

# St Mary's Catholic Church

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# Greenville, South Carolina

29 April 2018

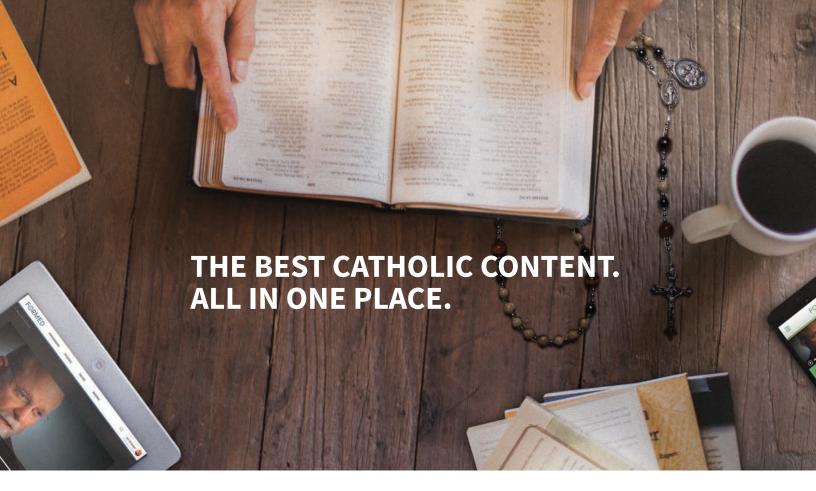
Dear Friends in Christ,

Gender dysphoria is the name given to the experience some people have of feeling as though their mind or soul is matched with a body of the wrong sex. A woman who identifies as a man or a man who wishes that he were a woman often experience profound emotional difficulties and have a higher risk of suicide than those who are not afflicted with this disorientation, and the risk is even higher in adolescents burdened with this perception. In other words, gender dysphoria is a serious problem, and those who suffer from it need to be treated with kindness and respect by all and receive support and understanding from family, friends, and professionals as they seek a path towards inner peace.

That much has always been true, but in recent decades a new possibility has arisen for responding to gender dysphoria: the attempted "reassignment" of biological sex by surgery and drugs. Joined to this medical innovation is the even more recent rise of the ideology of gender identity which denies that humanity is divided biologically into male and female and seeks to make gender a category of personal choice rather than of genetic reality. And when the medical "reassignment" of sex and the ideology of gender identity are combined, the result is a cultural earthquake that even now is reshaping law and public life throughout the Western world.

The Church is still sorting out the proper pastoral response to these challenges, and a full consideration of all the complications of "transsexuality" is going to require decades, not news cycles. But even as we look for wise and compassionate ways to respond to those with gender dysphoria, the Church must continue to teach the full truth about God and man revealed in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. And at the heart of that revelation is the truth that the human race is created male and female by God, and in the differentiation of humanity into two and only two sexes is found the complementarity of human persons that secures the human future - the marriage of one man and one woman. Moreover, the sex of an individual human person is a reality we discover rather than invent or choose, and learning to align our minds to reality as it exists outside of our minds is one of the hallmarks of emotional maturity and good mental health.

To explore these questions in greater depth, I recommend a recently published book entitled "When Harry Became Sally: Responding to the Transgender Moment" written by Dr Ryan T. Anderson, one of the leading public intellectuals in our country today. Anderson was educated at Princeton and Notre Dame and is the William E. Simon Senior Research Fellow at the Heritage Foundation. Anderson's book explores many facets of the current debate over transsexuality and exposes the philosophical, anthropological, and legal flaws in the transgender ideology. This is not a problem any of us can ignore, so please read deeply and widely to understand the issues at stake in this debate and the proper response of Christians to this challenge.



