



St Mary's Catholic Church



Greenville, South Carolina

24 June 2018

Dear Friends in Christ,

The liturgical calendar of the Catholic Church assigns solemnities, feasts, and memorials to fixed dates in the solar calendar, and those celebrations are kept each year on the same assigned date. For example, 28 June - which falls this year on a Thursday - is the memorial of St Irenaeus of Lyons, a bishop and martyr who died in the year 202, and no matter on which day of the week it falls, the memorial of St Irenaeus is always kept on 28 June. Except if it falls on a Sunday.

Every Sunday of the year is a solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord Jesus - a little Easter, and for this reason, almost no liturgical celebrations take the place of the normal Sunday observance. But there are a few exceptions to that rule. The Presentation of the Lord Jesus in the Temple is on 2 February, and if that date falls on a Sunday in a given year, the Presentation takes precedence. So too do the Solemnities of Saints Peter and Paul on 29 June, the Transfiguration of the Lord on 6 August, the Exaltation of the Holy Cross on 14 September, and the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (the Cathedral Church of Rome) on 9 November. And to that list we must add today's solemnity: the Nativity of St John the Baptist.

If this Sunday were not 24 June, then it would simply be the 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time, also called the 12th Sunday of the Year. But because today is 24 June, we keep instead the liturgical celebration of the birth of the cousin and forerunner of the Lord, St John the Baptist. But why is the feast of the birth of John the Baptist always on 24 June? Because Holy Scripture tells us that John was conceived and therefore born six months before the Lord Jesus, and Christmas Eve is six months from today.

Speaking of the Lord Jesus and of himself, John the Baptist said, "He must increase; I must decrease." (John 3.30) For this reason St Augustine found it particularly appropriate that the births of John and the Lord Jesus should be celebrated so near the summer and winter solstices. The nights begin to grow longer as we remember the birth of John, and the days begin to grow longer when we rejoice in the birth of Christ.

But even these considerations do not tell why the birth of John the Baptist should replace the usual Sunday celebration when 24 June coincides with the Lord's Day, and for that explanation we turn to the Savior himself. When asked about the prophecy that Elijah must precede the coming of the Messiah, the Lord Jesus explained that Elijah's mission was fulfilled by John the Baptist, whom Christ called the greatest man of woman born. And it was John who both baptized the Lord Jesus and then pointed to him with saving faith: Behold, the Lamb of God!

Father Newman

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Social Justice

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21-22 September 2018 - Greenville, South Carolina

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Philip G. Nielsen
Director of Research for the CEC

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Author and Assistant Research Professor of Business
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Professor of Philosophy and Religion at Hillsdale College

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\$75 per person

continental breakfast & light lunch
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Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sunday, 24 June 2018

7.30 am ✕ Rev James Tully
9.00 am Matthew Hauser
11.00 am Pro populo
1.00 pm Spanish Mass

Monday, 25 June 2018

7.00 am Molly Benedum-Waters

Tuesday, 26 June 2018

7.00 am ✕ Frentes Eldon Foley
12.00 noon Maddox Family

Wednesday, 27 June 2018

7.00 am Ana Maria Restrepo
12.00 noon Leo Ambrose Grabosky

Thursday, 28 June 2018

7.00 am Fr Christopher Smith
12.00 noon Cesar A. Arroyave

Friday, 29 June 2018

7.00 am Terry Cook

Saturday, 30 June 2018

5.00 pm Stanley & Paula Bikulege

Meetings & Events *

Sunday, 24 June 2018

Nursery: During 9.00 am Mass
No coffee & doughnuts this week

Monday, 25 June 2018

6.30 pm Baptism Class

Tuesday, 26 June 2018

Wednesday, 27 June 2018

5.00-6.00 pm Holy Hour &
Confessions (church)

Thursday, 28 June 2018

Friday, 29 June 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, 30 June 2018

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

Financial Report

Weekend of 16/17 June

Needed	33,800
Received	34,629
Surplus	829

Poor Box	399
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Offertory Year to Date

Needed	1,723,800
Received	1,740,436
Surplus	16,636

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.



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'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

St Mary's Office of Social Ministries

The foundation of Catholic teaching on Social Justice is our respect of all human life and the dignity to be afforded to every human person.

But what does Justice mean in this context?

We most commonly think of justice as the punishment due to a person who has done wrong, or perhaps the compensation due to a person who has been wronged. As a virtue, however, Justice can be basically understood as giving that which is rightly due to God (worship owing to His divinity) and to each individual (respect, food, shelter, clothing, medical, etc. owing to their human dignity).

While our Lord Jesus made it clear that we who are able have an obligation to care for those in need, and while the Catechism reminds us of “The duty of making oneself a neighbor to others and actively serving them...” (CCC 1932), the truth is that we who give a little of our time and talents to serve those in need receive abundantly more in return than we give. The need is great – but too often we simply don't know where the needs are or who can point us in the right direction.



The St Mary's Office of Social Ministries
is here to help guide individuals
who would like to answer our Lord's call
to serve the poor and help those in need to get back on their feet.



