



St Mary's Catholic Church



Greenville, South Carolina

24 April 2022

Dear Friends in Christ,

Christos Anesti! (Christ is Risen) Alithos Anesti! (Truly He is Risen) In the Christian East these Greek acclamations replace the usual greetings of hello and goodbye during the fifty days between Easter and Pentecost, the liturgical season of Eastertide, the first eight days of which have a special identity. Today is the eighth day since the Solemnity of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ, and this day in the sacred liturgy has three names: 1) the Octave Day of Easter, 2) the Second Sunday of Easter, and 3) Divine Mercy Sunday.

The number eight has a special liturgical meaning because it is a symbol of the new creation. The drama of creation unfolded over seven symbolic days, and the eighth day is the sign of God's pluperfect love revealed in the new creation. This is foreshadowed in the Old Covenant through circumcision taking place eight days after birth and is confirmed by the Resurrection of Jesus Christ taking place on Sunday, both the first day of the week and the eighth day. In the liturgical calendar, therefore, the eight days from Easter Sunday until today are kept as one festive celebration of the Resurrection, and today completes the eighth day or Octave of Easter.

Last Sunday in the sacred liturgy we were asked to renew the promises of our Baptism because in the sacrament of Holy Baptism we are washed clean of sin and made a new creation equipped for the life of grace by being born again of water and the Holy Spirit. Today the Gospel speaks of another sacrament given to the Church for the forgiveness of sins - the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation that we commonly call Confession. St John tells us that when the Lord Jesus had risen from dead and appeared to the Apostles in the Upper Room, "he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained.'" In other words, the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation is the Easter gift of the Risen Lord to his Church, and when we fall into sin after Baptism, going to Confession is Christ's chosen means of reconciling us to God, restoring us to full communion with his Church, and giving us the peace which surpasses understanding, the peace which the world cannot give.

The Sacrament of Penance is not an option that Catholics are free to choose or not according to their preference. The Sacrament of Penance is the only ordinary way after Baptism for mortal sins to be forgiven and for those who are dead in sin to be restored to the new life of grace. So on this Divine Mercy Sunday, let us resolve to go to Confession whenever we commit grave sin and strive to be instruments of God's mercy for others so that we may bear witness to the truth of the Resurrection. Christos Anesti! Alithos Anesti!

Father Newman

Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sunday 24 April

7.30 am ✱ Debbie Fulton
9.00 am ✱ Jim Thompson
11.00 am Pro populo
1.00 pm Spanish Mass

Monday 25 April

7.00 am Matthew & Theresa Gevaert

Tuesday 26 April

7.00 am Hannah Sue

Wednesday 27 April

7.00 am Sean Craig & Family

Thursday 28 April

7.00 am Carolyn Thompson

Friday 29 April

7.00 am ✱ Gloria Lamar Green

Saturday 30 April

5.00 pm ✱ Robert Stewart

Meetings & Events *

Sunday 24 April

Nursery: During 9.00 am Mass
3 & 4 Year Olds: 9.00 am *LAST Class
9.00 am Sunday Morning Bible Study
11.00 am Spanish Bible Class (M/G)
3.00 pm Lay Dominicans
6.00 pm High School Youth Group (M)

Monday 25 April

6.30 pm Cub Scouts
7.00 pm Boy Scouts (P)

Tuesday 26 April

10.00 am SMCCW Sewing Group
7.00 pm Spanish Bible Class

Wednesday 27 April

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

Thursday 28 April

7.00 pm Spanish Adoration

Friday 29 April

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

Saturday 30 April

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

G - Gallivan Hall M - McGrady Hall
P - Pazdan Hall

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

Financial Report

Weekend of 16/17 April

Needed	36,625
Received	40,859
Easter	16,227
Surplus	+ 20,461

Poor Box	501
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Offertory Year to Date

Needed	1,538,250
Received	1,627,489
Surplus	+ 89,239

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	4,393,846

April	
Donations	44,636

Pledge	
Balance	653,339

Still to Go	1,908,179
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Requiescat in pace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Gene Gallivan, who died recently. We extend our prayers and sympathy to his 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, 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, Juliet Roy, Chris Papademitriou, Jeannine Harvey, Mary Stillmock, Shelby Gaschler, James Smith, Anna Deehan, Nancy Laliberty, 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, George Cortes, Diane Hickey, Rodney 'Butch' Artrip, Michael Tierney, Andrew Buckley, Craig Arnold, Jaxson Rivera, Terry Gurn, Helen Carter, Mark Greenaway and Anthony Harris.

