



# St Mary's Catholic Church



Greenville, South Carolina

13 August 2023

Dear Friends in Christ,

The Fifth Principle of Evangelical Catholicism is: “The sacred liturgy, through which the seven Sacraments are celebrated and the Hours of praise are prayed, makes present to us the saving mysteries of the Lord Jesus. The liturgy must therefore be celebrated in such a way that the truth of the Gospel, the beauty of sacred music, the dignity of ritual form, the solemnity of divine worship, and the fellowship of the baptized assembled to pray are kept together in organic unity.”

Protestants who become Catholics often remark that they miss the sense of fellowship they experienced in their former congregations - the feeling of belonging to a group of friends in a spiritual family rather than joining a crowd of random strangers coming together for a common purpose as at an athletic event or concert. This is part of what I mean in the Fifth Principle by “the fellowship of the baptized assembled to pray.”

One of the ways that sense of fellowship is fostered in Protestant congregations is that people in the pews speak to each other in conversational voices before worship begins. This is often called visiting, and it can help form a group of people into a spiritual family. But Catholics do not speak to each other in the pews before Mass because we are speaking to God: preparing in silent prayer to participate in the sacred liturgy by turning our hearts and minds to the Throne of Grace so that the truth of the Gospel, the beauty of sacred music, the dignity of ritual form, and the solemnity of divine worship can unite us body and soul as closely as possible to the Lord Jesus Christ.

But such a Christ-centered way of praying in union with the whole Church around the world should not impede us from finding other ways to foster fellowship in our parishes, and that is why lingering after Mass to converse with each other, joining other Catholics in service to those in need, and participating in parish social and recreational events are so important. Look for ways to cultivate friendships with those you see around you in the pews so that the vertical and horizontal dimensions of parish life reinforce each other rather than compete with each other.

And if you want to understand more deeply why the Church asks us to pray as we do, I recommend two short texts. The first to read is *Sacrosanctum Concilium*, the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy of the Second Vatican Council; it is only a few pages long, and the text is available online. Then read *The Spirit of the Liturgy* by Joseph Ratzinger (later Pope Benedict XVI), a beautiful meditation on the nature and purpose of liturgical worship by the finest theological mind of our time. The psalmist sings that we are created “to worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness,” and the sacred liturgy is meant always to lead us to the Lord Jesus. An essential part of the New Evangelization is the full and faithful celebration of the sacred liturgy, and that is what we strive for in all our prayer. Let us go together to the source and summit of the Church’s life and find there a glimpse of the New and Eternal Jerusalem.

Father Newman

# Calendar of Events

## Mass Schedule & Intentions

### Sunday 13 August

7.30 am ✘ Gary Anthony Shelley  
 9.00 am ✘ Julian and Waclawa Zak  
 11.00 am Pro populo  
 1.00 pm Spanish Mass

### Monday 14 August

7.00 am ✘ Baby Grace Armaly

### Tuesday 15 August

**Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
 7.00 am ✘ James & Florence Mooney  
 12.00 pm Andrew Burnos & Family  
 7.00 pm Pro populo

### Wednesday 16 August

7.00 am ✘ Patti Waters

### Thursday 17 August

7.00 am ✘ Jon Custer

### Friday 18 August

7.00 am ✘ Richard Beauchemin Jr

### Saturday 19 August

5.00 pm Ben & Annabelle Miller

## Meetings & Events \*

### Sunday 13 August

Nursery: During 9.00 am Mass

### Monday 14 August

### Tuesday 15 August

10.00 am SMCCW Sewing Group

### Wednesday 16 August

5.00-6.00 pm Holy Hour  
& Confessions (church)

### Thursday 17 August

7.00 pm Spanish Adoration

### Friday 18 August

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 19 August

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

## Financial Report

### Weekend of 5/6 August

Needed	38,900
Received	40,195
Surplus	+ 1,295

Poor Box	925
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### Offertory Year to Date

Needed	233,400
Received	234,894
Surplus	+ 1,494

**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](mailto:jennifer.anderson@smcgvl.org).

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

Donations Received	5,757,560
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Pledge Balance	448,490
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Still to Go	793,950
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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, 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.

