

St Mary's Catholic Church

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Greenville, South Carolina

4 September 2022

Dear Friends in Christ,

"I believe and profess all that the holy Catholic Church believes, teaches, and proclaims to be revealed by God." Next Spring at the celebration of the Easter Vigil around the United States, tens of thousands of baptized Christians will profess the Creed, add this confession of faith, and then be received into full communion with the Catholic Church. These are powerful words, and they testify to a heart and mind converted by the truth of the Gospel, which is the power of God unto salvation for all who believe. This bold profession of faith should encourage those of us who are already Catholic to take great care to nurture and preserve our faith, lest we join the vast army of ex-Catholics and non-practicing Catholics who now constitute the single largest "religious" group in America.

We live in a time of apostasy, a great falling away from faith in the Lord Jesus Christ and the life of grace offered by Christ's Church, and the gravitational pull of such irreligion quickly leads astray those who are not making an intentional and constant effort to know, love, and serve the Lord Jesus and follow him in the Way of the Cross. One reason why the pull of irreligion has led so many Catholics astray so quickly is that they were baptized as infants but then never received the Gospel and never made a decision to live as a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ. Their Catholicism was a cultural inheritance but not an act of life-changing faith in the Word of God: the eternal Word, the incarnate Word, and the written Word.

The antidote for this irreligion is accepting the truth of God's Word which calls us to radical conversion, deep fidelity, joyful discipleship, and courageous evangelism. That is Evangelical Catholicism. You probably know a Catholic who no longer goes to Mass, hasn't been to Confession in decades, and rejects the divinely revealed truth about human nature, the purpose of life, and the means of grace leading to holiness. To such persons the greatest gift you can give is the witness of your own faith, and I ask every member of this parish family to identify one or more of these fallen away Catholics and help them return to the Lord Jesus and his holy Church.

One means of doing this is to invite them to attend An Introduction to Catholicism, the course which begins this Wednesday evening and which will run through Easter 2023. This who attend will ponder what it means to say with life-changing conviction: I believe and profess all that the holy Catholic Church believes, teaches, and proclaims to be revealed by God.

Father Newman

Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Meetings & Events *

Sunday 4 September

♣ Gene Gallivan 7.30 am 9.00 am ★ Harriet & Tuck McAfee 11.00 am Pro populo 1.00 pm Spanish Mass

Sunday 4 September

Coffee & Doughnuts: After 9.00 am Mass (P) Nursery: During 9.00 am Mass 11.00 am Spanish Bible Class (G) 6.00 pm High School Youth Group (M)

Financial Report

Weekend of 27/28 August

Needed 37.725 35,455 Received -2,270Shortage

579 Poor Box

Monday 5 September

Labor Day - No 7.00 am Mass

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Labor Day - Parish Office Closed

Offertory Year to Date

339.525 Needed 344,242 Received +4,717Surplus

Electronic Giving: If you want to have direct management of vour 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.

Tuesday 6 September

7.00 am

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7.00 pm Spanish Bible Class (G)

Wednesday 7 September

7.00 am ⋆ Ellen Plowden

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7.30 am SMS Moms' Bible Study Wednesday Morning Bible Study 9.30 am 5.00-6.00 pm Holy Hour

& Confessions (church)

6.30 pm Introduction to Catholicism 6.30 pm Religious Education

Thursday 8 September

7.00 am

★ Heather Hulsey

7.00 pm Spanish Adoration

Thursday 8 September

Friday 9 September Friday 9 September

7.00 am Griffiths & Nielsen Families 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 10 September Saturday 10 September

5.00 pm ♣ Emily Rose Gomes 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

Forward in Faith

Capital Campaign \$7 Million to Raise 2019 to 2023

Donations

Received 4,601,718

Pledge

Balance 623,333

1,774,949 Still to Go

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, Jaxson Rivera, Helen Carter, Mark Greenaway, and Anthony Harris.

Women of Grace Bible Study

The Women of Grace Bible Study will resume on Sunday 18 September at 6.00 pm in Sacred Heart Hall. New and returning members are welcome. For more information, please contact Dorothy Whalen at dorothy.whalen@stmarysgvl.org.

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.



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

Ministry to the Widowed

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

Bulletin Submissions

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

Parish News

Collection for 3/4 September

Catholic University of America Support of the Parish

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



Church and Parish Office Closure

In observance of Labor Day on Monday 5 September the church and office will be **closed all day** and Mass will not be celebrated

Daily Mass Readings

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

Welcome Newcomers

We welcome the following new members to our parish family: Giovanni Andres Torres & Yesenia Guadalupe Bermudes Mendoza, Henry Dambach, Christopher & Ashley Rocci, Orlando Pagan & Jessica Stellato-Pagan, Carolyn Lazzari, Matthew Prisco, Patrick & Debra Goodman.

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Nationwide Mass Times

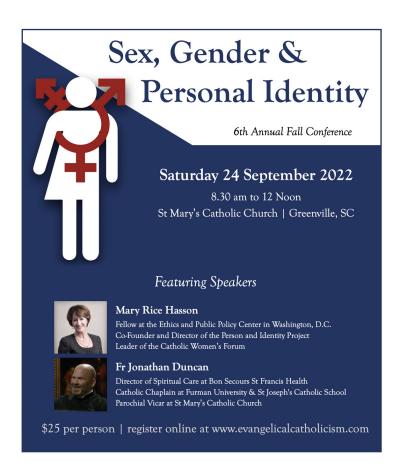
If traveling this fall, find mass times at a parish near you.

https://masstimes.org

https://www.catholicdirectory.com



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





Senior Fellowship Luncheon Saturday 12 November at 12.00 noon



Save the date for the next luncheon! Please join us in Sacred Heart Hall for our last luncheon of 2022. Contact Dee Goughneour

at 864.421.3726 or Alice Ramos at 864.430.7276 with questions.

