

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Greenville, South Carolina

23 July 2017

Dear Friends in Christ,

We often receive requests from people who want to get married at St. Mary's or want to have their baby baptized here or who have been invited by a friend or relative to serve as a sponsor for a Baptism or Confirmation somewhere else. And very often these requests come from people who even if they are registered here are not regularly practicing the Catholic faith by participating in Sunday Mass. Such requests from non-practicing Catholics are one sign of the most important religious trend of our time: the majority of baptized Catholics in the United States live as though they are not Catholics, but despite not practicing the Catholic Faith they still think of and identify themselves as Catholics. This is part of the phenomenon that I call cultural Catholicism, and I believe that hastening the end of cultural Catholicism is an essential part of clarifying for everyone what it means to be a Catholic Christian.

One enters the Church, as through a door, by Baptism, and because most Catholics are baptized as infants or very young children, their parents and godparents must profess the Catholic Faith on their behalf. But if the parents and godparents are not practicing the Catholic Faith and living according to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, they cannot make that profession of faith without swearing a false oath. And that is why I cannot grant permission for the baptism of a child whose parents are not practicing the faith or allow a non-practicing Catholic to serve as a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation. For me to allow this - even under great pressure to conform to social expectations - would be a lie, and nothing good can come from complicity in that sort of self-deception. Moreover, when parents ask to have their child baptized without any serious commitment to practicing the Faith, then in truth they are merely laying heavy burdens on the child in the years to come.

Baptism is not a permanent membership card in the Church that confers privileges; it is an indelible mark on the soul that brings obligations. Baptism brings the Cross into our lives, both the burden and the victory of the Cross. I ask you who are reading this column to understand and be ready to explain all of this, because those who most need to hear this summons to continuing conversion will probably never read these words. They very rarely join us at Mass. They seldom hear the Gospel proclaimed and explained. They are not atheists, but they do not experience the grace of their own Baptism as a life-changing friendship with the Lord Jesus. In many ways they live their lives as though God does not exist, though if asked they would deny this, perhaps angrily. These are the 45 million "baptized pagans" or lapsed Catholics who constitute the largest religious body in the country; but while I cannot reach them, you can. You live and work side by side with them, and you may be the only evangelist they ever hear. Remember, then, that you are all missionary disciples and that with cultural Catholics you have a precious opportunity to teach by word and deed what it means to be a disciple of the Lord Jesus Christ and a member of his holy Catholic Church.

St. Mary's Program of Catholic Studies Fall 2017 Course Offerings





Tuesdays 8.30 am

The Catholic Field Guide to Protestantism

with T.J. Nielsen and Tony Owens

Wednesdays 6.30 pm

How to Read the Bible

with Dr. Joe Beauchemin

More Information or to Register

Please visit us at http://stmarysgvl.org/catechesis/program-of-catholic-studies/

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

Classes Begin week of 5 September

The Catholic Field Guide to Protestantism

Have you ever wondered what exactly your Protestant neighbor believes and how best to explain Catholicism to them? 31 October 2017 is the 500th Anniversary of the Protestant Reformation, and we are using this opportunity to go through the history of Protestantism in order to better understand what exactly they believe. Over 12 weeks we will be going through the history and belief of all the major Protestant denominations so you can know how to explain the Catholic faith to each specific denomination. So join us and learn how to better understand and engage your Protestant friends or family.

How to Read the Bible

Are you constantly hearing Fr. Newman encouraging Catholics to read their Bible but don't know where to start? Perhaps you already faithfully read the scriptures but feel like you could get more out of it. If so, this course if for you. Reading scripture is one of the fundamental ways by which Christians come to better know and grow deeper in friendship with the Lord Jesus. Over 12 weeks we will be using the Dogmatic Constitution on Divine Revelation (Dei Verbum) from the Second Vatican Council as a guide and framework by which any Christian can learn how to read the Bible according to the mind of the Church.

Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Meetings & Events *

Sunday, 23 July 2017

7.30 am

9.00 am

♣ Robert Karandisevsky ♣ John Robert Travan

11.00 am Pro populo 1.00 pm Spanish Mass **Sunday, 23 July 2017**

Coffee & doughnuts: After the 9.00 am Mass (P)

Monday, 24 July 2017

7.00 am
♣ Patricia Favorite

Monday, 24 July 2017

Tuesday, 25 July 2017

7.00 am ★ Gertrudes Haag

Tuesday, 25 July 2017

1.00 pm Senior Men's Club

Wednesday, 26 July 2017

7.00 am Monks of Norcia, OSB

Wednesday, 26 July 2017

No Holy Hour and Confessions until 9 August

Thursday, 27 July 2017

7.00 am
♣ Marie Accari Michael

Thursday, 27 July 2017

Friday, 28 July 2017 Friday, 28 July 2017

7.00 am Liliana Nielsen 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, 29 July 2017

5.00 pm ★ Marvin Hableton

Saturday, 29 July 2017

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

Financial Report

Weekend of 15/16 July

Needed	33,800
Received	35,784
Surplus	1,984

Poor Box 590

Infirm Priests 4,538

Offertory Year to Date

 Needed
 101,400

 Received
 101,653

 Surplus
 253

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.



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Visit us on the web at www.stmarysgvl.org



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

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, Bonnie Clinbeard and Jimmy Tierney.

Mass Intentions

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

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.

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.

