Dear Friends in Christ,

From today through Pentecost, we will be using the Apostles’ Creed at Mass instead of the Nicene Creed. This is a practice suggested by the Roman Missal because the text we call the Apostles’ Creed is so directly connected to the sacrament of Holy Baptism, the promises of which we renew every year on Easter Sunday.

The full title for what we call the Apostles’ Creed is the Baptismal Symbol of the Roman Church, and in this case the word “symbol” means the mark of Christian faith summarized in the creed. This text was not written by one of the Apostles, but it does accurately state the essentials of Christian faith as taught by the Apostles. In the early Church, many dioceses founded in the Age of the Apostles had their own local profession of faith that was used in the sacred liturgy during the Baptism of adult converts, and that is the origin of this Baptismal Symbol of the Roman Church. It is the ancient profession of faith used in the Diocese of Rome by those being baptized, and we still use this text in a question and answer format at every Baptism in the Roman Rite and during the renewal of our Baptismal Promises on Passover or Easter Sunday.

Because the 40 Days are a preparation for the worthy celebration of the Passover of the Lord and because Mass on Easter Sunday of the Lord’s Resurrection always includes the renewal of our baptismal promises, a central purpose of Lent is brought into bright relief. All Christians live in the gap between who they are and who they should be, and who we should be is revealed by the grace of Holy Baptism in which we become children of God, members of Christ, and heirs of the Kingdom of Heaven. Striving to close that gap and live according to the dignity of our Baptism is the goal of the 40 Days of Fasting, Prayer, and Almsgiving, and closing that gap is first, last and always a work of grace rather than a mere exertion of our wills. Nevertheless, we are called to the obedience of faith - meaning that we must cooperate with God’s grace and strive to follow the Lord Jesus in the Way of the Cross, rejecting whatever is contrary to the Gospel.

The text of the Apostles’ Creed is found in the missalette on page 82 and it will be printed in our Mass booklet each week, and this is the Profession of Faith we will use at Mass in place of the Nicene Creed starting today and continuing through Pentecost Sunday. On the Day of Resurrection, the priest will introduce the Renewal of Baptismal Promises with words that can guide us through these 40 Days: “Dear Brethren, through the Paschal Mystery we have been buried with Christ in Baptism, so that we may walk with him in newness of life. And so, now that our Lenten observance is concluded, let us renew the promises of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and his works and promised to serve God in the holy Catholic Church.”

Father Newman
Feb. 12, 2024

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Thank you for your generous support of the Black and Indian Mission Collection! It was established as the first National Collection in 1874 and has proven itself to be a successful vehicle for sharing the resources of the Church’s members to provide for the needs of our African American, Native American and Alaska Native brothers and sisters.

Pope Francis reminds us that everyone is meant to evangelize. This collection so clearly authenticates his call to us to work as a family to help all our brothers and sisters and to share the love, faith and hope of Jesus Christ. As we embark on another year of evangelization in the African American, Native American and Alaska Native communities, everyone is encouraged to make a difference by offering their prayers for the fruitful support of the missions in the United States and to consider expressing Christian solidarity through a sacrificial offering.

We all know that never have the needs for African American, Native American and Alaska Native communities been so great. History tells us that lasting change in a community comes through faith, hope and charity. Your support provides the presence of missionaries here in parishes, schools, religious education programs and the many diocesan programs and projects that strengthen the work of the Gospel. Your partnership places Bibles and catechetical materials in the hands of priests, consecrated men and women and lay leaders. Your sacrifice impacts pastoral work across the United States and addresses the need to train catechists, permanent deacons, and seminarians for future generations in our neighborhoods. It is only through the constant generosity of everyone that evangelization efforts are multiplied a thousand-fold.

We ask everyone to make a sacrificial gift to the 2024 National Black and Indian Mission Collection on the weekend of Feb. 17-18 and continue to support the evangelization efforts for African American, Native American and Alaska Native communities in the United States. Learn more at blackandindianmission.org and help us invite all peoples to open the door of faith and begin the journey of a lifetime!

Thank you again for your generous support.

