



St Mary's Catholic Church



Greenville, South Carolina

5 September 2021

Dear Friends in Christ,

Given the pestilence, political incoherence, and geopolitical chaos in which we are now living, some Catholics may wish that they could withdraw from the world, but such withdrawal is not the Catholic way. Consider, for comparison, the Amish, who are famous for their separation from their neighbors: they will not use modern technology, their clothing has not changed in 300 years, they cease formal schooling after the 8th grade, they refuse to serve in the armed forces, they will not participate in Social Security or purchase medical insurance, and so forth. But such a way of life is not required by the Gospel, and in some ways it is contrary to the Gospel, which is why Catholics cannot live like the Amish.

Christians do not wear distinctive clothing. We do not fear technology or reject the benefits of modern medicine like vaccines. We do not separate ourselves in politics, commerce, education, military service, or civic responsibility from those who do not share our faith. And we do not do these things because to do so would make it impossible for us to fulfill the Great Commission: "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and behold, I am with you always, to the close of the age." (Matthew 28.18-20) We are called to be salt and light in the world, not to hide behind a barricade for fear that we will be polluted.

The impulse to flee from "the world" is, of course, also a part of Christianity, if by "the world" we mean that part of the created order (starting inside of us) which is in rebellion against God. For this reason, religious life has been with us since Christian antiquity, and all Christians need a deep formation for genuine holiness of life. But that is not the same as the Amish refusal to live in the world, something that Catholics cannot accept as compatible with Christian discipleship. The Letter to Diognetus, written in the 2nd century when the violent persecution of Christians was still common, explains it thus: "Christians are indistinguishable from other men either by nationality, language or customs. They do not inhabit separate cities of their own, or speak a strange dialect, or follow some outlandish way of life... With regard to dress, food and manner of life in general, they follow the customs of whatever city they happen to be living in, whether it is Greek or foreign. And yet there is something extraordinary about their lives. They live in their own countries as though they were only passing through. They play their full role as citizens, but labor under all the disabilities of aliens. Any country can be their homeland, but for them their homeland, wherever it may be, is a foreign country. Like others, they marry and have children, but they do not expose them. They share their meals, but not their wives. They live in the flesh, but they are not governed by the desires of the flesh. They pass their days upon earth, but they are citizens of heaven... To speak in general terms, we may say that the Christian is to the world what the soul is to the body."

Are we living as the "soul of the world"?

Father Newman

Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sunday 5 September

7.30 am ✕ Barbara A Sanfilippo
 9.00 am ✕ Mildred Tully
 11.00 am Pro populo
 1.00 pm Spanish Mass

Monday 6 September

**Labor Day - No Mass / Church Closed
 All Day**

Tuesday 7 September

7.00 am ✕ Frank & Frances Watkins

Wednesday 8 September

7.00 am ✕ The Norungolo Family

Thursday 9 September

7.00 am ✕ Living & Deceased Griffiths
 & Nielsen Families

Friday 10 September

7.00 am ✕ Emily Rose Gomes

Saturday 11 September

5.00 pm ✕ Charles 'Chuck'
 Francis Gaschler

Meetings & Events *

Sunday 5 September

Nursery: During 9.00 am Mass
 11.00 am Spanish Bible Class (M)

Monday 6 September

Labor Day - Parish Office Closed

Tuesday 7 September

7.00 pm Spanish Bible Class (G)

Wednesday 8 September

7.30 am SMS Mom's Bible Study
 9.30 am Wednesday Morning Bible Study
 5.00-6.00 pm Holy Hour &
 Confessions (church)
 6.30 pm Introduction to Catholicism
 6.30 pm Religious Education

Thursday 9 September

7.00 pm Spanish Adoration

Friday 10 September

5.30-6.30 am Pillars of Christ (early group)
 6.30-6.45 am Morning Prayer (Lauds)
 7.30-8.30 am Pillars of Christ (late group)
 10.00 am Friday Morning Bible Study
 7.00 pm Spanish Rosary Gathering

Saturday 11 September

8.00-9.00 am Rosary - Grove Rd
 abortion clinic
 3.30-4.30 pm Confessions (church)
 All Ministries Fair: After 5.00 pm Mass (gym)

Financial Report

Weekend of 28/29 August

Needed	36,625
Received	36,350
Shortage	- 275

Poor Box	226
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Offertory Year to Date

Needed	329,625
Received	337,209
Surplus	+ 7,584

Electronic Giving: If you want to have direct management of your Electronic Fund Transfer online, you can now do so through the "Make a Gift" 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.

