



St Mary's Catholic Church



Greenville, South Carolina

16 April 2023

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. Saint 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 16 April

7.30 am	✱ Lois Cooper
9.00 am	✱ Joel Naylor
11.00 am	Pro populo
1.00 pm	Spanish Mass

Monday 17 April

7.00 am	✱ Aidan McVeigh
---------	-----------------

Tuesday 18 April

7.00 am	✱ Tuyen Van Pham
---------	------------------

Wednesday 19 April

7.00 am	✱ Eugenia Massa
---------	-----------------

Thursday 20 April

7.00 am	✱ Salvatore Sanfilippo
---------	------------------------

Friday 21 April

7.00 am	Nikolas Stojkovski
---------	--------------------

Saturday 22 April

5.00 pm	Manuel A Gomes
---------	----------------

Meetings & Events *

Sunday 16 April

KofC Parish Breakfast: After 7.30 & 9 Masses (P)	
Nursery: During 9.00 am Mass	
11.00 am	Spanish Bible Class (G)
6.00 pm	Women of Grace Bible Study
6.00 pm	High School Youth Group (M)

Monday 17 April

Tuesday 18 April

10.00 am	SMCCW Sewing Group
----------	--------------------

Wednesday 19 April

9.30 am	Wednesday Morning Bible Study
5.00-6.00 pm	Holy Hour & Confessions (church)
6.30 pm	Religious Education

Thursday 20 April

7.00 pm	Spanish Adoration
---------	-------------------

Friday 21 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 22 April

8.00-9.00 am	Rosary - Grove Rd abortion clinic
3.30-4.30 pm	Confessions (church)
6.00 pm	SMCCW Potluck Dinner (P)

Financial Report

Weekend of 8/9 April

Needed	37,725
Received	38,542
Surplus	+ 817

Poor Box	382
----------	-----

Offertory Year to Date

Needed	1,546,725
Received	1,616,985
Surplus	+ 70,260

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@smcgvl.org.

Forward in Faith Capital Campaign \$7 Million to Raise 2019 to 2023

Donations Received	5,308,917
-----------------------	-----------

Easter Donations	97,735
---------------------	--------

Pledge Balance	473,843
-------------------	---------

Still to Go	1,119,505
-------------	-----------

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 Mary Stillmock, Marie-Therese Isidore, Juliet Roy, James Smith, Anna Deehan, Nancy Laliberty, Marilyn Postell, Sofia Alvarez, Ann Howard, Carl Lee Cooke, Joseph M Pazdan, Konta & Laman Patel, Timothy Potocki, Sloane Perkins, George Cortes, Diane Hickey, Rodney 'Butch' Artrip, Michael Tierney, Jaxson Rivera, Helen Carter, Anthony Harris, Katerina Puig, Lucero Rubiano, Aurelia LaValley, Sheila & Barry Garrison, Shelby Gaschler, Andrew Orben, Richard Murtaugh, Anthony Gomes, Joshua Ballew, Chet & Dorothy Jaskwhich Sobol and Lisa Myer.

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 16 April**. 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.

VBS Adult Volunteers Needed



We are in need of some adult volunteers to help out with VBS which runs Monday 12 June through Friday 16 June from 9.00 am to 12.00 noon. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Linda Jackson at linda.jackson@smcgvl.org or 864.679.4110 or register at <https://form.jotform.com/223305490477053>.

Daily Mass Readings

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

Welcome Newcomers

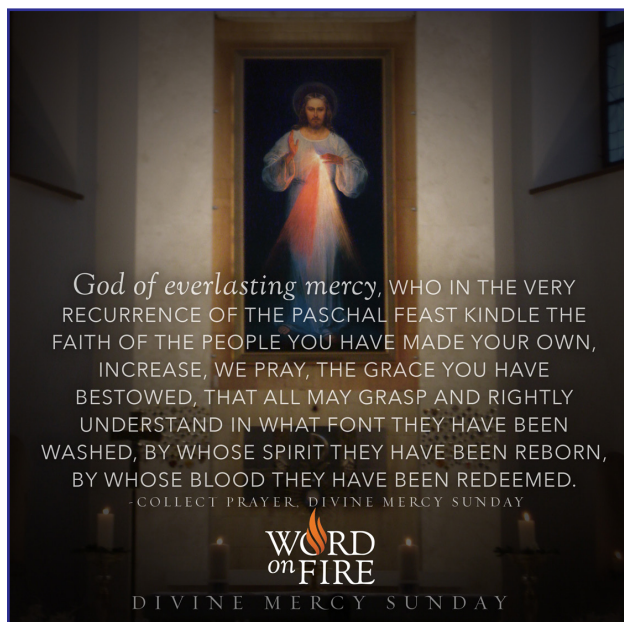
We welcome the following new members to our parish family: Jerry Sewell, Peter & Meg Gustafson.

