



St Mary's Catholic Church



Greenville, South Carolina

7 August 2022

Dear Friends in Christ,

Forty days after his Resurrection, the Lord Jesus gave his Church the Great Commission to preach the Gospel to all nations, and for two thousand years Christians have labored as missionary disciples to share the Gospel with everyone we meet. Over time, however, the Gospel must be proclaimed again and again in the same places, and so in our time, Pope Saint John Paul the Great began to call the universal Church to a New Evangelization because of the great falling away from Christ in countries where the Gospel was first proclaimed centuries ago. But this is not the first time the Church has faced such a challenge, and on Monday of this week, the sacred liturgy recalls a man who engaged in a New Evangelization over 800 years ago!

In the late 12th and early 13th centuries, large numbers of Catholics were carried away from the truth of Christ by a strange heresy called Catharism. Ignorance, superstition, and immorality were rife, including among the clergy, and this was a thousand years after many parts of Europe had first received the Gospel with saving faith. The Church in that age needed a New Evangelization, and the instrument God provided for this mission was Dominic Guzman, a priest of the Spanish Diocese of Osma who was born in 1170. Early in the 13th century, Dominic was traveling with his bishop on a mission to Scandinavia which took them through southern France, and it was there that Dominic saw firsthand the misery of the Church caused by the wide acceptance of the heretical doctrine that was being spread by teachers who lived their convictions with great simplicity and powerful witness.

This experience moved Dominic to begin preaching the Gospel with new energy and dedication, and soon others wanted to join him. The young men who followed Dominic became the Friars of the Order of Preachers, and as part of his effort to reform the Church, Dominic also became spiritual father to several communities of contemplative nuns who joined his Order. To accomplish his mission Dominic chose a simple way of life rooted in prayer and constant conversion from sin; deep study of Holy Scripture, philosophy, and theology; urgent and persuasive preaching of the Gospel; and complete fidelity to the Church and loving obedience to her pastors, starting with the Bishop of Rome. In later centuries, active congregations of teaching and nursing Sisters would join the Dominican family, and our own Nashville Dominican Sisters belong to that part of the worldwide Order of Preachers.

Saint Dominic died in 1221 in Bologna, Italy, and his feast is kept on 8 August. The Order of Preachers founded by Dominic shows us that a New Evangelization can succeed in even the most unlikely places with what appear to be completely inadequate means. So let us all take courage from the example of Saint Dominic and his Order of Preachers, who show us how to preach the Gospel by a simple life of Christian virtue, diligent study, fruitful prayer, and sacrificial love in witness to Jesus Christ. Saint Dominic, pray for us!

Father Newman

Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sunday 7 August

7.30 am ✱ Gene Blake
 9.00 am ✱ Corinne Henderson
 11.00 am Pro populo
 1.00 pm Spanish Mass

Monday 8 August

7.00 am St Thomas Aquinas Chapter
 of Lay Dominicans

Tuesday 9 August

7.00 am John Paul Nielsen

Wednesday 10 August

7.00 am ✱ Marvin R Robertson

Thursday 11 August

7.00 am ✱ John Plowden

Friday 12 August

7.00 am ✱ Ronaldo & Lorraine Labbe

Saturday 13 August

5.00 pm ✱ Andrew & Susan Saiko

Meetings & Events *

Sunday 7 August

No Nursery (resumes 14 August)
 Coffee & Doughnuts: After 9.00 am Mass (P)

Monday 8 August

Tuesday 9 August

10.00 am SMCCW Meeting
 7.00 pm Spanish Bible Class (G)

Wednesday 10 August

5.00-6.00 pm Holy Hour
 & Confessions (church)

Thursday 11 August

7.00 pm Spanish Adoration

Friday 12 August

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 13 August

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

Financial Report

Weekend of 30/31 July

Needed	37,725
Received	42,363
Surplus	+ 4,638

Poor Box	473
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Offertory Year to Date

Needed	188,625
Received	188,899
Surplus	+ 274

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	4,559,678

Pledge	
Balance	628,085

Still to Go	1,812,237
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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, Juliet Roy, Chris Papademitriou, Mary Stillmock, Shelby Gaschler, James Smith, Anna Deehan, Nancy Laliberty, 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, Helen Carter, Mark Greenaway, Anthony Harris, and James Noak.

