

St Mary's Catholic Church

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Greenville, South Carolina

18 June 2023

Dear Friends in Christ,

If you are in the habit of leaving the church immediately after receiving Holy Communion at Mass, then I beg you to replace that habit with a new one: receive Holy Communion reverently and devoutly, and then return to your seat in the pew to give thanks to God for the miracle of being nourished unto everlasting life by the Body and Blood of Christ. Giving thanks for the gift of Holy Communion is a small but essential sign of the faith that we confessed last week on the Solemnity of Corpus Christi in the real presence of Christ in the Holy Eucharist. And there are other small signs that are equally important for us to preserve, protect, and defend our reverence for the Most Blessed Sacrament of the Altar and to transmit it to others by our words and deeds.

Remote preparation for worthy participation in Mass begins at home and continues in the car on the trip to the church. What am I thinking and talking about? Am I aware of what I'm about to do? Is participating in the Holy Mass something I do willingly, reverently, and devoutly? Or is it something I do grudgingly, sullenly, and apathetically? Remote preparation also includes keeping the Eucharistic fast (no food for a least an hour before receiving Holy Communion), and it requires the most important preparation of all: examining my conscience and going to Confession whenever needed so that I do not eat and drink my own condemnation by making a sacrament into a sacrilege through an unworthy reception of Holy Communion.

Proximate preparation for participating in Mass begins when we arrive at the church. Am I aware that I approach the House of God? Do I silence my cell phone and leave behind in the car anything that could distract my attention from the glory of the Lord? Do I enter the sacred precincts of the temple with the proper dispositions? Do I use the holy water in the font at the door to remind me of my Baptism? Do I genuflect (or bow if the knee no longer easily bends) towards Christ present in the tabernacle? Do I prepare to hear the Word of God proclaimed by reading the Scripture lessons appointed for that Mass? Do I quiet my heart and mind and voice and approach the Throne of Grace in prayer so that I will be ready to approach the altar in the Communion procession?

Then comes the celebration of the Holy Eucharist and the time for us to join in that privileged act of worship. Do I say or sing all of the parts of the liturgy that are proper for me? Do I offer genuine contrition for my sins in the Penitential Rite? Do I listen attentively to the reading of Holy Scripture? Do I lift up my heart to the Lord as the priest offers the preface to the Eucharist prayer? Do I sincerely join with my brothers and sisters when we pray to Our Father as the Savior taught us? And, finally, do I approach the altar to receive Holy Communion or a blessing with genuine faith in and love for the Lord Jesus Christ? If so, that is why I would never leave the church without first returning to my pew to give thanks for the medicine of immortality in the Bread that came down from Heaven.

Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions	Meetings & Events *		
Sunday 18 June	Sunday 18 June	Financial Report	
Father's Day7.30 am✤Nancy Frugoni Miller9.00 amDaniel Harris11.00 amPro populo1.00 pmSpanish Mass	KofC Breakfast: After 7.30 & 9 am Masses (P)	Weekend of 10/11 JuneNeeded37,725Received36,083Shortage- 1,642Poor Box693	
Monday 19 June	Monday 19 June		
7.00 amDayna Turner		Offertory Year to DateNeeded1,886,250Received1,955,932	
Tuesday 20 June	Tuesday 20 June	Surplus + 69,682	
7.00 am ♣ Patricia Smialek	10.00 am SMCCW Sewing Group	Electronic Giving: If you want to have direct management of	
Wednesday 21 June	Wednesday 21 June	your Electronic Fund Transfer online, you can now do so	
7.00 am ✤ Judy Stanojev	5.00-6.00 pm Holy Hour & Confessions (church)	through the "Make a Gift" link on the homepage of our website. For more information or if you have any questions please	
Thursday 22 June	Thursday 22 June	contact Jennifer Anderson at jennifer.anderson@smcgvl.org.	
7.00 amGenevieve Smith & Family	7.00 pm Spanish Adoration		
Friday 23 June	Friday 23 June	Forward in Faith	
7.00 am SM Johnna Ciezobka, CSSF	Parish Office Closes at Noon5.30-6.30 amPillars of Christ (early group)6.30-6.45 amMorning Prayer (Lauds) (church)7.30-8.30 amPillars of Christ (late group) (M)10.00 amFriday Morning Bible Study7.00 pmSpanish Rosary	<i>Forward in Faith</i> Capital Campaign \$7 Million to Raise 2019 to 2023	
Saturday 24 June	Saturday 24 June	Donations 5,575,009	
5.00 pm ♣ Rev James J Tully	 8.00-9.00 am Rosary - Grove Rd abortion clinic 12.00 pm Senior Fellowship Luncheon 3.30-4.30 pm Confessions (church) 	Received Pledge 456,630 Balance	
G - Gallivan Hall M - McGrady Hall P - Pazdan Hall	* All events in Sacred Heart Hall unless a location is listed	Still to Go 968,361	

