

# St. Mary's Catholic Church

# #### Greenville, South Carolina

26 November 2017

Dear Friends in Christ,

The Seventh Principle of Evangelical Catholicism states that "Being a follower of Christ requires moving from being a Church member by convention to a Christian disciple by conviction. This transformation demands that we consciously accept the Gospel as the measure of our entire lives, rather than attempting to measure the Gospel by our experience. Personal knowledge of and devotion to Sacred Scripture is necessary for this transformation to occur through the obedience of faith, and there is no substitute for personal knowledge of the Bible. Ignorance of the Scriptures is ignorance of Christ."

Do you read the Bible at home? Do you have a Bible dictionary or commentary to help guide your reading? Do you set aside time even once each week to pray with Holy Scripture? Can you recite any verses of Scripture from memory? Do you know that the Catholic Church teaches that every word in the Bible is inspired by God and contains no errors in matters of faith and morals? Do you believe this to be true? If not, do you understand that you are not in full communion with the Catholic Church? These questions help focus our attention on some of the practical consequences of the Sixth Principle of Evangelical Catholicism. Even those who desire to surrender their entire lives to the Lord Jesus in the obedience of faith cannot do this unless they read and believe and reverence the Bible, because as St. Jerome (who first translated the entire Bible from Hebrew and Greek into Latin) teaches us: Ignorance of the Scriptures is ignorance of Christ.

The Second Vatican Council devoted one of its sixteen documents to the subject of divine revelation, and it explores the relationships among Sacred Scripture, Sacred Tradition, and the Magisterium of the Church. This document is called *Dei Verbum* (Latin for "The Word of God") and is known in English as *The Dogmatic Constitution on Divine Revelation*. *Dei Verbum* is only a few pages in length and is available online. I heartily encourage all Catholics to study *Dei Verbum* as a means to understanding why there is no substitute for personal knowledge of the Bible.

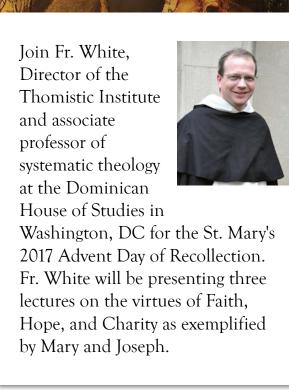
"All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work." (2 Timothy 3.16) "For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart." (Hebrews 4.12) The devout reading of Holy Scripture does much more than teach us; it changes us. Reading Holy Scripture changes us in a way that no other form of reading can because when we open the Sacred Page with faith, the Lord speaks to us a word of grace and power unto repentance, conversion, and everlasting life. Immerse yourself in Holy Scripture, and in the Word of God you will come to know, love, and serve ever more perfectly the Word Made Flesh: the Lord Jesus Christ.

Father Newman

# st. mary's catholic charch Presents

# Following Mary and Joseph in Advent Faith - Hope - Charity

Advent Day of Recollection with Fr. Thomas Joseph White, O.P.





# Saturday 9 December 2017

(Registration ends Tuesday 5 December )

Mass at 8.00 am in the Church Presentation in Gallivan Hall Program ends at 12.30 pm

**Cost \$10** 

(continental breakfast provided)

# TO REGISTER ONLINE

Please Go To <a href="https://stmarys.coursestorm.com">https://stmarys.coursestorm.com</a>

For More Information Please Contact T.J. Nielsen at 864.679.4114 or <a href="mailto:timothy.nielsen@stmarysgvl.org">timothy.nielsen@stmarysgvl.org</a>

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# **Calendar of Events**

#### **Mass Schedule & Intentions**

#### Sunday, 26 November 2017

7.30 am 

9.00 am 

H Arthur Heidrich 

Alan Howard 

Pro populo 

Spanish Mass

#### Monday, 27 November 2017

7.00 am ♣ Dominic & Maria Bruno

#### **Tuesday, 28 November 2017**

7.00 am ♣ Caryl Matusiewicz 12.00 noon ♣ Marvin Hambleton

#### Wednesday, 29 November 2017

7.00 am ♣ The Lallinger Families 12.00 noon ♣ Young Kim

#### Thursday, 30 November 2017

7.00 am → Patti Waters 12.00 noon Maria Santy

#### Friday, 1 December 2017

7.00 am ★ Jose Manuel Soto

#### Saturday, 2 December 2017

5.00 pm ♣ Henrietta Ebener

#### **Meetings & Events \***

#### Sunday, 26 November 2017

No nursery or 3 & 4 year olds class No Scripture Study No coffee & doughnuts

5.00 pm Evensong (church)

