

# St Mary's Catholic Church

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# Greenville, South Carolina

30 October 2022

Dear Friends in Christ,

Being accountable to other people is not something most of us enjoy, but there is zero possibility of living a life of authentic Christian discipleship apart from such accountability – both of our beliefs and of our behaviors. One essential component of being a faithful Catholic is attending Mass each Sunday, and except for times of travel away from home, this should ordinarily be done at one's own parish church. Claiming to be a parishioner of one parish while regularly attending another parish or not attending Sunday Mass at all is an impossible contradiction, and from time to time, a parish priest has the uncomfortable duty of pointing this out. The following observations are offered in the hope of clarifying some of the consequences of being a true parishioner here or not.

Please remember that 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. Fulfilling these requirements is essential for those who plan to seek endorsement to serve as a sacramental sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation and for those who intend to ask to receive Baptism, Confirmation, or Marriage for themselves or their children and for those who want to receive parishioner tuition and/or financial aid for our parish school.

Establishing the fact of Mass attendance by use of the stewardship envelopes is not in any way an imposition on those who say that they are members of the parish in order to request a life changing sacrament or reduced tuition in the school. Being a member of any family automatically brings with it both privileges and duties, and expecting the privileges without fulfilling the duties is the mark of an adolescent. Being a mature disciple of the Lord Jesus also requires us to be accountable members of a parish family, and that in turn entails both worshipping with the parish family and helping the parish family pay its bills, each household according to its means. If you use electronic transfer to make your offertory contribution and other gifts, you can still use the stewardship envelopes to establish an attendance record which is essential for all the purposes described above. Just check the box for EFT on the envelope and then drop it in the collection plate. All envelopes in the collection are recorded in our parish database, and I can tell with a key stroke who has been to Mass on any given Sunday.

How seldom can I come to Mass and how little can I give to receive what I want? That is minimalism, and it is the death of the soul. The Lord Jesus asks of us a total gift of self and a willingness to follow him in the Way of the Cross, and responding to his call with generosity is what frees us from the tyranny of our own disordered self-love. Let us resolve to surrender everything to Christ in the obedience of faith and in so doing to find the freedom of the children of God.

# **Calendar of Events**

## **Mass Schedule & Intentions**

# **Meetings & Events \***

Nursery: During 9.00 am Mass

Sunday Morning Bible Study

High School Youth Group (M)

Spanish Bible Class (G)

Sunday 30 October

Monday 31 October

**Tuesday 1 November** 

9.00 am

11.00 am 6.00 pm

#### **Sunday 30 October**

#### ♣ Arthur Heidrich 7.30 am 9.00 am The Widowed 11.00 am Pro populo 1.00 pm Spanish Mass

#### **Monday 31 October**

7.00 am ♣ Hoang Thi Chat

#### **Tuesday 1 November**

#### All Saints Day - Holy Day of Obligation 7.00 am ♣ Marta Bessy Birello ♣ Oueen Elizabeth II 12.00 pm

Pro populo 7.00 pm

#### Wednesday 2 November

#### **All Souls Day**

7.00 am ▼ Nelly Restrepo

## **Thursday 3 November**

7.00 am ♣ All Souls in Purgatory

#### Friday 4 November

7.00 am ♣ Peter R Faber

#### Saturday 5 November

5.00 pm Fr Jay Scott Newman

# Saturday 5 November

10.00 am

7.00 pm

8.00-9.00 am Rosary - Grove Rd abortion clinic

3.00 pm Ministry to the Widowed

3.30-4.30 pm Confessions (church)

G - Gallivan Hall M - McGrady Hall

P - Pazdan Hall

# Weekend of 22/23 October Needed

37,725 31,002 Received Shortage - 6,723

**Financial Report** 

499 Poor Box

## Offertory Year to Date

Needed 641.325 649,268 Received Surplus +7,943

**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.

#### Wednesday 2 November

7.30 am SMS Moms' Bible Study

9.30 am Wednesday Morning Bible Study

5.00-6.00 pm Holy Hour &

Confessions (church)

6.30 pm Introduction to Catholicism (M)

5.30-6.30 am Pillars of Christ (early group)

Spanish Rosary

6.30-6.45 am Morning Prayer (Lauds) (church) 7.30-8.30 am Pillars of Christ (late group) (M)

Friday Morning Bible Study

6.30 pm Religious Education

# **Thursday 3 November**

7.00 pm Spanish Adoration

#### **Capital Campaign** Friday 4 November

\$7 Million to Raise 2019 to 2023

Forward in Faith

**Donations** 

Received 4,749,422

Pledge

Balance 553,986

1,696,592 Still to Go

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

# **Liturgical Schedule Changes**

No Holy Hour and Confessions on the following Wednesdays

23 November & 28 December



Tuesday 1 November Solemnity of All Saints A Holy Day of Obligation

Mass at 7 am, 12 noon & 7 pm

Wednesday 2 November Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed (All Souls Day)

Mass at 7 am

## **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, 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, George Cortes, Diane Hickey, Rodney 'Butch' Artrip, Michael Tierney, Andrew Buckley, Jaxson Rivera, Helen Carter, Anthony Harris, Katerina Puig, Lucero Rubiano, and Aurelia LaValley.