Forward in Faith Capital Campaign \$7 Million to Raise 2019 to 2023

Donations Received	3,709,394
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Pledge Balance	886,933
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Still to Go	2,403,673
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G - Gallivan Hall M - McGrady Hall
 P - Pazdan Hall

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

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, Michael Pinto, Joseph & Sandy Srp, Marie-Therese Isidore, Carlton Carpenter, Jim Barber, Mauren Lukovic, Christine Tancrell, Celsea Patry, John Tyler, Hunter Conant, Lori Wylie, Kenneth & Nancy Tessier, Patricia O'Leary, Robert Brown, Juliet Roy, Chris Papademitriou, Jeannine Harvey, Ellen Plowden, Mary Stillmock, Shelby Gaschler, James Smith, Anna Deehan, Nancy Laliberty, Julie Birello, Fr Louis Marie Leonelli, Amal Long, Marilyn Postell, Sofia Alvarez, Marilyn Gleaton, Ann Howard, Carl Lee Cooke, Rose Cain, Joseph M Pazdan, Konta & Laman Patel, Timothy Potocki and Mary Jo Falkosky.

Requiescat in pace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Jennifer Kenway (daughter of Tony & Sherry Perkins, sister of Sarah Perkins) 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.

Sunday Nursery

The Sunday nursery is now open for families of children ages 6 months to 3rd birthday during the 9.00 am Mass. The nursery is located in the 3 year old classroom in Sacred Heart Hall. Contact Amy David at amy.david@stmarysgvl.org with questions.

Congratulations to

Kate Becca Blakeley who was baptized last weekend.

Welcome Newcomers

We welcome the following new members to our parish family: Sergio & Veronica Lopez, William & Charlotte Moore, Allie Miros, and Evans & Melonie Tindal.

PARISH NEWS

Collection for 4/5 September

Bishop's Annual Appeal
Support of the Parish

*St Mary's is sustained by the
generosity of our parishioners.*

Parish Office Closure

The parish office and church will be closed on Monday 6 September for the Labor Day holiday. No Mass will be celebrated.



Women of Grace Bible Study

Women of Grace Bible Study will resume on Sunday 3 October at 6.00 pm in Sacred Heart Hall and will meet on the first and third Sunday thereafter. We will continue studying *The Bible Timeline* by Jeff Cavins. For details, please contact Dorothy Whalen at 864.363.4483 or littledotw@aol.com.

JOIN SAINT MARY'S CHOIR



A Feast Day will be appointed in your honor.

Contact the Choirmaster at arlen.clarke@stmarysgvl.org for details.

St Mary's School Job Opening for the 2021 - 2022 School Year

St Mary's School is accepting applications for a **part-time or full-time K3 teaching assistant**. The ideal candidate would be a practicing Catholic with prior experience working with children. Candidates must be able to work well with children, accept supervision and guidance from the lead teacher, and possess the enthusiasm and energy necessary to help young students thrive. This position is paid hourly and no teaching license or certification is necessary.

Please email cover letter, resume, and references to principal@stmarysgvl.org by Friday 17 September.

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

The Center for Evangelical Catholicism
presents

Baptized at Birth?

Catholicism and the American Founding



Saturday 9 October 2021

8.00 am to 12 Noon

St Mary's Catholic Church
Greenville, SC

Featuring

Fr Jay Scott Newman | Robert R. Reilly | Dr Benjamin Storey
St Mary's Catholic Church Westminster Institute Furman University

Was America founded on the false principles of the enlightenment
or did the founding fathers build better than they knew?

Are our cultural maladies simply the fruits from the original poisoned tree
or are they a perversion of sound principles deeply rooted in
the Catholic intellectual tradition?

Come and learn the answers to these pressing questions and much more
at the Center for Evangelical Catholicism's 5th Annual Conference.

\$25 per person | register online at www.evangelicalcatholicism.com

St Mary's Council of Catholic Women

September Meeting

All women of the parish are invited to join us for our first council meeting on Tuesday 14 September at 10.00 am in the Msgr Gwynn Room (first floor of Sacred Heart Hall). We will begin by praying the rosary followed by our meeting and refreshments. Come and find out who we are, what we have planned for 2021-2022 and how you can be a part of our organization.

Pillars of Christ Men's Ministry

Pillars of Christ small group men's ministry meets in person every Friday throughout the year. The early group meets at 5.30 am and the late group meets at 7.30 am. The ministry is focused on helping men to live out their vocation as Catholic Christian men in every aspect of their lives, be it home, work, church, or social. By it, men develop and grow in their personal relationship with Christ, His Church, and with other like minded men so as to be equipped in the battle against the temptations and immoral structures that surround us. We take as our foundation the Proverb: "As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another." If you are interested in joining our ministry, please contact Robert Sullivan (early group) at rcsulli42@gmail.com or 864.561.9600 or Mike Munafa (late group) at mmunafa1950@gmail.com or 864.313.5356.