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# **Calendar of Events**

# **Mass Schedule & Intentions**

#### Sunday, 29 April 2018

7.30 am ★ Eddie Rice & Michael Callaghan

9.00 am → Dr. Bruce & Sybil Webb 11.00 am Pro populo 1.00 pm Spanish Mass

# Monday, 30 April 2018

7.00 am ♣ Betty Deese

#### Tuesday, 1 May 2018

7.00 am Terry Cook 12.00 noon ★ Audrey Malouche

#### Wednesday, 2 May 2018

7.00 am Special Intention 12.00 noon ♣ Michael McGrady

#### Thursday, 3 May 2018

7.00 am ♣ Florence Mooney 12.00 noon ♣ Paul Michael Roman

#### Friday, 4 May 2018

7.00 am ♣ Ludwig & Anna Mautner

#### Saturday, 5 May 2018

5.00 pm ♣ Carl Roman

# **Meetings & Events \***

#### Sunday, 29 April 2018

9.00 am 3 & 4 Year Olds (K4 classroom of Sacred Heart Hall)

Nursery: During 9.00 am Mass

Coffee & doughnuts: After 9.00 am Mass (P)

9.00 am Scripture Study

6.30 pm High School Youth Group (M)

#### Monday, 30 April 2018

7.00 pm Boy Scouts (M)

#### Tuesday, 1 May 2018

8.30 am Program of Catholic Studies (M)

#### Wednesday, 2 May 2018

5.00-6.00 pm Holy Hour &

Confessions (church)

6.30 pm Program of Catholic Studies

#### Thursday, 3 May 2018

## Friday, 4 May 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

## Saturday, 5 May 2018

8.00-9.00 am Rosary - Grove Rd abortion clinic

3.30-4.30 pm Confessions (church)

# Weekend of 21/22 April

**Financial Report** 

 Needed
 33,800

 Received
 32,366

 Shortage
 1,434

Poor Box 275

Catholic Home

Missions 3,190

#### Offertory Year to Date

Needed 1,453,400 Received 1,470,272 Surplus 16,872

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**

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Visit us on the web at www.stmarysgvl.org



The world promises you comfort, but you were not made for comfort. You were made for greatness.

— Pope Benedict XVI

# **Schedule**

To avoid taking men away from their families any more than they already are, we meet early in the morning before the workday begins.

We meet every Friday at St. Mary's Church - Downtown

6.15-6.30 am Prayer in the Church (Liturgy of the Hours)

6.30-6.45 am Coffee & Breakfast in Sacred Heart Hall

6.45-7.00 am Scripture Reading and reflection in Sacred Heart Hall

7.00 am - Optional Mass or Small Group Gathering (Small groups end at 8.00)

# **About Our Ministry**

Our purpose is to reclaim authentic Christian manhood in the face of a culture where true masculinity is under constant attack. As men, we are called by the Church to reject passivity, accept responsibility, lead courageously and invest in eternity. We are called to be pillars of strength in our homes, the Church, workplace and community.

What does it mean to be a true man of Christ?

Come and find out.

"As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another." - Proverbs 27:17

# Requiescat in pace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Doris Howard who died recently. We extend our prayers and sympathy to her 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.

# **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, Lenore Cole, Celsea Patry, John Tyler, Hunter Conant, Carly Burkhardt, Alma Furman, Anne Alexander, Ruth O'Rourke, Rafael Marquez, Lori Wylie and Kenneth & Nancy Tessier.

## **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.

## Vacation Bible School

Set Sail with the Holy Trinity featuring St. Patrick: 11-15 June from 9.00 am - 12.00 noon (Friday 11.30 am). Registration forms for families and teen & adult volunteers are available online at stmarysgvl.org (Catechesis tab). **Deadline for registration is 11 May**. Contact Kim Adams at craigandkim@aol.com or 407.756.2255 for more information.



Please bring in your old ties & deposit them in the box provided in Sacred Heart Hall.

# **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 28/29 April

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.

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

St Mary's School is accepting applications for 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. Email resume and cover letter to Principal@stmarysgvl.org. Deadline for applications is 1 August 2018.

