



St. Mary's Catholic Church



Greenville, South Carolina

28 May 2017

Dear Friends in Christ,

Holy Scripture tells us that the Lord Jesus returned to the glory of his Father forty days after his Resurrection, and for that reason, the Church traditionally celebrates the Ascension on the Thursday after the 6th Sunday of Easter – forty days after Easter Sunday. In recent years, however, the liturgical commemoration of the Ascension has been transferred in many places from the proper Thursday to the Seventh Sunday of Easter, and that is why we celebrate the Ascension of the Lord Jesus Christ today.

This mystery of faith does not mean that the Lord was merely taken from our sight to continue in space and time as we know them while simply being in another place; rather, Christ the Lord in his Ascension transcended the created universe altogether, including the created realities of time and space. But in transcending the created universe, the Lord Jesus did not abandon his Church or leave us comfortless. Even as Christ gave us the Great Commission to spread the Gospel to the ends of the earth and celebrate the sacraments for the salvation of souls, he also promised to send the Holy Spirit of truth to be our teacher, guide, and consoler, and the coming of the Spirit was accomplished and manifested 50 days after Christ's Resurrection, a mystery which we will celebrate next week on the great Solemnity of Pentecost. Christ's Ascension and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit are the very conditions for the possibility of this time of the Church in which we are called to share in the sublime work of bringing the whole human race to know, love and serve the living God, and in Word and Sacrament, the Savior remains with us to sustain us in that mission.

In describing the final moments of the Lord Jesus with the Apostles, St. Matthew candidly admits that even forty days after the Resurrection, confusion remains: "And when they saw him, they worshipped him, but some doubted." These doubts, however, were resolved by the solemn revelation of the divine nature and glory of the Son of Man: "All authority is heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations..." And twenty centuries later we are still laboring to fulfill the Great Commission, which begins with comprehending the majesty of this sacred mystery of faith. In the Roman Missal, the first Preface of the Ascension speaks to us of the sacred mystery of Christ's Ascension in these words:

"It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God. For the Lord Jesus, the King of glory, conqueror of sin and death, ascended to the highest heavens, as the Angels gazed in wonder. Mediator between God and man, judge of the world and Lord of hosts, he ascended, not to distance himself from our lowly state, but that we, his members, might be confident of following where he, our Head and Founder, has gone before."

Father Newman



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April 2017

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Soon our diocese will take up a collection for the **Catholic Communication Campaign** (CCC). This collection helps bring the gospel message to the public square so that all can know the love of God. Pope Francis has reminded us that “communication has the power to build bridges, to enable encounter and inclusion, and thus to enrich society” (World Communications Day Message, 2016). Your support of this collection helps enrich society and invite all to encounter the love of God.

For example, as people continue to access more and more information on mobile devices, there is an increased need to provide faith resources on these platforms as well. With your support of the CCC, the daily readings are available as free podcasts to download and listen to on the go. In addition, the readings are also available in English and Spanish by email subscription. By supporting the CCC, people across the country are able to experience the Scriptures in a new way and are never far from the Word of God.

Half of the funds collected will remain here in the diocese to fund our local communications projects. The other half will fund national communications efforts and international projects in developing countries. For more information about the collection and the projects it supports, visit www.usccb.org/ccc.

Support the collection and connect with Christ.

In the Lord's Peace,

Most Reverend Robert E. Guglielmo
Bishop of Charleston

The collection date for the Diocese of Charleston is May 28, 2017.

Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sunday, 28 May 2017

7.30 am ✕ Mathilda Heidrich
9.00 am ✕ Rocio Gomez
11.00 am Pro populo
1.00 pm Spanish Mass

Monday, 29 May 2017

Memorial Day
No Mass

Tuesday, 30 May 2017

7.00 am Mary Hunter Wylie Gibbs
12.00 noon ✕ Dillia Carey

Wednesday, 31 May 2017

7.00 am ✕ Richard Erlenbaugh
12.00 noon ✕ Louis & Joan Sagedy

Thursday, 1 June 2017

7.00 am J. Campbell (✕) & Willis Martin
12.00 noon ✕ Jawad P. Ashy

Friday, 2 June 2017

7.00 am ✕ John Travan

Saturday, 3 June 2017

5.00 pm ✕ Carlos Jose Restrepo

Meetings & Events *

Sunday, 28 May 2017

Nursery: During 9.00 am Mass
9.00 am Scripture Study
6.00 pm High School Youth Group (M)

Monday, 29 May 2017

Church & church office closed today

Tuesday, 30 May 2017

1.00 pm Senior Men's Club

Wednesday, 31 May 2017

5.00-6.00 pm Holy Hour & Confessions (church)

Thursday, 1 June 2017

2.00-4.00 pm St. Mary's Prayer Group

Friday, 2 June 2017

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

Saturday, 3 June 2017

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

Financial Report

Weekend of 20/21 May

Needed	33,150
Received	33,993
Surplus	843

Poor Box	771
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Offertory Year to Date

Needed	1,591,200
Received	1,604,428
Surplus	13,228

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.



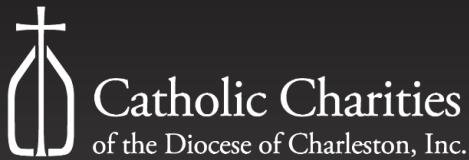
Facebook

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

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

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

Visit us on the web at
www.stmarysgvl.org



DIOCESE OF CHARLESTON PRISON MINISTRY CONFERENCE

SATURDAY, JUNE 24, 2017
10 a.m.-3 p.m. — Lunch included



Come for a day of inspiration and education. Along with Bishop Guglielmone we will have speakers who are knowledgeable about prisons and courts, ex-offenders, and family members of victims and offenders.

Who should attend:

- Volunteers in prison ministry
- Clergy visiting jails and prisons
- Anyone interested in prison ministry
- Victims of crime and family members of offenders

**The conference is
FREE OF CHARGE.**

**Register online by
Friday, June 9, 2017 at:**

[https://tinyurl.com/
restorativejusticeconf](https://tinyurl.com/restorativejusticeconf)



Or scan the QR
code to go to the
registration page.

Requiescat in pace

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Louise Martin (mother of Judy McColl) and James W Lipscomb who died recently. We extend our prayers and sympathy to their family and friends.

Prayer For The Faithful Departed

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls, and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

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, Ronald Labbe, Paulina Cruz, Brett Gervais, Judy Byrum, Michael Pinto, Joseph & Sandy Srp, Marie-Therese Isidore, Thomas Thomason, Carlton Carpenter, Jim Barber, Jordan A. Upham, John Hever, Alfred Smith, Mauren Lukovic, Sr. Louiselle Gagnon, Sr. Simone Baril, Christine Tancrell, Dcn. John & Irene Karandisevsky, Ted Karalekas, Lenore Cole, Celsea Patry, Mary Hunter Wylie Gibbs, Lee Heap and John Tyler.

Funeral Notification

If you would like to receive email notification when funerals are scheduled at St Mary's, please contact the parish office at churchoffice@stmarysgvl.org.

Caritas Counseling Services, LLC

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

PARISH NEWS

Collections for 27/28 May

1st: Support of the Parish
2nd: Catholic Communications

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

Memorial Day

The church & church office will be closed on Monday 29 May for Memorial Day.

The 7.00 am Mass will not be celebrated.

Summer Church Office Hours

2 June - 18 August

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

Nursery Closure

The nursery will be closed all of June & July.

Congratulations to

Joshua Gregory Laylock who was baptized last weekend.

Joseph Patrick Waters and Molly Anne Benedum who were married last week.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Worldwide Marriage encounter is excited to announce there will be a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend held in Greenville on 7-9 July St. Mary's Catholic Church.