PARISH NEWS

Collection for 23/24 April

Catholic Home Missions
Support of the Parish

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



Mass Intentions

There are no Mass intentions left for 2022. The Mass intention schedule for 2023 will not open until August 2022. If you have questions please email Sarah Perkins at sarah.perkins@stmarysgvl.org.

New Senior Life Ministry

St Mary's has a new ministry dedicated primarily to assisting Seniors, but is open to anyone who could benefit from our services, including Resource Information, Home Safety Assessment, Setting up an *In Case of Death or Incapacity* file, Documenting your desired Catholic Funeral Rites, and Homebound Assistance. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Deacon John at 864.679.4113 or john.heuser@stmarysgvl.org.

VBS Registration is now OPEN!



Deadline to register is 13 May

St Mary's Vacation Bible School
13-16 June (Monday - Thursday)
9.00 am to 12.00 noon

Click below to for registration forms

Family
Teen Volunteer
Adult Volunteer

Contact Linda Jackson with questions
linda.jackson@stmarysgvl.org or 864.679.4110

Welcome Newcomers

We welcome the following new members to our parish family:
Carl Womble, Gian & Kathleen Ferro.

NET MINISTRIES®

ELISE DEVINE

2022-2023 Missionary
eliserdevine@gmail.com



Support Our Missionary

Elise Devine, a high school senior and life-long parishioner of Saint Mary's, has been invited to serve with the National Evangelization Team or NET which sends out teams of young adults to share their faith with students. NET reaches over 80,000 teens and young adults each year, and Elise needs to raise at least \$8,000 to cover the costs of training, healthcare, transportation, equipment, and a small monthly stipend. Elise would be the first member of Saint Mary's to work with the NET, and your support of her missionary service is encouraged. To make a donation, please click the link below, and to learn more about this opportunity, you are welcome to reach out to Elise at eliserdevine@gmail.com.

<https://netusa.org/supportamissionary/>

St Mary's Council of Catholic Women

Sewing Ministry

The group will meet Tuesday 26 April from 10.00 am - 12.00 pm in Sacred Heart Hall. Please contact Judith Hogg at 864.438.1017 or judyh75@att.net for more information.

Bulletin Submissions

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

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>

Encourage your friends and family to help SMS by signing up for AmazonSmile!



Knights of Columbus
CHARITIES
United in Charity.

Client testimonial:

"I work in construction and work is scarce often for a variety of reasons. Most of the income made is automatically applied to rent. We're grateful to you all - if we visit the pantry, it's because we're struggling this month. Bless you all for this help."



Our Lady's
Pantry
serves

approximately
75-100 families
a month!

FOOD DRIVE IN SERVICE OF

OUR LADY'S PANTRY

drop off before Masses on
Saturday & Sunday 21-22 May

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE NEEDED AT THIS TIME

(Many of these items can be found in bulk at warehouse clubs and can be purchased at low cost at Aldi and Lidl)

We are gratefully accepting
donations of the following:

CEREAL
RICE
CANNED VEGETABLE
CANNED FRUITS
CANNED MEATS
TOOTHPASTE
DEODERANT
TOILET PAPER

If you are moved to make a monetary donation, checks can be made out to CATHOLIC CHARITIES; please note "OLP GREENVILLE" in the memo line.

Saint Mary's Classic

*The Preserve at
Verdae Golf Club*

GOLF



You Are Invited!

*Please join us to support St Mary's School at
our annual fundraiser Golf Tournament,
which is open to all parishioners.*

Enjoy an outing of golf with friends on 3 June!

Several sponsorship levels are available for teams.
Please contact Pat Perkins at 864.679.4109
or pat.perkins@stmarysgvl.org to sign up.

Thank you for helping support our school!



St Mary's Religious Education



Religious Education Grades 1-8

Classes meet on Wednesday from 6.30pm – 7.30pm.