St Mary's Catholic School is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

# **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.

#### **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

29 April





# 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

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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 or 662-466-1333

# GREENVILLE DEANERY

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# **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 864.508.7123.

All hours are available. Urgent needs are:
Sunday 9 am
Monday 12 pm
Wednesday 11 am & 2 pm
Friday 2 pm

# 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.

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For enrollment and more information, visit the website www.theodoreicons.com/se or contact Ms Aziza Stansberry at:

Stansberry.azizaX@gmail.com phone number: 8645061924

# **Byzantine Rite Divine Liturgy (Mass)**

On Sunday, 29 April at 5.00 pm, a Divine Liturgy (Mass) in the Byzantine Rite, in English, will be celebrated at St Rafka Maronite Catholic Church (in Greer). Father Joseph Matlak, administrator of Holy Dormition Eastern Catholic Mission, will celebrate the Liturgy. Join us for fellowship afterwards, which will include a brief adult catechesis on the basics of Byzantine Liturgy by Father Joseph Matlak. For more information, visit dormition.weebly.com or email dormitiongreenville@gmail.com.

# **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



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# Young Adult Ministry World Youth Day 2019



The Diocesan Office of Young Adult Ministry is taking young adults to World Youth Day Panama in January 2019. The trip is 9 days, with a cost of \$3,649 paid in pieces, and organized

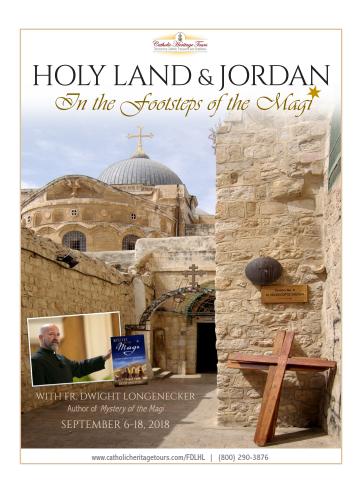
through Dube Catholic Travel Agency. Direct questions to Lexie Segrest, Associate Director of Young Adult Ministry, at 843.261.0445 or lsegrest@charlestondiocese.org.

# 2018 Eucharistic Congress - Atlanta 1-2 June



Archbishop Gregory, Bishop Shlesinger, and Bishop-Elect Konzen invite you to join them at this year's Eucharistic Congress at the Georgia International Convention Center. **Features:** Middle School track, speakers & opportunities

for spiritual enrichment, including Eucharistic Adoration and Confession. For more information, visit congress.archatl.com.



# Diocese & Other News

# **Diocese of Charlotte Vocations Camps**

Contact Sr Mary Raphael at MRaphael@charlottediocese.org for questions about Quo Vadis Days or Duc in Altum.

# Quo Vadis Days: 11-15 June 2018

Open to young men ages 15-19.

Quo Vadis Days is a five-day vocations discernment camp for young men at Belmont Abbey College. The camp includes talks by local priests, seminarians, and others on the vocations to the priesthood, marriage, and fatherhood. Ultimately, the goal of our Quo Vadis Days is to challenge young men to ask the fundamental question "quo vadis" or "where are you going?", while equipping them with the tools and opportunity to discern God's will for their life.

The camp fee is \$150. Cost includes lodging at Belmont Abbey College, all meals and supplies.

More information is available at CharlotteDiocese.org/vocations/quo-vadis-days/

## Duc in Altum: 25-29 June 2018

Open to young women ages 15-19.

One day, after speaking to the crowds from Simon's boat, our Lord invited the Apostle to "put out into the deep" for a catch: "Duc In altum" (Luke 5.4). The Diocese of Charlotte hosts Duc in Altum, an opportunity for young women to deepen their faith, develop new friendships and explore the meaning and purpose of their lives.

Cost is \$150, which includes lodging at Belmont Abbey College, all meals and supplies.

More information is available online at CharlotteDiocese.org/vocations/duc-in-altum/

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