Senior Companions Needed

With the spreading out of American families, our seniors are sometimes living far from family without anyone to help them with tasks they can no longer do. This is the case with some of our elder parishioners here at St Mary's. Because they can no longer drive, sometimes they need some quick errands run or a ride to the doctor. Sometimes they are lonely and just need someone to sit and talk with over a cup of coffee. Right now, we are in need of a few Senior Companions for some of our homebound elders. If you are willing to be set up with one of our elders to visit with or help them out once every week or two, please contact Deacon John Heuser at 864.679.4113 or john.heuser@stmarysgvl.org. Thank you.



Please join us for coffee, doughnuts & fellowship in Pazdan Hall dining room after the 9.00 am Mass.

Ministry to the Widowed

◆ You are invited! We are hosting another Coffee & Cake gathering for our widowed parishioners on Saturday 27 August at 10.00 am in Sacred Heart Hall. Come for fellowship, comfort, compassion, and spiritual peace. Contact Eileen Scoggins at 864.415.8289 or bescoggins@bellsouth.net with questions.

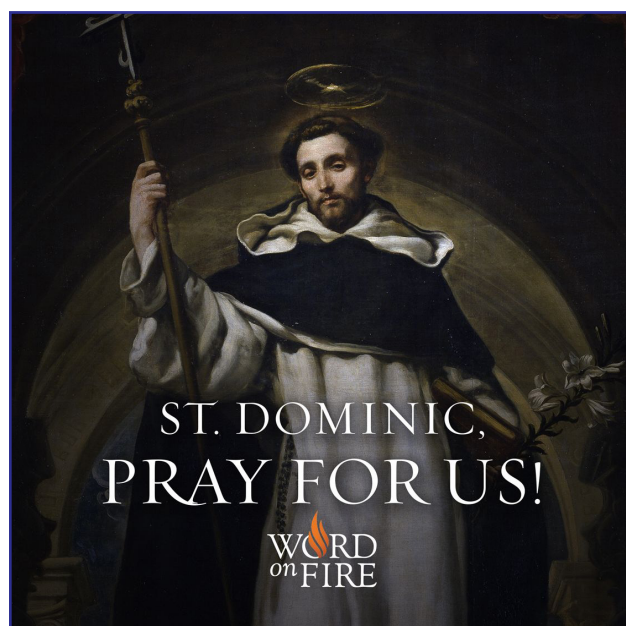
◆ Consider attending this free seminar! 2022 Grief Seminar is Thursday 8 September from 6.45-8.30 pm at Brookwood Church (580 Brookwood Point Pl, Simpsonville). Register at <https://thomasmcabee.com/2022-grief-seminar/>. Contact Eileen Scoggins at 864.415.8289 or bescoggins@bellsouth.net with questions.

PARISH NEWS

Collection for 6/7 August

Support of the Parish

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



Bible Study

The Sunday Morning Bible Study will start up again on Sunday 11 September at 9.00 am in Sacred Heart Hall (Msgr Gwynn Room). We will cover 1 & 2 Kings. Contact Joe Beauchemin at josephbeauchemin@hotmail.com with questions.

Welcome Newcomers

We welcome the following new members to our parish family: Steve & Rhonda Miller, James McGlynn, Lauren Jones, Sergio Lopez, Cesar Soto & Leidy Giraldo, Nicholas & Alison Hollstegge, Jesus Arcos, Ana Laura Moctezuma-Perez, Claudio Davila & Sandra Gonzalez, Ricardo Mezquite & Yuridia Moctezuma, Yesid Aguirre & Lady Salazar, Martin Rodriguez & Emma Malca.

An Introduction to Catholicism

Wednesdays 6.30-7.30 pm
7 September through Easter
Sacred Heart Hall

Free of charge but registration is required.

Are you interested in becoming Catholic?

Then this is the right course for you.

Were you baptized Catholic but never confirmed?

Then this also is the right course for you.

Are you a Catholic in need of a refresher course in Church teachings?

Then this definitely is the right course for you.

What is Catholicism? Is the Catholic Faith in the Bible? Did the Lord Jesus found the Catholic Church? *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. **It is also the perfect course for any Catholic who has non-Catholic or fallen away family members or friends, and wish to be able to better explain the Church's teachings.** 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 or to Register please visit
www.smcgv.org/christian-formation/intro-to-catholicism



Be who God meant
you to be and you
will set the world
on fire.