OCTOBER 1-2, 2021

St. Mary's Catholic Church in Downtown Greenville

St. Mary's has been partnering with **Project Host** for over 20 years to fight food insecurity in the greater Greenville area. This year we continue that long tradition by hosting their annual BBQ Cook-off & Festival on our church grounds. This annual festival helps raise funds for Project Host to continue their programs of feeding the hungry, training and educating the un- and underemployed in their CC Pearce Culinary School and bakery, and bringing food to low-income neighborhoods with their *HostMobile* food truck. All are invited to take part in this fun way to share the graces we have been blessed with. Please click on the links below for more information about attending or participating in this worthwhile event.



Become a Sponsor



Attend the Event



Register to Cook



Volunteer



St Mary's Religious Education



FOR MORE INFORMATION

Contact Linda Jackson

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864.679.4110

Religious Education Registration Grades 1-8

(First Class and Parent Meeting is this week on 8 September)

Classes for grades 1- 8 meet every Wednesday 6.30pm – 7.30pm with a parent meeting the **second** Wednesday of the Month.

Sunday Mornings for 3 & 4 Year Olds

(First Class is 12 September 2021 during the 9.00 am Mass)

Classes for those registered for Sunday Morning Preschool meet each Sunday during the 9.00 am Mass in the 4 year old classroom in Sacred Heart Hall. Your child must be registered. Space is limited and there are still some spots left. **Preschool Registration**

Confirmation Students Reminder. Confirmation fees and picture orders and payment are due Wednesday, 8 September.

Adult Christian Formation Classes

An Introduction to Catholicism

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.

The classes meet on Wednesday evenings from 6.30 to 7.30 pm from Labor Day through Easter, and all are invited to come and discover what it means to be a disciple of the Lord Jesus in His holy Catholic Church

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Contact T.J. Nielsen

timothy.nielsen@stmarysgvl.org or 864.679.4114.

6 Week Class on Galatians

St. Paul's letter to the Galatians is St. Paul's most passionate defense of the Gospel. Come see why see why St. Paul considered a little compromise to Jewish and Christian religious practice much more dangerous than Roman swords. In six classes we will look in detail at one of St. Paul's most impassioned epistles.

This class meets on Wednesday evenings from 6.30 to 7.30 pm in McGrady Hall (the Undercroft of the Church), beginning on 15 September and lasting until 20 October.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Contact Joe Beauchemin

josephbeauchemin@hotmail.com

Our Lady's Pantry Volunteer Opportunities



*For I was hungry, and you gave me to eat;
I was thirsty, and you gave me to drink...
Amen I say to you, as long as you did it to
one of these my least brethren, you did it to
me. ~Matthew 25. 35,39*

Volunteers Needed

Active and On-Call Pantry Volunteers: Catholic Charities is seeking dedicated volunteers to help in Our Lady's Pantry, a ministry that serves those in need by providing them with an emergency food supply. Volunteer assistance is needed in regards to greeting/check-in, personal shoppers, stocking, data entry, and food-bank shoppers. There is also a demand for volunteers with Spanish/English language skills. Our temporary operating schedule is **Monday - Tuesday from 8:30 - 3:30 and Friday from 8:30 - 2:30**. We plan to serve clients at least 2 days each week. Below is a summarized list of available roles.

Volunteer Roles:

Greeters welcome clients at the door and walk them through the check-in process. Greeters should be especially welcoming and representative of our Christian values.

Personal shoppers accompany and assist clients as they shop in the food pantry.

Stockers are responsible for our food inventory. This includes unloading the truck when it brings new food in from the food bank, and also maintaining the storage area.

Data-entry volunteers enter client/volunteer data into an online database. Being comfortable and proficient with using a computer is required for this role.

Food bank shoppers keep track of what items the pantry needs, and shops for those items at the foodbank.

Spanish/English interpreters help communicate with non-English speaking clients. Spanish language skills are also welcome in all volunteer roles.

If you are interested in volunteering then please email Jake Walker at jake.walker@charlestandiocese.org or call 864.720.2396. Our Lady's Pantry is located at 2300 Old Buncombe Rd, Greenville, SC.

Sunday Morning Bible Study

The Sunday Morning Bible Study will start again on Sunday 19 September at 9.00 am in the Msgr Gwynn Room of Sacred Heart Hall. We will be doing an in-depth review of the Gospel of John. If you have any question please contact Joe Beauchemin at josephbeauchemin@hotmail.com.

