sebastian and to the Spanish speaking parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes in Greenwood, so although his canonical appointment is to St. Mary's, we will not actually see him here except on special occasions.

3. Finally, please remember that the Wednesday after Labor Day, September 7th, is the beginning of three different formation programs: 1) religious education for grades one through eight, 2) An Introduction to Catholicism, and 3) the Program of Catholic Studies. Anyone interested in joining the Catholic Church or simply in learning more about Catholic Christianity should take An Introduction to Catholicism, and also welcome are any Catholics who need to be confirmed or who have been away from the Church for a while and need a refresher. And all adults in the parish are invited to share in the riches of our Program of Catholic Studies.

### Calendar of Events

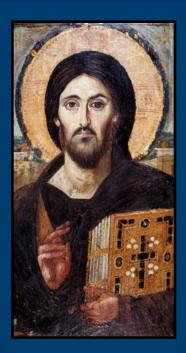
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Mass Schedule & Intentions	Meetings & Events *	<b>Financial Report</b>	
Sunday, 28 August 2016	Sunday, 28 August 2016	i munotur report	
7.30 am  ♣ Lillian Sasso	Nursery: During 9.00 am Mass	Weekend of 20/21 August	
9.00 am  ♣ Elizabeth Morison 11.00 am Pro populo	Coffee & doughnuts: After the 9.00 am Mass (P) 9.00 am Scripture Study	Needed 33,150	
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Monday, 29 August 2016	Monday, 29 August 2016	Poor Box 673	
7.00 am  ♣ Lillian Pease			
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Tuesday, 30 August 2016	Tuesday, 30 August 2016	Needed 265,200	
		Received 258,017	
7.00 am ★ Susan Urban 12.00 noon In Thanksgiving to the Holy Trinity	1.00 pm Senior Men's Club	Shortage 7,183	
		Electronic Giving: If you want	
Wednesday, 31 August 2016	Wednesday, 31 August 2016	to have direct management of	
7.00 am  ★ Doris Strunk	5.00-6.00 pm Holy Hour &	your Electronic Fund Transfer	
12.00 noon Ana Maria Restrepo	Confessions (church)	online, you can now do so through the "Manage Your EFT"	
6.30 pm Anglican Use Mass		link on the homepage of our	
		website. For more information or	
Thursday, 1 Santanhay 2016	Thursday 1 Sentember 2016	if you have any questions please	
Thursday, 1 September 2016	Thursday, 1 September 2016	contact Jennifer Anderson at	
7.00 am ★ Geff Gorman 12.00 noon ★ Keith Strang	2.00-4.00 pm St. Mary's Prayer Group	jennifer.anderson@stmarysgvl.org.	
Friday, 2 September 2016	Friday, 2 September 2016		
7.00 am  ↔ Nelli Restrepo	6.00 am Morning Prayer (church)		
	6.15-8.00 amPillars of Christ10.00 amScripture Study Class	Facebook	
	3.30-5.00 pm Youth Choir Practice		
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		St. Mary's Catholic Church	
Saturday, 3 September 2016	Saturday, 3 September 2016	Greenville SC.	
5.00 pm Dr. Philip Van Hale	8.00-9.00 am Rosary - Grove Rd		
	abortion clinic		

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3.30-4.30 pm Confessions (church)

Visit us on the web at www.stmarysgvl.org

### INTRODUCTION TO CATHOLICISM



#### What is Catholicism?

Is the Catholic Faith in the Bible? Did the Lord Jesus found the Catholic Church?

Our course called *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.

You may register by contacting Dana Williamson at dana37@aol.com, or see the parish website at stmarysgvl.org/catechesis/becoming-catholic

### **PROGRAM OF CATHOLIC STUDIES**

Tuesday 8.30 am CATHOLICS IN AMERICA A CULTURAL OVERVIEW (Instructors: T.J. Nielsen and Tony Owens)

Wednesday 6.30 pm ST. PAUL'S LETTER TO THE ROMANS (Instructor: Joe Beauchemin)

CLASSES BEGIN THE WEEK OF 5 SEPTEMBER More Info or to Register Online at ww.stmarysgyl.org/catechesis/program-of-catholic-studies

or contact T.J. Nielsen at 864.679.4114 or timothy.nielsen@stmarysgvl.org

#### Maronite Ordination

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On Saturday 10 September, St Mary's has the privilege of hosting the priestly ordination of Deacon Aaron Sandbothe who will serve the Maronite Eparchy of which St Rafka in Greer is a mission congregation. Congratulations to Father Bart and the people of St Rafka on the ordination of one their sons to the priesthood.

#### Thank You from Harvest Hope Food Bank

"In total, St. Mary's donated 1,024 pounds of food. This equates to about 790 meals!! With the need we have for food right now, this donation is incredibly helpful and generous. Thank you again for helping us with a food drive!!" In addition, St. Mary's collected almost \$200 for Harvest Hope Food Bank. Also, thanks to the Confirmation class for their help with the food collection.

