



# St. Mary's Catholic Church



Greenville, South Carolina

4 March 2018

Dear Friends in Christ,

The first principle of Evangelical Catholicism says that “the Lord Jesus is the crucified and risen Savior of all mankind, and no human person can fully understand his life or find his dignity and destiny apart from an authentic friendship with the Lord Jesus. It is not enough to know who Jesus is; we must know Jesus.” This last distinction is crucial for a life of genuine discipleship. It is possible to know who Jesus is without ever really knowing Jesus, and those who merely know who he is cannot be participants in Christian faith and life; they are spectators only. But how do we come to know him? How can we have an authentic friendship with the Lord Jesus?

The Savior himself gives us the answer to these questions in his teaching recorded in Chapter 15 of the Gospel of John. The scene is the Upper Room at the Last Supper, a setting which gives special urgency to the words of the Lord Jesus: “As the Father loves me, so I also love you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy may be complete. This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I no longer call you slaves, because a slave does not know what his master is doing. I have called you friends, because I have told everything that I have heard from my Father. It was not you who chose me but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain.” (John 15.9-16)

The Lord Jesus calls us his friends because he has told us everything given to him by his Father. This is the supernatural gift of divine revelation – the Gospel which is the power of God unto salvation for all who believe. When we receive this sacred teaching with the obedience of faith, then we are strengthened by grace to love one another in the truth and to keep the commandments, not as an effort to earn a place in God’s kingdom but as a consequence of our having been made a new creation by the grace of Baptism, a grace that is renewed every time we go to Confession and worthily receive the Most Holy Eucharist.

As with any friendship, our friendship with Christ deepens over time as we come to know the Holy Scriptures more thoroughly, as we learn to pray more devoutly, as we seek to serve those in need with greater charity, as we acquire a Christian view of the world more completely, and as we surrender ourselves in love to Christ and his Church with greater conviction. During these 40 Days, as we prepare to renew the promises of our Baptism when we celebrate the Passover of the Lord, this deepening of our friendship with the Lord Jesus should be our constant goal and guide, and that, in turn, prepares us to fulfill the eighth principle of Evangelical Catholicism: “All the baptized are sent in the Great Commission to be witnesses of Christ to others and must be equipped by the Church to teach the Gospel in word and deed. An essential dimension of true discipleship is the willingness to invite others to follow the Lord Jesus and the readiness to explain his Gospel.”

Father Newman



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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

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February 2018

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Pope Francis has challenged us to “Be Shepherds..., in the midst of your people like Jesus the Good Shepherd.”

Soon I will encourage you as shepherds of your parish to participate in the annual Black and Indian Mission Collection.

This collection has, for the last 134 years, changed the landscape of evangelization and education efforts for Native Americans, Alaskan Americans and African Americans throughout the United States. Our financial support of the collection is the mechanism that affects the Church’s evangelization efforts. We all agree that never have the needs for the Native Americans, Alaskan Americans and African Americans communities been so great. History tells us that lasting change to a community can all come through faith, hope and charity.

Continue to support this mission of faith and hope by your most generous charity.

Historically, evangelization efforts by churches and schools among African Americans, Native Americans, Eskimo and Aleut communities are funded by the collection’s grant awards, which are instrumental in the building of their Christian communities and sharing the joy of knowing Christ. Your support has helped educate African American and Native American seminarians for priestly service to our Catholic communities.

On March 4, 2018, all will be asked to participate in the Black and Indian Mission Collection. Together we build up the Church and announce the Good News of Jesus Christ. I ask everyone in the Diocese of Charleston to make a sacrificial gift to the 2018 Black and Indian Mission Collection. Your generosity reflects the depths of your faith and your willingness to help our brothers and sisters in need; it is an opportunity to evangelize and further the missionary cause of bringing the Gospel to our African American and Native American family.

In the Lord's Peace,

Most Reverend Robert E. Guglielmo  
Bishop of Charleston

# Calendar of Events

## Mass Schedule & Intentions

### Sunday, 4 March 2018

- 7.30 am ✕ Deceased Members /  
Farina family  
9.00 am ✕ Paul Michael Roman  
11.00 am Pro populo  
1.00 pm Spanish Mass