- St. Catherine of Siena

CALLING ALL WOMEN OF ST. MARY'S

St. Mary's Council of Catholic Women
is a sisterhood of women striving to be the
women God calls us to be. We serve our parish
and greater community through our volunteer
work and our prayers. We grow in our spirituality
and form lasting friendships. For membership
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COME JOIN US!

Youth Group

St Mary's High School Youth Group will hold its first meeting of the year on Sunday 21 August at 6.00 pm. All parishioners of high school age who are interested in attending should meet the group at Francis Field. As always, dinner will be provided.

Catholic Fellowship



Want to develop parish community and cultivate friendships? You are invited! The Catholic Fellowship Program at St Mary's provides an opportunity for parishioners to meet and get to know each other while enjoying a tasty pot-luck dinner. Participants agree that it is

a GREAT way to develop community and cultivate friendships. The dinner is open to all members of the parish...and yes, of course your friend from another parish is also welcome. Our next 2022 dinner is Saturday 20 August at 6.30 pm in Pazdan Hall. If you wish to enjoy a casual evening and share a meal with fellow parishioners, please RSVP to StMCatholicFellowship@outlook.com. There is no cost. Just bring a dish to share for 12 and your special beverage. Please join us and let us know you are coming!

Sex, Gender & Personal Identity

6th Annual Fall Conference

Saturday 24 September 2022

8.30 am to 12 Noon

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Featuring Speakers



Mary Rice Hasson

Fellow at the Ethics and Public Policy Center in Washington, D.C.
Co-Founder and Director of the Person and Identity Project
Leader of the Catholic Women's Forum



Fr Jonathan Duncan

Director of Spiritual Care at Bon Secours St Francis Health
Catholic Chaplain at Furman University & St Joseph's Catholic School
Parochial Vicar at St Mary's Catholic Church

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

Music at St Mary's

ST MARY'S YOUTH CHOIR



Affectionately referred to as ENYA (Ensemble of Not-Yet Adults), the Youth Choir has resumed its weekly Friday afternoon rehearsals. The choir prepares and presents music by composers of high

quality sacred music - Mozart, Faure, Wesley, Vaughan-Williams and other biggies. In addition to these, their weekly responsibilities at the 9.00 am Mass include singing the propers, responsorial psalm and gospel acclamation, two, sometimes three anthems, descants on the hymns and some Anglican Chant, just for good measure. Their repertoire ranges from music of ancient chant to the modern age. The choir is open to all young people from 3rd grade through high school. Rehearsals are 3.30 - 5.00 pm on Friday afternoons. The key to a successful young peoples' choral program is to challenge them with music of high caliber. Parents who are interested in having their children learn how to sing well, read music and to artistically participate in the sacred liturgy should contact Choirmaster Arlen Clarke at arlen.clarke@stmarysgvl.org.



JOIN ST MARY'S ADULT CHOIR



A Feast Day will be appointed in your honor.

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

THE LITURGICAL ARTS

There is more to church music than preparing, rehearsing, and presenting music for the weekly liturgy. Growing tomorrow's artists is an important part of the music ministry. It involves encouraging young adults in their first glimmers of interest in the liturgical arts. These four St Mary's young men are examples. Max Feltes is a fine pianist and has added composition to his musical interests. Florian Covington has expanded his piano skills to the pipe organ. Edmund Covington and Matthew Buckley are both budding composers of sacred music. All except Buckley, whose recent music is suitable for Lent, have contributed to the sacred liturgy by having the fruits of their labor presented at Mass. Their music is of a high caliber and worthy to be used at St Mary's.





St Mary's Religious Education



FOR MORE INFORMATION

Contact Linda Jackson
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Religious Education Registration Grades 1-8

(Deadline is 26 August)

It's time to register for 2021-22 Religious Education classes. Classes will meet on Wednesday's 6.30pm – 7.30pm. Classes begin 7 September 2022. Only one form per family is needed. Electronic registration is available [HERE](#)

Sunday Mornings for 3 & 4 Year Olds

(Deadline is August 26)

It's time to register for Sunday morning Preschool. This is for 3 & 4 year olds whose birthdates fall between 1 June 2018 - 1 June 2019. Class will meet on Sundays during the 9.00am Mass and is only for families attending the 9.00am Mass. Space is limited. Electronic Registration is available [HERE](#)

Home School and St Joseph's Students of St. Mary's

(Deadline is August 26)