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 Munafo (late group) at mmunafo1950@gmail.com or 864.313.5356.

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

(First Class is this week on 7 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 11 September 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.

2022 Confirmation Students Reminder

Confirmation fees and picture orders and payment are due Wednesday, 7 September.

Adult Christian Formation

An Introduction to Catholicism

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

Free of charge but registration is required.

For more Information or to Register please visit www.smcgvl.org/christian-formation/intro-to-catholicism

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 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.whalen@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

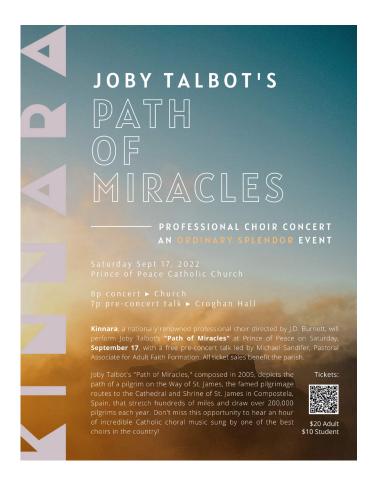
Lord Jesus, send the Diocese of Charleston more priests, deacons, sisters, and brothers. Choose faithful men and women from our homes, parishes, and schools to serve the people of God. Mary, Mother of the Church, help those who are called to offer a joyful "yes" to God's invitation.

Amen

https://charlestondiocese.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.



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@charlestondiocese.org or 864.331.2629.

Mass for Couples with Infertility

The Office of Family Life invites all couples with infertility together with family and friends to attend a Mass on the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows on 15 September at 8.30 am at Immaculate Conception Church (Goose Creek). We will offer prayers and petitions for couples with infertility. We will hold a virtual Seven Sorrows rosary via Zoom at 7.00 pm with meditations and intentions for couples with infertility. Please register in advance at https://tinyurl.com/7SRosary. The Mass and rosary will be livestreamed on our NFP Facebook group at facebook.com/NFPSC. Submit prayer intentions to jecc8477@yahoo.com.



Job Opening

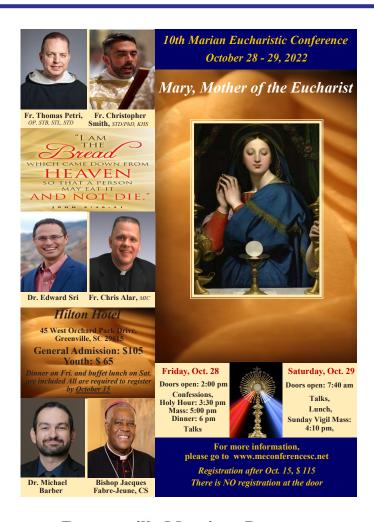
Coastal Carolina University in Conway is searching for their next Associate Director of Youth and Campus Ministry. He or she will focus on evangelization and the call to holiness in a holistic way, which is sensitive to the needs of youth and college students, and work collaboratively with the diocesan director in developing discipleship programs. More information and the job application can be found at https://charlestondiocese.org/job/associate-director-of-youth-and-campus-ministry/.

Irish Saints and Scholars Lecture Series



Greenville Ancient Order of Hibernians presents Irish Saints and Scholars Lecture Series - Irish Catholics in the American South: Migration, Culture and Identity on Wednesday 12 October at St Mary Magdalene Fellowship Hall from

6.30-8.30 pm. Speaker is D Meaghan Dwyer-Ryan, Associate Professor of Irish Studies and Associate Director of the Center for Irish Research and Teaching at Georgia Southern University. The event is free to attend. Proceeds will support Project St Patrick and Diocesen Seminarians. Please contact aohgreenvillesc@gmail.com to RSVP or with questions.



Retrouvaille Marriage Program

Retrouvaille has helped tens of thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. This program can help you, too. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning the weekend of 9-11 September, visit https://helpourmarriage.org. Contact 434.793.0242 or retrouvaillenc@msn.com.

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!

${\cal P}$ ERPETUAL ${\cal E}$ UCHARISTIC ${\cal A}$ DORATION

Prince of Peace

"You have approached Mount Zion, and the city of the living God, the Heavenly Jerusalem, and countless angels in festal gathering." ~Heb 12.22

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!):

Thursday 12 am,* 1 am* & 2 am* Saturday 6 pm*

Project Host BBQ Festival

2022 BBQ COOK-OFF & FESTIVAL





The 2022 Project Host annual BBQ Cook-off and Festival will be held 23-24 September at the new District 356 at Fluor Field. The festival and music venues are all free with ticket sales available to sample the best of Greenville's BBQ masters. The annual event is a wonderful way to celebrate the gift of food and help support Project Host at the same time. Details on the event, how to

register to become a BBQ cook, volunteer and sponsorship opportunities can be found at https://www.projecthostbbq.org.

Natural Family Planning Classes

<u>Virtual Sessions</u>
Thursday 22 September at 6.30 pm - janellenapro@gmail.com

In Person Sessions

Thursday 8 September at 7.00 pm at
St Francis Eastside (Greenville) - napronurse@aol.com
Tuesday 13 September at 6.30 pm at St Andrew
(Myrtle Beach) - janetgcrms@gmail.com
Wednesday 21 September at 6.30 pm at
St Joseph (Columbia) - naprogal@gmail.com

Email to register for the September Introductory Sessions.

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