The Weekend is non-residential and begins on Friday evening, all day Saturday and ends with Mass on Sunday afternoon. It's a time for you and your spouse to be alone together: to explore, rediscover, and reconnect with each other. Together, you focus on your relationship for an entire weekend. Every marriage deserves that kind of attention!

The cost is a \$50 non-refundable application fee. In addition, a voluntary donation is requested at the close of the weekend to help with expenses. No one is ever turned away due to lack of funds. You can apply at SCMarriageMatters.org. Early application is encouraged since we have a limited number of spots available.





The Center for Evangelical Catholicism

presents

500 YEARS LATER

Where do we go from here? 1517-2017

20-21 October 2017 - Greenville, South Carolina

I appeal to you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree and that there be no dissensions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment

1 Corinthians 1:10

Featuring Speakers

Dr. Jordan Ballor

Senior Research Fellow at the Acton Institute

Dr. Francis Beckwith

Professor of Philosophy and Church-State Studies at Baylor University

Dr. Eduardo Echeverria

Professor of Philosophy and Theology at Sacred Heart Major Seminary, Detroit, Michigan

Dr. Matthew Gaetano

Assistant Professor of History at Hillsdale College

Dr. Korey Maas

Associate Professor of History at Hillsdale College

Dr. Richard Phillips

Senior Minister at Second Presbyterian Church in Greenville, South Carolina

Join us 500 years after the Protestant Reformation as Catholic and Protestant theologians and scholars come together to address...

The theological reasons for the Protestant Reformation

In what ways have these been addressed in the last 500 years?

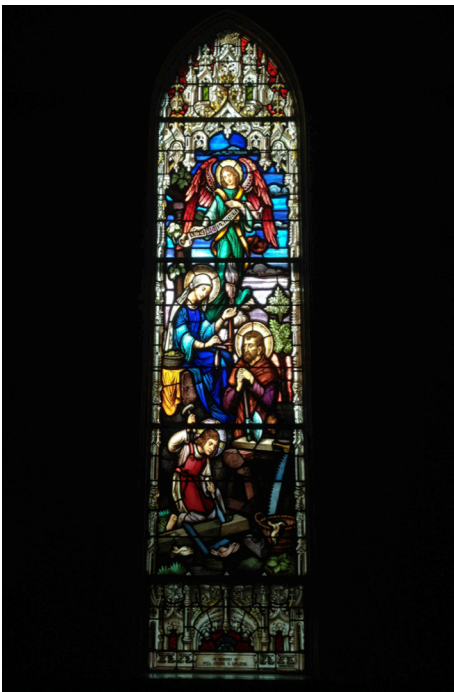
What are the prospects for the restoration of Church unity?

How can Catholics and Protestants work together going forward?

\$75 per person

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

register online at www.evangelicalcatholicism.com



Sacred Songs in Summer

Sunday

25 June 2017

4:00 P.M.

St. Mary's Catholic Church
Greenville, South Carolina

Fr. Jay Scott Newman, Pastor

*The Schola Cantorum
of St. Mary's Church*

*Concordiae:
Singers of Ecclesiastical Music
and*

*The Treble Choristers
of the Youth Choir*

Arlen Clarke, Conducting

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 11-13 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 12 June - 28 July. This is a major fund raising effort for a most worthy organization, and we thank you for your support.

NAM 2017 Convention

Starting Wednesday 28 June through Sunday 2 July, the National Apostolate of Maronites will hold their 54th Annual National Convention in downtown Greenville at the Hyatt on Main Street. The Convention consists of daily Mass with the two Catholic Maronite Bishops of the United States, daily spiritual workshops, Lebanese food, evening banquets and middle eastern music and dancing, along with programs for children, young adults, high school and young professionals. There are three excursions on Wednesday: 1) Biltmore Estates, 2) Ziplining, and 3) Kayaking. Supreme Knight, Carl A. Anderson, will be speaking on Saturday at 3.00 pm plus other speakers so please go to the www.namnews.org or the St. Rafka website for more details and registration information: www.saintrafka.org. All are welcome to attend this enriching and festive Convention.