In Christ’s love,

Most Rev. Jacques Fabre-Jeune, CS
Bishop of Charleston
Calendar of Events

**Mass Schedule & Intentions**

**Sunday 18 February**
- 7.30 am  ✧ Margaret J Becklo
- 9.00 am  Cassian Nielsen
- 11.00 am  Pro populo
- 1.00 pm  Spanish Mass

**Monday 19 February**
- 7.00 am  ✧ Stephen Urban

**Tuesday 20 February**
- 7.00 am  ✧ Bobby Mullenix

**Wednesday 21 February**
- 7.00 am  ✧ Maxine Hafeli

**Thursday 22 February**
- 7.00 am  ✧ Richard Stephens

**Friday 23 February**
- 7.00 am  ✧ Eleanor Rayfield

**Saturday 24 February**
- 5.00 pm  Michael Dion

**Meetings & Events * **

**Sunday 18 February**
- KoFC Breakfast: After 7.30 & 9.00 Masses (P)
- Nursery: During 9.00 am Mass
- 9.00 am  Sunday Morning Bible Study
- 11.00 am  Spanish Bible Class (G)
- 5.00 pm  Solemn Vespers (church)
- 6.00 pm  High School Youth Group (P)
- 6.00 pm  Women of Grace Bible Study

**Monday 19 February**
- Presidents’ Day - Parish Office Closed
- 6.30 pm  Fraternus (P)

**Tuesday 20 February**
- 10.00 am  SMCCW Sewing Group

**Wednesday 21 February**
- 9.30 am  Wednesday Morning Bible Study
- 6.00 pm  Haedul Pater (M)
- 5.00-6.00 pm  Holy Hour & Confessions (church)
- 6.30 pm  Introduction to Catholicism (M)
- 6.30 pm  Religious Education

**Thursday 22 February**
- 7.00 pm  Spanish Adoration

**Friday 23 February**
- 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
- 6.00 pm  Way of the Cross (church) followed by Lenten Supper (P)
- 7.00 pm  Spanish Rosary

**Saturday 24 February**
- 3.30-4.30 pm  Confessions (church)

---

**Financial Report**

**Weekend of 10/11 February**
- Needed 38,900
- Received 40,854
- Surplus + 1,954

**Poor Box** 791

**Offertory Year to Date**
- Needed 1,283,700
- Received 1,328,233
- Surplus + 44,533

**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.

**2024 Capital Improvement Fund**
- Goal 1,000,000
- Donations Received 127,931
- Still to Go 872,069

**Mass Attendance**

Weekend of 10/11 February
- 5.00 pm  383
- 7.30 am  304
- 9.00 am  362
- 11.00 am  405
- 1.00 pm  516

Total 1,970

G - Gallivan Hall  M - McGrady Hall  P - Pazdan Hall
* All events in Sacred Heart Hall unless a location is listed
Prayer Requests


Lenten Devotions

Way of the Cross
Fridays of Lent at 6.00 pm in the church followed by Lenten Supper in Pazdan Hall

Solemn Vespers
Sundays of Lent at 5.00 pm in the church

Nursery Help Needed

Our nursery is open each Sunday morning to provide child care during the 9.00 am Mass. Currently, we need some more adult help (paid position). If you are interested in this essential service to the children of St Mary’s, please contact Linda Jackson at 864.679.4110 or linda.jackson@smcgvl.org.

Congratulations to

Bosco Alexander Miros, Gino Jacob Perino & Kate Maker Kiley who were baptized last weekend.

Matthew Lewis & Kaitlin Counts who were married last weekend.

Welcome Newcomers

We welcome the following new members to our parish family: Mark Gobble, Andrew Nico, Gina Mason, William Eudy.

Parish News

Collection for 17/18 February

Black & Indian Home Missions
Bishop’s Annual Appeal
Support of the Parish

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

2023 Tax Statements

Please contact Jennifer Anderson, Director of Finance, at jennifer.anderson@smcgvl.org or 864.679.4102 if you would like a copy of your contribution statement for 2023. Please allow several days to process and mail your statement.

Tax statements are only mailed upon request.

Parish Office Closure

The parish office will be closed on Monday 19 February for the Presidents’ Day holiday.
Contact the Choirmaster for details arlen.clarke@smcgvl.org

There is a certain poetry in singing.

Oft times we sing with voice stentorian,
Or shape a sound phantasmagorian:

But during Mass, 
Beneath stained glass,

We’ll sing the subtle tunes, Gregorian.

Discover your verse. 
Join St Mary’s Choir.

Contact the Choirmaster for details arlen.clarke@smcgvl.org

Fidelis at St Mary’s

Fidelis forms girls - heart, mind, body, and soul - into a sisterhood of mature, virtuous disciples of Christ through the witness of Catholic Women and fun activities.

Fidelis Meetings Regular weekly meetings will begin this fall on Tuesday evenings from 6.00 - 8.00 pm in Pazdan Hall. Meetings will include prayer, dinner, social time, reflections on Sunday’s Mass readings, a speaker, and small group sessions. Once a month we will work in conjunction with a parish or community apostolate for our community service project, with emphasis on the incarnation of the particular virtue being studied. Find more information at https://www.fidelisonline.org/program.

