



St Mary's Catholic Church



Greenville, South Carolina

20 May 2018

Dear Friends in Christ,

The Jewish feast of Passover commemorates the deliverance of the children of Israel from slavery in Egypt, and from that day of liberation, Moses led the people to the holy mountain where he had seen the living God in the bush which burned without being consumed. There on Mount Horeb Moses received the Ten Commandments from the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and although Scripture does not specify the time between Passover and the giving of the Law, an ancient tradition holds that it was fifty days. Then in Leviticus 23.15-16, the LORD commands the children of Israel to offer a sacrifice of spring wheat exactly seven full weeks from the second day of Passover, meaning the fiftieth day from the feast of Passover. So, the Feast of First Fruits, also called the Feast of Weeks (Shavuot in Hebrew), was kept 50 days after Passover and was a time of great thanksgiving to God for the blessings of freedom and prosperity and for the Law which safeguarded those blessings. This festival was also called Pentecost from the Greek words meaning the fiftieth day.

Chapter 2 of the Acts of the Apostles opens with a mention of the arrival of the day of Pentecost, and this refers, of course, to the Jewish festival celebrated 50 days after Passover. Because of the feast, Jerusalem was filled with Jews visiting from all over the Mediterranean world, and it was to this multitude that St Peter preached the Gospel, leading to the conversion of 3,000 people to saving faith in Jesus Christ. The power of Peter's preaching came not from him but from God the Holy Spirit who was poured out upon the Church on the fiftieth day after the Resurrection of Jesus Christ, thus making Pentecost a festival for both Jews and Christians. To this day, observant Jews celebrate Shavuot in gratitude for the gift of Torah, and Christians celebrate Pentecost in thanksgiving for the gifts of the Holy Spirit and the new life of grace which comes by saving faith in Jesus Christ, our Passover and our Peace. In this concurrence we see fulfilled the teaching of St Paul (Colossians 2.16-17) that the feasts of the Old Covenant are shadows of the good things which come to us in Jesus Christ, to whom all the types and figures of Israel point.

The coming of the Holy Spirit upon the Church in Jerusalem led to the miracle of one voice being heard in many languages, an event which is both a symbolic reversal of the scattering of the human race as a result of the pride which built the Tower of Babel (Genesis 11.1-9) and a pledge of the Church's mission to gather all nations into the unity of those who worship the one, only, living and true God by accepting Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, repenting of sin, being baptized, and living as a new creation in Christ's body, the Church. The events of Pentecost fulfilled the promise of the Lord Jesus to his Apostles: "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth" (Acts 1.8), and so Pentecost also began the tireless effort of the Church to fulfill the Great Commission by making disciples of all nations. Two millennia later, our contribution to that work of grace is to live as Evangelical Catholics who share the Gospel with others and lead them to saving faith in Jesus Christ.

Father Newman



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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

May 2018

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I would like to share with you some good news about our diocese: Catholic Charities. Charity has always been an essential activity of the Church. Everyday people come to Catholic Charities for help. The good people who work and volunteer at Catholic Charities serve the poor in many areas of South Carolina.

Every year we come together as a diocese to support the services of Catholic Charities. Our help allows them to offer more assistance to people in difficult situations. This year we need your generosity more than ever! Your generous gift will help:

- Seniors living at the Carter May Home
- The homeless washing their clothes at Clean of Heart
- Our neighbors seeking help at Immigration Legal Services
- The hungry being fed at Our Lady's Pantry
- Older adults being visited and helped at home
- Folks needing dentures with Save a Smile
- Pregnant moms with nowhere to turn
- Our incarcerated brothers and sisters preparing to leave prison
- People caught in natural and economic disasters needing case management services and emergency financial assistance.

Your gift is so needed!

Please join me in being generous to so many who come to us in need - and there are so many more coming to Catholic Charities today. Together, we can provide help and create hope by turning our donation into an effective means of living our faith.

Catholic Charities provides many programs and services to God's family throughout our state. Your generosity will make a great difference in the lives of so many people who look to the Church for assistance. I rely heavily on Catholic Charities to help me fulfill Christ's mandate to serve those most in need, and I ask you to join me in supporting Catholic Charities' loving service.