# **Congratulations to**

Nora Shannon Turner who was baptized last weekend.

#### **Welcome Newcomers**

We welcome the following new members to our parish family: John & Sandra Brewer, Trevor & Erin Hough, Michail Radchenko & Viktoryia Liameshka, Jacob & Kayce Edwards, Katherine Solomon, Laura Flowers, Joachim & Teresa Hertel.

# Parish News

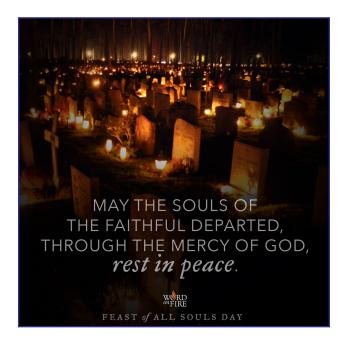
#### Collection for 29/30 October

Support of the Parish

### **Collection for 1 November**

Solemnity of All Saints

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



# **All Souls Day Envelopes**

Wednesday 2 November is the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed or All Souls Day. On that day we pray for the souls of the just who are being prepared for the glorious vision of God, and in your stewardship envelopes you'll find an envelope for All Souls Day with lines on one side for writing the names of your beloved dead whom you would like remembered at the altar during November. Please complete that envelope and drop it in any collection during October.

# **Daily Mass Readings**

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





# JOIN FORCES FOR A FOOD & BABY NEEDS DRIVE IN SERVICE OF OUR LADY'S PANTRY

drop off before Masses on Saturday & Sunday 29-30 October in parking lot adjacent to the church (look for blue box van with OLP logo)

# THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE NEEDED AT THIS TIME

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

# <u>FOOD</u>

- CEREAL
- PASTA
- OATMEAL
- RICE
- GRITS
- FLOUR
- COOKING OIL

# **BABY NEEDS**

- BABY FORMULA
- BABY FOOD
- DIAPERS (all sizes)
- BABY WIPES
- DIAPER RASH OINTMENT

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.

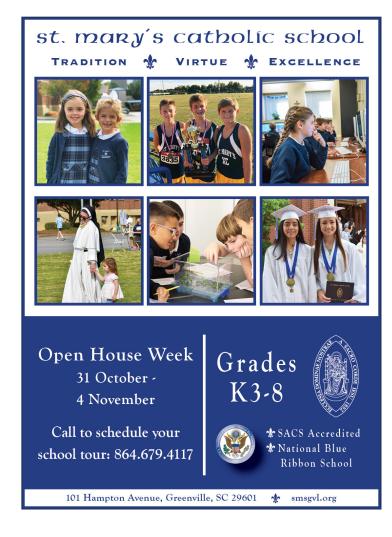


# Staff Testimonial:

"We see people from all walks of life in the pantry, but some stories stay with you forever, like the time we were contacted by The Center for Victims of Torture and later provided not only food and clothing to their clients, but connected them with resources to meet other needs. Or times when clients' expressions of gratitude are so moving, it pulls at your heartstrings. This is the impact of your generosity."

Our Lady's
Pantry
serves
approximately
150+ families
a month!





# **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 resulli42@ gmail.com or 864.561.9600 or Mike Munafo (late group) at mmunafo1950@gmail.com or 864.313.5356.

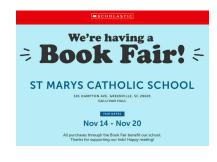
#### **Nationwide Mass Times**

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

https://masstimes.org

https://www.catholicdirectory.com

## **School Book Fair**



Help us grow St Mary's School Library! Shop in person after the 9.00 am and 11.00 am Masses on Sunday 20 November in Gallivan Hall

from 10.00 am to 1.00 pm. A percentage of all purchases go directly to the school library. Visit https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/stmarysschoolgvl to shop online from 14-27 November. Thank you for supporting our school!

# 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

# Senior Fellowship Luncheon Saturday 12 November at 12.00 noon



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.

# Ministry to the Widowed

We are holding a Commemoration of Deceased Spouses on Saturday 5 November at 3.00 pm in Sacred Heart Hall. Light refreshments will be served. All widowed and friends are invited. We are compiling a list of names of our recently deceased spouses. This will be a time to honor these souls, share fellowship and support each other in faith. Contact Eileen Scoggins at bescoggins@bellsouth.net or 864.415.8289 if you plan to attend or have questions.



