

St Mary's Catholic Church

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Greenville, South Carolina

23 January 2022

Dear Friends in Christ,

This Tuesday, 25 January, is the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul, the Church's annual celebration of the day when Saul of Tarsus met the Lord Jesus on the Damascus Road — an event that changed Saul's life and the history of the world. 25 January is also each year the final day in a Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, an observance that begins on 18 January, the date in the old liturgical calendar which was the Feast of the Chair of St. Peter. So, the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity was devised to run between the twin feasts of the symbol of Peter's authority to teach and Paul's conversion to Christ, and this placement in the liturgical calendar shows us how Christian unity is to be found: through continuing conversion to the truth of the Gospel proclaimed authentically and authoritatively by the apostolic office of the Church.

In praying for Christian unity, we are asking God to restore full ecclesial communion to our separated brethren (both Orthodox and Protestant) in the one, true Church. But the restoration of that unity will be a worldhistorical event brought about only by the action of the Holy Spirit, and there is little that any of us can do to contribute directly to that lofty goal. There is, however, another dimension of Christian unity to which we can contribute personally, and it is both utterly simple and extremely difficult: we can each live in full communion with the Lord Jesus and his holy Church and do our best to show others how to do the same. This we do by radical conversion, deep fidelity, joyful discipleship, and courageous evangelism.

+ Do I believe and profess everything the holy Catholic Church believes, teaches and proclaims to be revealed by God? Do I believe that the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testament are inspired by God and contain no errors in matters of faith and morals? Do I believe that the Catechism of the Catholic Church is an authentic compendium of the saving doctrine of the Lord Jesus and a faithful statement of Catholic teaching in full keeping with Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition? Do I surrender my intellect and will in the obedience of faith to the Gospel transmitted in and by the Catholic Church?

+ Do I live according to the saving truth of the Gospel? Do I attend Mass every Sunday and holy day of obligation? Do I confess my sins regularly in the Sacrament of Penance? Do I bear witness to Christ by my manner of life and my behavior, both personal and professional? If married, am I married in the Catholic Church, or if not, do I refrain from receiving the sacraments? Do I make decisions, especially difficult decisions, according to the mind of Christ or simply according to my own wisdom? Do I live according to the Ten Commandments and Christ's Law of Love?

Believing and behaving lead to belonging. If I want to belong to Christ and his Church fully and faithfully, then I must believe the truth of God's Word and behave according to the truth of the Gospel by grace through faith. As the Church concludes the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity this Tuesday, let us be guided by Peter's faith and Paul's conversion to be committed Catholics and true witnesses to Christ.

Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions	Meetings & Events *		Financial Report	
Sunday 23 January	Sunday 23 January		Weekend of 15/16 January	
 7.30 am 9.00 am 11.00 am 1.00 pm Spanish Mass 7.30 am 4 James T & Florence Mooney 5 Joel Naylor Pro populo Spanish Mass 	Nursery: Durir 3 & 4 Year Old 9.00 am 11.00 am	st: After 7.30 & 9.00 Masses (P) ng 9.00 am Mass ds: 9.00 am Mass Sunday Morning Bible Study Spanish Bible Class (M/G) Lay Dominicans	Needed36,625Received34,304Shortage- 2,321Poor Box796	
Monday 24 January	Monday 24 January			
7.00 am • Peter Stancampiano	6.30 pm	Family Honor - Part 1 (G) Cub Scouts Boy Scouts (M)	Offertory Year to DateNeeded1,062,125Received1,116,908	
Tuesday 25 January	Tuesday 25 Ja	Tuesday 25 JanuarySurplus+ 54,783		
7.00 am ♣ The Norungolo Family	7.00 pm	Spanish Bible Class	Electronic Giving: If you want to have direct management of	
Wednesday 26 January	Wednesday 26 January		your Electronic Fund Transfer online, you can now do so	
7.00 am Carl Ferris	5.00-6.00 pm 6.30 pm	Wednesday Morning Bible Study Holy Hour & Confessions (church) Religious Education Introduction to Catholicism (RCIA)	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.	
Thursday 27 January	Thursday 27 January			
7.00 amMatthew Gevaert		SMCCW Sewing Group Spanish Adoration	Forward in Faith	
Friday 28 January	Friday 28 January		Capital Campaign	
7.00 am ♣ Stanley A Bikulege	6.30-6.45 am 7.30-8.30 am 10.00 am	Pillars of Christ (early group) Morning Prayer (Lauds) (church) Pillars of Christ (late group) (M) Friday Morning Bible Study Spanish Rosary	\$7 Million to Raise 2019 to 2023 Donations 4,241,447	
Saturday 29 January	Saturday 29 January		Received	
5.00 pm ♣ Frank & Frances Watkins	·	Rosary - Grove Rd abortion clinic	Pledge 709,012 Balance	
	3.30-4.30 pm	Confessions (church)	Still to Go 2,049,541	
G - Gallivan Hall M - McGrady Hall P - Pazdan Hall		n Sacred Heart Hall ation 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, Mary Stillmock, Shelby Gaschler, James Smith, Anna Deehan, Nancy Laliberty, Julie Birello, Fr Louis Marie Leonelli, Marilyn Postell, Sofia Alvarez, Ann Howard, Carl Lee Cooke, Rose Cain, Joseph M Pazdan, Konta & Laman Patel, Timothy Potocki, Sloane Perkins, Annette Marino, Angie Hewitt, George Cortes, Diane Hickey, Samuel Cole and Rodney 'Butch' Artrip.

