



St. Mary's Catholic Church



Greenville, South Carolina

30 April 2017

Dear Friends in Christ,

Marriage is one of the seven sacraments given by Christ to His Church, but it is also a natural bond that exists between men and women of all religions and no religion. Moreover, marriage is also a contract acknowledged - and in some ways regulated - by civil authority in every nation on earth. All three of these dimensions can exist together or be separated into parts according to the circumstances. So, for example, when two baptized Christians marry each other for the first time, they bring into being by their exchange of consent the sacrament of matrimony, the natural bond of spousal love, and the civil contract all at the same time. And as long as they stay married to each other while they are both living, things remain simple and clear. It is when the civil contract of marriage is dissolved by a divorce decree from a civil court that things get confusing.

Because of the clear teaching of the Lord Jesus, Catholics believe that the sacramental bond of matrimony, once it truly comes into being, can be broken only by the death of one or both spouses. So long as they both shall live, however, no power on earth can break that bond. A civil divorce may allow the spouses to live separate lives, and in most countries those who are civilly divorced are now free to marry again in a new civil contract. But such re-marriage after divorce does not and cannot constitute the sacrament of Holy Matrimony, and that fact is often obscured in our time both by the great number of remarriages after divorce and by the equivocal use of the word "marriage."

So, that no misunderstanding may exist among the people of St Mary's, please remember that Catholic Christians must be married in the Church according to canonical form, which means that after their freedom to marry is established and the couple are properly prepared for the duties of marriage, they exchange their vows before a priest or deacon in their proper parish. A Catholic who marries anyone outside of the Church and without canonical form is "married" only in civil law and does not participate in the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony. And for this reason, such a Catholic may no longer receive Holy Communion or go to Confession until and unless he or she can exchange marital consent in the Church and bring into being the sacramental bond of Christian marriage.

There are many reasons why Catholics get married outside the Church and place themselves in impaired communion as described above. And all Catholics have a duty to accompany those who are living in such irregular marriages with love, patience, and understanding. But we also all have a duty to help those who may be married outside the Church to try to find a remedy for their situation by making use of the time tested means developed by the Church for this purpose. So, if you know a Catholic who is married outside the Church, please encourage them to approach their pastor to find a way back towards full communion with Christ and His Church. And anyone with questions about a particular situation is most welcome to contact me at pastor@stmarysgvl.org.

Father Newman

Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sunday, 30 April 2017

7.30 am ✱ Angel Mesa & Relatives
 9.00 am Tony & Sherry Perkins
 (40th Wedding Anniversary)
 11.00 am Pro populo
 1.00 pm Spanish Mass

Monday, 1 May 2017

7.00 am William Blaise Carlson

Tuesday, 2 May 2017

7.00 am ✱ Nelli Restrepo
 12.00 noon ✱ Marvin Hambleton

Wednesday, 3 May 2017

7.00 am ✱ Gitte Mueller
 12.00 noon ✱ Patti Waters

Thursday, 4 May 2017

7.00 am Mary Berman
 12.00 noon ✱ Michael Pacewic

Friday, 5 May 2017

7.00 am ✱ Mary Ebener Jenkins

Saturday, 6 May 2017

5.00 pm ✱ Lysbeth Welborn Berini

Meetings & Events *

Sunday, 30 April 2017

VBS Registration

Nursery: During 9.00 am Mass
 9.00 am 3 & 4 Year Olds (K4 classroom of
 Sacred Heart Hall)
 Coffee & doughnuts: After the 9.00 am Mass (P)
 9.00 am Scripture Study
 6.00 pm High School Youth Group (M)

Monday, 1 May 2017

6.30 pm Cub Scouts / Boy Scouts (M)

Tuesday, 2 May 2017

1.00 pm Senior Men's Club

Wednesday, 3 May 2017

5.00-6.00 pm Holy Hour &
 Confessions (church)