#### Monday, 27 November 2017

6.00 pm Confirmation Practice (P) 7.00 pm Boy Scouts (M)

#### Tuesday, 28 November 2017

8.30 am Program of Catholic Studies (M) 7.00 pm Confirmation (Baum Center)

#### Wednesday, 29 November 2017

5.00-6.00 pm Holy Hour &

Confessions (church) 6.30-7.30 pm Religious Education

6.30 pm Introduction to Catholicism (M) 6.30 pm Program of Catholic Studies

#### Thursday, 30 November 2017

#### Friday, 1 December 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, 2 December 2017

#### CCW Bake Sale after Mass (P)

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

#### Financial Report

#### Weekend of 18/19 November

 Needed
 33,800

 Received
 32,238

 Shortage
 1,562

Poor Box 495

Campaign for Human Development 3,050

#### Offertory Year to Date

 Needed
 709,800

 Received
 708,235

 Shortage
 1,565

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



Dear Friends in Christ,

This year December 24th falls on a Sunday, and that means all Catholics have two Mass obligations to fulfill over one weekend.

The Fourth Sunday of Advent, like all Sundays of the year, is a holy day of obligation, and Christmas is also a holy day of obligation. Accordingly St Mary's will have both a regular schedule for Fourth Advent followed immediately by a regular schedule for Christmas, and everyone needs to attend Mass for both of these celebrations. There are, however, two options to avoid going to Mass twice on one day.

#### Option One

Attend Fourth Advent Mass on Saturday at 5 pm and then Attend Christmas Mass on either Sunday evening or Monday morning

#### Option Two

Attend Fourth Advent Mass on Sunday morning and then Attend Christmas Mass on Monday morning

We are moving the 5 pm Mass on Saturday 23 December from the church to the Baum Center to make room for those who might come that afternoon to celebrate Fourth Advent, but Confessions that day will remain in the church.

Whatever solution is better for you and your family, please plan now to attend Mass on both the Fourth Sunday of Advent and on Christmas so that we can all celebrate fully the life of grace to which Christ the Lord has called us in our Baptism.

Finally, let us be grateful that this convergence of Fourth Advent and Christmas Eve is rare and will not happen again until 2023!

Father Newman

#### 4th Sunday of Advent, 23/24 December

Saturday 23 December 5.00 pm Sung Mass in the Baum Center Confessions in the church from 3.30-4.30 pm.

Sunday	24 December	7.30 am	Quiet Mass in the church
		9.00 am	Sung Mass in the church
		11.00 am	Solemn Mass in the church
		1.00 pm	Spanish Mass in the church

#### Christmas Eve, Sunday 24 December

4.30 pm 5.00 pm	Choir Program in the Baum Center Mass in the Baum Center for families with children (Youth Choir)	
5.00 pm	Sung Mass in the church (Schola)	
7.00 pm	Sung Mass in the church (Schola and Brass Ensemble)	
9.00 pm	Choir Program in the church (Adult Choir and Brass Ensemble)	
10.00 pm	Opm Solemn Mass During the Night (Adult Choir and Brass Ensemble)	

The 10.00 pm Mass During the Night takes the place of the Mass at Midnight.

#### Christmas Day, Monday 25 December

9.00 am	Sung Mass in the church
11.00 am	Sung Mass in the church
1.00 pm	Spanish Mass in the church

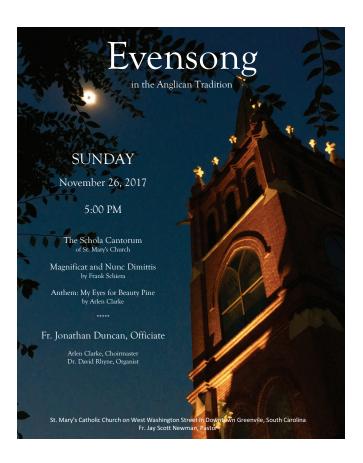
On Tuesday 26 December there is no Mass at 7 am or 12 noon. The weekday Mass schedule from 27 to 29 December is as usual, but there is no Holy Hour on Wednesday 27 December.