### Monday, 5 March 2018

- 7.00 am Lucia Nielsen

### Tuesday, 6 March 2018

- 7.00 am ✕ Angel Mesa & Micaela Cruz  
**No noon Mass**

### Wednesday, 7 March 2018

- 7.00 am ✕ Carol Pelicano  
**No noon Mass**

### Thursday, 8 March 2018

- 7.00 am ✕ Frank & Frances Watkins  
**No noon Mass**

### Friday, 9 March 2018

- 7.00 am ✕ Carl Roman

### Saturday, 10 March 2018

- 5.00 pm ✕ Marvin Hambleton

## Meetings & Events \*

### Sunday, 4 March 2018

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

### Monday, 5 March 2018

- 6.30 pm Cub Scouts  
7.00 pm Boy Scouts (M)

### Tuesday, 6 March 2018

- 8.30 am Program of Catholic Studies (M)

### Wednesday, 7 March 2018

- 5.00-6.00 pm Holy Hour &  
Confessions (church)  
6.30-7.30 pm Religious Education  
6.30 Introduction to Catholicism (M)  
6.30 pm Program of Catholic Studies

### Thursday, 8 March 2018

### Friday, 9 March 2018

- 6.15 am Morning Prayer (church)  
6.30-8.00 am Pillars of Christ  
10.00 am Scripture Study Class  
3.30-5.00 pm Youth Choir Practice  
6.00 pm Way of the Cross (church)  
followed by Lenten Dinner (P)

### Saturday, 10 March 2018

- 8.00-9.00 am Rosary - Grove Rd abortion clinic  
12.00 noon Senior Fellowship Luncheon  
3.30-4.30 pm Confessions (church)

## Financial Report

### Weekend of 24/25 February

Needed	33,800
Received	34,133
Surplus	333

Poor Box	230
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### Offertory Year to Date

Needed	1,183,000
Received	1,194,590
Surplus	11,590

**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**

'Like' us on Facebook at  
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)

# LENTEN VESPERS

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Fr. Jay Scott Newman, Pastor

A photograph of the interior of St. Mary's Catholic Church, focusing on the altar and a large stained glass window. The window depicts the Crucifixion of Christ, with the Virgin Mary on the left and Saint John the Apostle on the right. The altar is covered with a purple cloth and features a central cross, a chalice, and several lit candles. To the left of the altar, a banner reads "saint mary's church" with a fleur-de-lis symbol and "greenville, sc 1853".

SUNDAYS IN LENT at 5 PM

February 18, 25, March 4, 11, 18, 25

Sung by the Schola Cantorum of St. Mary's

*Arlen Clarke, Choirmaster*

*David Rhyne, Organist*

## Liturgical Schedule Change

The noon Masses will not be celebrated  
6 March - 8 March

We will have Holy Hour & Confessions on 27 March.

## Requiescat in pace

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Florence Mooney (mother of Kristen Nietopski) and JoAnn Dillon (mother of Maura Maness) 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.

## Lenten Devotions

### WAY OF THE CROSS

FRIDAYS OF LENT  
AT 6 PM

### SOLEMN VESPERS

SUNDAYS OF LENT  
AT 5 PM

## Friday Lenten Dinner

The members of the St. Mary's Women's Council will serve a light dinner after each of the Stations of the Cross. Grilled cheese sandwiches, salad, soup and beverages will be served in the Pazdan Hall dining room.

## 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](mailto: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](mailto:dorothy.whalen@stmarysgvl.org).

# PARISH NEWS

## Collection for 3/4 March

Support of the Parish and Black & Indian Home Missions

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

## 2017 Tax Statements

Please contact Jennifer Anderson, Director of Finance, at [jennifer.anderson@stmarysgvl.org](mailto:jennifer.anderson@stmarysgvl.org) or 864.679.4102 if you would like a copy of your contribution statement for 2017. Please allow several days to process and mail your statement.

**Tax statements are only mailed upon request.**

## St. Mary's Senior Fellowship



Please join us Saturday 10 March at 12.00 noon in Sacred Heart Hall. Bring your favorite dish or dessert to share. For more information, contact Alice Ramos at 864.430.7276 or [alicer ofs@gmail.com](mailto:alicer ofs@gmail.com).

## Prayer Requests

Please pray for all those who are hospitalized and for all those who are shut-ins, ill or recuperating at home, especially 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, John Tyler, Hunter Conant, Anna Deehan, Carly Burkhardt, Alma Furman, Anne Alexander, Ruth O'Rourke, Rafael Marquez and Lori Wylie.



