



St Mary's Catholic Church



Greenville, South Carolina

30 July 2023

Dear Friends in Christ,

The Fourth Principle of Evangelical Catholicism is: “Through Word and Sacrament we are drawn by grace into a transforming union with the Lord Jesus, and having been justified by faith we are called to sanctification and equipped by the Holy Spirit for the good works of the new creation. We must, therefore, learn to live as faithful disciples and to reject whatever is contrary to the Gospel, which is the Good News of the Father’s mercy and love revealed in the life, death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ.”

When Protestants want to explain what they perceive as the primary mistake in Catholic teaching on salvation, they often charge that we believe in “works righteousness,” by which they mean that Catholics falsely believe we can earn the favor of God and be rewarded with eternal salvation by doing good works as opposed to being justified by faith. But to frame the conversation in this way presents a false choice between faith and works because we are not saved by either our faith or our works; rather, we are saved only by Jesus Christ, and his work of salvation is pure grace - the free and unmerited favor of God. The question, then, is how Christ extends to us this offer of salvation by grace alone and how we respond to that offer. To answer this question we must first acknowledge that all grace is mediated, meaning that God’s grace is given to us through instruments that correspond to our nature: words that we can hear and read, food that we can eat, the touch of human hands that we can feel. This is what it means to say that “through Word and Sacrament we are drawn by grace into a transforming union with the Lord Jesus.”

The Fourth Principle goes on to insist that having been justified by faith, we are then called to holiness of life - a call for which we are equipped by the gifts of the Holy Spirit. This is what the Lord Jesus teaches us in the Sermon on the Mount: “Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the Kingdom of Heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father...” And what is the will of Our Father? We are commanded to feed the hungry, to give drink to the thirsty, to welcome the immigrant, to clothe the naked, to visit the sick and imprisoned, to protect the widow and the orphan, to defend the oppressed. Those who do these things will be welcomed into the kingdom prepared from the foundation of the world, while those who do not do these things will be cast away into eternal punishment. (cf. Matthew 25: 31-46)

This is not works righteousness; this is living by grace through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. Only because we have first received God’s gift of faith in Jesus Christ (justification), do we strive to live the life of the new creation in Jesus Christ (sanctification) so that we may inherit everlasting life in Jesus Christ (glorification). Justification must lead to sanctification which is made perfect in glorification; only together do these three moments of grace constitute what we mean by salvation: sharing by the grace of adoption the life and glory of the Triune God by our communion with the Lord Jesus Christ.

Father Newman

Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sunday 30 July

7.30 am ✘ Stephen Oslos
 9.00 am ✘ Dewey & Edna Cooper
 11.00 am Pro populo
 1.00 pm Spanish Mass

Monday 31 July

7.00 am ✘ Caleb & Heather Hulsey

Tuesday 1 August

7.00 am ✘ Jose Roberto Restrepo

Wednesday 2 August

7.00 am ✘ Marsha Cliff

Thursday 3 August

7.00 am ✘ Carlos Jose Restrepo

Friday 4 August

7.00 am Ana Lucia Cordova
& Family

Saturday 5 August

5.00 pm Luci Banks Sieber

Meetings & Events *

Sunday 30 July

No Nursery (resumes 13 August)

Monday 31 July

Tuesday 1 August

Wednesday 2 August

5.00-6.00 pm Holy Hour
& Confessions (church)

Thursday 3 August

7.00 pm Spanish Adoration

Friday 4 August

Parish Office Closes at Noon

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 5 August

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

Financial Report

Weekend of 22/23 July

Needed	38,900
Received	34,717
Shortage	- 4,183

Poor Box	458
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Offertory Year to Date

Needed	155,600
Received	152,570
Shortage	- 3,030

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	5,726,465
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Pledge Balance	450,460
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Still to Go	823,075
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G - Gallivan Hall M - McGrady Hall
 P - Pazdan Hall

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

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, Terry Gurn, Mitchell & Elisa Bianco, Richard Stephens.

Daily Mass Readings

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

Congratulations to

Frank Eugene Stangl III who was baptized last weekend.

Jonathan Dorogy and Julie Spitzmiller who were married last weekend.

