



St Mary's Catholic Church



Greenville, South Carolina

9 July 2023

Dear Friends in Christ,

The First Principle of Evangelical Catholicism is: “The Lord Jesus Christ is the crucified and risen Savior of all mankind, and no human person can fully understand his life or find his dignity and destiny apart from a personal friendship with the Lord Jesus. It is not enough to know who Jesus is; we must know Jesus.”

The first claim made here is absolute and uncompromising: Jesus of Nazareth is the only savior of the entire human race and his identity as the Messiah is finally and fully revealed in his suffering, death, and Resurrection. In an age that prizes individual choice above all else, this claim is often rejected as offensive, but in every age Christ is a stumbling block: “For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ is the power of God and the wisdom of God.” (1 Cor 1:22-24) The Lord Jesus is either the Son of God, or he is not. He was either conceived without a human father, or he was not. He is either the Second Person of the Most Holy Trinity, or he is not. And on the answers to these questions turns the entire Christian religion, because Jesus of Nazareth (in C.S. Lewis’s famous formulation) is one of only three things: a liar, a lunatic, or the Lord.

Next, if Jesus is Lord (meaning the eternal Word by whom and for whom all things were made) then the next part of the first principle follows: our lives are unintelligible until we know the Lord Jesus and live as his students and his friends. To Catholics of a certain age, this claim will sound strange because at times in our recent history there was insufficient emphasis in catechesis on the necessity of a personal friendship with the Lord Jesus, and for this reason the very language sounds Protestant and decidedly un-Catholic. But the best of Catholic tradition, taught by the Church and lived by the saints, always puts a true human relationship with the Lord Jesus in first place, as Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger explained in his homily to the College of Cardinals on the day before he was elected Benedict XVI: “Our redemption is brought about in this communion of wills: being friends of Jesus, to become friends of God. The more we love Jesus, the more we know him, the more our true freedom develops and our joy in being redeemed flourishes. Thank you, Jesus, for your friendship!”

That is why it is not enough to know who Jesus is; rather, we must know Jesus. And we come to know Jesus in the Holy Scriptures, in the Sacraments of the Church, in prayer both alone and with other Christians, in service to the least of his brethren, and - above all - in the “breaking of the bread,” the Most Holy Eucharist. Becoming Evangelical Catholics means that we must seek to know Christ in all of these ways on a regular basis and open our hearts and minds to him as he reveals himself for our salvation and the salvation of the world.

Father Newman

Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sunday 9 July

7.30 am	Fr Jay Scott Newman
9.00 am	Matthew Gevaert
11.00 am	Pro populo
1.00 pm	Spanish Mass

Monday 10 July

7.00 am **No Mass**

Tuesday 11 July

7.00 am **No Mass**

Wednesday 12 July

7.00 am **No Mass**

Thursday 13 July

7.00 am **No Mass**

Friday 14 July

7.00 am **No Mass**

Saturday 15 July

5.00 pm ✱ James T &
Florence Mooney

Meetings & Events *

Sunday 9 July

No Nursery (resumes 13 August)

Monday 10 July

Church Closed for Maintenance

Tuesday 11 July

Church Closed for Maintenance

Wednesday 12 July

Church Closed for Maintenance
No Holy Hour & Confessions
(resumes 2 August)

Thursday 13 July

Church Closed for Maintenance

Friday 14 July

Church Closed for Maintenance
Parish Office Closes at Noon
10.00 am Friday Morning Bible Study
7.00 pm Spanish Rosary

Saturday 15 July

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

Financial Report

Weekend of 1/2 July

Needed	38,900
Received	38,566
Shortage	- 334

Poor Box 549

Offertory Year to Date

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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 5,644,370

Pledge Balance 452,800

Still to Go 902,830

G - Gallivan Hall M - McGrady Hall
P - Pazdan Hall

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

Summer Liturgical Schedule Changes

No Holy Hour and Confessions on 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 Jaskwich Sobol, Lisa Myer, Sandy Miros, and Terry Gurn.

Welcome Newcomers

We welcome the following new members to our parish family: David & Iris Rodriguez, Jacqueline Sautter, Brianna Pajak, Sophia Thompson.

Nationwide Mass Times

If traveling this summer, find mass times at a parish near you.
<https://masstimes.org>
<https://www.catholicdirectory.com>

PARISH NEWS

Collection for 8/9 July

Forward in Faith Capital Campaign
Support of the Parish

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



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. If you are interested in joining our ministry, please contact Robert Sullivan (early group) at resulli42@gmail.com or 864.561.9600 or Mike Munafò (late group) at mmunafò1950@gmail.com or 864.313.5356.

