



# St. Mary's Catholic Church



## Greenville, South Carolina

6 August 2017

Dear Friends in Christ,

The Feast of the Transfiguration (described with slightly different emphases by Matthew, Mark and Luke) recalls the manifestation of His divine glory by the Lord Jesus to Peter, James and John on Mt. Tabor. During this revelation of His divine nature to human eyes, Jesus was accompanied by Moses and Elijah, living symbols of the Law and Prophets, who spoke to their Savior about the suffering which He would endure in His passion and death. This combination of suffering and glory reveals the paradox at the heart of the Gospel and spoken of by the Lord Jesus just before His Transfiguration: "If anyone wishes to come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will save it." (Luke 9.23-24)

The oldest known liturgical celebration of this feast was in the Armenian Church, and the 7th century Armenian Bishop Gregory Arsharuni wrote that the feast was placed in the liturgy in the early 4th century by St. Gregory the Illuminator. In the Orthodox Church, the Feast of the Transfiguration is one of the Twelve Great Feasts of the liturgical year, and it is both preceded by a fast and celebrated with a Vigil and an Octave, in the way Latin Rite Catholics celebrate Christmas and Easter. These liturgical observances underscore the importance of the truths revealed to us by the Transfiguration of the LORD.

The Feast of the Transfiguration, which from antiquity has been kept on 6 August, gradually entered the liturgical life of the Western Church through our monasteries, and by the tenth century this feast was observed in many of the dioceses of England, France and Germany. But despite the importance and widespread celebration of this feast, it was not placed by the Pope on the Universal Calendar until the 15th century, and the reason for that change is a timely one for us. In 1453, Sultan Mohammed II conquered the great Christian imperial capital of Constantinople and renamed it Istanbul; the armies of Islam seemed to be invincible, and the Turks were on the move north and west. But on 22 July 1456, János Hunyady, the Governor of Hungary and a devout Catholic, led a Christian army to victory over the Turks at Belgrade, marking a turning point in the centuries-long struggle between the Christian West and militant Islam. In celebration of this victory, Pope Callistus III extended the Feast of the Transfiguration to the universal Church and ordered that it be kept each year on 6 August. Callistus died two years later on 6 August 1458.

Father Newman

# 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  
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**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 is 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

### Sunday, 6 August 2017

7.30 am ✱ Rita & Frank Damon  
9.00 am Fr. Jay Scott Newman  
11.00 am Pro populo  
1.00 pm Spanish Mass

### Monday, 7 August 2017

7.00 am Nestor & Vickie Acosta

### Tuesday, 8 August 2017

7.00 am ✱ Ericka Lewis  
12.00 noon St. Thomas Aquinas  
Chapter of the Lay  
Dominicans

### Wednesday, 9 August 2017

7.00 am Natalie Kompik  
12.00 noon Horst & Gisela Kaska  
(59th Wedding Anniversary)

### Thursday, 10 August 2017

7.00 am ✱ The Norungolo Family  
12.00 noon ✱ Mary Ellen Barrett

### Friday, 11 August 2017

7.00 am ✱ Evelyn Howard Francis

### Saturday, 12 August 2017

5.00 pm ✱ Manuel Jose Soto

## Meetings & Events \*

### Sunday, 6 August 2017

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

### Monday, 7 August 2017

### Tuesday, 8 August 2017

1.00 pm Senior Men's Club

### Wednesday, 9 August 2017

5.00-6.00 pm Holy Hour &  
Confessions (church)

### Thursday, 10 August 2017

### Friday, 11 August 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, 12 August 2017

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

## Financial Report

### Weekend of 29/30 July

Needed	33,800
Received	33,387
Shortage	413

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### Offertory Year to Date

Needed	169,000
Received	165,878
Shortage	3,122

**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](mailto:jennifer.anderson@stmarysgvl.org).



**Facebook**

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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](http://www.stmarysgvl.org)

# 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](mailto:timothy.nielsen@stmarysgvl.org) or 864.679.4114.

## 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, Jimmy Tierney, Helen Francis, Louis Brouillard, Claude Trépanier and Sr. Colombe Gobeil.