#### Requiescat in pace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Thomas Thomason (husband of Ann Thomason) who died recently. We extend our prayers and sympathy to his 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.



#### **Mass Intentions**

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

# **Caritas Counseling Services, LLC**

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

# Parish News

#### Collection for 25/26 November

Support of the Parish

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

Thank you for your generosity and support.

#### Immaculate Conception - 8 December

Holy Day of Obligation

We will celebrate three Masses for the Immaculate Conception - the patronal feast of the Church in the United States:

Thursday 7 December 7.00 pm

Friday 8 December 7.00 am & 12.00 noon

#### Congratulations to

Noah James Andrews and Margot Eleanor Moen who were baptized last week.

#### **Funeral Notices**

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

# **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, 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, John Tyler, Hunter Conant, Florence Mooney, Jimmy Tierney, Louis Brouillard, Claude Trépanier, Sr Colombe Gobeil, Anna Deehan, Carly Burkhardt, Roland Gomes and Alma Furman.

#### Welcome Newcomers

We welcome the following new members to our parish family: Mr & Mrs Brian Ceneviva, Mr Cody Hanel and Ms Marley Jane Grimshaw.



### St. Mary's Council of Catholic Women 2017 Ornament Order Form

### The Epiphany

Location: The first window on the left side of the church. entering from W. Washington Street.



Left side: St. Mary's Catholic Church Right side: Greenville, South Carolina

Bottom: 2017

1.77" width x 4.63" height

Back: Matthew 2:1-12

Ornaments may be picked up at the Women's Council's Annual Christmas Bake Sale on December 2nd and 3rd, in the Dining Room of Pazdan Hall.

#### ST. MARY'S **COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN:**

Sisters in faith who share the Gospel; who serve the parish, community and world; and who mold strong Catholic women.

#### Keep For Your Record:

Date:
Number of Ornaments x \$17.00 each = \$
Paid by: □ check □ cash
For ornament questions contact: Loretta Mulle at

lmulle@att.net or 864.376.6235.

### Cut along dotted line below and submit order form with payment. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

# SMCCW 2017 ORNAMENT ORDER FORM PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY: Address\_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address\_\_\_\_\_\_Phone\_\_\_\_ Number of Ornaments Ordered: x \$17.00 each = \$ Paid by □ check □ cash (If mailing, checks only)

Make check payable to: St. Mary's Council of Catholic Women Mail to: St. Mary's Council of Catholic Women, P.O. Box 1505, Greenville, SC 29602

# Christmas Bake Sale

**After all English Masses** December 2nd and 3rd, 2017 in the Dining Room of Pazdan Hall



















Pick up your 2017 Ornament, 'The Epiphany'!

Sponsored by St. Mary's Council of Catholic Women

Your purchases enable us to support our church and various Catholic charities. Thank you for your continued support!

#### **Christmas Flowers**

If you wish to honor a loved one, living or deceased, please send in your donation in the Christmas Flower envelope available in your envelope packet or use a plain white envelope). Please **print** your name and the names of those whom you wish to honor. Memorial requests must be submitted to the church office no later than **Sunday 10 December** for the names to appear in the Christmas Flower list. Thank you for your cooperation and support.

#### **Advent Confessions**

In addition to the regularly scheduled hours, there will be three additional opportunities for Confession during Advent:



Wednesday 13 December

Our Lady of the Rosary, Greenville 10 am to 5 pm

**Monday 18 December** 

St Mary Magdalene, Simpsonville 7 pm

Wednesday 20 December St Rafka, Greer

9 am to 7.30 pm

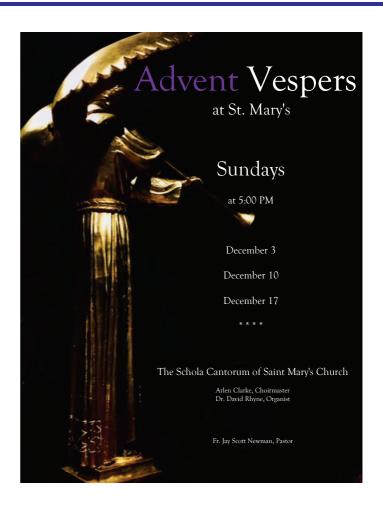


S.C. Bach Society Concert

Magnificat in E-flat (BWV 243a), Brandenburg Concerto #4, Suite #3 in D (Overture)

