

St Mary's Catholic Church

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2 September 2018

Dear Friends in Christ,

Receiving the Sacraments without receiving the Gospel leads to superstition rather than living faith, and the Church must therefore take great care to ensure that those who receive the Sacraments also receive the Gospel in its integrity and entirety. Consequently, before Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Communion, and Marriage are administered, there must be in those who request these Sacraments clear evidence of knowledge of the Gospel and a serious intention to live the Christian life. This is the Sixth Principle of Evangelical Catholicism.

During the first three hundred years of Christianity, asking to receive a Sacrament of the New Covenant was never done lightly because during most of that time to be a Christian was to be a criminal. When practicing the Christian faith was a crime punishable by horrible penalties, no one asked to receive a Sacrament who was not prepared to live and die as a Christian. But in the middle of the fourth century, those circumstances changed dramatically, and Christianity went from being an outlaw sect to a tolerated minority to the official religion of the Empire in a few short decades. After that, being a European was almost the same thing as being a Christian, and for a thousand years and more the Church could assume that anyone who asked for a Sacrament believed in the Gospel and intended to live the Christian life. But that time has long since passed.

Today we live in an age of the "baptized pagan," meaning someone who was brought to the font as an infant but then never evangelized, never catechized, never taught the truths of the Gospel, never formed for Christian living. These poor souls now number in the tens of millions in our nation alone, and they constitute the larger part of baptized Catholics in most nations of the world. And because of the lack of Christian formation among baptized pagans, the Church must once again look to the sacramental disciplines of the first Christian centuries to shape our answer to those who ask for a Sacrament (like the Baptism of a child or Marriage) without giving any evidence of a serious intention to practice the Catholic faith by (at a bare minimum) going to Mass each Sunday.

The Sacraments are not a reward for being good Catholics; they are, rather, the means of grace that change us and give us strength to become holy. But to administer the Sacraments to those who give no evidence of faith and who do not seek to live as disciples of the Lord Jesus is a sacrilegious fraud, and this must stop. Following the Sixth Principle of Evangelical Catholicism has immediate and profound consequences for the pastoral practice of a parish, and it is here perhaps more than anywhere else that cultural, cafeteria, and casual Catholicism collide with Evangelical Catholicism. The Gospel is the power of God unto salvation for all who believe, and the Sacraments are for those who believe the Gospel.

Adult Education at St. Mary's – Fall 2018 Courses All classes begin the first week of September

Introduction to Catholicism (Wednesdays 6.30-7.30 pm)

- Instructor: T.J. Nielsen
- What is Catholicism? Is the Catholic Faith in the Bible? Did the Lord Jesus found the Catholic Church? Our course called An Introduction to Catholicism is designed to answer these and many other questions about the origins of Catholic Christianity and the shape of Christian faith and life within the Catholic Church.
- Contact T.J. Nielsen to register at timothy.nielsen@stmarysgvl.org

Knowing Jesus (Wednesdays 6.30-7.30 pm)

- Instructor: Dr. Joe Beauchemin
- Jesus once asked his disciples, "who do you say that I am?" Answering this question and discovering who Jesus is, not only gets to the heart of what it means to be a Christian but what it means to be a human being. This course will look at Jesus by examining the 4 gospels with the purpose of knowing Jesus theologically and personally.
- No Registration Required

Forming Your Moral Imagination (Tuesdays 8.30–9.30 am)

- Instructors: T.J. Nielsen and Tony Owens
- It is largely through the properly formed Imagination and the search for Beauty that we come to know and love both Truth and Goodness. Join us as we delve into the topic the Moral Imagination as exemplified in the works of great Catholic writers such as J.R.R. Tolkien, Russel Kirk and Flannery O'Connor, and see how it can serve as an enduring source of inspiration that elevates us to first principles as it guides us upwards towards virtue and wisdom and redemption.
- No Registration Required

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Contact T.J. Nielsen, Director of Christian Formation, at timothy.nielsen@stmarysgvl.org or 864.679.4114.