#### St. Mary's Wedding Committee

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

#### Welcome Newcomers

We welcome the following new members to our parish family: Mr. & Mrs. William Jackson, Jr., Dr. & Mrs. David Von Clef, Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Thompson, Mr. William Mayer, Mr. & Mrs. Henry Williams and Ms. Jessie Stanion.

#### Women of Grace Bible Study

The Women of Grace Bible Study will begin on Sunday 18 September at 6.00 pm in Sacred Heart Hall and will continue to meet on the first and third Sunday of each month. Returning and new members are welcome. This year the group will use a Scott Hahn publication to study St. Paul's Letters to the Corinthians. For more information about the group, please contact Wiletta Pennington at wbpennington8284@yahoo.com or 864.906.8293, or Dorothy Whalen at littledotw@aol.com or 864.363.4483. Please join us for an evening of prayer, Scripture study and fellowship.

### PARISH NEWS

#### Collection for 27/28 August

Support of the Parish

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

#### Office Closure

The parish office will be closed on Monday 5 September for Labor Day.

#### **Disaster Relief Collection**

The recent historic flooding in Louisiana has destroyed thousands of homes and businesses and driven tens of thousands of people into shelters and temporary housing. Catholic Charities, Catholic Relief Services, and the dioceses in Louisiana are overwhelmed with requests for assistance, and every diocese in the country will be sending help. On the weekend of 17 and 18 September, we will take a special second collection at all Masses, and all of the proceeds will be sent by the Diocese of Charleston to assist those whose lives have been severely disrupted by flooding. Thank you for your generosity to those in need.

#### **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, Irene Karandisevsky, John Hever, Bob Stewart and Alfred Smith.

#### Congratulations to

Sean O'Connell and Carleen Lanfear who were married last weekend.

#### Caritas Counseling Services, LLC

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



### SATURDAY 24 September 2016

GREENVILLE DEANERY FALL CATECHIST DAY "Prayer: The Faith Prayed"

#### **CERTIFICATION HOURS 3**



This year's theme invites all the baptized-especially catechists and Catholic school teachers--to devote themselves to a deeper study and practice of prayer, for their own spiritual good and for the good of those they serve.

Speakers Include Dominican Sister from St. Mary's Traditional Prayer

Mike Hager from St. Mary Magdalene Music as Prayer

Carolyn Cetone from JORS Scripture as Prayer

Michael Martocchio Ph.D from the Diocese iPray

Please return by Tuesday 16 September 2016

### SCHEDULE

8:30 am - 12:45 pm

Mass at 8:30 am

**Continental Breakfast** 

Presentations and Table Talk

LOCATION

St. Mary's Catholic Church

in Gallivan Hall

101 Hampton Avenue Greenville, SC 20601

**Registration DUE Tuesday 16 September 2016** 

Please register with your parish DRE

**Registration fee \$5.00** 

**Registration is non-refundable** 

Name	
Parish	
e-mail	
Check the grade level you teach	
Preschool-2nd 3rd - 5th 6th - 8th High School Adult DRE/CR	E

### **Religious Education**

All registration forms for 2016-2017 are available on the Religious Education page in the Catechesis section of our website at stmarysgvl.org.

#### **Religious Education Grades 1-8**

Classes meet on Wednesday 6.30–7.30 pm and begin 7 September. Only one form per family is needed.

There will be a \$10 late fee for registration after 2 September, so don't be late.

No registration taken 5-8 September. If you have not registered before these dates, you will have to wait until after the first class.

#### Sunday Mornings for 3 & 4 Year Olds

Sunday school class starting 11 September for 3 & 4 year olds whose birthdates fall between 1 June 2012 - 1 June 2013. Class will meet on Sundays during the 9.00 am Mass. This is only for families attending the 9.00 am Mass. Space is limited.

#### Home School / St. Joseph's Confirmation Students / Prince of Peace First Communion & Confirmation Students who plan to make their Sacraments at St. Mary's

We would like to have the HS and Sacraments for St. Joe/POP students in the RE database so we can notify you when we have Sacrament information or special events during the school year. <u>Please return form by 2 September.</u>

#### **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 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.

#### Small-Group Study: Wisdom & Works of Mercy

Join us for a group study that delves into the Most Holy Trinity as the key to bringing the faith from our heads to our hearts and out into our lives. Then put your faith into action with group works of mercy. The class meets on Monday evenings (7-9 pm) from 12 Sept - 17 Oct (with an additional meeting on 28 Nov) in the large conference room on the 2nd floor of Sacred Heart Hall. Please contact Eileen Scoggins at 864.415.8289 or Barb Bathon at 574.261.2294 to register for study. A book is required.

#### **Mass Intentions**

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

#### **Baptism Class**

Prior to having a child baptized at St. Mary's, you must have been registered in the parish for at least six months, attending Sunday Mass each week, using the stewardship envelopes, and participating in the life of the parish. Baptisms take place on Saturdays at 6.15 pm after the 5.00 pm Mass. Attending a Baptism Preparation Class is required and may be attended prior to birth of child. The next class is scheduled for Monday 26 September 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.