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

4, 11 & 25 March



# CHARLESTON VOCA TIONS

*Catholic Diocese of Charleston, SC*



## *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.

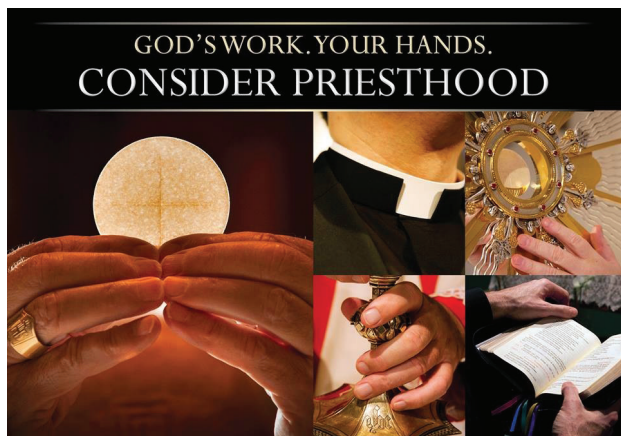
## *Prayer for Seminarians*

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.



## **2018 Ordinations**

It is with great pleasure that I announce the following ordinations for the Diocese of Charleston:



**Mr. Jimmy Touzeau  
and  
Mr Francisco Oñate-Vargas  
to the  
Transitional Diaconate**



Friday 18 May  
6.00 pm  
St. Mary's Catholic Church  
Greenville, SC



**Deacon Rhett Williams  
to the  
Sacred Priesthood**

Friday 8 June  
6.00 pm  
Cathedral of St John the Baptist  
Charleston, SC

+ The Most Reverend Robert E. Guglielmone

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

*[www.CharlestonVocations.com](http://www.CharlestonVocations.com)*



“God in His great mercy, has instituted the sacrament by which the sins committed after baptism may be remitted. No human being would ever have thought of this sacrament of reconciliation for it is something like a resurrection; we rise after we are dead. It is a journey back again to God. It enables us to get rid of infections before they become chronic diseases and epidemics. The sacrament of reconciliation is the inflowing of God’s mercy, an opportunity for the increase of the grace of Calvary. It is a medicine for the soul, the healing of our wounds, a homecoming, an undoing of the past; an opportunity to get a fresh start in life, another bath, a kind of secondary baptism.”

*Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen*

### Lenten Confessions

Monday 19 March  
7.00 pm

St. Mary Magdalene - Simpsonville

Wednesday 14 March  
10 am - 5.00 pm

Our Lady of the Rosary - Greenville

### **Baptism Class**

The next class is scheduled for Monday 16 April at 6.30 pm in Sacred Heart Hall. Pre-registration in the church office is required. For questions, contact T.J. Nielsen at [timothy.nielsen@stmarysgvl.org](mailto:timothy.nielsen@stmarysgvl.org) or 864.679.4114.

### **Easter Flowers**

Parishioners are encouraged to help decorate the church and the Baum Center for the Holy Week and Easter Liturgies. If you wish to honor a loved one, living or deceased, please use your Easter Flower Offering envelope or a plain white envelope for your donation. Please **print** your name and the names of those you wish to honor.



Memorial requests must be submitted no later than Monday 19 March for the names to appear in the Easter Flower list.

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

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

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

### **Religious Education Grades 1-8**

Wednesday 6.30-7.30 pm

### **Vacation Bible School - Celebrating 20 years of VBS!**

Set Sail with the Holy Trinity featuring St. Patrick on  
11-15 June from 9am to noon (Friday 11.30am).

FOURTH DAY THEME: The Holy Trinity

**Bible Verse:** “The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you”  
2 Corinthians 13.13

Registration forms for families and for teen/adult volunteers are now available online at [stmarysgvl.org](http://stmarysgvl.org) (Catechesis tab) or the church office. We are now looking for adult volunteers; if you are interested contact Kim Adams at 407.756.2255 or [craigandkim@aol.com](mailto:craigandkim@aol.com).