The Center for Evangelical Catholicism

Religious Liberty & the Public Square

a special lecture by Dr. Daniel Sundahl

"There can be no liberty for a community which lacks the means to detect lies." –Walter Lippmann

Thursday 6 September @ 6.30 pm St Mary's Catholic Church Gallivan Hall



Daniel James Sundahl is Emeritus Professor in American Studies and English at Hillsdale College where he taught for over 32 years. His graduate degrees, MA and Ph.D in United States Intellectual History, are both from the University of Utah in Salt Lake City. He and his wife have lived in Upstate, South Carolina since April 2015 and attend Prince of Peace Catholic Church.

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Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions	Meetings & Events *		Financial Report	
Sunday, 2 September 2018	Sunday, 2 September 2018		Weekend of 25/26 August	
7.30 am✤ Pauline Frainey9.00 am✤ Larry Keith Washington11.00 amPro populo1.00 pmSpanish Mass	Nursery: During 9.00 am Mass No coffee & doughnuts this week		Needed Received Surplus	34,500 38,012 3,512
Monday, 3 September 2018	Monday, 3 September 2018		Poor Box	247
Labor Day	Parish office & church closed		Offertory Year to Date	
No Mass			Needed Received Shortage	310,500 309,253 1,247
Tuesday, 4 September 2018	Tuesday, 4 September 2018		Shortage	1,217
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Wednesday, 5 September 2018	Wednesday, 5	5 September 2018	online, you can now do so	
7.00 am ✤ Ariston Jumaquio 12.00 noon ✤ Audrey Malouche	5.00-6.00 pm 6.30-7.30 pm 6.30 pm 6.30 pm	Holy Hour & Confessions (church) Religious Education Introduction to Catholicism Program of Catholic Studies (M)	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.	
Thursday, 6 September 2018	Thursday, 6 S	Thursday, 6 September 2018		
7.00 am ♣ Frank & Frances Watkins 12.00 noon ♣ Mildred Tully	6.30 pm	Dr Daniel Sundahl lecture (G)		
Friday, 7 September 2018	Friday, 7 Sep	Friday, 7 September 2018		<u>book</u>
7.00 am Living & Deceased Member /Griffiths & Nielsen Familie	s 6.30-8.00 am 10.00 am	Morning Prayer (church) Pillars of Christ Scripture Study Class Youth Choir Practice		Facebook at tholic Church
Saturday, 8 September 2018 Saturday, 8 September 2018				
5.00 pm Brother Augustine Wilmeth	8.00-9.00 am 3.30-4.30 pm	abortion clinic	Visit us on	the web at
G - Gallivan Hall M - McGrady Hall P - Pazdan Hall Dining Room		n Sacred Heart Hall ation is listed.	www.stma	

St Mary 's Catholic Church Meeting for Men

Masculine headship is an essential dimension of Christian faith and life in the family and in the Church. But how is masculine leadership actually accomplished? Join the men of St Mary's on Tuesday 25 September at 7.00 pm in Gallivan Hall to discuss the challenge of being men of God.



25 September 7.00 pm Gallivan Hall



The Center for Evangelical Catholicism

presents

Social Justice Isn't What You Think It Is



21-22 September 2018 - Greenville, South Carolina

Featuring Speakers

Fr. Raymond de Souza Priest, Chaplain and Commentator

Philip G. Nielsen Director of Research for the CEC

Dr. Jay W. Richards Author and Assistant Research Professor of Business & Economics at Catholic University of America

Dr. Nathan Schlueter Professor of Philosophy and Religion at Hillsdale College

Join us to hear top scholars explain the social doctrine of the Catholic Church and help us understand both what social justice is and is not.

\$75 per person

contintential breakfast & light lunch included Saturday

register online at www.evangelicalcatholicism.com

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE All events are in Gallivan Hall unless a location is listed.

