

## St. Mary's Catholic Church

# Greenville, South Carolina

2 July 2017

Dear Friends in Christ,

Given the great cultural changes through which we are now living, some Catholics may be tempted to withdraw from the world the better to resist the challenges to Christian life that confront us all. But such a withdrawal is not the Catholic way. Consider, for comparison, the Amish, who are famous for their separation from their neighbors: they will not use modern technology, their clothing has not changed in 300 years, they cease formal schooling after the 8th grade, they refuse to serve in the armed forces, they will not participate in Social Security or purchase medical insurance, and so forth. But such a way of life is not required by the Gospel, and in some ways it is contrary to the Gospel, which is why Catholics cannot live like the Amish.

Christians do not wear distinctive clothing. We do not fear technology or the benefits of modern science. We do not separate ourselves in politics, commerce, education, military service, or civic responsibility from those who do not share our faith. And we do not do these things because to do so would make it impossible for us to fulfill the Great Commission: "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and behold, I am with you always, to the close of the age." (Matthew 28.18-20) We are called to be salt and light in the world, not to hide behind a barricade for fear that we will be polluted.

The impulse to flee from "the world" is, of course, also a part of Christianity, if by "the world" we mean that part of the created order (starting inside of us) which is in rebellion against God. For this reason, religious life has been with us since Christian antiquity, and all Christians need a deep formation for genuine holiness of life. But that is not the same as the Amish refusal to live in the world, something that Catholics cannot accept as compatible with Christian discipleship. The Letter to Diognetus, written in the 2nd century when the violent persecution of Christians was still common, explains it thus: "Christians are indistinguishable from other men either by nationality, language or customs. They do not inhabit separate cities of their own, or speak a strange dialect, or follow some outlandish way of life ... With regard to dress, food and manner of life in general, they follow the customs of whatever city they happen to be living in, whether it is Greek or foreign. And yet there is something extraordinary about their lives. They live in their own countries as though they were only passing through. They play their full role as citizens, but labor under all the disabilities of aliens. Any country can be their homeland, but for them their homeland, wherever it may be, is a foreign country. Like others, they marry and have children, but they do not expose them. They share their meals, but not their wives. They live in the flesh, but they are not governed by the desires of the flesh. They pass their days upon earth, but they are citizens of heaven ... To speak in general terms, we may say that the Christian is to the world what the soul is to the body."

Are we living as the "soul of the world"?

## Calendar of Events

### **Mass Schedule & Intentions**

## **Meetings & Events \***

#### Sunday, 2 July 2017

7.30 am 

9.00 am 

William Bouharoun

11.00 am 

1.00 pm 

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Spanish Mass

#### Sunday, 2 July 2017

No coffee & doughnuts this week

#### Monday, 3 July 2017

7.00 am ★ Emily Rose Gomes

#### Monday, 3 July 2017

Church office closes at 12.00 noon

## Offertory Year to Date

**Financial Report** 

Weekend of 24/25 June

33,150

32,754

396

574

3,342

Needed

Received

Shortage

Poor Box

Peter's Pence

Needed 1,756,950 Received 1,772,048 Surplus 15,098

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.

#### Tuesday, 4 July 2017

Independence Day
No Mass

#### Tuesday, 4 July 2017

Church office closed

1.00 pm Senior Men's Club

#### Wednesday, 5 July 2017

7.00 am ♣ Nelli Restrepo

#### Wednesday, 5 July 2017

No Holy Hour and Confessions until 9 August

## Thursday, 6 July 2017

7.00 am ★ Matthew Echtermeyer

## Thursday, 6 July 2017

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#### Friday, 7 July 2017

7.00 am The Polce Family

#### Friday, 7 July 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, 8 July 2017

## Saturday, 8 July 2017

5.00 pm ♣ Heind & Louis Sijon

8.00-9.00 am Rosary - Grove Rd

abortion clinic

3.30-4.30 pm Confessions (church)

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

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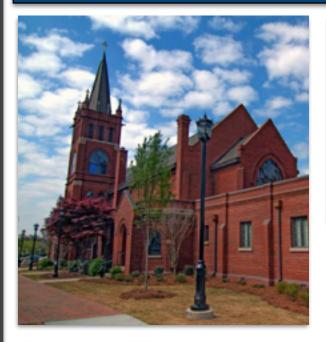
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Visit us on the web at www.stmarysgvl.org



<sup>\*</sup> All events in Sacred Heart Hall unless a location is listed.