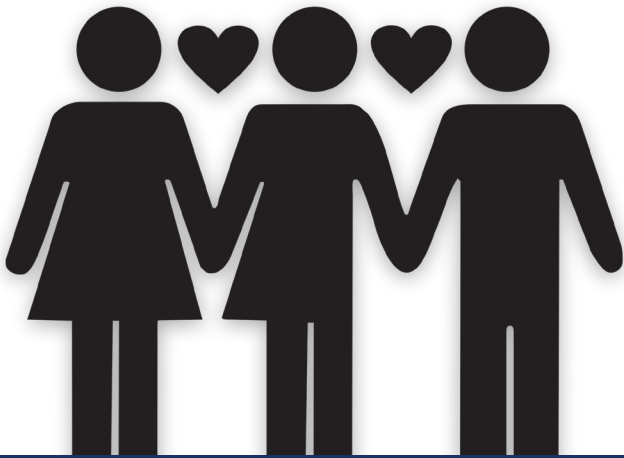


The Center for Evangelical Catholicism

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.



Fr Jay Scott Newman
Pastor of St Mary's

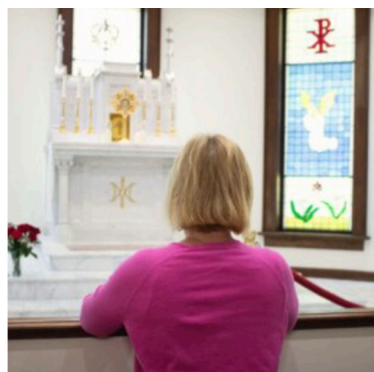


Fr Jonathan Duncan
Parochial Vicar of St Mary's

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

National Eucharistic Revival

Adoration



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.

Adoration Opportunities If someone is our friend, we naturally want to spend time with them, to share experiences, to look to them for advice and direction. If Jesus is not only our Lord and God, but also our friend and brother, it should be no different. To come to the understanding that he is really present in our churches and in our lives, we must spend time with him, sharing and listening. Check out different opportunities to do just that all around our state. Get in touch - stay in touch! To learn more, visit <https://charlestdiocese.org/our-relationship-with-the-eucharist/>.

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.

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@smcgv1.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@smcgv1.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@smcgv1.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**.

Eucharistic CONGRESS
CONGRESO EUCHARÍSTICO

Joyful DISCIPLES, CENTERED ON THE
E U C H A R I S T

JULY 21-23, 2023
21-23 DE JULIO DE 2023

PRAYER | WORSHIP | DYNAMIC SPEAKERS







Fr. Agustino Torres, CFR
 Franciscan Friar of the Renewal

Jon Leonetti
 Catholic Speaker

Fr. Chris Alar
 Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception

Fr. Nelson Medina, OP
 Colombia

Bishop Julio Hernando Garcia Pelaez
 Diocese of Garagoa, Colombia

\$20 per person / \$20 por persona
www.stjamesconway.org/eucharisticcongress



St. James Catholic Church
 1071 Academy Drive Conway, SC 29526

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Prince of Peace

“Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts!”

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!):

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

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.

Family Honor Greece Pilgrimage



You are invited to join Family Honor on an amazing 12-day 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>.

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.

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/summer-family-camp.html> to learn more and register.

Understand Your Catholic Faith with
The Catechism in a Year Podcast
 with Fr. Mike Schmitz!

Join us as we journey through it together on Fridays from noon to 1.00 pm.
 Contact cathy@charlestdioocese.org to receive the Zoom invite.



By listening to this podcast, Catholics will:

- Read the entire *Catechism of the Catholic Church* in 365 days
- Understand the essentials of the Catholic Faith and why they matter
- Transform their relationship with the Church that Christ founded

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Please contact Jessica Thrall at jthrall@charlestdioocese.org if you're interested in volunteering, donating or learning more about any of our programs.



Visit our website here!

Eucharistic Miracles Traveling Exhibit

The Eucharistic Miracles Traveling Exhibit is traveling to several parishes in the Diocese of Charleston this summer! This exhibit features accounts of several Eucharistic Miracles that have been recorded throughout the Church's history. It is based on the work of Blessed Carlo Acutis. This version of the exhibit features an audio-visual guide to walk you through the tour. Be sure to bring a mobile device and headphones to access the guide. The display panels are in both English and Spanish and the AV guide is in English with Spanish subtitles. Find out dates and parishes at <https://charlestdioocese.org/eucharistic-revival/eucharisticmiraclestravelingexhibit/>.

Natural Family Planning Classes

In Person Sessions

- 13 July at 7.00 pm at St Francis Eastside (Greenville) - email napronurse@aol.com
- 19 July at 6.00 pm at St Joseph (Columbia) - email naprogal@gmail.com or register at <https://www.stjosephcolumbia.org/natural-family-planning>
- 25 July at 6.30 pm at St Andrew (Myrtle Beach) - email janetgrcms@gmail.com

Virtual Sessions

- 19 July at 6.30 pm - elenabfcp@gmail.com
- 20 July at 6.30 pm - janelleapro@gmail.com
- 20 July at 8.00 pm - register at bit.ly/introwithemma

Email to register for the Introductory Sessions.



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