



St Mary's Catholic Church



Greenville, South Carolina

17 September 2023

Dear Friends in Christ,

No matter how long you may have been coming to Mass at Saint Mary's, you are not recognized as a parishioner here unless you are registered. So if you think of this place as your parish, please register. But what is a parish? In the first Christian centuries, dioceses were small in territory and in the number of baptized persons, and every town large enough to have walls around it usually had a cathedral. Except for those who lived in rural places, praying with the bishop in his cathedral was the primary experience of Christian faith and life, and priests assisted their bishops both in the cathedral and in private house churches or visits to the countryside.

In due course, though, as the Church spread geographically and demographically, the cathedral church was joined by other churches that were called parochial from the Greek word meaning a place of sojourn. The place in question was the home of the priest who cared for the nearby church, and so a parish church refers both to the people who gather to pray there and to the priest who is their shepherd. By the early middle ages, most Christians practiced their faith in parish churches and seldom went to their own cathedral unless they happened to live in the vicinity of their bishop or made a pilgrimage to his cathedral.

During the Catholic Reformation of the 16th century, the Council of Trent codified more than a thousand years of custom surrounding parish churches and gave clear legal definitions to the concept of a parish which still shape our practices today. The primary emphasis then was on the parish as a geographical or territorial reality, not unlike a diocese, and anyone who lived within the boundaries of the parish was obliged to worship in their proper parish. Room was also made, though, for a parish to exist for groups of people who are united by some personal quality, and these personal parishes still flourish, usually to provide pastoral care in a foreign language or for an ethnic group. Here in Greenville, for example, Saint Mary's and Our Lady of the Rosary are territorial parishes while Saint Anthony's is a personal parish for African Americans, Our Lady of La Vang is a personal parish for Vietnamese Americans, Saint Rafka is for Maronite Catholics, and our mission of San Sebastian is for anyone whose first language is Spanish.

In the years since the Second Vatican Council, the Church has come to think of a parish first as a distinct community of people rather than a territory on a map or a group gathered by race or language, and so now the identity of each parish tends to be derived from the intention of the people who go there to pray. In this sense, Catholics should join a parish where they are drawn to follow the Lord Jesus in the fellowship of other disciples, but whether a parish is primarily intentional, territorial, or personal, this much is true for all Catholics: no one can fully belong to more than one parish, and authentic Christian discipleship requires that we make and keep a commitment to one community of disciples in which we are accountable for our way of life in the Way of the Cross. So, what is a parish? Our spiritual home.

Father Newman

Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sunday 17 September

7.30 am ✱ Warren Meyer
9.00 am Kristen Aleshire
11.00 am Pro populo
1.00 pm Spanish Mass

Monday 18 September

7.00 am Ana Patricia Cable

Tuesday 19 September

7.00 am ✱ Robert F Domaleski

Wednesday 20 September

7.00 am Jones Family

Thursday 21 September

7.00 am ✱ Mr & Mrs J Bastardi

Friday 22 September

7.00 am ✱ Scott Belanger

Saturday 23 September

5.00 pm Armaly Children
& Godchildren

Meetings & Events *

Sunday 17 September

KofC Breakfast: After 7.30 & 9 am Masses (P)
Nursery: During 9.00 am Mass
9.00 am Sunday Morning Bible Study
11.00 am Spanish Bible Class (G)
6.00 pm Women of Grace Bible Study

Monday 18 September

6.30 pm Fraternus (P)

Tuesday 19 September

10.00 am SMCCW Sewing Group

Wednesday 20 September

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

Thursday 21 September

7.00 pm Spanish Adoration

Friday 22 September

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 23 September

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

Financial Report

Weekend of 9/10 September

Needed	38,900
Received	35,668
Shortage	- 3,232

Poor Box	875
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Offertory Year to Date

Needed	427,900
Received	427,783
Shortage	-117

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	5,812,437
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Pledge Balance	445,625
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Still to Go	741,938
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G - Gallivan Hall M - McGrady Hall
P - Pazdan Hall

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

Requiescat in pace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Marie Justice (mother of Sandy Rogers), who died recently. We extend our prayers and sympathy to her family and friends.

Prayer For The Faithful Departed

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls, and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

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, Barbara Dresser.

Envelope Delays

We are experiencing delayed arrivals of envelopes. If you have not received yours yet, please use the envelopes in the pews or a plain white envelope with your name printed clearly on the front. Thank you.

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 17 September**. 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 16/17 September

Bishop's Annual Appeal
Support of the Parish

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



Caravaggio, *The Inspiration of Saint Matthew*, c. 1602.

Sunday Morning Bible Study

If you have never participated in a Bible Study, now is the time to do it. The Sunday Morning Bible Study meets Sundays at 9.00 am in the Msgr Gwynn Room of Sacred Heart Hall. We will cover the Gospel of Matthew. What better way to begin unlocking the mysteries of the Bible than to start at the beginning of the New Testament and meet the Lord Jesus by hearing his own words. Contact Joe Beauchemin at josephbeauchemin@hotmail.com for more details.