## Mass Intentions

If you would like to schedule a Mass intention, contact Vickie Acosta at [vickie.acosta@stmarysgvl.org](mailto:vickie.acosta@stmarysgvl.org) or 864.271.8422.

## Nursery

Just a reminder that we have a wonderful nursery during the Sunday morning 9am Mass. There are two rooms: The Baby Room is for children six months to approximately 1½ years, and the Toddler Room is for children 1½ years up to under 3 years of age. The Baby Room is limited to a maximum of 6 children and the Toddler Room is limited to a maximum of 8 children.

## Cub Scouts

Pack 521 is organizing for the upcoming 2017/2018 year. Cub Scouts is a wonderful opportunity to get your boy engaged in an activity that will provide both immediate and lifelong benefits surrounded by boys and families of shared faith and values. Our pack pulls from both the parish and the school and is a great opportunity to get more involved in the parish life here at St. Mary's. We have a thriving pack full of good boys that enjoy the outdoors, camping, learning, and the camaraderie that scouting provides. Cub Scouts is open to rising 1st-5th grade boys (You do not have to have previous Scouting experience to join). We will be holding a kick off meeting on Monday 28 August at 6.30 pm in the Pazdan Hall Dining Room. If you are interested, would like more information on our pack, or scouting in general please email [bsapack521@gmail.com](mailto:bsapack521@gmail.com).

## Caritas Counseling Services, LLC

Counseling services are available at St. Mary's. Contact Dorothy Whalen at [dorothy.whalen@stmarysgvl.org](mailto:dorothy.whalen@stmarysgvl.org) or 864.679.4122.

## PARISH NEWS

### Collection for 5/6 August

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.*

### Wednesday Holy Hour & Confessions

Regular schedule resumes on 9 August.

### Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

We will have three Masses for the Assumption:

Tuesday 15 August  
7 am, 12 noon & 7 pm

### Summer Church Office Hours

Until 18 August

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

### 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](mailto:churchoffice@stmarysgvl.org).

### Bulletin Submissions

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



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

6, 13 & 27 August

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

All registration forms for 2017-2018 are available on the Religious Education page in the Catechesis section of our website at [stmarysgvl.org](http://stmarysgvl.org).

**Register Now**

### Religious Education Grades 1-8

Classes meet on Wednesday 6.30-7.30 pm and begin 6 September. Only one form per family is needed.

### Sunday Mornings for 3 & 4 Year Olds

Sunday school class starting 10 September for 3 & 4 year olds whose birthdates fall between 1 June 2013 - 1 June 2014. 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 Families and St. Joseph's Confirmation Students who plan to make their Sacraments at St. Mary's

We would like to have the HS and Sacraments for St. Joe students in the RE database so we can notify you when we have Sacrament information or special events during the school year. Please return form by 1 September.

## Welcome Newcomers

We welcome the following new members to our parish family: Mr & Mrs Adam Fiden, Mr & Mrs Javier Fernandez, Mr & Mrs Matthew Carlson and Mrs Mary Glen Double.

## Pillars of Christ

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.

**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](http://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](mailto:timothy.nielsen@stmarysgvl.org).

## St. Mary's Catholic School

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[www.stmarysgvl.org/theschool](http://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](mailto:nelle.palms@stmarysgvl.org).**

## AUDITIONS for the St. Mary's Youth Choir

AUDITIONS for placement as a chorister in the St. Mary's Youth Choir will be held on Friday 25 August at 4.45 pm in the 2nd floor choir room in Sacred Heart Hall.

The auditions are open to young people 3rd - 12th grade. The process is painless and very friendly, and should last but a few minutes.



There will be a few older choristers to assist and encourage singers through the audition. No special materials are required. Singers will be asked to sing some scales in order to ascertain range and quality

of voice. They will be asked to match random pitches one at a time. Lastly, they will sing part of a piece of music to see how well they read the notes or follow the stronger singers.