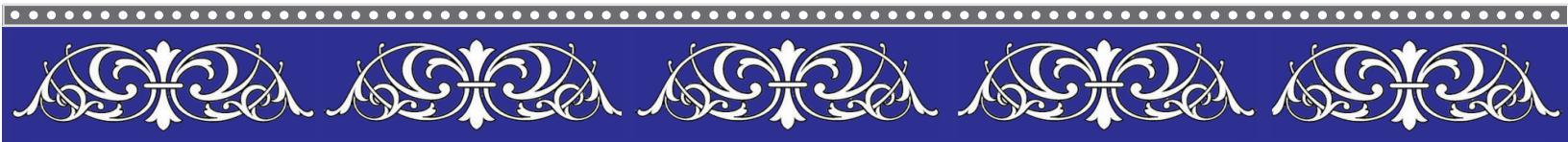


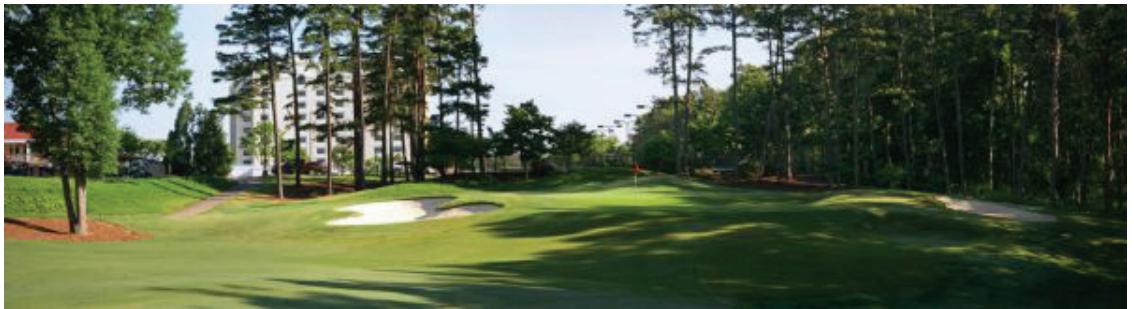
### **Welcome Newcomers**

We welcome the following new member to our parish family: Ms Leesa Delphia.

### **Spring Forward**

Daylight Savings Time begins this year on Sunday 11 March. Remember to turn your clocks forward one hour before going to bed Saturday night.





# 30<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Mary's Classic

31 May & 1 June 2018

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  
30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Reception/Equipment Pick Up  
Breakfast & 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Lunch at Golf Course  
Featuring Titleist Equipment

**Saint Sponsor - \$12,000**

**Blue Ribbon Sponsor - \$10,000**

**Gold Sponsor - \$8,000**

**Silver Sponsor - \$5,000**

**30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Sponsor - \$3,000**

*For complete details please use the following link for more information:*

**[Classic Information and Registration](#)**

## Event Details

**Thursday, May 31**

5:00-7:00pm

30th Anniversary Reception & Equipment Pick Up,  
*Embassy Suites*

**Friday, June 1**

8:00am

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

- *Range balls available*
- *Breakfast*
- *30th Anniversary Lunch*



Any Questions? Contact Lisa Lyvers,  
Director of St. Mary's Classic and Gala  
[lisa.lyvers@stmarysgvl.org](mailto:lisa.lyvers@stmarysgvl.org) or 662-466-1333



## 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.

### South Carolina Council of Catholic Women (SCCCW) \$1,500 Scholarship Award

The SCCCW Reverend William F. Pentis Memorial Scholarship was established in 2009 to honor Father Pentis, an Oratorian Father, who served as Moderator for the SCCCW, providing spiritual support for more than 30 years. His work with Council was a labor of love. This award is available for Catholic females graduating from high schools within SC and planning to attend an institution of higher education.

Please visit [scccw.org](http://scccw.org) to download the 2018 Application which contains the complete eligibility requirements and rules. Applications must be received on or before 13 April to be considered.

### St. Mary's Catholic Women's Club \$1,000 Scholarship Award

The Women's Club established this award in 1998 to support Catholic women of the parish in their academic endeavors. We are proud to continue this award, now in its 20th year!

Please go to the parish website to download the 2018 Application which contains the eligibility requirements and rules. Go to [stmarysgvl.org](http://stmarysgvl.org), click on 'Parish Organizations' and follow the thread to 'Council of Catholic Women'. Applications must be received by 13 April. No late applications will be considered. The recipient is selected via blind review.

### Greenville Deanery of the South Carolina Council of Catholic Women

The South Carolina Council of Catholic Women (SCCCW) Convention will be held in Charleston from 9-11 March at the N. Charleston Marriott. The Convention is open to all Catholic women. Visit [scccw.org](http://scccw.org) for information on the Convention agenda, hotel reservations and forms. Hotel reservation deadline is 20 February and Convention Registration deadline is 23 February. Contact: Susanne Wolfe - 864.313.5866 or [susanne.wolfe12@gmail.com](mailto:susanne.wolfe12@gmail.com).



### 14 February - 25 March

*"We must not be surprised when we hear of murders, of killings, of wars, of hatred. If a mother can kill her own child, what is left for us to kill each other."*  
- from "The Joy in Living - Mother Teresa

It is not too late to sign up for 40 Days for Life which started on 14 February and ends 25 March. Tuesdays, from 8 am - 8 pm have been designated to St. Mary's Parish and we only have 5 more Tuesdays left to pray at the abortion mill which is located at 1142 Grove Road in Greenville.