In the Lord's Peace,

Most Reverend Robert E. Guglielmo
Bishop of the Diocese of Charleston

Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sunday, 20 May 2018

7.30 am ✕ Teddy Holder
9.00 am ✕ Carol Pelicano
11.00 am Pro populo
1.00 pm Spanish Mass

Monday, 21 May 2018

7.00 am ✕ Theresa Vassolo

Tuesday, 22 May 2018

7.00 am ✕ John Barnum
12.00 noon Natalie Kompik

Wednesday, 23 May 2018

7.00 am Rebecca Ashcraft
12.00 noon ✕ Maria & Dominic Bruno

Thursday, 24 May 2018

7.00 am Christian Cruz
12.00 noon ✕ Florence Mooney

Friday, 25 May 2018

7.00 am ✕ Lallinger Family

Saturday, 26 May 2018

5.00 pm ✕ Marvin Hambleton

Meetings & Events *

Sunday, 20 May 2018

Nursery: During 9.00 am Mass
6.00 pm Women of Grace
6.30 pm High School Youth Group (M)

Monday, 21 May 2018

6.30 pm Cub Scouts
7.00 pm Boy Scouts (M)

Tuesday, 22 May 2018

7.00 pm VBS Adult Volunteer Meeting (G)

Wednesday, 23 May 2018

5.00-6.00 pm Holy Hour & Confessions (church)

Thursday, 24 May 2018

Friday, 25 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, 26 May 2018

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

Financial Report

Weekend of 12/13 May

Needed	33,800
Received	34,951
Surplus	1,151

Poor Box	300
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Catholic Communications Campaign	2,068
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Offertory Year to Date

Needed	1,554,800
Received	1,572,446
Surplus	17,646

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.

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

Requiescat in pace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Donald Sikes (husband of Linda Sikes) 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.

Altar Flowers

Flowers on the altar last weekend were donated in memory of Patti Waters by Harold Waters, Joe & Molly Waters and Andy & Lindsey Waters.

Knights of Columbus Breakfast



The KofC Monthly Breakfast is scheduled for Sunday 20 May in the Pazdan Hall Dining Room after all the morning Masses. All are welcome to share breakfast with the parish family.

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

St Mary's Catholic School in Greenville, SC, is accepting applications for a qualified part-time **Pre-K through 8th grade Music teacher**. The scope of the position is dependent on the skills and experience that the applicant brings to the school. Candidates with experience leading a school band, orchestra, and/or various choirs will be considered for a full-time position. A current South Carolina license or its equivalent and prior teaching experience are preferred. Applicants will need to perform a piece on their major instrument and/or piano as part of the application and interview process.

Email resume and cover letter to Principal@stmarysgvl.org. Deadline for applications is 1 July 2018.

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

PARISH NEWS

Collection for 19/20 May

Support of the Parish &
Catholic Charities

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

Vacation Bible School VBS Adult Volunteers' Meeting

Tuesday 22 May at 7.00 pm in Gallivan Hall

Memorial Day

The church & church office will be closed on
Monday 28 May for Memorial Day.

The 7.00 am Mass will not be celebrated.

Congratulations to

Carys Emelia Fernandez and Zoe Jane Vossler
who were baptized last week.

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.

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.

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 25 June 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.

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.



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Daily Mass Readings

For the daily Mass readings,
visit <http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings/>

Mass Intentions

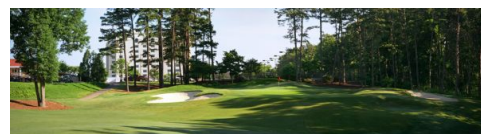
If you would like to schedule a Mass intention, contact Vickie Acosta in the parish office at 864.271.8422 or vickie.acosta@stmarysgvl.org.

Welcome Newcomers

We welcome the following new members to our parish family: Mr & Mrs Joel Linn and Mr & Mrs Angelo Perino.

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



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 + Player Gifts + 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

GREENVILLE DEANERY

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 864.508.7123.