No matter how much time you have to offer – if you are interested in living out our Lord's call to “love one another”, please contact

Deacon John Heuser
864.679.4113
john.heuser@stmarysgvl.org

He will spend a little time with you to match your skills to where they can best be put to service in our church and our community.

Requiescat in pace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Eileen Lee 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.

The 25th Anniversary of Father Newman's Ordination to the Sacred Priesthood

Celebrate with us on
Sunday 8 July 2018

Solemn Mass at 11 am



Sung Vespers at 5 pm



Reception in Gallivan Hall
immediately after Vespers



PARISH NEWS

Collection for 23/24 June

Support of the Parish

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

Summer Liturgical Schedule Changes

No noon Mass on weekdays in July.

No Masses and the church will be closed
from 16-20 July and 23-27 July for
painting and maintenance work.

No Holy Hour and Confessions
on any Wednesday in July or on 1 August.
Regular schedule will resume on 8 August.

Summer Church Office Hours

Until 17 August

Monday - Thursday	9 am - 4 pm
Friday	9 am - 12 noon

The church office will close at
noon on Tuesday 3 July for Independence Day
and will reopen on Thursday 5 July.

Welcome Newcomers

We welcome the following new members to our parish
family: Mr & Mrs Jeffrey Soladay.

Congratulations to

Frances Curran Milk who was baptized last week.

John Michael Pereira and Payton Elizabeth Holbrook
who were married last week.

A New Education Savings Opportunity for Current and Prospective Catholic Schools Families



The 2017 Tax Cut and Jobs Act now allows families to use expanded 529 savings plans to invest funds for K12 tuition in addition to higher education expenses.

Here's what you need to know.

What is a 529 plan?

Named after section 529 of the tax code, the 529 plan is a tax-advantaged plan operated by a state or an education institution designed to encourage saving for college. The federal tax advantage is that earnings on funds contributed to 529 accounts are not federally taxed when withdrawals are used for educational purposes. As of January 1, 2018, 529 plans may be used for K-12 education tuition. For more information, visit www.futurescholar.com.

What are the tax advantages of saving money with a 529 plan?

The primary benefit of a plan is that any earnings from growth over time are tax-free if they are used to pay for qualified education expenses. Secondly, contributions to a plan may be eligible for a State income deduction depending on where you live.

Who may open a 529 plan?

Parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, godparents, and just about anyone else can give the gift of a Catholic education by opening a 529 plan for a child in their preferred state. At the age of 18, students may open plans for themselves.

Is more than one account per child permissible?

Yes! Multiple friends or family members may open separate accounts for a child or contribute to one single plan. If there is more than one child, accounts may be opened for each child.

Is there a maximum amount that can be used to pay K12 tuition?

Yes, the maximum amount that can be distributed tax-free per calendar year is \$10,000 per student, regardless of the number of 529 accounts.

I already started a 529 plan to save for my child's college expenses. Should I use that money to pay for K12 tuition?

This is an important question to discuss with your financial advisor.

How do I enroll in a 529 plan?

You may enroll directly with a State 529 plan manager or with your financial advisor. Please visit www.futurescholar.com to sign up.

Anything else I should consider?

Please consult with your financial advisor or accountant to determine the specific state requirements and select the best option for your family.

What does the Catholic Church believe regarding parental choice in education?

The Declaration on Christian Education, *Gravissimum Educationis*, proclaimed during the Second Vatican Council, neatly summarizes parental choice in education as the following: *Parents who have the primary and inalienable right and duty to educate their children must enjoy true liberty in their choice of schools.* While the expansion of 529 plans does not address all the concerns regarding inequities in our education system, it is a step in the right direction.

Contact your local tax professional or South Carolina Catholic Conference Director, Michael F. Acquilano, at (843) 261-0535 or macquilano@charlestondiocese.org for further information.

SOURCES: WWW.IRS.GOV ♦ WWW.SAVINGFORCOLLEGE.COM ♦ WWW.HOUSE.GOV





Vacation Bible School 2018 Set Sail with the Holy Trinity featuring St. Patrick

AHOY!! It was truly an amazing week – 130 children, 40 teen helpers, and 30 adult volunteers climbed on deck and weighed anchor for Ireland! On this voyage, they set sail with St. Patrick, the first Bishop missionary, and traveled with him on a quest to spread Christianity to the dangerous and an ungodly people of Ireland. They discovered the POWER of the Holy Spirit and welcomed God the Father, Son, & Holy Spirit into their hearts.

Special thanks the head leaders: Captains Kim Adams & Joann Miller; Craft Cabin Captains Jennifer Walker & Elise Teague; Bible Beacon Captain Cristina Ortiz; Faith Anchor Captains Shana Upton & Jacinta Ortiz; Gang Plank Games Captain Judy Harrington; Music & Skit Captain Hope Zinkann; Kissing Irish Nursery Captains Jessica Devine & Candice Linn; Galley Snack Captains Megan Eaton & Maureen Lesley; Craft Cabin Captains Jennifer Walker & Elise Teague. Also, thank you to our Shipmates: Craig Adams, Bruce Barnett (Our Summer Seminarian), Kay Betsch, Janet Connelly, Juli Feltes, Michelle Griffin, Kathy Foley, Rosemarie Ortiz, Jennifer Pienta, Lori Rothermich, Rich Stephens, Natalie Stewart, Beverly Stroud, Heather Vreeman, Veronica Yockey and Emilie Zimmerman, who were group leaders or assisted in countless ways!