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:

Call 1-800 MASS TIMES or visit masstimes.org
or visit thecatholicdirectory.com

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.



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, 9.00 am - 3.30 pm.

Prince of Peace

The LORD is risen! He is risen, indeed! Contact Lisa Buss at adoration@princeofpeacetaylors.org or call 864.508.7123. Choose an hour of your convenience or consider one of our URGENT NEEDS (*) or one needing a prayer partner:

Sunday 9 am
Tuesday 8 am & 6 pm
Wednesday 2 am*
Thursday 8 pm
Friday 1 am*, 4 pm & 6 pm*
Saturday 9am*, 8 pm* & 10 pm

Lay Carmelites

The Lay Carmelite community of Greenville invites you to attend one of our upcoming meetings to consider whether God is calling you to a deeper prayer life and relationship with Him through Carmelite spirituality. We meet on the 1st Saturday of the month at St Elizabeth Ann Seton, Simpsonville, beginning with 9 am Mass. For more information, please contact Jan at 864.287.5495 or visit CarmelitesGreenville.com.

Children of Mary Religion Camp 16-22 July

The Children of Mary Religion Camp is a one-week overnight Catholic-based camp for children ages 6-12 years old held at Camp York in Kings Mountain State Park, located in Blacksburg, SC. Visit ChildrenofMaryCamp.com for information and applications. Volunteers are also needed for counselor positions. Questions: Email ChildrenofMaryCamp@gmail.com.



2017 Ordinations

It is with great pleasure that I announce the following ordinations for the Diocese of Charleston:



Mr. Rhett Williams
to the
Transitional Diaconate
Friday 26 May
6.00 pm
St. Joseph Catholic Church
3512 Devine St, Columbia, SC 29205



Deacon Andrew Fryml
to the
Sacred Priesthood
Friday 9 June
6.00 pm
Cathedral of St John the Baptist
120 Broad St, Charleston, SC 29401

+ The Most Reverend Robert E. Guglielmo

"Do not be afraid; henceforth thou shalt be a fisher of men." -Luke 5:10

Men's Discernment Retreat

Saturday, June 17, 2017 | 8 a.m.- Noon

St. Benedict Catholic Church in Mount Pleasant

Come to a special Discernment Retreat for men considering the priesthood!