Thursday 14 December at St. Mary's Catholic Church Pre-concert talk begins at 7.30 pm Concert begins at 8.00 pm

Tickets can be purchased via <u>Event Brite</u> \$20 regular admission / \$10 seniors 60+ / \$5 students



# **Religious Education**

### **Sunday Mornings for 3 & 4 Year Olds**

No class this week

# **Religious Education Grades 1-8**

Classes meet on Wednesday from 6.30-7.30 pm.

#### Confirmation Practice Monday 27 November at 6.00 pm

St. Mary's Confirmation students and their sponsors will have a dinner and practice for Confirmation. Please meet in Pazdan Hall.

#### **Confirmation**

Bishop Robert E. Guglielmone will confirm the Confirmation Candidates at St. Mary's on Tuesday 28 November at 7.00 pm. Please keep our Candidates in your prayers.



# **Council of Catholic Women Sewing Ministry**

Would you like to help make pillowcases for the children at the Greenville Children's Hospital? Even if you do not like to sew there are jobs that do not require a stitch that need to be done to make these pillowcases possible! Join the ladies of the Sewing Ministry on 28 November from 10.00 am – 12.00 pm at the Sew Creative Sewing Studio, 1901-B Laurens Rd., Greenville. Contact: Kim Adams 407.756.2255 or craigandkim@aol.com.

#### **EFT Donation**

We would like to remind everyone that St. Mary's offers Electronic Funds Transfer through the parish website as a way to automate your regular weekly offertory donation.

#### EFT donation options include:

**Direct Debit Donation** that allows you to automatically transfer funds from your checking or savings account.

**Credit & Debit Card Donation** that allows you to make offerings automatically on a predetermined schedule using a credit or debit card.

EFT donation lets you establish an automatic donation plan, change your plan, make a one-time donation and view your online donation history. To get started, visit the 'Manage Your EFT' link on the homepage of our parish website.

#### 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.

#### **Bulletin Submissions**

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

# Knights of Columbus Monsignor Charles J. Baum Council #13112

#### **Custom Cut Stone**

The Council is offering custom stones for use as cutting boards, cheese trays, or Memorials. These beautiful 12x12x1 inch custom stones produced by Rozelle Stone are available in two colors and can include engraved short verses from Holy Scripture, family names, and even logos or a family crest. Custom orders for Christmas accepted through 10 December. See https://kofc-christmas.github.io/ or contact Charlie Bathon at charlesbathon@gmail.com or call 574.261.2293. Come see a sample at November and/or December Knights Breakfasts.

#### **Poster Contest**

The Council is holding the KofC Alcohol/Drug Awareness and Abuse Poster Contest. The contest is for Boys and Girls 8-11 and 12-14. The youth select to make a poster for either Alcohol Awareness and Abuse or Drug Awareness and Abuse. Posters must be 11" x 17" and include a slogan, visual image and completed entry form. The deadline is 30 November. For more information, please contact John McGrath at 864.292.0475.

#### 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 Safe Environment

St. Mary's is committed to ensuring that all programs are conducted in a safe environment. <u>Prior to serving as a volunteer with children at the parish, all individuals must</u>:

- Watch Safe Haven training video and submit a Completion Certificate (required for both new & returning volunteers)
- Complete Background Screening Forms
- Read & Sign the Diocesan Code of Conduct
- Read & Sign the Diocesan Abuse Policy
- Complete the credit and/or driver screens (if applicable)

If you have any questions, contact our Safe Environment Coordinator Lisa Watkins at lisa.watkins@stmarysgvl.org.