We would also like to thank the teen volunteers, who gave their time, making VBS a huge success!!! Please know that we are grateful, and it could not have happened without you. Special thanks to the St Mary's Council of Catholic Women for their generous donation, Steve Francis from Francis Produce for the fresh fruit every day, Mike Miros at First Team Sports for helping us design the t-shirts and Lisa Watkins for providing us with the Mass booklet.

Thanks to Father Duncan & Deacon Diego Ferro for celebrating Mass with the children and their families. It was a great way to end our week!

Then to top it off the children brought change for DMT (Diocesan Missionary Team) as our service project. The children collected \$308.00.

Great job!

Have a great summer!



Private tours are available by appointment.

For more information, please contact Nelle Palms, Director of Admissions, at 864.679.4117 or nelle.palms@stmarysgvl.org.

School Summer Office Hours

Until 10 August
Monday - Thursday
9.00 am - 2.00 pm

A lot goes into keeping our school buildings beautiful and safe; most of that work takes place over the summer. Before visiting the School Office, please call ahead to ensure that it is open: 864.271.3870. Thank you for your patience.

St. Mary's Catholic School

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Daily Mass Readings

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

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, 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, Kenneth & Nancy Tessier and Kevin N. Brown.

Donations needed for The Really Good, Really Big, Really Cheap Book Sale!

Do you have books at home in new or gently-used condition that you would like to donate for a great cause? The Really Good, Really Big, Really Cheap Book Sale, Greenville Literacy Association's largest annual fund-raiser, will be held at McAlister Square on 10-12 August. A successful book sale needs tons of books – both adult and children's, fiction and non-fiction, modern and classic, hardbound and soft cover. Please place your books in the collection boxes located in Sacred Heart Hall. The boxes will be in place until 27 July.

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.

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

Caritas Counseling Services, LLC

Counseling services are available at St Mary's. Contact Dorothy Whalen by phone at 679.4122 or by email at dorothy.whalen@stmarysgvl.org.

GREENVILLE DEANERY

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC 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 8 am & 6 pm

Monday 8 am

Tuesday 6 am & 12 pm

Friday 2 pm

Saturday 12 am, 3 am & 9 pm

The Newman Connection

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.



All young adults (18-39)
are welcomed & encouraged to join
our ministry whose mission is to help
young adults answer the universal call to holiness.



Summer Theology on Tap Series Upstate Craft Beer Co.

It's the time of year! We have a great set of speakers lined up centered around the theme of Mystical Theology and Mysteries of the Faith. Arrive at 7.00 pm each week for socializing and ordering food/drink if desired, and the speakers will begin at 7.30 pm. See you there.

25 June Chris Ortiz - Angels

June 30, 2018 | CARDINAL NEWMAN SCHOOL
COLUMBIA, SC

IN HONOR OF THE FORTNIGHT FOR FREEDOM &
THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF HUMANAE VITAE

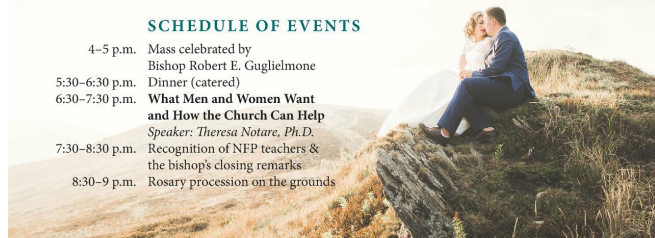
Freedom to Love as God Loves:

FREE, TOTAL, FAITHFUL AND FRUITFUL

*A celebration of our freedom to live out the teachings of
the Church and the gift of Natural Family Planning*

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 4-5 p.m. Mass celebrated by Bishop Robert E. Guglielmo
- 5:30-6:30 p.m. Dinner (catered)
- 6:30-7:30 p.m. **What Men and Women Want and How the Church Can Help**
Speaker: Theresa Notare, Ph.D.
- 7:30-8:30 p.m. Recognition of NFP teachers & the bishop's closing remarks
- 8:30-9 p.m. Rosary procession on the grounds



THERESA NOTARE, PH.D.
Assistant Director, NFP Program
Secretary of Laity, Marriage, Family Life and Youth
United States Conference of Catholic Bishops
Theresa Notare has studied in California, Rome and Washington D.C., recently completing her Ph.D. in theology at the Catholic University of America. She has written numerous articles, booklets, and brochures on NFP and marriage for the USCCB and is a popular international speaker on the topic.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Call Michelle Law at 260-341-7848.
RSVP by June 15 to familylife@charlestondiocese.org
COST is \$20/person or \$30/couple.
Free for NFP instructors.
CHECKS may be made out to Family Life Office
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