Summer Liturgical Schedule Changes

No Holy Hour and Confessions on 28 June or any Wednesday in July (resumes 2 August).

The church will be closed and locked all weekdays from 3 to 7 July and from 10 to 14 July. During those two weeks, we will not have Mass at 7 am, and no visits to the church will be possible so that we can perform needed maintenance work in the building. Our weekend schedule will remain the same. Please excuse this inconvenience.

Church Office Summer Hours 2 June through 11 August

Monday - Thursday	9 am - 4 pm
Friday	9 am - 12 noon

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, 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, Lisa Myer, Sandy Miros, and Terry Gurn.

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 18 June**. 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.

PARISH NEWS

Collection for 17/18 June

Bishop's Annual Appeal Support of the Parish

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



Senior Fellowship Luncheon Saturday 24 June at 12.00 noon



Please join us in Sacred Heart Hall for our sandwich and salad luncheon. Bring a main dish or dessert to share. Contact Dee Goughneour at 864.421.3726 or Alice

Ramos at 864.430.7276 with questions.

Welcome Newcomers

We welcome the following new members to our parish family: Kenrood Jean & Dania Eugene, Frideline Wenly Tirme, Brandon Cole & Emily Fischer.

St Mary's Council of Catholic Women

Sewing Ministry

The group will meet Tuesday 20 & 27 June 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 this summer, find mass times at a parish near you. https://masstimes.org https://www.catholicdirectory.com

St Mary's School Job Opening



St Mary's Catholic School is accepting applications for a full-time K3 teacher for the 2023-2024 school year. The ideal candidate would be a practicing Catholic, experienced, organized, passionate for early childhood education, able to communicate

well with parents, familiar with the developmental needs and capabilities of 3 and 4-year-old children, with a calm and loving demeanor and the ability to expertly manage many small children at once.

St Mary's Catholic School is a two-time National Blue Ribbon School with a 123 year history of academic excellence and currently serves 319 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.

St Mary's K3 curriculum is fundamentally academic and focuses on fine and gross motor skills, an introduction to letters and their sounds, educational play, listening skills, cooperation, personal responsibility, managing emotions, song, prayer, and the Catholic faith. The lead teacher is supported in the classroom by two full-time aides, and students experience enrichment classes in Art, Music, Spanish, and French with other St Mary's teachers.

Salary is highly competitive and is based on years of experience and level of education completed.

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

School Office Summer Hours until 4 August

Monday - Wednesday 9 am - 2 pm 9 am - 12 noon Thursday

A lot goes into keeping our school buildings beautiful and safe; most of that work takes place over the summer. Before visiting the School Office, please call ahead to ensure that it is open 864.271.3870.





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National Eucharistic Revival





Eucharistic Conferences & Congresses

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://charlestondiocese.org/eucharistic-revival/. Choose any of the several topics listed at the bottom of the page.

Eucharistic Revival Conferences A Eucharistic Revival Conference is an event where like-minded Catholics can come together to share and celebrate their faith in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. On a national level, a Eucharistic Congress is planned for next year in Indianapolis, IN from 17-21 July 2024. Such a Congress has not been held since before WWII. A limited number of discounted tickets are available for the members of our diocese. To learn more, visit https://charlestondiocese.org/eucharistic-revival/ eucharistic-revival-conferences/.

Support Our Missionary



This past school year, Saint Mary's parishioner Elise Devine served as a missionary with the National Evangelization Team (NET), which sends out teams of young adults to share the Gospel with students across the USA. Together with her team, Elise traveled over 27,000 miles, served in 17 states, and reached over 6,000 teens and young adults. After this successful year, Elise has decided to go back to NET and serve for a second year starting in August. In order to fulfill this call, she needs to raise \$10,000 to cover the costs of training, healthcare, transportation, equipment, and a small monthly stipend. Elise has been the first member of Saint Mary's to work with NET, and she is currently the only missionary coming from the Diocese of Charleston. Saint Mary's Church invites everyone to support Elise's missionary service. 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.