# st. mary's catholic school

2017-2018 The Year of Charity



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#### National Beta School of Distinction



St. Mary's has been named a National Beta School of Distinction. This national award speaks highly of our commitment to academic excellence and illustrates our dedication to preparing students for college and future careers. We seek to exemplify the Beta motto,

Let Us Lead by Serving Others. Thank you to our Jr. Beta Club members and Mrs. Rogers for such great work!

#### **New Club - Youth in Government**

Under the guidance of Mrs. Gallivan, St. Mary's set out on our first year involved with YMCA's Youth In Government (YIG).

YIG gives students an opportunity to practice servant leadership and active citizenship. Only the members of a social order can improve that order; by participating in the Model Legislature and Court Conference, delegates (members of Youth In Government) see how their government works with the hope that they will use that to affect change in their community.

As part of YIG, students strive to understand the American heritage of civil, religious, and personal liberty. They have an opportunity to search for facts and truth in public questions.

Twenty-five St. Mary's seventh grade students traveled to Columbia during November. After learning about law making and writing bills,

they were able to present their work at Model Legislature in the South Carolina State House. Eight out of ten bills brought by St. Mary's students made it out of committee and to the Senate. Two of those Bills passed the Senate!



At the closing awards ceremony, St.

Mary's was recognized as a first year delegation and seventh grader, Jun S. was recognized as one of the top ten delegates out of 650 middle school students.

St. Mary's Ducks Basketball

(Home games in bold)

Girls at 4.00 pm / Boys at 5.15 pm

30 November St Joseph 1 December Hampton Park





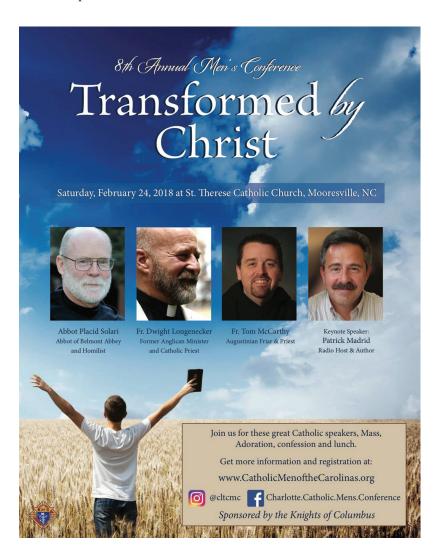
#### **Advent Mission**

# Mary Magdalene: When Eucharistic Adoration First Began 4 & 5 December from 7-8 pm at St. Mary Magdalene

Come experience our patroness saint, Mary Magdalene, in a special way, as Father Declan Gibson from the Missionaries of the Most Holy Eucharist explains why she is called the Apostle to the Apostles; based on Fr. Sean Davidson's book *Mary Magdalene, Prophetess of Eucharistic Love*. Her inspiring life will lead you to a better understanding of Christ's true presence in the Blessed Sacrament and why Adoration is a blessing that bears much fruit in our personal relationship with our Lord Jesus.

#### **Family Honor**

Family Honor is offering our <u>online</u> mini-course, *The Truth and Meaning of Sexuality, Love and Family*, and we invite you to sign up for this online course, which begins 8 January. Call or email the Family Honor office today for more information: 803.929.0858 or famhonor@aol.com. Registration deadline is 15 December. Some scholarships available.





#### Men's Discernment Retreat for men considering the priesthood Saturday 2 December

St. Andrew Chapel (220 State Road S-7-50 Bluffton, SC 29909) 8.30 am Mass, followed by a meeting in the hall. Sponsored by the Diocese of Charleston Office of Vocations. For more information or to register, contact Dan Lord at dlord@catholic-doc.org.



For programming information, visit Catholic Radioin SC.com.

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

#### **Prince of Peace**

Each moment you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament brings joy, pleasure, and delight to his Sacred Heart! "My joy, my pleasure, my delight is to be with you." (Proverbs 8.31) Contact Lisa Buss at adoration@princeofpeacetaylors.org or call 864.508.7123. Choose an hour of your convenience or consider one of our EMPTY HOURS (\*) or one needing a prayer partner:

Sunday 8 am & 4 pm Monday 8 am Tuesday 11 am Saturday 12 am, 2 pm & 9 pm 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

#### **Assisting Priests**

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