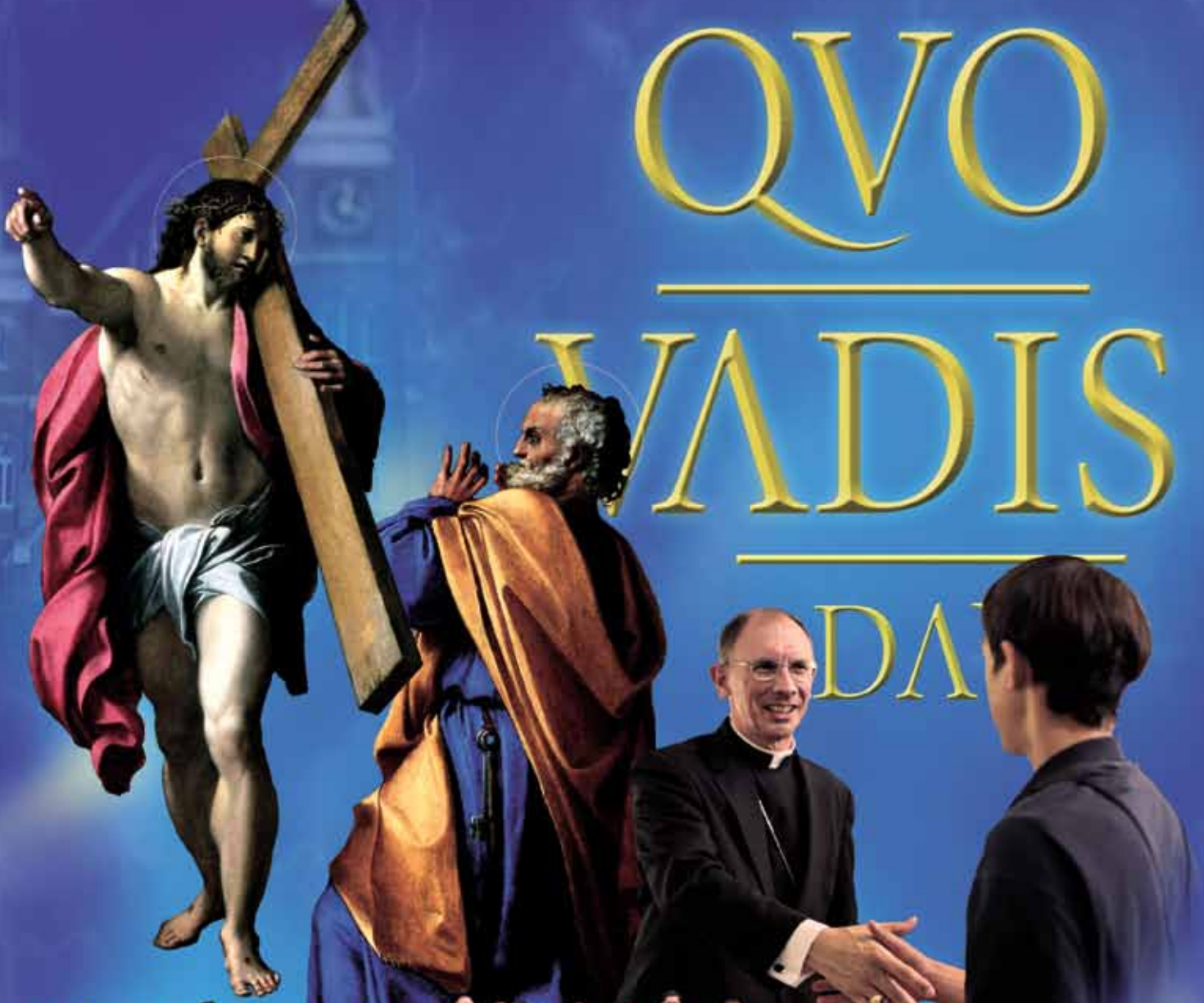
For more information or to register, contact Dan Lord: dlord@catholic-doc.org or 843-261-0532