Welcome Newcomers

We welcome the following new members to our parish family: Ms Barclay Bruner and Mr Walter Bowers.

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.

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 22/23 July

Support of the Parish & Bishop's Appeal

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

Thank you for your generosity and support.

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.

Summer Church Office Hours Until 18 August

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

Nursery Closure

The nursery will be closed all of July.

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.

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.



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

23 & 30 July



YEARS LATER Where do we go from here? 1517-2017

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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

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 7 August at 6.30 pm in Sacred Heart Hall. Pre-registration in the church office is required. For questions, contact T.J. Nielsen at 864.679.4114 or timothy.nielsen@stmarysgvl.org.

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.

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.







Passion for Painting: The Art of Sir Winston Churchill

On loan from the National Churchill Museum in Fulton, Missouri, *Passion for Painting: The Art of Sir Winston Churchill* brings together artwork rarely seen in North America. The exhibit includes ten of Churchill's paintings from the museum's collection or on loan from private collections. Objects used by or associated with Churchill as well as paintings of Churchill by other artists will also be on display in the Richardson Family Art Museum in the Rosalind Sallenger Richardson Center for the Arts on the Wofford College campus through 16 September 2017. Admission to the exhibit is free.

Upcoming Events:

Thursday 17 August at 7 pm

"Painting as a Pastime: Churchill's Contemplative Life" lecture by Dr. Rob Jeffrey

Thursday 14 September at 7 pm

"Winston Churchill: painter as politician, or politician as painter?" by Dr. Warren Kimball

Friday 15 September at 6 pm

Closing reception and curator's talk (The National Churchill Museum)

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 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.



St. Mary's Catholic School

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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.

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.

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration

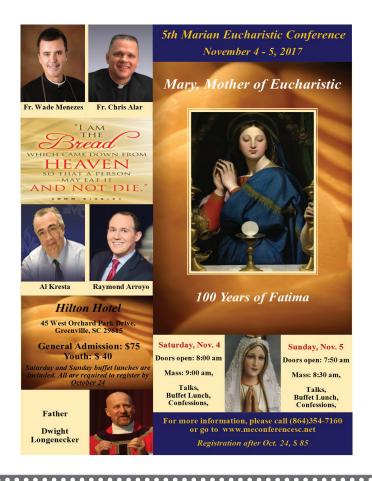
St. Mary Magdalene

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.

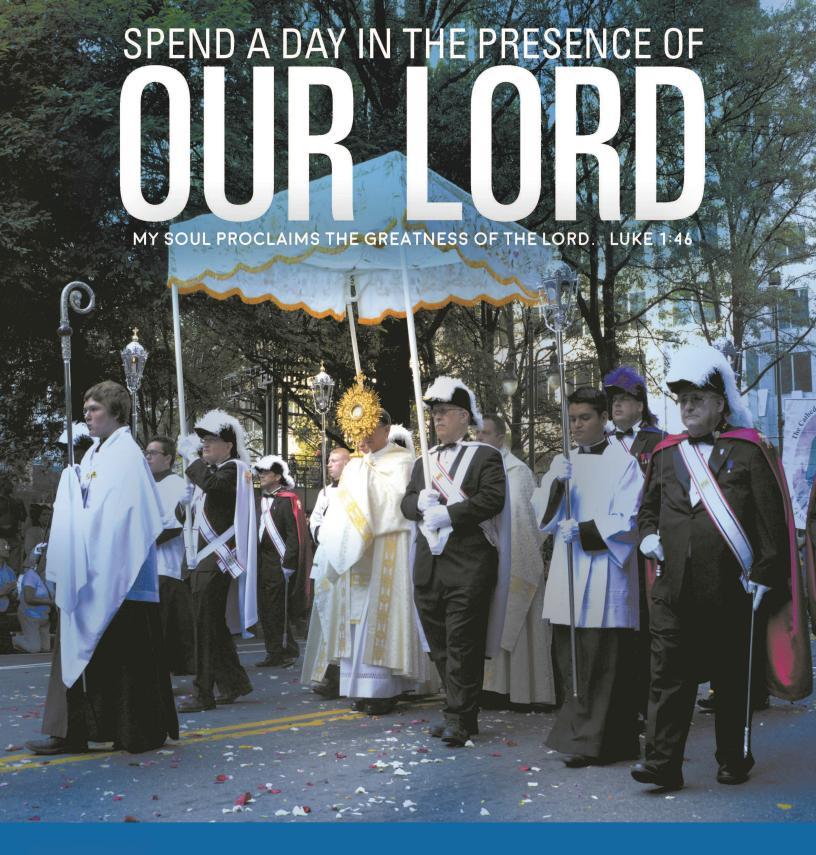
Prince of Peace

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 7 am* Wednesday 7 am*
Tuesday 6 pm* Saturday 11am* & 9 pm*









MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE 13TH EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

SEPTEMBER 8 & 9. 2017 CHARLOTTE CONVENTION CENTER

FOR INFORMATION. TO VOLUNTEER OR K-12 TRACK REGISTRATION:

WWW.GOEUCHARIST.COM

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:	<u>á.</u>

Roman Catholic Diocese of Charleston Office of Youth & Young Adult Ministry Father Jay Scott Newman, VF Pastor of St. Mary's Church pastor@stmarysgvl.org 864.679.4101 Father Francisco Cruz Parochial Vicar fathercruz@stmarysgvl.org 864.679.4116

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