Other Activities The organization also offers several activities throughout the year. Coming up are a Lenten Pilgrimage to Hanceville, AL. Find more details at https://www.fidelisonline.org/about-3. A summer camp in Copperhill, TN with Mass, adoration, confessions, and plenty of fun and challenging outdoor activities will take place before our first chapter meeting, a great kick off event. Find more information and register now at https://www.fidelisonline.org/inspiretn.

Join Fidelis as a parent or adult volunteer
1. Email cristinacortiz@msn.com to be added to the list. Megan Holliday will contact you to complete steps required by the diocese to work with children in the parish.
2. Attend mentor weekly meetings to familiarize yourself with the program and fellow volunteers. The first meeting is Tuesday 20 February at the Ortiz residence from 6.00 - 8.00 pm. Meetings include dinner, prayer, social time, and program study. Attending all spring meetings are not essential, but it is important to get to know both the program and the women who will be working along side you. It also creates a routine for the fall and gives you an opportunity to share ideas for the program.
3. Attend training day on 27 April. We will have a regional Fidelis representative in town training all volunteers. The meeting is tentatively scheduled to begin at 11.00 am with lunch, chat time, and instruction and ends with Vigil Mass at St Mary’s at 5.00 pm.
4. Register with the national Fidelis office in May.

Paratum cor meum Deus, paratum cor meum. My heart is ready, O God, my heart is ready.
please join Saint Mary's Schola Cantorum in singing

solemn vespers

Sundays during Lent
5.00 pm

18 February
25 February
3 March
10 March
17 March
24 March

prayer * plainchant * polyphony
St Mary’s School Job Opening

St Mary’s Catholic School is accepting applications for a **full-time kindergarten teacher** for the 2024-2025 school year. The ideal candidate would be a practicing Catholic, highly experienced, very organized, passionate for elementary education, comfortable with a rigorous and traditional curriculum, with excellent classroom management and high expectations for student achievement.

St Mary’s Catholic School is a two-time National Blue Ribbon School with a 124 year history of academic excellence and currently serves 318 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.

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.
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
NO Preschool Classes this week
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
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.

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@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 class is Monday 11 March 2024 at 6.30 pm. Contact Deacon Joe Sanfilippo at 864.679.4119 or joe.sanfilippo@smcgvl.org to register.

Spiritual Direction
St Mary’s has three certified Catholic Spiritual Directors available for individual spiritual direction. Contact Deacon Tom Whalen at thomas.whalen@smcgvl.org.

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. Sign up at https://formed.org/signup using zip code 29601 and click on our parish. Register with your name and email address to access the library.
St. Mary’s Annual Gala
Sponsorship Opportunities 2024

Patron - $10,000
- VIP RESERVED TABLE
- EXCLUSIVE BARTENDER SERVICE
- NAME PLAQUE IN NEW GYMNASIUM
- FEATURE IN ANNUAL FUND REPORT
- FEATURE STORY IN ST. MARY’S SCHOOL QUACKER NEWSLETTER
- PREMIUM MOBILE AND ONLINE BRANDING
- SPONSOR’S LISTING ON SIGNAGE AT EVENT
- SPONSOR’S LOGO DISPLAYED ON SCREEN DURING EVENT
- TWO-PAGE SPREAD IN GALA PROGRAM
- UNDERWRITING OF FOUR FACULTY/STAFF TICKETS
  - 8 GALA TICKETS

Diamond - $5,000
- NAME PLAQUE IN NEW GYMNASIUM
- FEATURE IN ANNUAL FUND REPORT
- FEATURE STORY IN ST. MARY’S SCHOOL QUACKER NEWSLETTER
- PREMIUM ONLINE & SOCIAL BRANDING
- SPONSOR’S LISTING ON SIGNAGE AT EVENT
- SPONSOR’S LOGO DISPLAYED ON SCREEN DURING EVENT
- TWO-PAGE SPREAD IN GALA PROGRAM
- UNDERWRITING OF TWO FACULTY/STAFF TICKETS
  - 8 GALA TICKETS

Platinum - $3,500
- PREMIUM ONLINE & SOCIAL BRANDING
- SPONSOR’S LISTING ON SIGNAGE AT EVENT
- SPONSOR’S LOGO DISPLAYED ON SCREEN DURING EVENT
- FULL PAGE ADVERTISEMENT IN GALA PROGRAM
- UNDERWRITING OF ONE FACULTY/STAFF TICKET
  - 8 GALA TICKETS

