

St Mary's Catholic Church

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1 April 2018

Dear Friends in Christ,

Last night, at the beginning of the Easter Vigil, priests all over the world prepared the Paschal Candle which will burn before every altar of the Church throughout Eastertide and at every font during each Baptism in the coming year. In preparation for the lighting of the Paschal Candle, a symbol of Christ the light of the world, a fire was kindled in the dark night and then blessed with these words, "O God, who through your Son bestowed upon the faithful the fire of your glory, sanctify this new fire, we pray, and grant that, by these paschal celebrations, we may be so inflamed with heavenly desires, that with minds made pure we may attain festivities of unending splendor."

From this new fire, the Paschal Candle in each church was lit and then carried in solemn procession into the midst of the congregation, but before being lit, each Paschal Candle was inscribed with a cross, with the first and the last letters of the Greek alphabet, and with the date of this year of grace. And as these forms were being inscribed in the candle, the priest spoke these words of faith, "Christ yesterday and today, the Beginning and the End, the Alpha and the Omega. All time belongs to him, and all the ages. To him be glory and power through every age for ever. Amen." Once this action was completed, five grains of incense incased in wax were inserted into the candle, representing the wounds our Savior received on the Cross in his hands, feet, and side. As the nails on which the grains are mounted were driven into the candle, the priest said, "By his holy and glorious wounds, may Christ the Lord guard us and protect us. Amen." Finally, the Paschal Candle was lit from the new fire, and as the flame flickered to life the priest said, "May the light of Christ, rising in glory, dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds."

This rite of blessing the new fire and lighting the Paschal Candle is seen by very few Catholics, both because it takes place outside of the church in the darkness and because most Catholics celebrate Easter on Sunday morning rather than in the Vigil. But this brief and simple rite casts light on the meaning of everything we celebrate today and on the symbolism of the Paschal Candle, the placing of which in the sanctuary is accompanied by an ancient and extraordinary prayer called the Easter Proclamation or Exsultet which is sung only at the Vigil. As the children of Israel were freed from slavery in Egypt by the Passover of the Lord and were led to freedom through the waters of the Red Sea by a pillar of fire, so we Christians are freed from the slavery of sin and death by the Passover of the Lord and are led to freedom through the waters of Baptism by a pillar of fire — the Paschal Candle. Jesus Christ is our Passover, our Paschal Lamb, and the Lamb once slain who is risen and lives forever.

Christos anesti! Alithos anesti! Christ is risen! Truly He is risen! Alleluia, Alleluia!

Father Newman

Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions	Meetings & Events *	Financial Report
Sunday, 1 April 2018	Sunday, 1 April 2018	Weekend of 24/25 March
 7.30 am 9.00 am 9.00 am 9.00 am Mildred Tully (church) 11.00 pm Pro populo Spanish Mass 	No Nursery or Pre-school today No coffee & doughnuts today	Needed 33,800 Received 32,978 Shortage 822
		Poor Box 925
Monday, 2 April 2018	Monday, 2 April 2018	
7.00 am Mila Victoria Babb	Parish office closed	Offertory Year to DateNeeded1,318,200Received1,328,968
Tuesday, 3 April 2018	Tuesday, 3 April 2018	Surplus 10,768
7.00 am ✤ Paul Michael Roman 12.00 noon ✤ Derek Hargreaves	No Program of Catholic Studies	Electronic Giving: If you want to have direct management of
Wednesday, 4 April 2018	Wednesday, 4 April 2018	your Electronic Fund Transfer online, you can now do so
7.00 amValerie Gabriela Hernandez12.00 noonMargaret Kelleher	No Holy Hour & Confessions No Faith Formation for children or adults	through the "Manage Your EFT" link on the homepage of our website. For more information or if you have any questions please
Thursday, 5 April 2018	Thursday, 5 April 2018	contact Jennifer Anderson at jennifer.anderson@stmarysgvl.org.
7.00 am✤Joann Thompson McMullen12.00 noon✤James Tierney		
Friday, 6 April 2018	Friday, 6 April 2018	
7.00 am ★ All the Souls in Purgatory	6.15 amMorning Prayer (church)6.30-8.00 amPillars of Christ	Facebook

'Like' us on Facebook at St Mary's Catholic Church Greenville SC.