**1st Confessions for RE and Homeschool students
preparing for 1st Holy Communion. Meet in the church
at 6:15 pm**

Sunday Mornings for 3 & 4 Year Olds

LAST Sunday Morning Preschool Class for the year

For More Information

Contact Linda Jackson

linda.jackson@stmarysgvl.org or 864.679.4110

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

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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 TJ Nielsen at 864.679.4114 or timothy.nielsen@stmarysgvl.org.

Spiritual Direction

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

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.



Diocese of Charleston PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Lord Jesus, send the Diocese of Charleston more priests, deacons, sisters, and brothers. Choose faithful men and women from our homes, parishes, and schools to serve the people of God. Mary, Mother of the Church, help those who are called to offer a joyful "yes" to God's invitation.

Amen

<https://charlestdiocese.org/vocations>

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**.



PARISH MISSION

Fr. Brian Mullady, OP
APR 25 - APR 28, 2022

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH
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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 a 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	Apr 25	Christ, Coming into the World
	9:15 AM	Morning Session
	5:30 PM	Mass
	7:00 PM	Evening Session
	8:00 PM	Confessions - Fr. Mullady
Tuesday	Apr 26	Christ's Life in the World
	9:15 AM	Morning Session
	5:30 PM	Mass
	7:00 PM	Evening Session
	8:00 PM	Confessions - Fr. Mullady
Wednesday	Apr 27	Christ's Passing from the World
	8:30 AM	Mass
	9:15 AM	Morning Session
	7:00 PM	Evening Session
	8:00 PM	Confessions - Fr. Mullady
Thursday	Apr 28	Christ's Reign in the Resurrection & Ascension
	9:15 AM	Morning Session
	5:30 PM	Mass
	7:00 PM	Evening Session
	8:00 PM	Confessions - Fr. Mullady

Free Will Offerings Are Mandatory*

* Only kidding. Free Will Offerings are gratefully accepted. ~ Fr. G

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Christ said "Receive the Holy Spirit." Bring the Holy Spirit into your marriage with the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experiences on 24-26 June (Bluffton) and 27-29 January (North Myrtle Beach). Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit <https://SCMarriageMatters.org> or contact us at applications@scmarriagematters.org or 803.810.9602.

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. Register for \$80 at <https://charlestdiocese.configio.com/pd/146/young-adult-spring-retreat-2022>

PERPETUAL EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Prince of Peace

"Behold, I am with you always, to the close of the age."
~Matthew 28:20

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 11 pm

Monday 10 am,* 1 pm* & 5 pm

Tuesday 12 am*

Wednesday 6 am*

Thursday 2 am*

Friday 3 am*

Icon Painting Workshop

St. Rafka Catholic Church, Greenville, South Carolina

Experience the unique spiritual world of the Byzantine Era through icon painting

June 6-11, 2022

St. Rafka Catholic Church
Greenville, South Carolina



Join us on this six day intensive course under the direction of visiting master iconographer and expert instructor Theodoros Papadopoulos from Greece. This Virgin Mary icon will "come alive" as he will guide you step by step, through the ancient techniques of Byzantine Iconography. Let us journey together, discovering anew, this traditional artistic expression of theology and spirituality often called the "meeting place of the Divine". Whether you are beginner or a professional, this workshop offers the opportunity to learn or refine your techniques. It is a great opportunity for everyone to experience first hand the painting of an icon.

Your tuition fee of \$690 includes all materials including boards, pigments and brushes.

Space is limited and early registration is suggested.

For enrollment and more information, visit the website

www.theodoreicons.com/sc

or contact Ms Aziza Stansberry at:

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Simply Love



Simply Love: A Catholic Marriage Day of Renewal is 30 April at St Philip Neri Church (Fort Mill) from 9.00 am to 9.00 pm. When you work on your marriage, you both win.

The Office of Family Life is pleased to offer this day as a "vacation for your marriage" through inspiring talks, couple prayer, discussion and activities with guest speakers and popular authors Troy & Kathleen Billings and Allen & Denae Hebert. Cost is \$50 per couple. Lunch and dinner provided. For information or to register, contact Natalie Burt at nburt@charlestdiocese.org or 803.899.4946. Register by 25 April.

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