PARISH NEWS

Collection for 15/16 April

Bishop's Annual Appeal
Support of the Parish

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



Bulletin Submissions

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

2022 Tax Statements

Please contact Jennifer Anderson, Director of Finance, at jennifer.anderson@smcgvl.org or 864.679.4102 if you would like a copy of your contribution statement for 2022. Please allow several days to process and mail your statement.

Tax statements are only mailed upon request.

St Mary's Council of Catholic Women

2023 SMCCW \$1,000 Scholarship Award

Established in 1998 to support Catholic women of the parish in their academic endeavors, the members of the SMCCW are proud to continue this award, now in its 25th year! This award is available for both high school graduating female parishioners planning to attend an institution of higher education or female parishioners who are currently enrolled in a continuing education program. Visit <https://smcgv1.org/who-we-are/st-marys-council-of-catholic-women/> to download the 2023 application which contains the eligibility requirements and rules. Applications MUST be postmarked on or before 18 April 2023 to be considered. The recipient is selected via blind review.

Sewing Ministry

The group will meet Tuesday 18 & 25 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 details.

Nationwide Mass Times

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

<https://masstimes.org>

<https://www.catholicdirectory.com>

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 rsulli42@gmail.com or 864.561.9600 or Mike Munafo (late group) at mmunafo1950@gmail.com or 864.313.5356.



St Mary's School Job Openings



St Mary's Catholic School is accepting applications for teaching assistants in multiple elementary grade levels for the 2023-2024 school year.

St Mary's Catholic School is a two-time National Blue Ribbon School with a 122 year history of academic excellence and currently serves 320 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.

The ideal candidate would be a practicing Catholic with prior experience working with children. Candidates must be able to work well with children, accept supervision and guidance from the lead teacher, and possess the enthusiasm and energy necessary to help young students thrive. This position is paid hourly and no teaching license or certification is necessary.

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

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 2 June!

All packages include four playing spots in classic, player gifts, reception/equipment pick up, breakfast and lunch at golf course. Several sponsorship levels are available for teams. Please contact golf@stmarysgvl.org to sign up. Thank you for helping support our school!

Women of St. Mary's

SPRING LUNCHEON 2023

REGISTRATION FORM

All women of the parish are invited to join the members of St. Mary's Council of Catholic Women as we celebrate our year of spirituality, leadership and service to the church and community. Meet new friends and learn more about our council activities!

Tuesday, 9 May 2023

**Poinsett Club
807 E. Washington Street, Greenville**

Poinsett Room: Front Entrance, First Room on Left
(There is also a ground level entrance to avoid stairs.)

11:30 a.m. - Meet and Greet
12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. - Lunch, Awards, and Officer Installation

Entrée:

Herb Grilled Chicken
with Champagne Cream Sauce,
Rice Pilaf, Buttered Green Beans, Corn Sticks

***Dessert
Beverages***

For electronic invoice, please e-mail: karolineorourke@gmail.com

*Make check payable to: St. Mary's Council of Catholic Women
Mail coupon below with check to: SMCCW, P.O. Box 1505, Greenville, SC 29602*

*****RESERVATION DEADLINE: Monday, 1 May 2023*****

Cut and return coupon with your check -- Please Print Clearly

St. Mary's Council of Catholic Women 2023 Spring Luncheon

Your Name: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Names of Additional Guests: _____

Total Guests _____ x \$25.00 each = \$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____

National Eucharistic Revival



NATIONAL
**Eucharistic
Revival**

EUCCHARISTIC MISSION NIGHTS

As we journey through the process of the National Eucharistic Revival, join two dynamic national Eucharistic preachers for an evening of prayer and inspiration that will send us forth to proclaim the Good News we encounter in the Eucharist. All are welcome. Registration not required.