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 PillarsofChrist.org.





*On Saturday*, September 10, pro-life Americans will honor the memory of the more than 50 million unborn victims of abortion during the National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children.

Solemn prayer services will be held simultaneously at gravesites around the country where abortion victims have been buried, as well as at many other memorial sites dedicated in their honor.

Join us for the National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children and ensure that our unborn brothers and sisters will not be forgotten.

### Memorial Service for Victims of Abortion

Date & Tíme Saturday, September 10, 9:15 am

Location

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church 2252 Woodruff Rd Simpsonville, SC 29681

Special Details

We will gather for prayer and meditation at the Memorial to the Unborn in the Church courtyard following the 8:30 am Mass.

Local Contact

Patty McGrath - 864-757-9073 pattymcgrath20@gmail.com

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For more information on this event, visit AbortionMemorials.com



### st. mary's catholic school

2016-2017 The Year of Hope



#### St. Mary's Catholic School

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#### Save the Date

**Mardi Gras Gala** Friday 17 February

By popular demand, the St. Mary's Catholic School Gala has moved to earlier in the school year. Come celebrate and support Catholic education with St. Mary's!

#### **9th Annual Golf Classic** Friday 2 June

These two events are the major fundraising events for the school. Please contact Mrs. Lisa Lyvers (864.271.3870 ext 229; lisa.lyvers@stmarysgvl.org) if you are interested in helping make these events a success.

#### School Spotlight - New Faculty and Staff Members

In addition to Mrs. Connelly (K4 assistant), Ms. Scovel (K3 assistant), & Mrs. Stansberry (K4 assistant), who were announced in June, we are excited to introduce a few more faculty and staff members at St. Mary's this year.

Our new art teacher, Elise Teague, minored in art as an undergrad and has done graduate-level work in art education. We are excited to have her energy and expertise in the art room with the support of Melissa Lovin as her assistant.

We also welcome Sister Marie Celine to second grade. Sister joins us with a Masters in Education and a special background in Montessori and Catechesis

of the Good Shepherd (CGS). CGS is a hands-on method to teach the faith in a very prayerful way. Sister will share this gift by leading some CGS lessons in our K3 and K4 classes on Monday mornings. As our second grade assistant this year, we welcome back Debbie Villasor, whose daughter graduated from St. Mary's.

As our new Cross Country Coach, Basketball Coach, and grades 4-8 PE teacher, we welcome Edquan Pope. With a Bachelor's degree in Physical Education and 10 years serving at St. Mary's as assistant coach, we are confident that he will lead the Ducks in another great athletic season.



6 SeptemberBridgeway\*4.30 pm13 SeptemberSpartanburg Day4.30 pm

\* Brideway Christian Academy - previously known as Mt. Zion



#### St. Mary's Ducks Volleyball

(Home matches in bold)

29 August	Tri-match @ Hampton Park	4.00 pm
30 August	Spartanburg Prep	4.30 pm
1 September	Prince of Peace	4.30 pm
12 September	Mitchell Road	4.00 pm





## Be Merciful, just as your Father is Merciful

Mark your calendar for the 12th Eucharistic Congress September 9 & 10, 2016 Charlotte Convention Center



For information, to volunteer or K-12 Track Registration: www.GoEucharist.com





#### Seminarian Discernment Retreat

Come to the Office of Vocations Seminarian Discernment Retreat! From 5.00 pm, Friday 16 September to 3.00 pm Saturday 17 September, at the White Oak Conference Center in Winnsboro, SC, men from across the diocese of Charleston will gather to find out if God wants them to become priests.

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

For more information, contact Valerie Gore, Assistant Director, at vgore@catholic-doc.org or go to CharlestonVocations.com!

#### $\mathcal{P}$ ERPETUAL $\mathcal{F}$ UCHARISTIC $\mathcal{A}$ 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:

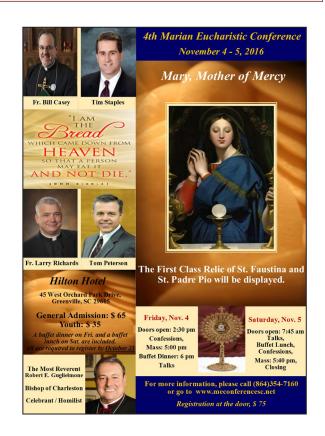
> Sunday 11 am Monday 1 am\* Tuesday 1 am\*

Wednesday 9 am Thursday 1 am\* & 10 pm\*

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#### **Upcoming Events**

**9 September - Monthly Happy Hour:** 6 pm at The Flat (1606 Woodruff Rd).

**18 September - Monthly Meal:** 7 pm at Tin Lizzy's Cantina (1025 Woodruff Road Suite G101).

**30 September - LVG Bonfire:** 7.45 pm at the Rectory of Father Chris & Father Tomlinson.

Facebook.com/LVGreenville

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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.

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