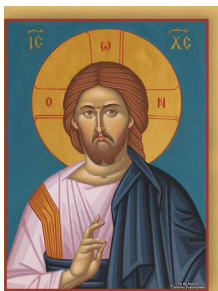
All hours are available. Urgent needs are:

Sunday 6 pm

Friday 2 pm

Saturday 12 am & 4 pm

Icon Painting Workshop 16-21 July at St Rafka, Greer



Join us on this 6-day intensive course under the direction of visiting master iconographer and 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. 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 TheodoreIcons.com/sc or contact Aziza Stansberry at 864.506.1924 or Stansberry.azizaX@gmail.com.

Volunteer Opportunity Ronald McDonald House

The Ronald McDonald House is currently expanding from a 12 guest room house to 24 guestrooms and will open the expansion this Summer. One of the newest and most urgent volunteer opportunities we are looking to fill is our **Front Desk Greeter**. We will need volunteers to be the "host or hostess" of our House Monday - Friday from 8.00 am-8.00 pm in 2-3 hours shifts. Tasks will include answering phones, greeting visitors and families, answering the door, taking in donations, assisting with check in and out of guests, supporting operations with any administrative and office duties and preparing the conference room for any upcoming meetings. This is a great position for anyone wanting to give back a few hours a week. Contact Volunteer Services Coordinator, Teagan Hance, at 235.0506 or thance@rmhcarolinas.com.