Thursday, 4 May 2017

2.00-4.00 pm St. Mary's Prayer Group

Friday, 5 May 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, 6 May 2017

VBS Registration

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

Financial Report

Weekend of 22/23 April

Needed	33,150
Received	31,710
Shortage	1,440

Poor Box	472
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Catholic Home Missions	2,853
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Offertory Year to Date

Needed	1,458,600
Received	1,473,275
Surplus	14,675

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

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

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



CHARLESTON VOCATIONS

Catholic Diocese of Charleston, SC



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

"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

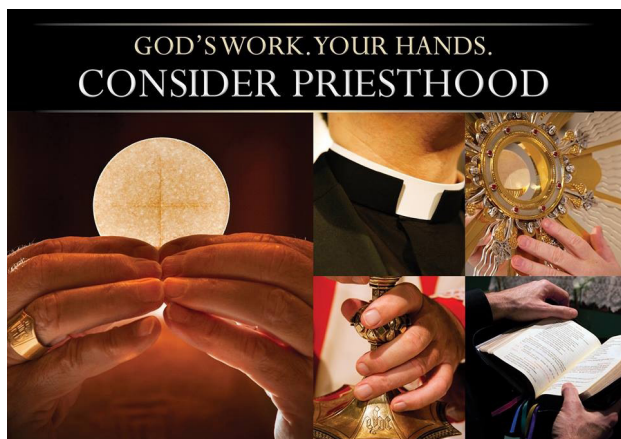
St. Benedict Catholic Church in Mount Pleasant

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

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.



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. Guglielmone

Prayer for Seminarians

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

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

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

St. Charles Borromeo, pray for our seminarians.

Requiescat in pace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Alfred Mullé, Paul Roman and Janet Ellis deGrouchy (mother of Fr Richard Tomlinson) 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 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.

Mass Intentions

If you would like to schedule a Mass intention, contact Vickie Acosta at 864.271.8422 or vickie.acosta@stmarysgvl.org.

Congratulations to

Elizabeth Grace Roberts and Christopher Patrick Sharkey who were baptized last weekend.

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.



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

Collection for 29/30 April

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

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

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday 9.00 am - 4.00 pm

Welcome Newcomers

We welcome the following new member to our parish family: Mrs Rhonda Spencer.

VBS 2017

Families please save your empty toilet paper and paper towel rolls for our VBS; we need 150 pieces for a craft. We have a container in Sacred Heart Hall where you can drop them off. Thank you in advance.

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, Bob Stewart, 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, Alma Furman and Lee Heap.

Bulletin Submissions

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



Join us in Pazdan Hall after the
9.00 am Mass for doughnuts

30 April & 7 May



From Death to Life



Cantata: Aus der Tiefen, BWV 131
Harpsichord Concerto in d minor, BWV 1052
Cantata: Weinen, Klagen, Sorgen, Zagen, BWV 12

Bryce McClendon, *alto*
Boyd Galloway, *tenor*
Adrian Smith, *bass-baritone*
Daniel Pyle, *harpsichord*
David Rhyne, *conductor*

Saturday, April 29, 7:30 PM

Boulevard Baptist Church, Anderson
700 Boulevard, Anderson, SC 29621

Sunday, April 30, 4:00 PM

Westminster Presbyterian Church, Greenville
2310 Augusta St, Greenville, SC 29605

Pre-Concert Talk by Dr. Gary Malvern 30 minutes prior to each concert



Tickets: \$15/\$10/\$5



For Tickets or Information: SCBach.org | scbach.info@gmail.com | facebook.com/scbach

Greenville Deanery Council of Catholic Women



The next quarterly meeting of the Greenville Deanery Council of Catholic Women will be held at 2.00 pm on Sunday 7 May at the St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church, 309 Gower Street, Greenville, SC 29611. Lunch will be provided by the ladies of the St. Anthony Women's Council. Service projects will be discussed for the new year along with an overview of the recent SCCCW Convention and final plans for the pilgrimage to the EWTN Studios, Shrine of the Blessed Sacrament and Ave Maria Grotto from 28-30 April. We invite you to join us and learn more about our service to the church and community.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Sunday Mornings for 3 & 4 Year Olds

9.00 am in the K-4 classroom of Sacred Heart Hall

Sunday 30 April is the final class.