Support Elise by visiting https://netusa.org/supportamissionary/ and select 'Elise Devine' under missionaries.



The Center for Evangelical Catholicism

presents

MATRIMONY Holy & Other

7th Annual Fall Conference Saturday 30 September 2023

8.30 am to 12 Noon St Mary's Catholic Church | Greenville, SC

What do I say when my son is getting married outside the Church? I was invited to a co-worker's same-sex wedding, should I go?

These are the types of questions that face us every day. Come hear the priests of St Mary's address your common questions and concerns regarding the Sacrament of Marriage. They will unpack the theological basis for the Church's teaching, but also address the very specific issues of ordinary life that challenge those seeking to live as disciples of Christ in the world today.





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

Fr Jay Scott Newman Pastor of St Mary's Par

Fr Jonathan Duncan Parochial Vicar of St Mary's

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@smcgvl.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 scheduled class is Monday 11 September. Contact Deacon Joe Sanfilippo at 864.679.4119 or joe.sanfilippo@smcgvl.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.whalen@smcgvl.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**.

Icon Painting Workshop

St. Rafka Catholic Church, Greenville, South Carolina Experience the unique spiritual world of the Byzantine Era through icon painting



Family Summer Camps



Come to the Mountains! Heart Ridge Retreat Center offers weeklong Catholic family camps. It's like summer camp - but for the whole family. One price includes comfortable AC lodging, food, and all of the activities. Faith sessions based on age are offered daily as well as individual family time, and Mass.

"I HAVE CALLED YOU FRIENDS."

Afternoons are spent doing optional outdoor activities at and near the mountain retreat center. Evenings are full of fun, like skits and games. If you want to grow closer to God and closer as a family, and get out of cooking for a week, this is the vacation for you. Please visit https://www.heartridgeministries.com/summerfamily-camp.html to learn more and register.

Natural Family Planning Classes

In Person Sessions 13 July at 7.00 pm at St Francis Eastside (Greenville) email napronurse@aol.com

Virtual Sessions

6 July at 7.00 pm - lexiesawonik@gmail.com
19 July at 6.30 pm - elenabfcp@gmail.com
20 July at 6.30 pm - janellenapro@gmail.com
20 July at 8.00 pm - register at bit.ly/introwithemma

Email to register for the Introductory Sessions.

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Prince of Peace

"In contemplation before the Eucharist, at this moment we experience with special vividness the truth of Christ's promise: He is with us!" ~St John Paul II

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!):

Sunday 8 am Monday 10 am & 1 pm Wednesday 6 pm Saturday 9 pm*



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



Family Honor Greece Pilgrimage



You are invited to join Family Honor on an amazing 12day pilgrimage to Greece, including a three-night cruise along the Aegean Sea! Visit the sites related to St Paul in Corinth, Thessaloniki,

Kavala, Philippi, and Veria. Also visit Ephesus, Patmos, Mykonos, Santorini, Crete, and Meteora. You'll participate in daily Mass at holy sites, visit the monastery and cave where St John wrote the Book of Revelation. see the house where the Blessed Mother lived with St John, and explore the ancient city of Athens. In addition, you'll stop by museums with displays of ancient artifacts and savor exquisite Mediterranean cuisine. Enjoy the company of a professional Tour Escort and make unforgettable memories, all in the safety and ease of group travel. The group departs the USA on 23 October and returns 3 November. Spiritual Director for the Pilgrimage will be Father Philip Gillespie, pastor of St Joseph Catholic Church in Anderson, SC. For more information, contact Brenda Cerkez, Executive Director of Family Honor, at 803.929.0858 or bcerkez@familyhonor.org. For more information, visit https://www.catholicheritagetours.com/fhbcgr2023.



Pray. Reflect. Act.



Visit the USCCB website from 22-29 June for daily prayer reflections

Holy Land Pilgrimage

Join Father Longenecker and Catholic Bible teacher Steve Ray for a once in a lifetime pilgrimage to the Holy Land from 15-24 May 2024. For more information contact dcraft@charlestondiocese.org or call the parish office at Our Lady of the Rosary at 864.422.1648.



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