2018 Presbyteral Ordination



Deacon Rhett Williams
to the
Sacred Priesthood

Friday 8 June
6.00 pm

Cathedral of St John the Baptist
Charleston, SC

Building Catholic Community

WCKI 1300 AM
Greer

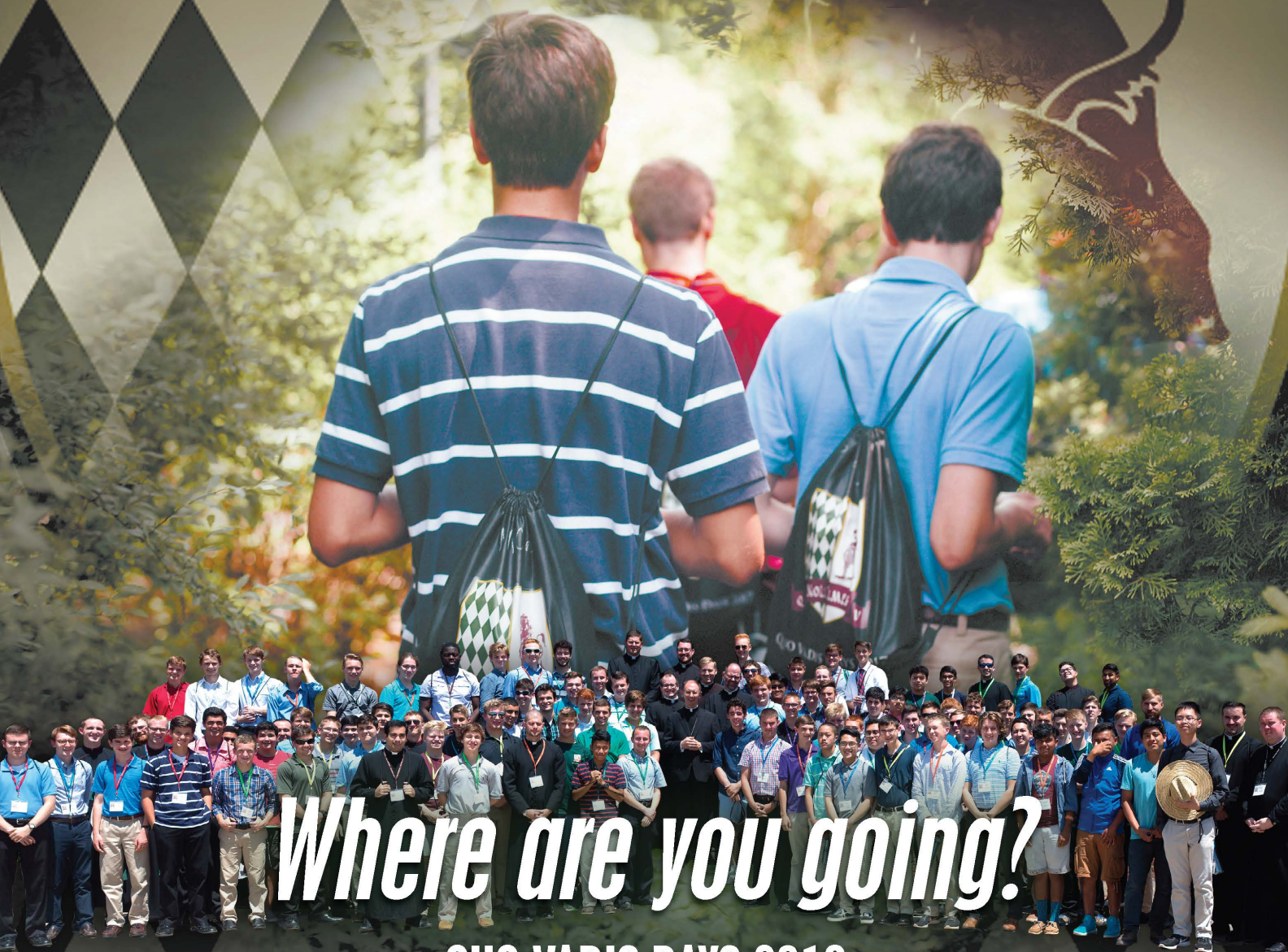


WLTQ 730 AM
Charleston / Hilton Head

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CatholicRadioInSC.com

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DAYS



Where are you going?

QUO VADIS DAYS 2018

June 11-15, 2018 * Belmont Abbey College

Retreat is open to young men 15 thru 19 years old

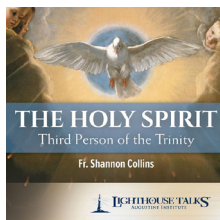
A camp for Catholic men to learn more about the priesthood, deepen their faith, and help discern God's call in their lives.

REGISTER BY JUNE 4 www.charlottevocations.org

Lighthouse Catholic Media

The Holy Spirit: Third Person of the Trinity

Fr. Shannon Collins discusses the essential character of the Holy Spirit and the role the forgotten Person of the Blessed Trinity has played since the creation of the world. Drawing upon Scripture and tradition, Fr. Collins explains the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit and how he works in the lives of believers. Listeners are sure to come to a better appreciation for this “sweet guest of our soul” who seeks to bring us closer to Christ and eternal salvation. Available at LighthouseCatholicMedia.org.



The
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CONNECTION

KEEPING OUR YOUTH CONNECTED TO THE CHURCH



The Diocese of Charleston has partnered with The Newman Connection in an effort to connect graduating high school seniors in our diocese with the campus ministry programs at colleges and universities throughout South Carolina. It is critically important that we pursue every possible opportunity to connect our HS graduates with the Catholic resources available at their college or university. Studies have shown that young adults respond to personal invitations from college campus ministry. Students/families may enter contact information through the private link at

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DHY3Z6D>.

Information will be directly provided to The Newman Connection and will not be shared.

2018 Family Honor Pilgrimage

If you have a special devotion to the Blessed Mother or need spiritual renewal, join Family Honor's Pilgrimage to France, 5-13 November. Our pilgrimage will take you to the Blessed Mother's Shrine at Lourdes, plus visits to Lyons, Ars, Lisieux, and Paris to see holy sites significant in the life of Saints Bernadette, Therese of Lisieux, John Vianney, Catherine Laboure, and Vincent de Paul. Spiritual Director is Family Honor's Chaplain, Father Philip Gillespie, pastor of St Joseph Catholic Church - Anderson. Pilgrimage details are available at FamilyHonor.org (30th Anniversary tab / 2018 Pilgrimage) or contact the Family Honor office at 803.929.0858. Deposit due by 30 June.

DIOCESE & OTHER NEWS

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 of Charlotte Vocations Camp

Contact Sr Mary Raphael at
MRaphael@charlottediocese.org
for questions about *Duc in Altum*.

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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