Vacation Bible School Don't Miss Out, Get Registered!

The Vatican Express with Saint Jerome 12-16 June from 9.00 am - 12 noon (Friday 11.30 am). Registration for volunteers and students will take place before and after all Masses on 29 & 30 April and 6 & 7 May in Sacred Heart Hall. Registration forms for families, teen volunteers and adult volunteers are now available online at stmarysgvl.org under Catechesis or the Church Office. **Deadline for registration is 12 May.** For additional information please contact Elizabeth McLeer at gemcleer@gmail.com or 864.245.0753.

St. Mary's High School Ministry Open House Picnic

On Saturday 29 April our parish High School Ministry will Host an Open House Picnic. All Graduating 8th graders and High School students are invited.

The evening will begin at 6.30 pm and conclude at 9.30 pm and take place on our parish Athletic Field. The evening schedule includes sports, games, competitions with prizes, a yummy grilled Hamburger Meal and will conclude with some live music and a talk on our responsibility to grow in our faith.

All are also invited to come join our regular Sunday Night Meeting from 6-8 pm. Each week our youth group has 30 to 40 of our High School teens in attendance. Come for a fun evening and find out what our parish youth ministry is all about.

Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus is a Catholic Men's Fraternal Organization with principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity & Patriotism. Our service programs are Church, Community, Youth and Pro Life. Meetings are on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7.00 pm in McGrady Hall.

Formed.org

Online resources are available to every member of our parish through a new program called Formed. This website includes a variety of free resources, including books, movies, podcasts, etc. for people of all ages. Go to: www.Formed.org. Register using our parish code: **8B7VRM** to get access to the resources. If you have questions, please contact Timothy Nielsen at 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.

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 the birth of your child.



The next class is scheduled for Monday 22 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.





29th Annual St. Mary's Classic

Friday 2 June 2017

Golf Tournament, The Preserve at Verdae Golf Club

Sign Up For the Classic

Sponsorship Packages

Four Playing Spots in Classic  Player Gifts  Mulligan or Red Tee Package
Breakfast/Lunch at Golf Course  Celebration BBQ Dinner Cookout
Saint, Blue Ribbon, Gold, and Silver sponsors feature Callaway Equipment

Saint Sponsor - \$12,000

Blue Ribbon Sponsor - \$10,000

Gold Sponsor - \$8,000

Silver Sponsor - \$5,000

New for 2017!

Duck Sponsor - \$1,200

For complete details please use the following link for more information about individual sponsorship packages:

[Classic Information and Registration](#)

Event Details

Thursday, June 1

5:00-7:00pm

Reception & Equipment Pick Up (Saint, Blue Ribbon, Gold, and Silver Sponsors), *Embassy Suites*

Friday, June 2

7:30am / 1:00pm Tee Times

St. Mary's Classic, *The Preserve at Verdae*

6:00pm

St. Mary's BBQ Celebration, *The Preserve at Verdae Pavilion*



Any Questions? Contact Lisa Lyvers, Director of St. Mary's Classic and Gala lisa.lyvers@stmarysgvl.org

Diocese of Charleston
Vietnamese Marian Celebration
Celebrating the 2017 Marian Year

All are invited to the Vietnamese Marian Celebration on Sunday 14 May from 12 noon - 4 pm at Our Lady of La Vang (2020 Gibbs Shoals Road, Greer, SC 29650). We are commencing the 2017 Marian Year for the Diocese of Charleston during this celebration in honor of the 100th year anniversary of apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima. The celebration begins with a procession, followed by a flower offering, the Celebration of the Eucharist and a luncheon. Celebrant & Homilist - Most Rev. Robert Guglielmone
Concelebrant - Rev. David Phan, OFM

For more information, contact Michael Tran, Assistant Director for the Office of Ethnic Ministries, 864.704.6559 or mtran@catholic-doc.org.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Enliven and find more joy in your marriage by participating in a WorldWide Marriage Encounter weekend. The next weekends are 7-9 July in Greenville, SC and 13-15 October in Myrtle Beach, SC. Early sign up is recommended. For more information: visit SCMarriageMatters.org or contact 803.810.9602 or applications@scmarriagematters.org.