Pillars of Christ Men's Ministry

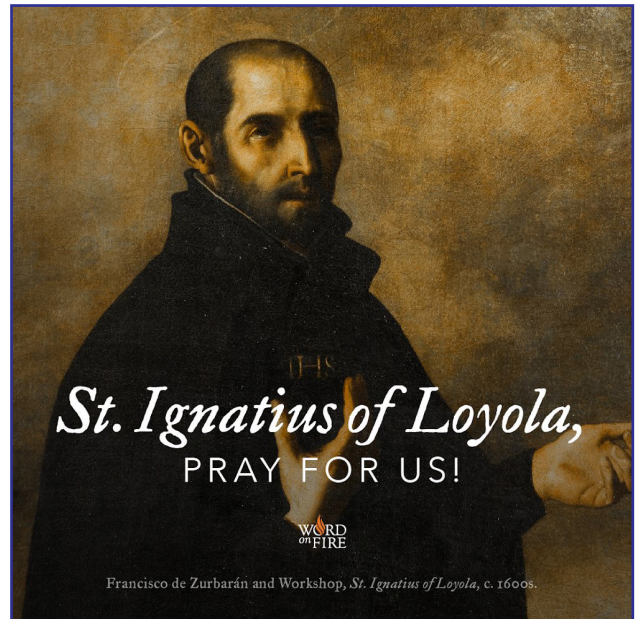
Pillars of Christ small group men's ministry meets in person every Friday throughout the year. The early group meets at 5.30 am and the late group meets at 7.30 am. The ministry is focused on helping men to live out their vocation as Catholic Christian men in every aspect of their lives, be it home, 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.

PARISH NEWS

Collection for 29/30 July

Support of the Parish

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



Nationwide Mass Times

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

<https://masstimes.org>

<https://www.catholicdirectory.com>

Welcome Newcomers

We welcome the following new members to our parish family: Noah Hildebrand, Nathaniel & Carson Lessard, Karin Folgar, Corey & Katelyn Callahan.



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

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13 – SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2023

Marian Eucharistic Conference



Featured Speakers



Rev. Don Calloway, MIC



Very Rev. Thomas Petri, OP



Rev. John Bartunek, LC



Jim Wahlberg



John Martignoni

Registration

General Admission: \$125, Youth: \$75
Registration required by OCT. 2 by mail. Registration after Oct. 2: \$135.
Buffet dinner on Friday and buffet lunch on Saturday are included. Friday dinner choice: chicken or fish.

For more information:
MeConferenceSC.net
or call 864-354-7160.

GREENVILLE CONVENTION CENTER
1 Exposition Dr., Greenville, SC 29607

School Office Summer Hours until 4 August

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

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.



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



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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.

National Eucharistic Revival



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Eucharistic Miracles

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 Miracles At every Mass, does the bread and wine offered by the priest really change into the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ? Faith tells us YES! The words of Jesus, who cannot deceive or be deceived, tell us YES! And from time to time, God allows eucharistic miracles to bolster and confirm our faith. Read about some of these miracles as compiled by Blessed Carlo Acutis by visiting <http://www.miracolieucaristici.org/en/Liste/list.html>.



St Mary's Religious Education

REGISTRATION OPENS 1 August 2023

Registration for the 2023-24 year is now open. ALL children of the parish (Grades 1-8) must register with the Religious Education Office including Homeschool and St Joe's Middle School Students.

[Link to Registration Forms](#)



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

Religious Education Grades 1-8

Classes begin 6 September 2023

Classes meet on Wednesday from 6.30pm – 7.30pm.

Parents meet 2nd Wednesday of the Month

Sunday Mornings for 3 & 4 Year Olds

Classes begin 10 September 2023

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

Adult Christian Formation

An Introduction to Catholicism

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

Free of charge but registration is required.

For more information or to register please email
timothy.nielsen@smcgvl.org

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**.

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>.

St Clare's Home Volunteers

We need "allies" who will journey with our young mothers as they learn to become wise stewards of their time, talent, and treasure. On Wednesday 9 August we will begin our fall Faith & Finance Class at St Clare's Home. You do not need to have a financial background to mentor, and training will be provided. This twelve week class seeks to Foster friendships, Grow a supportive community, Learn to make wise financial decisions, Plan for better futures, Place God at the heart of all our efforts, Better our lives and our communities. Each week's class begins at 9.45 am with a small community meal and ends promptly at 12 noon. Workbooks will be provided. Please contact stantonphyllis6@gmail.com to learn more. Additionally, we have a need for babysitters for the moms in the house that are taking this class. If you want to contribute to this class but you cannot donate your time, we would welcome a benefactor to provide the funds for purchasing the workbooks. The total cost will be about \$200. Please contact stclaresvolunteer@charlestondiocese.org if you are interested in helping babysit or to defray some of the cost of the materials. Thank you for prayerfully considering assisting us with this class!

PERPETUAL EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Prince of Peace

"Dominus Est - It is the Lord!"

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

Tuesday 9 am & 8 pm*

Thursday 2 am



Catholic Radio in South Carolina
WCKI 1300 AM

For programming
information, visit

<https://catholicradioinsc.com>

You are invited to join

Joseph Pearce,

internationally known author & speaker,
as he shares his wisdom on
**"The Evangelizing Power of
Beauty: Converting the Culture"**

August 16, 2023
7pm
Saint Mary Magdalene Catholic Church
Fellowship Hall
2252 Woodruff Road-Simpsonville, SC

Free of charge though donations appreciated.
Books will be available for purchase and signing.
Baked goods will also be available for purchase.

Discover how
the beauty of
Catholic art and
culture can win
souls for Christ
and His Church.

More of Joseph Pearce's work can
be found at JPearce.co

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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