## An Introduction to Catholicism

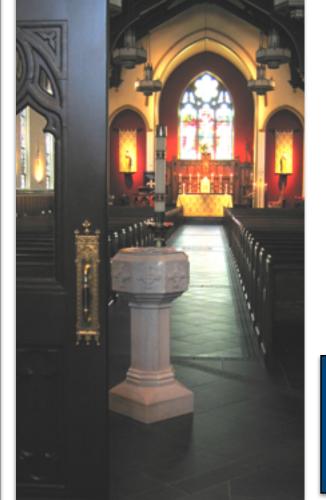




What is Catholicism?

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.

## Requiescat in pace

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Bessie Dowling and Mary Hahn 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 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, Christine Tancrell, Dcn. John & Irene Karandisevsky, Ted Karalekas, Lenore Cole, Celsea Patry, Mary Hunter Wylie Gibbs, Lee Heap, John Tyler, Hunter Conant, Florence Mooney and Bonnie Clinbeard.

#### **Mass Intentions**

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

## Teaching Position Available for 2017-2018

French and Spanish teaching positions are open at St. Mary's School and resumes may be sent to school.office@stmarysgvl.org.

#### Welcome Newcomers

We welcome the following new members to our parish family: Mrs Berta Ortiz, Mr Armen Allahverdian, and Mr Hugo Montanez & Dr Antonietta Badra.

#### **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.

## 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 1/2 July

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.

## Summer Church Office Hours Until 18 August

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

The church office will be closed on Tuesday 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 any Wednesday in July or on 2 August. Regular schedule will resume on 9 August.

#### **Funeral Notices**

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

## **Nursery Closure**

The nursery will be closed all of July.

## Congratulations to

Jenifer Jane Harmon and Evan Monroe Neely who were baptized last week.

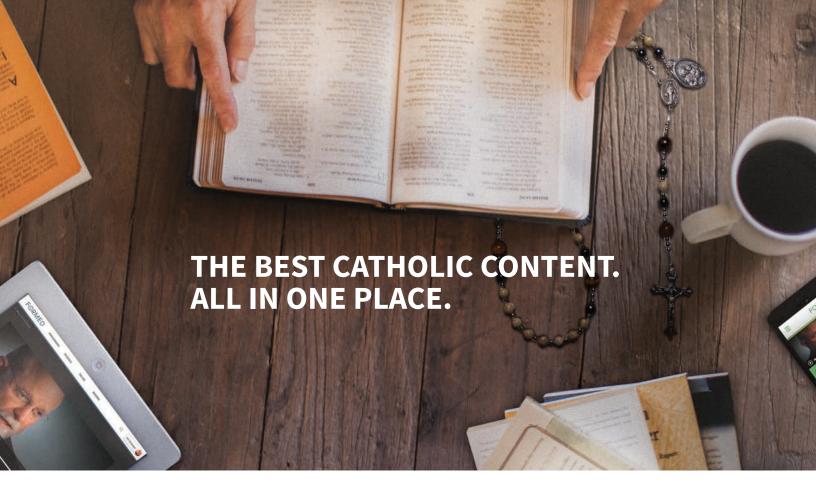
Michael Christopher Brill and Erin Alicia McLear who were married last week.



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

23 & 30 July





We are excited to announce that our parish has subscribed to an exciting new online platform: Formed.org.

- 24/7 access to the truth, beauty, and meaning of the Catholic Faith anytime, anywhere... with FORMED
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- Informative and inspiring teaching from renowned speakers Dr. Scott Hahn, Dr. Edward Sri, Bishop Robert Barron, Dr. Tim Gray, Father Michael Gaitley, Teresa Tomeo... and many more
- Multiple programs to address multiple parish needs:
  - Adult Faith Formation, Marriage Preparation and Enrichment, Scripture Study, RCIA, Sacrament Preparation, Small Group Teen Discipleship, and much more!

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- Enter our PARISH CODE **8B7VRM** on the homepage.
- Create a personal account with your user name/email and password.
- Start enjoying the best Catholic content all in one place!

iOS app now available



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Our parish access code provides more content than an individual subscription.