FRIDAY, 21 SEPTEMBER

6.00-6.30 pm - Registration

6.30-6.45 pm - Welcome & Invocation by Fr Jay Scott Newman

6.45 pm - *The Catholic Option: Reclaiming Catholic Social Teaching* by Dr Nathan Schlueter

8.00 pm - *Myths Christians Believe About Wealth and Poverty* by Dr Jay W. Richards

9.15-9.45 pm - Venture Fidelis by Timothy Nielsen

SATURDAY 22 SEPTEMBER

7.30-8.00 am - Mass (Church)

8.00 am - Coffee and Pastries

8.30 am - *The Role of the Family and the Conservative Heart of Catholic Social Teaching* by Philip Nielsen

9.45 am - *Catholic Social Teaching: A Historical Survey* by Fr Raymond de Souza

11.00 am - *How Should Catholics think about Environmental Stewardship and Climate Change?* by Dr Jay Richards

12.15 pm - Lunch (Pazdan Hall)

1.00 pm - *Social Justice Isn't What you Think It Is* by Dr Nathan Schlueter

2.15 pm - *The September Speeches of Benedict XVI* by Fr Raymond de Souza

3.30 pm - Moderated Roundtable

4.30 pm - Conference Close

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, Kevin N. Brown, Arthur & Patricia O'Leary and Robert Brown.

Friday Morning Bible Study

The Friday Morning Scripture Study Group will begin a Catholic Scripture Study of St Paul's Letter to the Romans. This 28-week study will start on 7 September. All are welcome. If you wish to take part, please contact Sue Prevost at 288.6649 or sbkprevost@gmail.com.

Women of Grace Bible Study

The Women of Grace Bible study will resume on 16 September with a study of the Book of Revelation from Ascension Press. New and returning members are welcome to attend. The study meets from 6.00 - 8.00 pm in Sacred Heart Hall on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month and includes the Rosary, small group sharing and Scripture study. Please contact Wiletta Pennington at wbpennington8284@yahoo.com or Dorothy Whalen at dorothy.whalen@stmarysgvl.org or 864.363.4483.

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.

Spiritual Direction Available

Spiritual Direction is an ancient practice in the Church to assist Catholics in deepening their interior life, and Spring Hill College in Alabama is training several people in the Upstate to serve as spiritual directors. If you are interested in working with a spiritual director, then before the end of August please send a note to Deacon Tom Whalen at thomas.whalen@stmarysgvl.org.

PARISH NEWS

Collection for 1/2 September

Support of the Parish

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

Labor Day

The church & church office will be closed on Monday 3 September for Labor Day.

The 7.00 am Mass will not be celebrated.

Welcome Newcomers

We welcome the following new member to our parish family: Mr & Mrs Christopher DeMont, Ms Tara Sowizral, Ms Joan Vallar and Mr Neelkanth Patel.

Cub Scouts

Cub Scouts is open to all children in 1st -5th grades. Please RSVP or request information by emailing BSAPack521@gmail.com. Pack 521 is the parish and school Cub Scout pack and represents an excellent way to get further involved in the parish community.

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.



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

9, 23 & 30 September



Saint Mary's Catholic Church Basketball Program 2018/2019

Player & Coach registration forms are available on the parish website:

Church League Basketball Program

AGE/DIVISIONS

Seniors	9 th -12 th Grade Girls/Boys
Men's Adult League	
Women's Adult League	e18 and Over

IMPORTANT DATES

September 21, 2018 Player Registration Deadline Sept 24-Oct 5, 2018 Participants will be placed on selected teams according to the Athletic Director October 6-15, 2018 Coaches will make contact with players about team selection and practice times October 21, 2018 Week of first practices can begin October 29, 2018 The week the league releases game schedules November 1, 2018 Regular season begins for ADULTS November 10, 2018 Regular season begins for IMITES, MITES, MIDGETS, and JUNIORS November 12, 2018 Regular season begins for SENIORS January 7, 2019 Second half of season begins for SENIORS January 3, 2019 Second half of season begins for ADULTS January 5, 2019 Second half of season begins for IMITES, MITES, MIDGETS, and JUNIORS

REGISTRATION FEES

- \$75.00 Per player
- \$150.00 2 Players in the family
- \$225.00 –3 Players in family
- \$ 50.00 Per player for Men's and Women's Leagues –Please contact Brett Myers at <u>BMyers@southeasternproducts.com</u> for Men's league

\$10.00 Late Registration (after Oct 2.) Submit forms first- Cannot guarantee spot. Once the player is placed on roster, payment will be accepted.