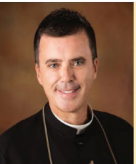
This is an important year-long commitment. The choristers rehearse every Friday afternoon 3.30-5.00 pm, and on Sundays they warm up at 8.15 am in preparation for the 9.00 am Mass. All rehearsals are held in the choir room.

In addition to singing every Sunday of the year, the choristers sing on Christmas Eve and for occasional special times such as a Saturday Vigil Mass or as part of a choral concert. Exceptions to attendance at these Masses are family vacations/events and illness. Otherwise, singers are expected to be on time and to contribute positively to the group.


The commitment to sing is as important a commitment young people can make in their young lives, much like one they make in order to play on an athletic team. Rehearsals are vital, not only to the choir as a whole but important to their development as a musician. These young people not only sing, they learn HOW to sing properly. Based on the Royal School of Church Music (RSCM-Great Britain), they learn the fundamentals of reading music as well as other important aspects of self-control, discipline, and teamwork.



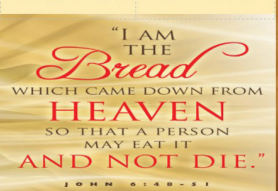

If you feel that your child would like to sing as a chorister in the Youth Choir, please contact the choirmaster, Arlen Clarke, at [arlen.clarke@stmarysgvl.org](mailto:arlen.clarke@stmarysgvl.org).




Fr. Wade Menezes



Fr. Chris Alar

Al Kresta



Raymond Arroyo

**Hilton Hotel**


45 West Orchard Park Drive,  
Greenville, SC 29615

**General Admission: \$75**  
**Youth: \$40**

*Saturday and Sunday buffet lunches are included. All are required to register by October 24*

**Father**

**Dwight Longenecker**




**100 Years of Fatima**

**Saturday, Nov. 4**

Doors open: 8:00 am

Mass: 9:00 am,

Talks,  
Buffet Lunch,  
Confessions,



**Sunday, Nov. 5**


Doors open: 7:50 am

Mass: 8:30 am,

Talks,  
Buffet Lunch,  
Confessions,

**5th Marian Eucharistic Conference**  
*November 4 - 5, 2017*

**Mary, Mother of Eucharistic**



**100 Years of Fatima**

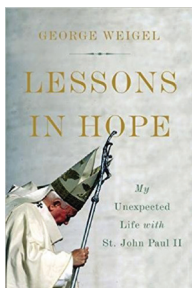
For more information, please call (864)354-7160  
or go to [www.meconferencesc.net](http://www.meconferencesc.net)  
Registration after Oct. 24, \$ 85

## 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](http://CarmelitesGreenville.com).

## Save the Date 5 October at 6.30 pm

An Evening of Catholic Christian Fellowship, Faith and Ideas at the Cedar Room, above Mercantile and Mash (701 East Bay St, Charleston 29403). Guest Speaker George Weigel will discuss Faith and Culture and his new book *Lessons in Hope, My Unexpected Life with Saint John Paul II*. We will be joined by the Most Rev. Robert E. Guglielmone, Bishop of Charleston.



## 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


Come REST with the Lord in the Most Holy Sacrament. Contact Lisa Buss at [adoration@princeofpeacetaylors.org](mailto: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:

Tuesday 6 pm  
Wednesday 6 am & 7 am  
Thursday 9 pm  
Saturday 12 am\*, 11 am & 9 pm\*

SPEND A DAY IN THE PRESENCE OF

# OUR LORD

MY SOUL PROCLAIMS THE GREATNESS OF THE LORD. LUKE 1:46



**MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR  
THE 13TH EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS**

SEPTEMBER 8 & 9, 2017 CHARLOTTE CONVENTION CENTER

FOR INFORMATION, TO VOLUNTEER OR K-12 TRACK REGISTRATION  
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