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

5.00 pm ↔ Frank and Frances Watkins

Saturday, 7 April 2018

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

8.00-9.00 am Rosary - Grove Rd

3.30-4.30 pm Confessions (church)

abortion clinic

Senior Fellowship Luncheon

Saturday, 7 April 2018

12.00 noon

Visit us on the web at www.stmarysgvl.org

Holy Hour & Confessions

There will be no Holy Hour & Confessions on Wednesday 4 April.

St Mary's Senior Fellowship

Please join us Saturday 7 April at 12.00 noon in Sacred



Heart Hall. Bring your favorite dish or dessert to share. Contact Alice Ramos at 864.430.7276 or alicer.ofs@gmail.com for more information.

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.

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, Carly Burkhardt, Alma Furman, Anne Alexander, Ruth O'Rourke, Rafael Marquez and Lori Wylie.

PARISH NEWS

Collection for 31 March/ 1 April

Support of the Parish & St Mary's Capital Campaign

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

Parish Office Closure

The parish office will be closed Monday 2 April and will reopen on Tuesday 3 April.

Mass Intentions

To schedule a Mass intention, contact Vickie Acosta at 864.271.8422 or vickie.acosta@stmarysgvl.org.

2017 Tax Statements

Please contact Jennifer Anderson, Director of Finance, at jennifer.anderson@stmarysgvl.org or 842.679.4102 if you would like a copy of your contribution statement for 2017. Please allow several days to process and mail your statement. <u>Statements are only mailed upon request.</u>

Job Openings at St Mary's School for the 2018-2019 School Year

St Mary's School is accepting applications for

1) a qualified **part-time Pre-K-8th grade Spanish teacher**. Preferred applicants will have a current South Carolina license or its equivalent and prior teaching experience.

2) a qualified **pre-kindergarten aide**. This is an hourly position. Preferred applicants will have prior experience working with three to five year old students in an educational environment.





30th 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 I Player Gifts I Mulligan or Red Tee Package 30th Anniversary Reception/Equipment Pick Up Breakfast & 30th 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 **30th 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 or 662-466-1333

Baptism Class



Prior to having a child baptized at Saint 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 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 864.679.4114 or timothy.nielsen@stmarysgvl.org.

Bulletin Submissions

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



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 6.15–8.00 am for prayer in the church and then in Sacred Heart Hall for study.

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.

St Mary's Council of Catholic Women \$1,000 Scholarship Award

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



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 11.30 am).

THIRD DAY THEME: God, the Holy Spirit / The Sacrament of Reconciliation

<u>Bible Verse</u>: "But as for me, I am filled with power, with the spirit of the Lord..." Micah 3.8

Registration forms for families, teen volunteers and adult volunteers are now available online at stmarysgvl.org under Catechesis tab. We will also have registration on 15 April during the Knight's breakfast. We are now looking for adult volunteers; if you are interested please contact Kim Adams at craigandkim@aol.com or 407.756.2255.

Vacation Bible School Needs Your Help



Please bring in your Old ties & deposit them in the box provided in Sacred Heart Hall. Thanks in advance.

Ignited by Truth Catholic Conference get 🥑 ignited! **APRIL 28, 2018**

NC STATE REYNOLDS COLISEUM, RALEIGH



Dr. Scott Hahn



Dn. Harold Burke-Sivers

High School and Middle School Tracks



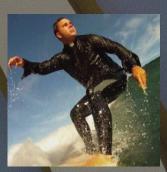
Mark Hart



Dana Catherine



Fr. Robert J. Spitzer, S.J.