# 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** 

# **Sunday Mornings for 3 & 4 Year Olds**

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

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

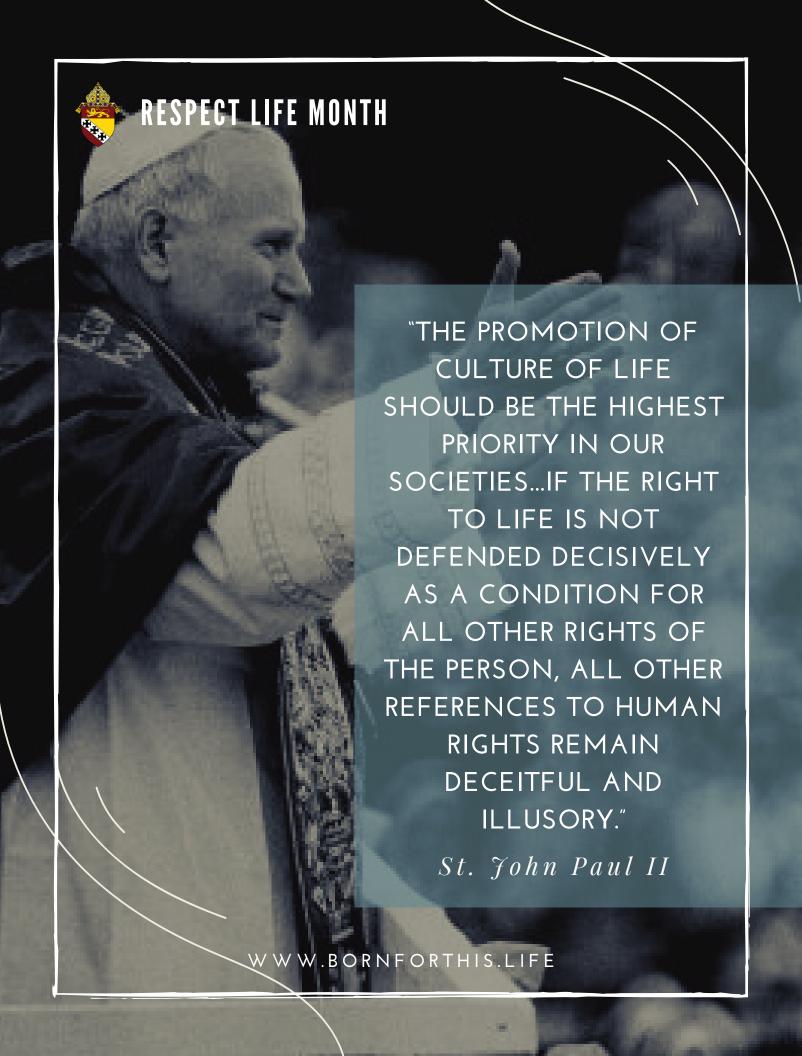
# Adult Christian Formation

# An Introduction to Catholicism

Wednesdays 6.30-7.30 pm
7 September through Easter
McGrady Hall in the Church Undercroft

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.

# Steve Ray at St Joseph's



St Joseph Church (Anderson) welcomes Steve Ray, host of the popular, award-winning film series on salvation history *The Footprints* of God and author of the

best-selling books *Crossing the Tiber* and *St John's Gospel*, on Wednesday 30 November at 7.00 pm to speak on Defending the Eucharist. This event is free of charge and open to the public. Visit https://sjccs.net for more information.

#### Men's Retreat

Calling All Men! Come spend some time with other men in fellowship, prayer, rest, and reflections. Presenters Fr Jonathan Duncan and Gabe Lewis will provide short meditations on developing a *Heart of the Father* with St Joseph as model and guide. Confession and Mass will also be available. The Men's Retreat is at Heart Ridge Retreat Center (Sunset, SC) beginning with breakfast on Saturday 5 November and ending Sunday afternoon at 3.00 pm, with an optional Friday night stay. Learn more and register at https://www.heartridgeministries.com/mensretreat.html.

# **40 Days for Life**

It's not too late to join Christians throughout the Upstate to take part in our local 40 Days for Life effort from 28 September - 6 November. Visit https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/greenville or https://www.facebook.com/40daysgreenville/ for events information.

**40 Days Closing Celebration** is Friday 4 November at 7.00 pm at Piedmont Women's Center parking lot (1143 Grove Road). Attorney Matt Britton, General Counsel to 40 Days for Life, will be our guest speaker and prayer warriors will share their testimonies from the current campaign. Park at Grove Road Baptist Church.

Rosaries for Life Pray the rosary during the 40 Days for Life for the intentions to end abortion, the conversion of our society and for an end to other assaults on human Life. Email your count each week to familylife@charlestondiocese.org.

**Sidewalk Counseling Training** Online, virtual, or inperson training available. Contact Judy Masterson at 864.506.0964 or info@sidewalkadvocatesgreenville.org.

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

#### **Prince of Peace**

"Seek the Lord and his strength, seek his presence continually!" ~1 Chronicles 16.11

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

Wednesday 7 am & 9 am
Thursday 12 am, 1 am\* & 12 pm
Friday 8 am
Saturday 12 pm



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



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