St Mary's School - AmazonSmile

Sign into your Amazon account, and select St Mary's Catholic School as your organization of choice. Amazon will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products. you use the same account on Amazon.com and AmazonSmile.

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/57-0426237>

Spiritual Direction

St Mary's has two certified Catholic Spiritual Directors available for individual spiritual direction. Contact Deacon Tom Whalen at thomas.whelen@stmarysgvl.org.



ELECTION OF A BISHOP *prayer*

**O God, eternal shepherd,
who govern your flock
with unfailing care,
grant in your
boundless fatherly love
a pastor for your Church
who will please you
by his holiness and
show us watchful care.**

**Through our
Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Saint Mary's



 **ALL** 

MINISTRIES



FAIR

SEPT 11 & 12

Baum Center

◆ After All Masses ◆

Offertory Envelopes and the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Marriage



If you no longer receive weekly stewardship envelopes in the mail, you may have been marked as **Inactive** within our parishioner database. No matter how often you come to Mass at St Mary's, you are not considered an **Active** member of the parish unless you are registered here, attending Mass here each Sunday, and using the stewardship envelopes to fulfill two separate purposes: a) making your offertory contributions and other gifts, and b) establishing an attendance record.

Active member status in our database is essential for requesting the following:

- ◆ Parishioner tuition in the school
- ◆ Endorsement to serve as a sacramental sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation
- ◆ Baptism, Confirmation, or Marriage (for oneself or for one's children, either here at St Mary's or in another parish)

If you use electronic transfer to make your offertory contribution and other gifts, simply check the box for EFT on the empty envelope and then drop it in the collection plate. All envelopes in the collection are recorded in our parish database.

Once six months elapses without any envelopes or online donations received, the account is marked as **Inactive** and envelopes are no longer distributed. To begin receiving stewardship envelopes again, please email Sarah Perkins at sarah.perkins@stmarysgvl.org

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. For questions, contact T.J. Nielsen at 864.679.4114 or timothy.nielsen@stmarysgvl.org.

Formed.org

Online resources are available to every member of our parish including books, movies, podcasts and more. Register at <https://formed.org> using our parish code: **8B7VRM**.

Church Donation Information

EFT Donation

St Mary's offers Electronic Funds Transfer through the parish website as a way to automate your regular weekly offertory donation.

EFT donation options:

Direct Debit Donation - automatically transfer funds from your checking or savings account.

Credit & Debit Card Donation - make offerings automatically on a pre-determined schedule using a credit or debit card.

Visit the 'Make a Gift' link on the homepage of our parish website.

Mail-In Donation

Contributions can be mailed to the parish office:

St Mary's Catholic Church
111 Hampton Avenue
Greenville, SC 29601

Thank you for your generosity and support.



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.*

<https://charlestdiocese.org/vocations>



Young Adult Fall Retreat

Please join the young adult Catholic fall retreat for a weekend of prayer, rest, and fellowship from 22-24 October at Diakonia Retreat Center in Salem, SC. The retreat cost is \$80 for a shared room or \$145 for a private room. Registration closes on 15 October. Visit <https://charlestandiocese.configio.com/pd/134/young-adult-fall-retreat-2021> for more information or contact Cara Lawley at clawley@charlestandiocese.org or 843.670.2586.

Heal Our Lands Holy Hours

A Holy Hour for healing of our nation is at Our Lady of the Rosary (3710 Augusta Rd, Greenville) every Thursday at 7 pm through 7 October, the 450th anniversary of Lepanto. This Holy Hour initiative was started in Wisconsin by Fr Heilman and his Grace Force to pray for God's mercy and intervention in our current times. For more information on the Holy Hours, visit <https://usgraceforce.com/want-to-change-history-join-heavens-army-every-thursday-may-13-to-october-7/>.

Natural Family Planning Class

Register for September introductory sessions by email.

Virtual Sessions

Thursday 9 September at 7.00 pm
lexiesawonik@gmail.com

Thursday 16 September at 6.30 pm
janellenapro@gmail.com

In-Person Session

Wednesday 8 September at 6.30 pm
at St Joseph Catholic Church (Columbia).