Gold - $2,000
- SPONSOR’S LISTING ON SIGNAGE AT EVENT
- FULL PAGE ADVERTISEMENT IN GALA PROGRAM
- SOCIAL MEDIA SHOUT OUT
- UNDERWRITING OF ONE FACULTY/STAFF TICKET
  - 6 GALA TICKETS

Silver - $1,000
- SPONSOR’S LISTING ON SIGNAGE AT EVENT
- HALF PAGE ADVERTISEMENT IN GALA PROGRAM
- SOCIAL MEDIA SHOUT OUT
- UNDERWRITING OF ONE FACULTY/STAFF TICKET
  - 4 GALA TICKETS

Bronze - $500
- SPONSOR LISTING IN GALA PROGRAM
- UNDERWRITING OF ONE FACULTY/STAFF TICKET
  - 2 GALA TICKETS

We are ever grateful for your support!

Please select one:

☐ PATRON - $10,000
☐ DIAMOND - $5,000
☐ PLATINUM - $3,500
☐ GOLD - $2,000
☐ SILVER - $1,000
☐ BRONZE - $500

MARCH 9, 2024
6:00PM

SPONSOR NAME: ________________________________

PRIMARY CONTACT NAME: ________________________________

MAILING ADDRESS: ______________________________________

EMAIL: __________________________ PHONE: __________________________

IF SELECTING PATRON OR DIAMOND, NAME TO APPEAR ON PLAQUE IN GYMNASIUM:

________________________________________________________

Please email form to gala@smcgvl.org
Or mail to: St. Mary’s School
Attention: Sarah Ratcliff/Gala
101 Hampton Avenue, Greenville, SC 29601
LET’S BE TOGETHER.

Pledge Weekend
Please make your commitment to the 2024 Catholic Appeal of South Carolina today!

How to Participate

In the spirit of Christian stewardship, giving back a portion of our gifts to God, we ask each family to prayerfully consider a contribution in one of the following ways:

ONE TIME GIFT
Payable by cash, check, credit and debit card, securities, or direct debit.

A PLEDGE
A pledge may be paid over a period of ten months. Pledges may include down payments, but they are not required. Pledge reminders and a special payment envelope will be mailed to you in accordance with your payment plan.

DIRECT DEBIT
A monthly debit from your checking account. Please complete the information on your pledge card or visit charlestoneparish.org.

CREDIT/DEBIT CARDS
A one-time or monthly charge to your credit or debit card for the amount of your gift. Please complete the information on your pledge card or go online.

GIFTS OF SECURITIES
Gifts of appreciated stock/mutual funds may afford significant tax advantages. Please contact the Office of Stewardship and Mission Advancement for details: catholicappeal@charlestoneparish.org or 843-261-0438.

IRA MINIMUM DISTRIBUTION
Direct transfers to charitable organizations offer significant tax advantages. To learn more, contact us: 843-261-0438 or catholicappeal@charlestoneparish.org.

AS YOU MAKE YOUR PLEDGE, PLEASE REMEMBER:
- Payments may be made over a period of ten (10) months.
- Pledges need to be completed by Dec. 31, 2024.
- Payment reminders will be mailed to you in accordance with your payment plan. You may also use the CASC envelopes you have received from your parish.
- All contributions to the Catholic Appeal of South Carolina are fully tax deductible.
- Donations and pledges may now be made online at charlestoneparish.org/donate.
- Please make checks payable to: Catholic Appeal of South Carolina.

SUGGESTED GIVING PLANS

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>CAN YOU SACRIFICE</th>
<th>TOTAL PLEDGE</th>
<th>10 MONTHLY PAYMENTS</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>$32.68 /day</td>
<td>$10,000</td>
<td>$1,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$16.34 /day</td>
<td>$5,000</td>
<td>$500</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$8.17 /day</td>
<td>$2,500</td>
<td>$250</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$5.00 /day</td>
<td>$1,000</td>
<td>$150</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$2.50 /day</td>
<td>$750</td>
<td>$75</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$1.67 /day</td>
<td>$500</td>
<td>$50</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$0.83 /day</td>
<td>$250</td>
<td>$25</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Our Lady’s Pantry Volunteers Needed

Catholic Charities’ Our Lady’s Food Pantry is a client choice food pantry (2300 Old Buncombe Rd, Greenville) open to the public Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9.00 am - 1.00 pm. Over the past few months, we’ve been seeing double the clientele.