www.CharlestonVocations.com

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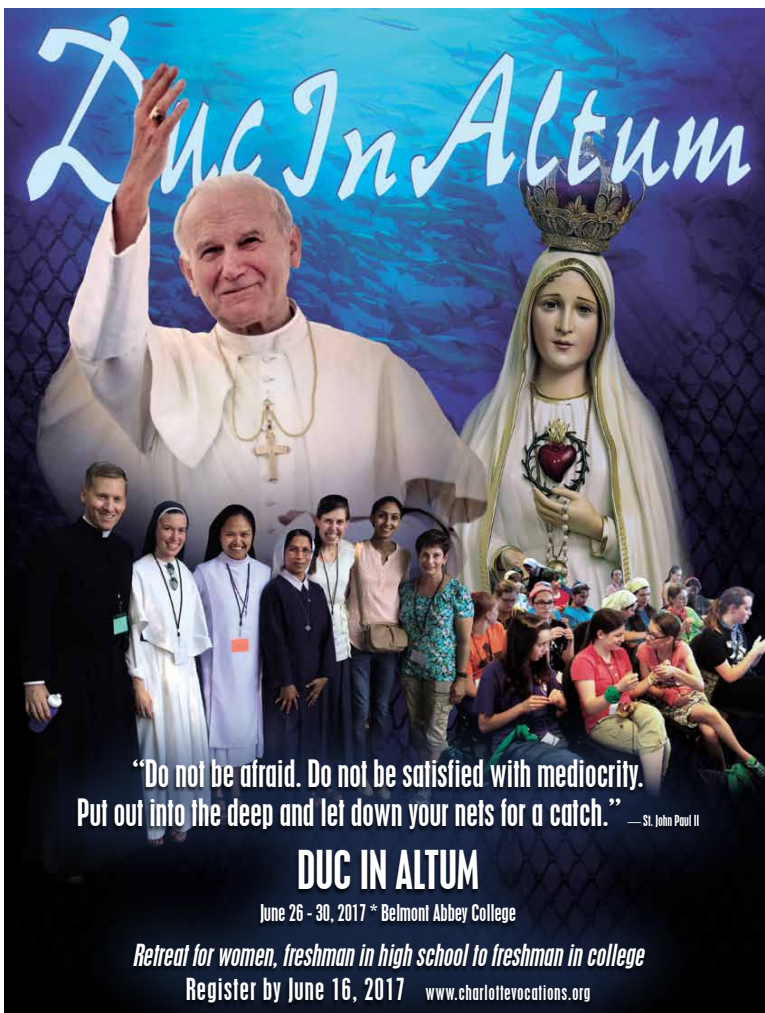
Where are you going?

QUO VADIS DAYS 2017

June 12-16, 2017 * Belmont Abbey College
Event open to young men 15 thru 19 years old

A camp for Catholic men to learn more about the priesthood, deepen their faith, and help discern God's call in their lives.

REGISTRATION CLOSING MAY 29 www.charlottevocations.org



Archdiocese of Atlanta Eucharistic Congress 16-17 June 2017

English Track

English track speakers include: **Brandon Vogt**, content director for Bishop Robert Barron's Word on Fire Catholic Ministries; **Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers**, known worldwide as "The Dynamic Deacon"; **Dr. Gianna Molla**, the daughter of St. Gianna Beretta Molla, an Italian pediatrician canonized in 2004 and considered a patron saint of the unborn; **Father Larry Richards**, founder of the Reason for Our Hope Foundation; **Father Michael E. Gaitley**, MIC, director of evangelization for the Congregation of Marian Fathers and author of books on Marian consecration and divine mercy; and **Sister Jane Dominic Laurel, OP**, of the St. Cecilia Congregation of Dominican Sisters of Nashville, TN. For more information & registration, visit congress.archatl.com.



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.

Summer Theology on Tap

7.30 pm at Connolly's Irish Pub
24 E Court St, Greenville 29601

Our summer Theology on Tap series focuses on spiritual gifts ~ what are they, how do we use them, and how do we recognize and complement them in other people? How do we relate to each other when everyday life is complicated by emotions like love and anger?

Speakers begin at 7:30, but please come early for food, drinks, and fellowship!

5 June - Living Your Strengths: Anne and Greg Harris, directors of the Living Your Strengths ministry at St. Mary Magdelene will lead us in a mini Living Your Strengths session, where we'll explore talents and learn how to use them to strengthen our Catholic community.

12 June - Forgiveness Languages: Fr. Bart, pastor of St. Rafka's Maronite Mission and hospital chaplain, will talk about the forgiveness languages and how we can use our strengths to forgive and accept forgiveness, while recognizing the limitations of ourselves and others.

19 June - Love Languages: Fr. Duncan, Administrator of St. Anselm's Community and chaplain at St. Joseph's, will be speaking about the love languages, how we accept and express love of neighbor in the context of our spiritual gifts.

26 June - Spiritual Gifts: Our speaker is TJ Cofield, fellow LVG member and Director of Adult Formation at St. Anthony's parish. More details coming soon!

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