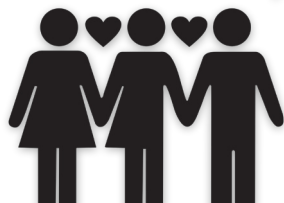
Welcome Newcomers

We welcome the following new members to our parish family: Griffin Wilson, Jennifer Buch, William & Misty Myers, Justin & Rachel Powers.



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

Catholic Fellowship



We warmly invite all current and new parishioners to join us for our next Catholic Fellowship Dinner. Please plan to join us Saturday 14 October after the 5.00 pm Mass in Pazdan Hall dining room for fun, food, and fellowship. This program at St Mary's is a great way to

meet in community, share a dish for a meal, and cultivate new friendships. We would love to have you!

RSVP by Monday 9 October to Kedric Chamberlin at stmcatholicfellowship@outlook.com. Please bring a dish to share for 12 (main dish, side dish, salad or dessert) and your favorite beverage. There is a free will donation to cover the expenses of paper goods.

SMCCW Sewing Ministry

The group will meet Tuesday 19 & 26 September 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.

Fraternus at St Mary's

Fraternus is a Catholic brotherhood for men of all ages. All young men ages 12 and up are invited to join our brotherhood at Frat Night weekly meetings starting on Monday 11 September from 6.30-8.30 pm in Pazdan Hall. The evenings include brotherly competition, a shared meal, encouragement in virtue, and compline. Contact stmarysgvl.fraternus@gmail.com for details.

Women of Grace Bible Study

The Women of Grace Bible Study resumes Sunday 17 September at 6.00 pm in Sacred Heart Hall. We will study *The Psalms: The School of Prayer*, offered by Ascension Press. New and returning members are welcome. For more information please contact Dorothy Whalen at dorothy.whalen@smcgvl.org.

Church League Basketball

The Basketball program at St Mary's has teams for athletes from the ages of K5 through high school. This is a parishwide program and all St Mary's children (St Mary's School, Religious Education or Homeschoolers) are welcome to participate. Registration deadline is Friday 22 September. Visit the parish website at <https://smcgvl.org/church-league-basketball-program/> for the link to registration and details.

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. **Pillars (late group) is beginning a study of Acts of the Apostles.** 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 Council
of
Catholic Women



ROMAN CATHOLIC
DIOCESE
OF CHARLESTON



FARMWORKERS MINISTRY

Clothing Drive

Join our efforts to help migrant farm workers in South Carolina – the men and women who travel to our state annually for agricultural work.

Donations may be dropped off in boxes located on the first floor hallway of Sacred Heart Hall the weekends of 30 September/1 October & 7/8 October

We're Seeking:

- Long Sleeve T-shirts (men's and women's, S-XLL; all sizes!)
- Baseball caps





St Mary's Religious Education



Mandatory Confirmation Meeting Father Newman

The Confirmation meeting for parents and children preparing for Confirmation in November is this week on Wednesday 20 September at 6:30 pm in Gallivan Hall.

Religious Education Grades 1-8

Classes meet on Wednesday from 6.30pm – 7.30pm.

Parents meet 2nd Wednesday of the Month

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

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. 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.whelen@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**.

st. mary's catholic school

TRADITION VIRTUE EXCELLENCE



Open House Week
23-27 October

Schedule your school tour

864.679.4117

nelle.palms@smcgv.org

Grades
K3-8



Cognia Accredited
National Blue
Ribbon School

101 Hampton Avenue, Greenville, SC 29601 smsgv.org

PERPETUAL Eucharistic ADORATION

Prince of Peace

"O God, You are my God whom I seek, my soul thirsts for you!" ~Ps 63:1

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

Tuesday 3 pm & 4 pm

Thursday 2 am*

Friday 12 pm

Mass of Remembrance

A Mass of Remembrance for the loss of a child will be celebrated by Fr Joseph Romanoski on Saturday 7 October at 8.30 am at Corpus Christi Catholic Church (Lexington) with a rosary following. We welcome the attendance of any family and their friends who are grieving the tragedy of miscarriage, stillborn, early induction, abortion, or the death of a child. The loss could be recent or could have occurred a long time ago. Following the service, please join us in the Parish Hall for a reception with refreshments. Watch online at <https://www.corpuschristisc.org/watch-mass-live.html>.

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



INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2023
from noon until 9 p.m.



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ALL ARE WELCOME!

864-288-4884

office@smmcc.org

www.smmcc.org

Food Pantry Items Needed

Catholic Charities is in need of food pantry items, especially any kind of grain items (pasta, flour, oatmeal, grits, rice, cereal, etc), canned fruit or fruit cups, canned vegetables, and hygiene items (shampoo, conditioner, lotion, toilet paper, etc). Donated items can be dropped off when the pantry is open Monday through Thursday from 9.00 am to 1.00 pm, or if you need to come at a different day/time please contact jthrall@charlestondiocese.org.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

This Post Abortion Healing Retreat is a supportive, confidential, nonjudgmental weekend retreat for women and men who have had an abortion. On the retreat you can find peace and closure also strengthen your relationship with God while experiencing His love, mercy and forgiveness.