We need volunteers to help in the following areas:

- Assist clients with intake forms
- Assist clients with food shopping
- Stocking shelves
- Data entry onsite
- Food delivery assistance (Monthly on Mondays)

We also provide clothing items and need volunteers to assist clients with clothing selections.

Please consider volunteering weekly, biweekly, or monthly anytime on Monday - Thursday between 9.00 am and 4.00 pm. If interested in volunteering, contact lisa.woodard@charlestondiocese.org.

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration

Prince of Peace

“You who fear the Lord, praise him!” ~Ps 22:23

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 12am* & 8 am
- Thursday 12 am* & 1 am
- Friday 12 pm
- Saturday 12 pm & 8 pm*

40 Days for Life

40 Days for Life is an international campaign of prayer and fasting, public vigil at abortion facilities, and community outreach for the purpose of ending abortion. You are invited to join Christians throughout the Upstate in our spring campaign from 14 February through 24 March. Visit https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/greenville to sign up for local events. Contact Judy at 864.506.0964 or Ingrid at 864.329.0044 with questions.

Family Honor Retreats

Do you need help in talking to your child about purity, love, dating, and other important topics in a way that is relaxed and fun, and where you can spend time with other families who share your values? Register for the Family Honor Real Love & Real Life parent-teen retreat from 1-2 March (for parents with your 7th or 8th grader) or the Family Honor Changes & Challenges program from 22-23 March (for parents with your 5th or 6th grader). Both will be held at Our Lady of the Rosary. Family Honor was created in 1988 to provide a Catholic framework on the truth and meaning of sexuality, love, and family. Visit https://familyhonor.org/chastity-programs-near-me/ for more information and registration. Contact info@familyhonor.org or 803.929.0858 with questions.
SAINT MARY’S CAMPUS MAP

Saint Mary’s Church has nine buildings on nine acres of land, so this map is offered to help you find your way on our campus.

Please note that during the school day, it is not permitted for anyone to walk through the interior section of our campus in order to safeguard the children in our care. So if you are visiting the church during a school day, please park in the Washington Street lot at entrances 2 or 3. And if you are visiting the church office, please park beside the Baum Center at entrance 5 and walk on Hampton Avenue to our front door. On weekends and any day when school is not in session, please park and walk anywhere you like.
## The Clergy of St Mary’s Catholic Church

**Father Jay Scott Newman**  
Pastor of St Mary’s Church  
Diocesan Chancellor  
Dean of Greenville  
pastor@smcgvl.org

**Father Jonathan Duncan**  
Parochial Vicar of St Mary’s Church  
Bon Secours Director of Spiritual Care  
fatherduncan@smcgvl.org

**Father Will Frei**  
Parochial Vicar of St Mary’s Church and San Sebastian  
wfrei@charlestonodiocese.org

**Father Bartholomew Leon**  
Pastor of St Rafka Church  
Assisting Priest at St Mary’s Church  
bleon@charlestonodiocese.org

### Permanent Deacons

**Deacon Diego Ferro**  
Director of Hispanic Ministries  
diego.ferro@smcgvl.org

**Deacon Alex Garvey**  
Bon Secours Mercy Health Ministries  
alex.garvey@smcgvl.org

**Deacon John Heuser**  
Director of Social Ministries  
john.heuser@smcgvl.org

**Deacon Joe Sanfilippo**  
Pastoral Associate  
joesanfilippo@smcgvl.org

**Deacon George Tierney**  
Deacon Scheduling  
george.tierney@smcgvl.org

**Deacon Tom Whalen**  
Spiritual Direction & Communion Ministers  
thomas.whalen@smcgvl.org

### Staff

**Jennifer Anderson**  
Director of Finance & HR  
jennifer.anderson@smcgvl.org

**Arlen Clarke**  
Choirmaster  
arlen.clarke@smcgvl.org

**Emily Cortes**  
Organist  
emily.cortes@smcgvl.org

**Jenni Dillard**  
eBulletin Editor  
jenni.dillard@smcgvl.org

**Jaime Escobar**  
Director of Facilities  
jaime.escobar@smcgvl.org

**Linda Jackson**  
Director of Catechesis  
linda.jackson@smcgvl.org

**Chris Ortiz**  
Director of Youth Ministry  
chris.ortiz@smcgvl.org

**Pat Perkins**  
Director of Administration  
pat.perkins@smcgvl.org

**Sarah Perkins**  
Assistant to the Pastor  
sarah.perkins@smcgvl.org

**Steven Zimmerman**  
Principal of St Mary’s School  
principal@smcgvl.org