27 APRIL
Fr. Dorantes @ St. Mary Magdalene, Simpsonville 6:30 - 8:00 PM
Fr. LoCoco @ St. Gregory the Great, Bluffton 6:30 - 8:00 PM

28 APRIL
Fr. Dorantes @ St. Mary Help of Christians, Aiken 6:30 - 7:30 PM
Fr. LoCoco @ St. Philip Neri Parish, Fort Mill 6:30 - 7:30 PM

29 APRIL
Fr. Dorantes @ St. James the Greater, Conway 6:30 - 7:30 PM
Fr. LoCoco @ Basilica of St. Peter, Columbia 6:30 - 7:30 PM

Contact the Office of Catechesis & Christian Initiation for more information:
Catechesis@charlestdiocese.org or 843.261.0504

What are Mission Nights?

Mission Nights is a calendar of when two of the national Eucharistic preachers will be speaking in several parishes throughout South Carolina. Fr Manuel Dorantes will be in Greenville at St Mary Magdalene parish on Thursday 27 April at 6.30 pm to give a bilingual one night mission. It will be a night of preaching, prayer, and inspiration that will renew and strengthen your faith in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. As similar events are scheduled, we'll keep you informed so that you can take advantage of these wonderful opportunities for you and your family to grow in your faith. Learn more at <https://charlestdiocese.org/eucharistic-revival/eucharistic-mission-nights>.

What is the Revival? The National Eucharistic Revival is the joyful, expectant, grassroots response of the entire Catholic Church in the United States to the divine invitation of re-centering our lives on the Real Presence of the Eucharist. In South Carolina, this movement seeks to ignite fervor for the Most Blessed Sacrament in the hearts of faithful through teaching, practice and evangelization. Learn more at <https://charlestdiocese.org/eucharistic-revival/>. Choose any of the several topics listed at the bottom of the page.



St Mary's Religious Education



Religious Education Grades 1-8

Classes meet on Wednesday from 6.30pm – 7.30pm.

RE & Homeschool students 1st Confessions are this week, Wednesday 19 April. Meet in the Church at 6:15 pm. Parents can stay.

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@smcgvl.org or 864.679.4110

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@smcgv.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. The next class is Monday 24 April at 6.30 pm in Sacred Heart Hall. Contact Deacon Joe Sanfilippo at 864.679.4119 or joe.sanfilippo@smcgv.org for class registration.

Spiritual Direction

St Mary's has two certified Catholic Spiritual Directors available for individual spiritual direction. Contact Deacon Tom Whalen at thomas.whelen@smcgv.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**.

Our son wanted us happy.

But, we were struggling as a couple. We needed help and knew we could not be the only couple facing similar power struggles in their marriage.

We attended a Retrouvaille Weekend Retreat to learn a communication process that helped us build a solid relationship with each other. We were able to reconnect and repair our marriage. Our marriage and family now have hope and happiness.

Visit HelpOurMarriage.org to Register for an Upcoming Jacksonville/North Florida Retrouvaille Weekend Retreat
Call 904-662-8604 for Information
Marywood Retreat Center

HelpOurMarriage.org



Catholic Radio in South Carolina
WCKI 1300 AM

For programming
information, visit
<https://catholicradioinnc.com>

Natural Family Planning Classes

In Person Sessions

19 April at 6 pm at St Joseph (Columbia) -

email naprogal@gmail.com or register at

<https://www.stjosephcolumbia.org/natural-family-planning>

Virtual Sessions

17 April at 6.30 pm - bernapowell97@gmail.com

PERPETUAL Eucharistic Adoration

Prince of Peace

"The Prince of life, who died, reigns immortal."