If you have any questions please contact Timothy Nielsen: timothy.nielsen@stmarysgvl.org



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www.stmarysgvl.org/theschool



## School Office Hours for Summer

Until 11 August

Monday - 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.

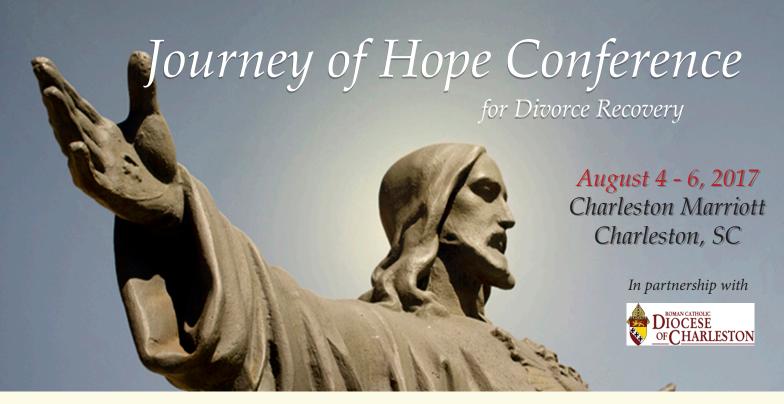
For more information, please contact Nelle Palms, Director of Admissions, at 864.679.4117 or nelle.palms@stmarysgvl.org.



## 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 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 until 28 July. This is a major fund raising effort for a most worthy organization, and we thank you for your support.





## What You Can Expect

Journey of Hope Conferences offer much needed support to the divorced community through compassionate and inspiring speakers, uplifting music, good food, and fellowship. The event offers practical tools for healing and growing in faith, and a chance to encounter God's healing grace and presence through the sacraments. Come away feeling inspired and refreshed!



Lisa Duffy Fr. Jeffrey Kirby, Author, Speaker, Author, Speaker, Author, Professor Professor of Moral Divorce Recovery Theology **Expert** 



of Moral Theology



Fr. Thomas Berg Fr. Thomas Loya Radio Host at **TOB Expert** 



**Rose Sweet** Author, Speaker, RadioMaria.Org, Divorce Recovery Author, Canon **Expert** 



Jacqui Rapp, JD, Chris Easterly JCL, MCL Law Expert



Author, **Award-Winning** Screenwriter



**Jamie Minster**, **CDFA Certified Divorce Financial Analyst** 

## Special Event for Parish Leaders and Group Support Facilitators

Are you a parish leader or group support facilitator? There will be a special mini-conference for you with presentations on Amoris Laetitia, how to avoid burnout, and much more!

## Visit JourneyOfHopeConference.Com for more information or to register

The presentations were so heartfelt and relevant. My times here has provided time and the inspiration of the Holy Spirit to open places in my heart that have been closed off from God for nearly 4 years. - Tony, past attendee

What a powerhouse of faith, hope and love! Mission accomplished! This is a journey of hope – now seen with clarity, promise and dare I say - joy. Thank you each & all! - Terry, past attendee

## Worldwide Marriage Encounter 7-9 July at St. Mary's - Greenville

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.

### 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 Carmelites Greenville.com.

#### **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

## Ordinary Splendor: Renewing Culture Through Beauty

Author, Speaker, and Television Host, Joseph Pearce, will give a lecture "Unlocking the Catholicism of *The Lord of the Rings*" on Saturday 5 August in Croghan Hall at Prince of Peace Catholic Church. The reception begins at 6.00 pm and the lecture begins at 7.00 pm. Join us for an exciting evening of learning about one of the greatest literary works of our time.