\$50.00 -Out of Parish Fee Per Participant

Parish Information: Due to the rules of the CLBBY, if a participant is not a registered active member of St. Mary's Catholic Church of Greenville, then the participant is only eligible to play with St. Mary's if the participant's church or parish does not have a church league team or if the participant's church or parish does have a team and releases the participant to play with a St. Mary's team. There will be a \$50.00 fee for each participant that is out of parish.

CLBBY

St. Mary's Church participates in the Church League Youth Basketball League (CLBBY) better known as the Downtown League. They have a website that will host all the schedules, game reports, gym addresses, and much more. The website is <u>www.CLBBY.org</u>

INTERESTED IN COACHING?

If you are interested in getting involved this year by coaching or being an assistant coach, please email Megan Soulsby at Megan.Soulsby@stmarysgvl.org

Holy Hour at St Rafka

On Sunday, 2 September at 3 pm, Saint Rafka Maronite Catholic Church will offer a Holy Hour with prayers for the Church in this time of crisis. The Holy Hour will include Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Chaplet of Mercy, Evening Prayer, and prayers for the Church, concluding with Benediction. This is the time for faithful Catholics to come together to pray and ask God's healing and Grace upon the Church. Saint Rafka Maronite Catholic Church is located at 1215 South Highway 14 in Greer. More information at www.saintrafka.org or 864.469.9119.

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

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.

St Mary's Safe Environment

St Mary's is committed to ensuring that all programs are conducted in a safe environment. <u>Prior to serving as a</u> <u>volunteer with children at the parish, all individuals must</u>:

- Complete the Safe Haven online course and submit a Certificate of Completion. Virtus certificates are no longer accepted; all volunteers for the church and school must have a Safe Haven course certificate on file. Register at http://charleston.CMGConnect.org. (required for both new & returning volunteers)

- Complete Background Screening Forms
- Read & Sign the Diocesan Code of Conduct
- Read & Sign the Diocesan Abuse Policy
- Complete the credit and/or driver screens (if applicable)

If you have any questions, contact our Safe Environment Coordinator Lisa Watkins at lisa.watkins@stmarysgvl.org.

Daily Mass Readings

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



These iconic words introduce the first and most controversial book of the Old Testament Scriptures. Do you know what the Church teaches about the creation account and the early accounts of God's people?

Come and find out by joining the Bible Study on Genesis beginning on Sunday, September 9th In Sacred Heart Hall • Second Floor 9am - 10am with Dr. Joe Beauchemin

COME AND SEE - LAY DOMINICANS

Almost since its beginning, the laity has been in ministry and fully incorporated into the Dominican Order. They are lay man and women from every walk of life, living out their Baptismal promise through the ministry founded by St Dominic.

If you would like to learn more about the life and charism of Lay Dominicans and how they share in the apostolic mission of the Dominican Order through the Four Pillars: Prayer, Study, Community and Apostolic Preaching, join us on Sunday, 23 September at 3.00 pm at St Mary's Church in Sacred Heart Hall (upstairs). For additional information you may contact Linda Head, OP at 864.268.0746.

> "Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire." - St. Catherine of Siena

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education Grades 1-8

Classes meet on Wednesday 6.30-7.30 pm

No registration taken 3-6 September. If not registered before these dates, you will have to wait until after the first class.

Sunday Mornings for 3 & 4 Year Olds

Sunday school class starting 9 September for 3 & 4 year olds whose birthdates fall between 1 June 2014 - 1 June 2015. Class meets on Sundays during the 9.00 am Mass. This is only for families attending the 9.00 am Mass. Space is limited. Registration forms are available on the Religious Education page in the Catechesis section of our website at www.stmarysgvl.org.