~From the Easter sequence, Victimae Paschali Laude

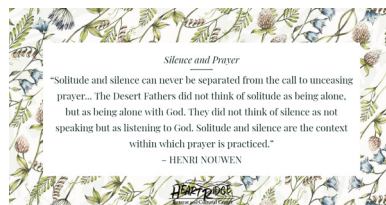
To share a Holy hour with the Lord, contact Lisa Buss at adoration@princeofpeacetaylors.org or 864.508.7123. All hours are available for adoption, but please consider one of the following hours of need (*urgent open hour!):

Thursday 2 am & 4 am*

Friday 5 pm

Saturday 6 am

Ignatian Silent Retreat



Ignatian Silent Retreat lead by Fr William Frei is 5-7 May at the Heart Ridge Retreat Center (Sunset).

There will be sessions led by Fr Frei as

well as Mass and Confession, but most of the time will be spent in silence so that the retreatants can spend time discerning, praying, and resting in God's care. All food and comfortable lodging provided at the beautiful mountain retreat center. Find more details and register at <https://www.heartridgeministries.com/silent-retreat.html>.

Mother Daughter Retreat



If you have a tween daughter, don't miss this opportunity to build friendship and communication so important in the upcoming teen years

at the mother and tween daughter *Arise and Shine* overnight retreat on 22-23 April at Heart Ridge (Sunset). Moms and daughters will do crafts, play games, hike, and spend time in communication and discussion activities. Price is all inclusive. Find more details and register at <https://www.heartridgeministries.com/motherdaughter>.

Icon Painting Workshop

St. Rafka Catholic Church, Greenville, South Carolina

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

June 26-July 1, 2023
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 Saint Gabriel 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 \$700 includes most materials including boards pigments etc.

Space is limited and early registration is suggested.

For enrollment and more information, visit the website <https://theodoreicons.com/sc>

or contact Mrs Aziza Stansberry at: stansberryazizax@gmail.com phone: 864-506-1924



The Clergy of St Mary's Catholic Church

Father Jay Scott Newman
Pastor of St Mary's Church
Dean of Greenville
pastor@smcgv1.org
864.679.4100

Father Orlando Cheverría
Parochial Vicar of St Mary's Church
Priest of San Sebastian
jcheverria-jimenez@charlestdiocese.org
864.526.8384

Father Jonathan Duncan
Parochial Vicar of St Mary's Church
Bon Secours Director of Spiritual Care
fatherduncan@smcgv1.org
817.475.6909

Father Bartholomew Leon
Pastor of St Rafka Church
Assisting Priest at St Mary's Church
bleon@charlestdiocese.org
864.469.9119

Permanent Deacons

Deacon Diego Ferro
Director of Hispanic Ministries
diego.ferro@smcgv1.org
864.679.4112

Deacon Joe Sanfilippo
Pastoral Associate
joe.sanfilippo@smcgv1.org
864.679.4119

Deacon Alex Garvey
Bon Secours Mercy Health Ministries
alex.garvey@smcgv1.org
864.255.1096

Deacon George Tierney
Deacon Scheduling
george.tierney@smcgv1.org
864.679.4115

Deacon John Heuser
Director of Social Ministries
john.heuser@smcgv1.org
864.679.4113

Deacon Tom Whalen
Spiritual Direction & Communion Ministers
thomas.whelen@smcgv1.org
864.679.4108

Staff

Jennifer Anderson
Director of Finance & HR
jennifer.anderson@smcgv1.org
864.679.4102

Linda Jackson
Director of Catechesis
linda.jackson@smcgv1.org
864.679.4110

Arlen Clarke
Choirmaster
arlen.clarke@smcgv1.org
864.901.1250

Chris Ortiz
Director of Youth Ministry
chris.ortiz@smcgv1.org
864.679.4111

Emily Cortes
Organist
emily.cortes@smcgv1.org
607.373.0171

Pat Perkins
Director of Administration
pat.perkins@smcgv1.org
864.679.4109

Jenni Dillard
eBulletin Editor
jenni.dillard@smcgv1.org
864.679.4104

Sarah Perkins
Assistant to the Pastor
sarah.perkins@smcgv1.org
864.679.4100

Jaime Escobar
Director of Facilities
jaime.escobar@smcgv1.org
864.679.4107

Steven Zimmerman
Principal of St Mary's School
principal@stmarysgvl.org
864.271.3870