## ${\cal P}$ 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, 9.00 am - 3.30 pm.

#### Prince of Peace

Come REST with the Lord in the Most Holy Sacrament. 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 Monday 8 pm Wednesday 7 am & 10 pm Friday 1 am\* Saturday 9am\*, 11am & 10 pm

## 12-Day Pilgrimage to Rome, Italy 26 February - 9 March 2018

Monsignor Brovey will be leading a pilgrimage to Rome on 26 February – 9 March 2018 visiting Assisi, Florence, Orvieto and 5 days in Rome. The pilgrimage begins in the peaceful hillside town of St. Francis and St. Clare before continuing on to the Renaissance city of Florence. On the way to Rome we will stop in the town of Orvieto where the tradition of the Corpus Christi Eucharistic Processions began. While in the Eternal City we will visit some of the most significant churches in Church history: St. Peter's Basilica, St. John Lateran, St. Paul Outside-the-Wall, St. Mary Major, the Holy Stairs, St. Clemente, St. Maria in Trastevere, St. Cecilia, the Gesu, the catacombs to name just a few. We will also attend a Papal Audience with Pope Francis and Scavi Tour (a tour beneath St. Peter's to the very tomb of the Prince of the Apostles). Also, included are a walking tour to the vibrant Piazza Navona, Campo dei Fiori, Trevi Fountain and Spanish Steps and much more. A pilgrimage to Rome is a wonderfully spiritual enriching experience with much fun and fellowship mixed in! \$3998. Includes round-trip airfare from CHS, first class hotels, guides. Early bird discounts available. Please email Msgr. Brovey for brochure: rector@charlestoncathedral.com.



## Rachel's Vineyard: 7-9 July in Charleston, SC

Rachel's Vineyard Retreats bring spiritual healing and strengthening of faith to individuals who have had or participated in an abortion. The retreat is a journey to healing, peace and reconciliation. For information and registration call Christy 803.554.6088 or Kathy 803.546.6010 or email grace4healing@gmail.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.

Facebook.com/LVGreenville www.LVGreenville.com LVGreenville@gmail.com

## 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!

10 July - Forgiveness Languages (rescheduled date): 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.

## St Kateri Tekakwitha Feast Day Celebration

Saturday 15 July from 5-8 pm at Our Lady of the Rosary (3710 Augusta Road)

Please join us as we celebrate the Feast Day of St. Kateri Tekakwitha. Fr Dwight Longenecker will be the celebrant and homilist for the Mass followed by a presentation and light meal. The program will include speaker Chief Mary Louise Worthy and Cathy Nelson, with the Keepers of the Word Drum Team. An optional tour of the lower church which houses a stained glass window of Saint Kateri will also be available. Register online at https://tekakwitha.eventbrite.com. For more information and registration, contact the Office of Ethnic Ministries at 864.331.2627 or email rmcnamara@catholic-doc.org.

## Catholic Engaged Encounter

29-30 July at St. Andrew, Clemson

For more information and to register visit cee-sc.org.

## Diocese of Charleston Young Adult Ministry

Register at CatholicYoungAdultsofSC.com

## Saints & Swimming



Need an excuse to come to the beach? Join us at Folly Beach Park (Pelican Watch Pavillion) on 15 July for an afternoon of food, fun, and fellowship.

Cost \$10.

## YA Leadership Training

Are you interested in taking more of a leadership role in young adult ministry? Are you currently a leader in your young adult community? Registration is now up for The Mission of Young Adult Ministry Leadership Training 4-6 August at White Oak Conference Center.



## Who is the Leadership Training for?

Any young adult (18-35) interested in developing or bettering leadership skills in Young Adult Ministry. Open to all current and aspiring leaders.



#### How much does it cost? Shared Room \$25 Private Room \$40

\*Cost includes dinner Friday, 3 meals Saturday, breakfast Sunday, and snacks For scholarships, contact Office of Young Adult Ministry

Over 2,000 year ago, a young adult began His mission at the age of 30 and transformed the whole world...

The mission for His disciples is the same today as it was 2000 years ago: invest in, equip, and launch faithful leaders with a vision of evangelization to share the joy of the Gospel with the masses. If you are a leader in your young adult community or desire to be, join us for a weekend together to share and prepare for the mission of young adult ministry.

With Sessions on:
Evangelizing as a Lay Person
Practical Ministry
The Power of Prayer
Building Communities of Service
&
An Open Forum

## Please send completed registration form to:

Office of Young Adult Ministry

Diocese of Charleston 901 Orange Grove Road Charleston, SC 29407

\*Make checks payable to: Diocese of Charleston

# The Mission of Young Adult Ministry

August 4-6, 2017 White Oak Conference Center



Name:		
Email:		
Phone:	Parish:	
Date of Birth:		
Food Allergies:		
Room: Shared \$25 OR Private \$40		
Roommate Request:		

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