Monthly Parish Breakfast



All are welcome to join us for breakfast! This month the Knights of Columbus will serve breakfast for the Parish Family after the 7.30 am and 9.00 am Masses on Sunday 23 January.

For those that go to Mass virtually or on Saturday evening, you can still come to our breakfast as we serve from 8.00 - 8.45 am and 10.15 - 11.00 am. Besides serving for the dining hall, we also have to go boxes.

Also, for all you men out there, consider joining our fraternal organization. Contact John Paluszak at 864.497.4804 or email jpaluszak@bellsouth.net for more information.

Winter Weather

Please be aware that this time of year has unpredictable weather. All closings due to inclement weather will be announced through Flocknote emails/texts. If you do not recieve the weekly emails/texts on Friday morning with the links to the eBulletin and Mass programs please email jenni.dillard@stmarysgvl.org to have your information updated in Flocknote. Thank you!

Congratulations to

Kenneth Michael Koble who was baptized last weekend.

Welcome Newcomers

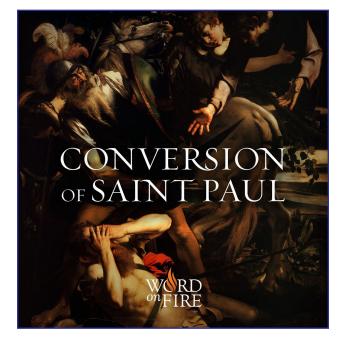
We welcome the following new members to our parish family: Meghan Toomey, Tom & Dianne Kolenski, Diana Pilzer.

PARISH NEWS

Collection for 22/23 January

Latin America Support of the Parish

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



Bulletin Submissions

The deadline for items is <u>12</u> days prior to the bulletin date. To submit items for the eBulletin, contact Jenni at jenni.dillard@stmarysgvl.org.

2021 Tax Statements

Please contact Jennifer Anderson, Director of Finance, at jennifer.anderson@stmarysgvl.org or 864.679.4102 if you would like a copy of your contribution statement for 2021. Please allow several days to process and mail your statement.

Tax statements are only mailed upon request.

Mass Intentions

Mass intentions for 2022 are almost gone! There are only 5 left. The Mass intention schedule for 2023 will not open until July 2022. To schedule a Mass intention (for English Masses), email Sarah Perkins at sarah.perkins@stmarysgvl.org.

Spiritual Direction

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

St Mary's Council of Catholic Women

Sewing Ministry

The group will meet Thursday 27 January from 10.00 am - 12.00 pm in Sacred Heart Hall (Msgr Gwynn room). Please contact Judith Hogg at 864.438.1017 or judyh75@att.net for more information.

Saint Mary's School Job Opening for the 2022 - 2023 School Year

Saint Mary's Catholic School is accepting applications for a **full-time first grade teacher** for the 2022-2023 school year. The ideal candidate would be a practicing Catholic, experienced, passionate for elementary education, with excellent classroom management and high expectations for student achievement.

For the 2022-2023 school year, the candidate will mentor under the current first grade teacher who has been with St Mary's for 27 years.

St Mary's Catholic School is a two-time National Blue Ribbon School with a 120 year history of academic excellence and currently serves 322 students in grades K3 through 8. St Mary's is served by both the Dominican Sisters of St Cecilia as well as a team of experienced, dedicated lay teachers, and offers a wonderful work environment and a welcoming, familial atmosphere.

Salary is highly competitive and is based on years of experience and level of education completed.

Please email cover letter, resume, and references to Principal Steven Zimmerman at principal@stmarysgvl.org by Friday 28 January.

Please Help Support Our School!

Save the date for Saint Mary's School 2022 Gala on Saturday 5 March

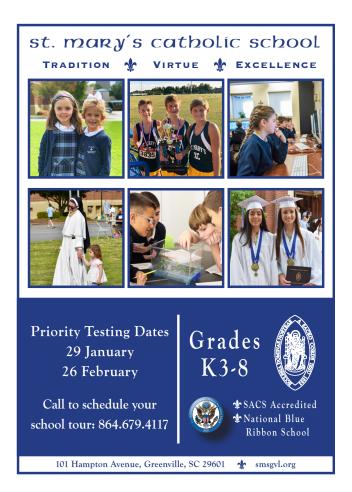


Our annual St Mary's Gala is soon approaching! This event, along with the St Mary's Classic, is one of the most important fundraisers for our school.