Registration forms for Homeschoolers (Grades 1-8) and St Joe's families are now available. It is important that you register your children with the Religious Education Office. This is especially important for Sacramental preparations. Electronic Registration is available [HERE](#)

Deacon John's Corner

Catholic Podcasts



This is a new column that I'll be periodically posting in the bulletin about Catholic Podcasts. I listen to a lot of podcasts and learn a lot from them. When I talk to friends about things I learned, I'm often asked "What is a podcast?" Simply put: a podcast is an audio program, like shows or programs you listen to on the radio, but instead of having to tune in at a particular time on a particular station, you subscribe with an app on your smart phone, download an episode, and listen to it whenever you like. There are a multitude of podcast apps available wherever you get your apps.

Like all things, there are good topics and bad ones, good hosts, and not so good hosts. In this column I'll be sending out information on podcasts surrounding our Catholic faith that I have found both enlightening and entertaining. If you have any questions about podcasts or have a suggestion, please contact me at john.heuser@stmarysgvl.org.

Today's podcast is called **American Catholic History**. It is hosted by a couple who search out hidden gems and compelling Catholic American stories and personalities who have contributed to our nation over the past three centuries. Some of the recent episodes include Fr Francis Sampson, the Paratrooper Padre of the 101st Airborne who jumped into France on D-Day. The very interesting story of the "Pope Stone" sent by Pope Pius IX to assist with building the Washington monument. Other episodes include Yogi Berra, Alfred Hitchcock, Vince Lombardi, and the Unsinkable Molly Brown. There are currently over 150 episodes which are best listened to on the app of your choice or by going directly to their website at <https://americancatholichistory.org/episodes/>.

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 two 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**.



Lay Carmelites

What does it mean to be a Lay Carmelite? If you have ever wondered about this, The Servants of Mary and Joseph Lay Carmelite Community would like to invite you to a brief 30 minute introduction to the Lay Carmelite life at St Mary Magdalene on Tuesday 13 September at 10.00 am in the Parish Life Center (room 107) or Thursday 15 September at 8.00 pm in the Conner Ministry building (room 206).

Many people want a deeper prayer life that truly connects them to our Lord. Did you know there are three stages of prayer that people typically pass through? Did you know St Teresa of Avila recommends determination as a trait for progress? The Carmelite charism is PRAYER! It has been studied! There is a path! Come hear more -- no commitment, just information!

Natural Family Planning Classes

Virtual Session

Thursday 18 August at 6.30 pm - janellenapro@gmail.com

In Person Sessions

Thursday 11 August at 7.00 pm at

St Francis Eastside (Greenville) - napronurse@aol.com

Wednesday 17 August at 6.30 pm at

St Joseph (Columbia) - naprogal@gmail.com

Monday 22 August at 7.00 pm at St Mary

Magdalene (Simpsonville) - milesbmaggie@gmail.com

Email to register for the August Introductory Sessions.

PERPETUAL Eucharistic Adoration

Prince of Peace

"Seek the LORD and his strength, seek his presence continually!" ~Psalms 105.4

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!):

Tuesday 12 am & 11 pm*

Thursday 2 am*

Saturday 7 am & 10 am

Catholic Charities Donations Needed

Catholic Charities Upstate (2300 Old Buncombe Rd) is currently operating its Clothing Closet on Tuesdays from 9.00 am to 1.00 pm and Mobile Clean of Heart (shower ministry for the unhoused) two Saturdays a month from 10.00 am to 1.00 pm. If you are moved to donate, we are gratefully accepting donations of the following: underwear for men and women (all sizes) and new or gently used walking shoes for men and women (all sizes). For more information, or if you are interested in volunteering, please contact Delia Gutierrez at dgutierrez@charlestandiocese.org or 864.331.2629.

Miracle Hill Kids Ninja Challenge



Miracle Hill's Annual Kids Ninja Challenge is a family friendly fundraising event for children ages 4 to 12 on Saturday 27 August. Kids are given the opportunity to become a Ninja for the day and challenge themselves to 10+ obstacles on a .75 mile course.

Leading up to the event, participants are encouraged to raise money for hurting children and adults who are experiencing homelessness in Miracle Hill's shelters and programs. Kids will receive a fundraising map in the mail and create an online fundraising page during registration. There will be fundraising prizes at various levels and top fundraisers will receive grand prizes! Learn more about the Ninja Challenge and sign up at <https://runsignup.com/kidsninjachallenge>.

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