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

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 the website www.ChildrenofMaryCamp.com for information and applications. Volunteers are also needed for counselor positions. Great community service opportunity. Questions: Email ChildrenofMaryCamp@gmail.com.

Diocese of Charlotte Vocations Camps

Quo Vadis Days
12-16 June 2017

Open to young men ages 15-19.

Quo Vadis Days is a five-day vocations discernment camp for young men at Belmont Abbey College. The camp includes talks by local priests, seminarians, and others on the vocations to the priesthood, marriage, and fatherhood. Ultimately, the goal of our Quo Vadis Days is to challenge young men to ask the fundamental question "quo vadis" or "where are you going?", while equipping them with the tools and opportunity to discern God's will for their life. The camp fee is \$150. This cost includes lodging at Belmont Abbey College, all meals and supplies. More information is available at <https://charlottediocese.org/vocations/quo-vadis-days/>

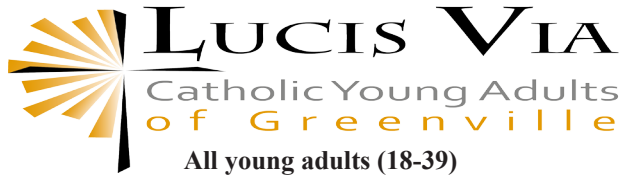
Duc in Altum
26-30 June 2017

The camp is open to young women who are rising freshmen in high school to freshman in college.

One day, after speaking to the crowds from Simon's boat, our Lord invited the Apostle to "put out into the deep" for a catch: "Duc In altum" (Luke 5.4). The Diocese of Charlotte hosts Duc in Altum, an opportunity for young women to deepen their faith, develop new friendships and explore the meaning and purpose of their lives. Cost is \$150, which includes lodging at Belmont Abbey College, all meals and supplies. More information is available online at <https://charlottediocese.org/vocations/duc-in-altum/>

For questions about Quo Vadis Days or Duc in Altum, please contact Sister Mary Raphael at MRaphael@charlottediocese.org.





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.

Upcoming Event

12 May - Monthly Happy Hour: 6 pm at Brazwell's Premium Pub (631 Main St, Greenville 29601). Join your Lucis Via friends and your host, Sarah P., at this month's happy hour! We'll kick things off at Brazwells, and for those who want to enjoy the opening night of Artisphere, the events are just a short walk away!



Get ready for the Diocese of Charleston YAClympics!

What: The YAClympics (Young Adult Catholic Olympics)

When: Saturday, May 20th, 2017, from 10:30 am - 5 pm

Where: Sesquicentennial State Park, picnic shelter #3.

The coveted YAClympics trophy will be awarded to the winning team!

Please [click the link](#) if you are planning on attending.



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www.LVGreenville.com

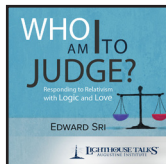
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Featured Talks

Who am I to Judge? Responding to Relativism with Logic and Love

Dr. Edward Sri provides 5 "keys" to enable Christians to oppose with logic and love what Pope Benedict XVI called the "dictatorship of relativism." He also clarifies the proper understanding of what it means to judge, and the importance of making good judgments.



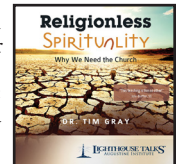
Free Catholic Bible Study App

Ignatius - Lighthouse Edition



Religionless Spirituality: Why We Need the Church

Dr. Tim Gray provides a fascinating explanation of the importance of the visible Church and the centrality of God on Earth. He offers incredible insights that make clear the role of the Church as an essential part of God's plan for salvation, which are sure to help those who have left her, or who mistakenly claim to be "spiritual, but not religious."



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