## 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](mailto:rsulli42@gmail.com) or 864.561.9600 or Mike Munafa (late group) at [mmunafa1950@gmail.com](mailto:mmunafa1950@gmail.com) or 864.313.5356.

## Thank You Parishioners!

Dear St Mary's Parishioners, Thank you so much to everyone who supported my upcoming mission year with NET! Because of your generosity I have reached and surpassed my fundraising goal. I am so excited to continue serving the Lord in this way by bringing the love of Jesus to youth across our country, and it is because of your support that this is possible. Please continue to keep me with your prayers as I prepare to leave in a couple weeks and know that the whole St Mary's community remains in mine! Peace & Blessings, Elise Devine

## St Mary's Council of Catholic Women

### Sewing Ministry

The group will meet Tuesday 15, 22 & 29 August from 10.00 am - 12.00 pm in Sacred Heart Hall. Please contact Judith Hogg at 864.438.1017 or [judyh75@att.net](mailto:judyh75@att.net) for details.

## PARISH NEWS

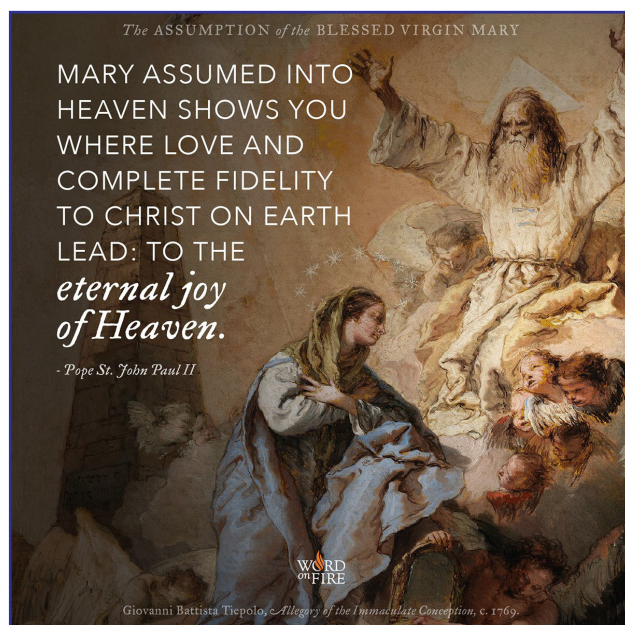
### Collection for 12/13 August

Forward in Faith Capital Campaign  
Support of the Parish

### Collection for 15 August

Support of the Parish

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



## Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - 15 August

### Holy Day of Obligation

We will celebrate three Masses for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Tuesday 15 August at 7.00 am, 12.00 noon & 7.00 pm.

## Daily Mass Readings

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



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](http://www.evangelicalcatholicism.com)

*Be who God  
meant you to be,  
and you will set the  
world on fire.*

-St Catherine of Siena



## SAVE THE DATE!

St Mary's Council of Catholic Women will host a Meet & Greet after all Masses in Pazdan Hall the weekend of 26-27 August.

All women of the parish are cordially invited to join St Mary's Council of Catholic Women. Our 90 members strive to be the women God calls us to be. We serve our parish and the greater community through our volunteer work and our prayers. We grow in our spirituality and form lasting friendships. All new paid members (\$15) will receive a free previous year St Mary's Christmas ornament.

For more information contact  
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Lori Grant at [blessedmom864@gmail.com](mailto:blessedmom864@gmail.com).



## Nationwide Mass Times

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



Catholic Radio in South Carolina  
WCKI 1300 AM

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



Please contact Jessica Thrall at  
[jthrall@charlestdiocese.org](mailto:jthrall@charlestdiocese.org)  
if you're interested in  
volunteering, donating  
or learning more about  
any of our programs.



Visit our website here!

## 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 pm.  
Contact [cathy@charlestdiocese.org](mailto:cathy@charlestdiocese.org) to receive the Zoom invite.