Fr. Donald Calloway, MIC

Advance Tickets \$15 ADULT **\$10 STUDENT**

Vigil Mass celebrated by Bishop Luis Rafael Zarama

IgnitedByTruth.org

I love being Catholic

Evening Program in Spanish

\$10 Adultos / \$5 Estudiantes



Fr. Rafael Capó



Darwin Lechler

Young Adult Social & Concert for All

Free — RSVP @ IgnitedByTruth.org



Dana Catherine



Mathias Michael

GREENVILLE DEANERY

Relics of St Anthony of Padua

Bishop Robert E. Guglielmone has granted permission for



the relics of St Anthony of Padua to tour in the Diocese of Charleston from 6-15 April. The relics will be in Greenville on Tuesday 10 April at the following parishes:

Our Lady of the Rosary Veneration from Noon - 4.00 pm

St Anthony of Padua Veneration from 6.00-9.00 pm

Greenville Deanery CCW

The next meeting of the Greenville Deanery of the South Carolina Council of Catholic Women is Sunday, 15 April in the Msgr. Gwynn room on the first floor of Sacred Heart Hall. The Board of Directors Meeting will begin promptly at 1.00 pm, followed by the Meeting of the Membership at 2.00 pm. Lunch will be provided by the members of the St Mary's CCW. Call Susanne Wolfe at 864.313.5866 or susanne.wolfe12@gmail.com for questions.

Catholic Charities is in Need of Your Time and Talent



Catholic Charities has numerous opportunities for volunteers to provide services to our brothers and sisters in need. Catholic

Charities will soon open a wellness food pantry in the San Souci area to holistically address food insecurity, diabetes, obesity, and self-sufficiency. Please prayerfully consider the opportunity to serve in a ministry as a volunteer leader or team member. Join our volunteer information meeting on Thursday, 19 April from 2.00–3.30 pm at 2300 Old Buncombe Road, Greenville 29609. Please contact Maria Gray, Food Pantry Manager, at 864.331.2629 or mgray@charlestondiocese.org to RSVP or if you need additional information.

End-of-Life Seminar

St Joseph's Church in Anderson, SC is hosting an end-of-life seminar presented by the Diocese of Charleston on Saturday 7 April in the Parish Hall from 9.30 am - 12.30 pm. The Seminar will address concerns regarding end-of-life care, how you can prepare for your own future with proper legal documentation and more. Come listen to and learn from this important presentation. All are welcome. Please contact the parish office at 864.225.5341 to let us know that you will be attending, so we may be sure to have enough materials for all participants.

${\cal P}$ 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! "Myjoy, 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:

Sunday 4 pm Monday 8 am

Family Honor presents Changes & Challenges

St Joseph's Catholic School will be hosting a truly unique chastity program for parents and their children in 6th grade on Wednesdays, 11 & 18 April, from 6.30-8.45 pm. The purpose of this program is to bring parents and children together to discuss life's most important issues, with a special emphasis on chastity and God's gift of sexuality. Space is limited so register online now at FamilyHonor.org. There is a \$30 registration fee to be paid at the first session. (Please make checks out to St Joseph's Catholic School) For more information contact Phyllis Stanton at 864.234.9009 or pstanton@sjcatholicschool.org.

CHARLESTON VOCATIONS Catholic Diocese of Charleston, Se

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

Vocation

"DISCOVERING VOCATION does not mean scrambling toward some prize just beyond my reach but accepting the treasure of true self I already possess. Vocation does not come from a voice 'out there' calling me to be something I am not. It comes from a voice 'in here' calling me to be the person I was born to be, to fulfill the original selfhood given me at birth by God." — Fr Thomas Merton, O.C.S.O. (1915-1968)

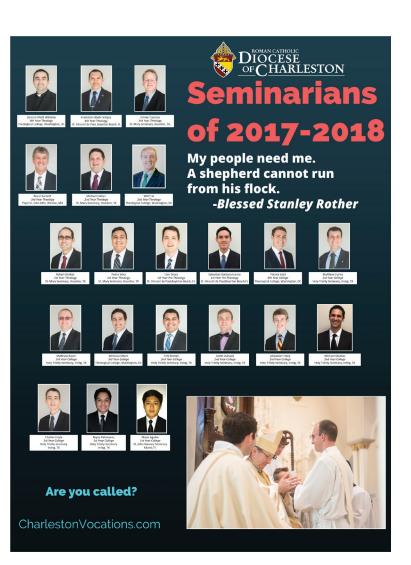
Prayer for Seminarians

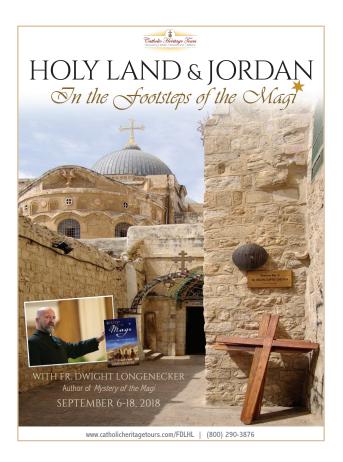
O Lord Jesus Christ, great High Priest, I pray that You call many worthy souls to Your holy priesthood.