We invite you to participate by **becoming a gala sponsor** or **donating auction items**. This is an exceptional way for you to play an important role in our event.

Please contact Pat Perkins at pat.perkins@stmarysgvl.org or 864.679.4109.

Thank you for supporting our school!





St Mary's Religious Education



Religious Education Grades 1-8

Classes meet on Wednesday from 6.30pm – 7.30pm. **Parents meet 2nd Wednesday of the Month**

26 January - 1st Communion Church Tour for RE and Homeschool students and parents. Meet in church at 6:30 pm

7th Grades Parents of students preparing for Confirmation There will be a Confirmation Information Meeting for parents of students preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation Tuesday 1 February at 2:15 in Pazdan Hall (cafeteria) OR

Wednesday 2 February at 6:30 pm in Gallivan Hall

For More Information Contact Linda Jackson linda.jackson@stmarysgvl.or g or 864.679.4110

Sunday Mornings for 3 & 4 Year Olds

Class meets Sunday at 9:00 am in the K-4 Classroom in Sacred Heart Hall

Adult Christian Formation

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.

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 <u>Inactive</u> 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.



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.



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Prince of Peace

"Do whatever he tells you." ~John 2:5

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 <u>please consider</u> one of the following hours of need (*urgent open hour!):

> Tuesday 8 am* Thursday 8 am Saturday 6 am* & 4 pm*

Nationwide Mass Times

If traveling, find mass times at a parish near you. https://masstimes.org https://www.catholicdirectory.com

Engaged Encounter Weekend Retreats



<u>St Mary Magdalene</u> (Simpsonville): 26-27 February 23-24 April 20-21 August 12-13 November

Register at https://southcarolina.engagedencounter.com

Young Adult Spring Retreat

Register now for the Young Adult Spring Retreat at Camp St Christopher (Johns Island) from 6-8 May. Open to all young adults ages 18-35, this will be a weekend of faith, fun, and fellowship. You will be able to encounter God through the Sacraments, in prayer, in nature, and through other young adults as we share our journey of faith. We would love to see you there, and don't forget to invite a friend! Register for \$80 at https://charlestondiocese. configio.com/pd/146/young-adult-spring-retreat-2022. Contact Cara Lawley at clawley@charlestondiocese.org or 843.670.2586 with questions.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter



Take time for your marriage. Strengthen your relationship, rekindle your romance and renew your sacrament by attending the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience from 28-30 January in North Myrtle Beach and 24-26 June in Beaufort.

Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit https://SCMarriageMatters.org or contact applications@scmarriagematters.org or 803.810.9602.

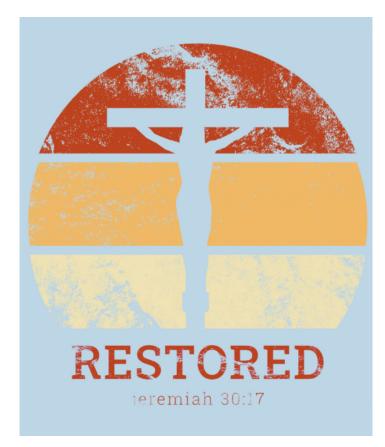
REBOOT! with Chris Stefanick



REBOOT! is the fun, inspiring and practical experience of applying the beauty and genius of the Gospel to every aspect of your life, from prayer and spirituality, to work, dating, marriage, parenting, health and more! The event will feature Catholic author and speaker

Chris Stefanick on Wednesday 23 February from 7.00-9.30 pm at St Mary Magdalene Church in Simpsonville.

Rediscover the message of the Gospel as powerful for us all, beautiful in its application to life, engaging for those searching, and fun and captivating for all ages, including our youth. Do not miss the opportunity to hear one of the most sought-after voices of our time. Register for \$39 at https://reallifecatholic.com/events/rebootsimpsonville. Group rates are available.



Diocesan High School Youth Conference

Join Catholic youth and adults from around the Diocese on 26-27 February at the Columbia Convention Center for the 31st Annual DYC. The theme for this year is "Restored!" Register online at https://charlestondiocese.configio.com/pd/169/diocesan-youth-conference-dyc-2022.



→ mark your calendars: February 4-6

St Clare's Banquet



Please join us for the First Annual Banquet in support of St Clare's Home on 26 March from 5.30-8.30 pm at Fluor Field Baseball Stadium. We will have dinner, great

presentations - including author and speaker Fr Jeffrey Kirby, pastor of Our Lady of Grace Church - plus exciting updates on the women and babies we've helped in the few months the home has been open. Tickets are \$50 a person and dinner includes steak or salmon, and we expect to sell out quickly. Help us create a homerun for generations to come! Purchase tickets at https://charlestondiocese. configio.com/pd/175/pink-and-blue-banquet. Visit https:// www.stclareshomesc.org/pink-and-blue-banquet-2022 for more information.





author, and popular speaker, Mary Lenaburg



For programming information, visit https://catholicradioinsc.com

The Clergy of St Mary's Catholic Church

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