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# St Mary's Religious Education



For More Information  
Contact Linda Jackson  
[linda.jackson@smcgvl.org](mailto:linda.jackson@smcgvl.org)  
or 864.679.4110

## 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 Grades 1-8 Registration Form](#)  
[Link to Homeschool and St. Joe's Registration Form](#)  
[Link to Sunday Morning Preschool Registration Form](#)

### 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*

## 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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.

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### 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](mailto:bcerkez@familyhonor.org). For more information, visit <https://www.catholicheritagetours.com/fhbcgr2023>.

## 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](mailto: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  
Thursday 2 am\*

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](http://JPearce.co)

## Natural Family Planning Classes

### In Person Sessions

16 August at 6.00 pm at St Joseph (Columbia) - email [naprogal@gmail.com](mailto:naprogal@gmail.com) or register at <https://www.stjosephcolumbia.org/natural-family-planning>  
17 August at 6.30 pm at Immaculate Conception (Goose Creek) - email [janelleapro@gmail.com](mailto:janelleapro@gmail.com)  
17 August at 7.00 pm at St Francis Eastside (Greenville) - email [napronurse@aol.com](mailto:napronurse@aol.com)

### Virtual Sessions

23 August at 8.00 pm - register at [bit.ly/introwithemma](http://bit.ly/introwithemma)

Email to register for the Introductory Sessions.

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](http://MeConferenceSC.net)  
 or call 864-354-7160.

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

## Theology on Tap



Sept. 7  
Oct. 5  
Nov. 2  
Dec. 7

All Greenville/Upstate Young adults 18-35 (21+ to drink alcohol) are invited to our Fall Theology on Tap series at Fireforge Crafted Beer. Join us at 7.00 pm as we discuss faith, share some fellowship, and order a drink or food if you like! This fall we'll have a 4-part

series *Communion* about the 4 parts of consecration and the Eucharistic feast - Taken, Blessed, Broken, and Given. It's heavily inspired by Eucharistic revival and devotion, specifically from the Catechism, and the purpose is to reorient our everyday worship and conform to His heart in this way. "Our way of thinking is attuned to the Eucharist, and the Eucharist in turn confirms our way of thinking" (CCC, 1327). Invite a coworker, bring a friend, or just show up and meet some new people. This is a great way to learn more about our faith in a relaxing environment.

## 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](mailto:dcraft@charlestondiocese.org) or call the parish office at Our Lady of the Rosary at 864.422.1648.

## Worldwide Marriage Encounter



Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them "Peace be with you." Bring the peace of Christ into your marriage by taking part in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next weekends will be 10-12 November and

26-28 January 2024 at Beach Cove Resort in North Myrtle Beach. Early signup is recommended. This weekend is a time for you and your spouse to be alone together, to rediscover each other and focus on your relationship for an entire weekend. Every marriage deserves that kind of attention! Rediscover the spark that was there on your wedding day, rediscover the best friend you had when you were first married, and join the millions of couples worldwide who have learned how to keep their marriage vibrant and alive. Visit <https://scmarriagematters.org> for additional weekends, details and other marriage resources.

THE OFFICE OF YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT  
MINISTRY HOSTS 1ST ANNUAL YOUNG ADULT

# KICKBALL TOURNAMENT

**FEE \$100** PER TEAM  
UP TO 10 PEOPLE  
PER TEAM & LUNCH  
INCLUDED

**30 SEPTEMBER 2023**  
10:00 AM AT EAST RIVERSIDE PARK  
1155 S SUBER ROAD  
GREER, SC 29650

REGISTER BY SEPTEMBER 15 AT:  
[WWW.CHARLESTONDIocese.ORG/EVENT/YAKICKBALL](http://WWW.CHARLESTONDIocese.ORG/EVENT/YAKICKBALL)  
QUESTIONS? CONTACT [MSYLVESTER@CHARLESTONDIocese.ORG](mailto:MSYLVESTER@CHARLESTONDIocese.ORG)

**SAVE THE DATE**  
NOVEMBER 16-18, 2023 | INDIANAPOLIS, IN

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FULLY ALIVE

**NCYC**

*The young church needs you.*  
NCYC (National Catholic Youth Conference) is calling pastoral ministry leaders and parents to accompany the young Church as they encounter Christ in a groundbreaking way at NCYC 2023.



## The Clergy of St Mary's Catholic Church

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