Confirmation Meeting for Students & Parents with Fr Newman

Father Newman will meet with students and parents preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation on Wednesday 19 September from 6.30–7.30 pm in Gallivan Hall. **This meeting is mandatory.**

Family Honor

St Joseph's Catholic School, St Mary's Catholic Church and Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church will be hosting **Real Love & Real Life**, a truly unique chastity program presented by Family Honor, Inc, for parents and teens in 7th and 8th grade at St Joseph's. The program is designed to bring parents and their teens together to discuss life's most important issues, with a special emphasis on chastity and God's gift of sexuality.

It will be held on Monday, 24 September, 1 October and 8 October from 6.45-9.00 pm. Deadline for registering is 10 September. Space is limited so register online soon at FamilyHonor.org. There is a registration fee of \$45 for the program, which can be paid upon checking in at the first session. Scholarships may also be available.

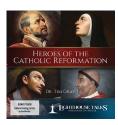
Prayer Chain Ministry

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.

Lighthouse Catholic Media

Heroes of the Catholic Reformation

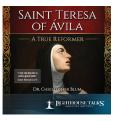
Dr Tim Gray provides insights about the Protestant Reformation and the ensuing Catholic Counter Reformation. He discusses how holy men and women worked from within the Church, as they do in every age, to bring forth muchneeded reform. Hear how necessary



changes were brought about by holy heroes such as Giles of Viterbo, St. Ignatius of Loyola, St. Teresa of Ávila, St. Charles Borromeo, and others.

Heroes of the Catholic Reformation

Dr Christopher Blum unfolds the life of St Teresa of Ávila and her important role in the Catholic Reformation. He shares how, after having already been a nun for twenty years, she had a radical transformation in her own life and then went on to become one of the most



powerful forces for bringing about conversion and positive change in the history of the Church. Listen and learn about this Mystic, Doctor of the Church, and True Reformer.

www.LighthouseCatholicMedia.org

Catholic Radio Radiothon 27 & 28 September

The theme is "Our Lady of Good Help," in honor of the Shrine in Champion, Wisconsin dedicated to the first and only Marian Apparition in the United States approved by the Catholic Church. In 1859, Our Lady told Adele Brise to, "Gather the children in this wild country and teach them what they should know for salvation." Adele devoted the rest of her life to this task. Catholic Radio in SC will present her story and establishment of the Shrine. Please listen to this special broadcast on WCKI 1300 AM Greer, WLTQ through the TuneIn App (search for wcki), or on our website: CatholicRadioInSC.com.

GREENVILLE DEANERY & OTHER NEWS

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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

Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. (Matthew 11.28) Contact Lisa Buss at adoration@princeofpeacetaylors.org or 864.508.7123.

Monday 12 pm or 11 pm Wednesday 11 am



For programming information, visit CatholicRadioinSC.com.

Pro-Life Events

National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children

Saturday, 8 September at 9.15 am St Mary Magdalene Catholic Church in Simpsonville

1st Annual SC Life Conference

Saturday, 8 September from 9.30 am – 3.30 pm Community Chapel of Greenville 1636 Bethel Road, Simpsonville For information: visit http://greenvilleforlife.com/sc-life-conference/

St Vincent de Paul Walk/Run

The Friends of the Poor Walk/Run benefiting local chapters of the Society of St Vincent de Paul will be held at St Joseph Catholic School on Saturday, 22 September with 9 am registration and 10 am event. All proceeds and donations from the event will directly benefit the people in the Greenville County served by SVdP, and there are no administrative fees associated with the event. Anyone interested in learning more, participating, or making a pledge, visit www.fopwalk.org/event/2164.

Catholic Young Adults

21-23 September: Young Adult Leadership Training at White Oak Conference Center in Winnsboro, SC. Sessions on Discipleship, Sharing Your Witness, and Spiritual Multiplication. Private Room (\$45) / Shared Room (\$30).

9-11 November: *Footsteps of Paul* Fall Retreat with Doug Tooke at Diakonia Retreat Center in Salem, SC. Private Room (\$145) / Shared Room (\$80).

More information and registration at CatholicYoungAdultsofSC.com



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