Enlighten the Bishop in the choice of candidates, the Spiritual Director in molding them, and the professors in instructing them.

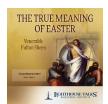
Lead the seminarians daily in Your unerring footsteps; so that they may become priests who are models of purity, possessors of wisdom and heroes of sacrifice; steeped in humility and aflame with love for God and man; apostles of Your glory and sanctifiers of souls.

St Charles Borromeo, pray for our seminarians.





Lighthouse Catholic Media The True Meaning of Easter



Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen was one of the best-known and best-loved Catholic orators of the twentieth century, reaching millions of Christians of all denominations. Presented here are his timeless reflections on the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of our Lord,

combined with Scripture and Gregorian Chant. Available at LighthouseCatholicMedia.org.

Would You Like to Be a Monk for a Month or For a Year?

Mepkin Abbey, in Moncks Corner, has announced the opening



of their new Mepkin Affiliate Program. There are three options available: the new **Monastic Institute Program** - a month-long seminar for men and women during July 2018; the **Monastic Guest Program** - a month-long residency for men; and the **Monastic Residency Program** a year-long residency for men. Applications are now being accepted for all of these programs. You can find applications and more detailed

information at mepkinabbey.org. All programs are free of cost.

DIOCESE & OTHER NEWS

Praying to End Human Trafficking

Lee Road United Methodist Church will host a prayer service for the end of human trafficking on Thursday, 19 April at 7.00 pm. SWITCH Board Chairperson, Curtis Harper, will provide general information about human trafficking in the Upstate, SWITCH's role to end human trafficking, and opportunities for volunteers and involvement. The service will be in the sanctuary at Lee Road United Methodist Church, 1377 East Lee Road, Taylors, SC 29687. All are invited and encouraged to attend. Questions? Call Robin at 864.263.7416.



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

This scholarship is available for Catholic females graduating from high schools within SC and planning to attend an institution of higher education. Please visit scccw.org to download the 2018 Application which contains the complete eligibility requirements and rules. Applications <u>must</u> be received on or before <u>13 April</u> to be considered.

DNVERGING ROADS Belmont, NC

HUMAN DIGNITY AT THE END OF LIFE

Belmont Abbey College 14 April 8.45am - 6.15pm

ABOUT

Converging Roads is a regional conference series offering continuing education for health care professionals that equips them to practice the highest ethical and medical standards of their profession. Through collaboration with dioceses, hospitals, and universities, Converging Roads provides healthcare professionals, chaplains, students, and administrators with the most up-to-date training in health care ethics enabling them to more effectively care for their patients. Open to all, regardless of faith tradition, Converging Roads is rooted in the Hippocratic and Catholic ethical tradition and is presented in multiple locations across the country each year.

TOPICS/SPEAKERS

"Speaking with Patients and Families about Medical Futility and End of Life Care" Grattan T. Brown, S.T.D.

"Advanced Directives & MOST: Avoiding Medical and Ethical Pitfalls" Arland K. Nichols, Ph.D. (cand.)

"End of Life Issues at Life's Beginning" Robin L. Pierucci, M.D., M.A.

"The Nature and Treatment of Human Suffering" Michael J. Brescia, M.D.

"Alleviating Suffering Through Palliative Care, Pain Management, and Hospice Care" Natalie Rodden, M.D.

"Dead or Alive? Analyzing the Neurological Criteria for Determining Death" Sister Terese Auer, O.P., Ph.D.

"Legal Trends in Physician Assisted Suicide and the Medical Community's Role in Addressing It" William L. Toffler, M.D.

Please see the website for a full schedule, speaker bios, and registration www.ForLifeandFamily.org/events/cr18-bnc/

Continuing education credits for healthcare professionals will be offered.

Presented collaboratively by the St. John Paul II Foundation, the Diocese of Charlotte, and Belmont Abbey College.

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