Email naprogal@gmail.com or register online at <https://www.stjosephcolumbia.org/natural-family-planning>

PERPETUAL EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Prince of Peace

"Great is the LORD and worthy of much praise, whose grandeur is beyond understanding." Ps 145. 3

To share a Holy hour with the Lord, contact Lisa Buss at adoration@princeofpeacetaylors.org or 864.508.7123. All hours are available for adoption, but please consider one of the following hours of need (*urgent open hour!):

Sunday 12 pm*

Monday 9 am

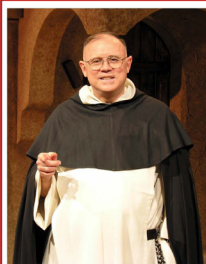
Tuesday 12 am*, 10 am* & 1 pm*

Thursday 5 pm* & 8 pm*

Friday 8 am* & 5 pm

Saturday 10 am & 7 pm

grace4healing@gmail.com or familylife@charlestandiocese.org', and 'Call Kathy: 803.547.5063'."/>



PARISH MISSION Fr. Brian Mullady, OP OCT 25 - OCT 28, 2021

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH
1200 CORNELIA ROAD
ANDERSON, SC 29621
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Fr. Brian Thomas Becket Mullady entered the Dominican Order in 1966 and was ordained in 1972. He has a Doctorate in Sacred Theology (STD) from the Angelicum University in Rome, Italy and was professor there for six years. He is currently a mission preacher and retreat master for the Western Dominican Province. He is the author of nine books, numerous articles, and writes for *Homiletic and Pastoral Review* and is the theological consultant for *The Institute for Religious Life*. He is a Missionary of Mercy appointed by Pope Francis. He also has had many programs on EWTN and currently has a weekly radio show on the EWTN radio network.

MISSION SCHEDULE

Monday	Oct 25	Grace and the Universal Church
	9:15 AM	Morning Session
	5:30 PM	Mass
	7:00 PM	Evening Session
	8:00 PM	Confession - Fr. Mullady
Tuesday	Oct 26	Detachment
	9:15 AM	Morning Session
	5:30 PM	Mass
	7:00 PM	Evening Session
	8:00 PM	Confessions - Fr. Mullady
Wednesday	Oct 27	The Dark Nights
	8:30 AM	Mass
	9:15 AM	Morning Session
	9:15 AM	Confessions until 10:15 AM - Fr. Gillespie
	10:15 AM	Adoration until 5:00 PM
	7:00 PM	Evening Session
	8:00 PM	Confessions
Thursday	Oct 28	Spiritual Fulfillment
	9:15 AM	Morning Session
	5:30 PM	Mass
	7:00 PM	Evening Session
	8:00 PM	Confessions - Fr. Mullady

Free Will Offerings Are Gratefully Accepted

Job Opening

St Joseph Catholic Church in Anderson has an open position for a Youth Group and Young Adult and Family Director. SJCC is looking to hire an energetic, faithful Catholic to lead our ministry. Please contact Jan Heithaus at 864.225.5341 for more information or send your resume to jan.heithaus@sjccs.net.

Engaged Encounter Weekend Retreats

St Mary Magdalene (Simpsonville):

13-14 November

St Michael (Myrtle Beach):

9-10 October

Register at <https://southcarolina.engagedencounter.com>

Daily Mass Readings

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



SATURDAY NIGHT LIFE

Dignity of the Human Person
Being Pro-Life Today

OCTOBER 16, 2021 || 6PM-9:30PM

Prince of Peace Catholic Church
Parish Activities Center (PAC)
1209 Brushy Creek Road || Taylors, SC 29687

\$12 at the door or join us via LIVESTREAM
<https://upstateteenlifesc.wixsite.com/upstatesnl>

INFO: upstatescteenlifefest@gmail.com



CDC GUIDELINES WILL BE FOLLOWED

*Hand sanitizer at front tables
*Socially distanced chairs 6 ft. apart
*Masks required

9th Marian Eucharistic Conference / Hilton Hotel, Greenville Friday, Oct. 22 - Saturday, Oct. 23, 2021



Fr. Glenn Sedona, CFR

Sr. Brieg McKenna, OSC

Fr. Jeffrey Kirby

Matthew Leonard

Fr. Donald Calloway, MIC



For more information, please call (864)354-7160 or go to www.meconferencesc.net

Marian Eucharistic Conference

The 9th Marian Eucharistic Conference will be held on Friday 22 October and Saturday 23 October at the Hilton Hotel in Greenville. Featured Speakers include Fr Donald Calloway; Fr Glenn Sedona, CFR, Exorcist; Matthew Leonard; Sr Brieg McKenna; Fr Jeffrey Kirby. Register by 12 October by mail. General admission is \$85, youth is \$50, and it includes a light dinner on Friday and a buffet lunch on Saturday. We offer gluten free meals. Registration after 12 October is \$95. For more information visit <https://meconferencesc.net> or call 864.354.7160.

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