The next retreat in South Carolina is:
September 29-October 1 -Greenville--
(English)

For more information or registration
Christy 803 554 6088
Kathy 803 546 6010

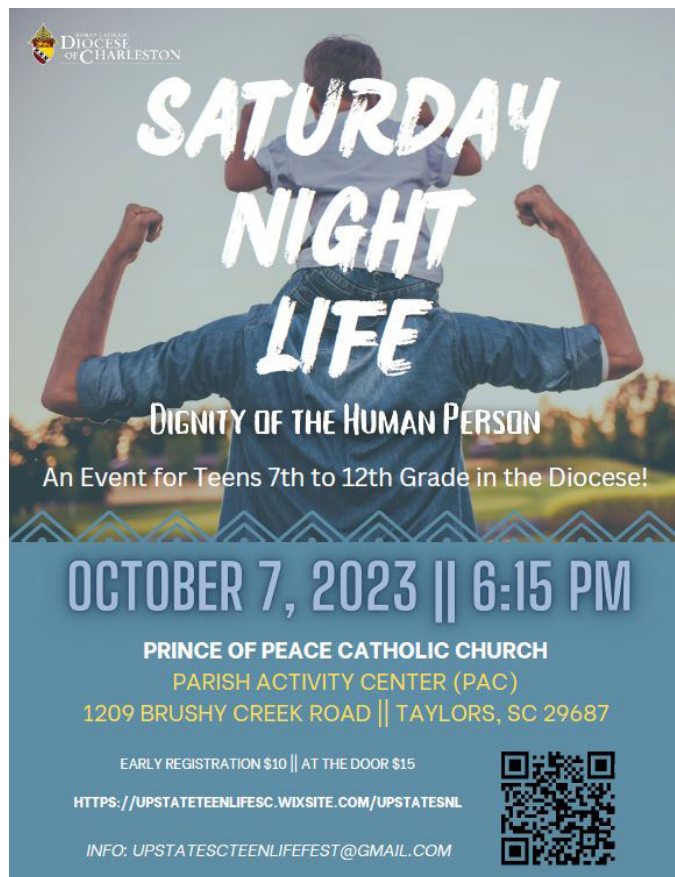
Grace4healing@gmail.com

Nationwide Mass Times

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

<https://masstimes.org>

<https://www.catholicdirectory.com>




SATURDAY NIGHT LIFE
DIGNITY OF THE HUMAN PERSON
An Event for Teens 7th to 12th Grade in the Diocese!

OCTOBER 7, 2023 || 6:15 PM

PRINCE OF PEACE CATHOLIC CHURCH
PARISH ACTIVITY CENTER (PAC)
1209 BRUSHY CREEK ROAD || TAYLORS, SC 29687

EARLY REGISTRATION \$10 || AT THE DOOR \$15
[HTTPS://UPSTATETEENLIFESC.WIXSITE.COM/UPSTATESNL](https://UPSTATETEENLIFESC.WIXSITE.COM/UPSTATESNL)
INFO: UPSTATESCTEENLIFEFEET@GMAIL.COM



UPCOMING EVENTS AT
CATHOLIC RETREAT CENTER IN SC

HEART RIDGE

**October 27-29
WOMEN'S RETREAT
"RESET"**
Come and "reset."

**November 3-5
CATHOLIC TEACHER'S
RETREAT**
Rest, revive and restore your
love of education.

**November 11-12
NOVEL WRITING RETREAT &
WORKSHOP**
Work on your novel with
helpful workshops and
critique sessions.

**December 8-9
YOUNG MOMS
ADVENT RETREAT**
24 hours away to Relax & Pray.



HeartRidgeMinistries.com/Our-Events

FAMILY FUN BOX TO CELEBRATE

St. Francis of Assisi & World Animal Day
October 4, 2023



Lesson on St. Francis, Popcorn,
Movie Ideas, Supplies for a Pretzel
Bird Feeder, Ingredients for Puppy
Chow (Muddy Buddies), St. Francis
Prayer Cards, Family Activity Ideas,
Blessing of Animals

Order by Sept 17: <https://bit.ly/francis-family-fun>

\$25 each, limited quantities

Catholic Women's Day

at the State Capitol



Visit with us
at the State
House to:

- learn about the legislative process
- meet with Catholic officials
- speak with your local representative and senator
- advocate for pro-Catholic legislation
- engage in fellowship with Catholic women from around the state

RSVP is required:

akelley@charlestandiocese.org



WEDNESDAY
**FEB.
28TH**

TIME:
10:00 A.M. -
1:00 P.M.

LOCATION:
1100
GERVAIS ST.
COLUMBIA,
SC. 29201

More information :



sccatholicconference.org

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