All you have to do is go to the following website [www.40DaysForLife.com/greenville](http://www.40DaysForLife.com/greenville), sign the Statement of Peace and choose an hour or more which will be convenient for you. However, if you cannot go on a Tuesday, any other day will be perfectly fine. For anyone unable to go, please pray for those seeking an abortion that their hearts and minds will be changed.

If you have any questions about signing up, or need more information about 40 Days for Life, please call Ingrid Ireland at 864.329.0044.

### Candlelight Vigil

**Thursday, 8 March 7.00 pm:** Public right-of-way at Greenville Women's Clinic, praying the Rosary in different languages. Cam Nguyen will provide accordion accompaniment and Gary Dentremont will lead singing.

### Closing Celebration

**Saturday, 24 March 9.30-10.30 am:** Public right-of way at Greenville Women's Clinic. Guest speakers: Deacon Roger Schonewald, SMM will share a pertinent pro-life message; prayer warriors who participated in the campaign will present their testimonies. Music lead by Mike Hagar, SMM.

**Parking for these events is at the empty shops across the street from Piedmont Women's Center and at Grove Road Baptist Church.**



## 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, 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.*

All hours are available. Urgent needs are:

Monday 9 am

Friday 9 am & 11 pm

## Luck of the Irish to benefit Birthright of Greenville

Luck of the Irish benefit for Birthright of Greenville is scheduled for Saturday, 17 March starting at 6.00 pm at Greer Cannon Centre in downtown Greer. Anyone wishing to contribute either items or services for auction or donations to assist the efforts for Birthright of Greenville can contact Meg Kocher at 864.281.7677 or brgreenville@gmail.com. For tickets or more information go to the Knights' website kofc9184.org.



ACCOMPANY  
Diocese of Charleston Young Adult Spring Retreat

MAY 4-6, 2018  
Camp St. Christopher  
REGISTRATION OPENS IN MARCH

## Pontifical Divine Liturgy Byzantine Rite



On Saturday, 17 March at 6.00 pm, a Pontifical Divine Liturgy (Mass) in the Byzantine Rite will be celebrated at St. Rafka Maronite Catholic Church, 1215 SC-14, Greer, SC 29650. On this occasion,

the Bishop will establish a new Eastern Catholic Mission for Greenville.

On Sunday, 18 March 17 5.00 pm, a Pontifical Divine Liturgy (Mass) in the Byzantine Rite will be celebrated at Transfiguration Catholic Church, 306 N Pines Road, Blythewood, SC 29016. On this occasion, the Bishop will establish a new Eastern Catholic Mission for Columbia.

We cordially invite you, along with your family and friends, to celebrate with us. Questions? Contact Fr. Joseph Matlak: frjosephmatlak@gmail.com or 980.785.2764.

Icon Painting Workshop  
St. Rafka Catholic Church, Greenville, South Carolina  
Experience the unique spiritual world of the Byzantine Era through icon painting

July 16-21, 2018  
St. Rafka Catholic Church  
Greenville, South Carolina

Join us on this six day intensive course under the direction of visiting master iconographer and expert instructor Theodoros Papadopoulos from Greece. This Christ Pantocrator icon will "come alive" as he will guide you step by step, through the ancient techniques of Byzantine Iconography. Let us journey together, discovering anew, this traditional artistic expression of theology and spirituality often called the "meeting place of the Divine". Whether you are absolutely beginner or an advanced artist, this workshop offers an opportunity to learn and refine your techniques in this sacred art.

Your tuition fee of \$680 includes most supplies including boards, pigments and brushes.  
Space is limited and early registration is suggested.  
For enrollment and more information, visit the website [www.theodoreicons.com/sc](http://www.theodoreicons.com/sc)  
or contact Ms Aziza Stansberry at: [Stansberry.azizaX@gmail.com](mailto:Stansberry.azizaX@gmail.com) phone number: 8645061924



## Ireland on Parade

The Ancient Order of Hibernians proudly presents "Ireland On Parade" on Sunday 11 March in downtown Greenville. This grand event will feature a St. Patrick's Parade kicking off on Main St. at 2:00 pm and complimented by an Irish Festival 1:00 - 6:00 pm at NOMA Square. The family-oriented festival will feature Irish Music and Dancing and a grand Irish Menu prepared by the chefs at the Hyatt Hotel at NOMA Square, Main Street. For further information contact Len Byrne at 864.884.3816 or the Ancient Order of Hibernians at 864.244.6702.

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