



St Mary's Catholic Church



Greenville, South Carolina

26 May 2024

Dear Friends in Christ,

The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob is the one, only, living and true God, and He gradually revealed himself to Abraham and his descendants in order to make of them a chosen people. Through Moses, God gave to the children of Israel the high privilege and sacred duty of announcing to all the nations that there is but one God — “Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one.” (Deuteronomy 6.4) The gradual revelation of the truth about the living God reached its fulfillment in the Lord Jesus, true God and true man, and it is Christ who completed the self-disclosure of the one God by revealing Him in his unity to be a communion of three divine Persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The Catechism of the Catholic Church describes the mystery of the Holy Trinity in this way:

“Christians are baptized in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit; not in their names, for there is only one God, the almighty Father, His only Son, and the Holy Spirit: the Most Holy Trinity.

“The mystery of the Most Holy Trinity is the central mystery of the Christian faith and life. It is the mystery of God in Himself. It is therefore the source of all other mysteries of faith, the light that enlightens them. It is the most fundamental and essential teaching in the hierarchy of truths of faith. The whole history of salvation is identical with the history of the way and the means by which the one true God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, reveals Himself to men and reconciles and unites with Himself those who turn away from him.

“The Trinity is a mystery of faith in the strict sense, one of the mysteries that are hidden in God, which can never be known unless they are revealed by God. To be sure, God has left traces of His Trinitarian being in His work of creation and in His Revelation throughout the Old Testament. But his inmost Being as Holy Trinity is a mystery that is inaccessible to reason alone or even to Israel’s faith before the Incarnation of God’s Son and the sending of the Holy Spirit.” (Catechism of the Catholic Church, numbers 233, 234, and 237)

This Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity always falls on the first Sunday after Pentecost, drawing the gaze of our contemplation to the mystery of God in Himself at the conclusion of Eastertide.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Father Newman

Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sunday 26 May

7.30 am Sean Custer
 9.00 am Elster Family
 11.00 am Pro populo
 1.00 pm Spanish Mass

Monday 27 May

Memorial Day - No 7.00 am Mass

Tuesday 28 May

7.00 am Gary Redding

Wednesday 29 May

7.00 am Matthew Gaetano
 & Family

Thursday 30 May

7.00 am Kelly Heck

Friday 31 May

7.00 am * Mr & Mrs James
 Mooney Sr

Saturday 1 June

5.00 pm * John Campbell
 & Willie Martin

Meetings & Events *

Sunday 26 May

Nursery: During 9.00 am Mass
 3.00 pm Lay Dominicans

Monday 27 May

Memorial Day - Parish Office Closed

Tuesday 28 May

10.00 am SMCCW Sewing Group

Wednesday 29 May

5.00-6.00 pm Holy Hour &
 Confessions (church)

Thursday 30 May

7.00 pm Spanish Adoration

Friday 31 May

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 1 June

3.30-4.30 pm Confessions (church)
 6.00 pm Eucharistic Procession
 followed by Parish Picnic

G - Gallivan Hall
 P - Pazdan Hall

M - McGrady Hall
 C - Clinkscales
 Family Center

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

Financial Report

Weekend of 18/19 May

Needed	38,900
Received	40,691
Surplus	+ 1,791

Poor Box	1,056
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Offertory Year to Date

Needed	1,828,300
Received	1,881,661
Surplus	+ 53,361

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@smcgv1.org.

2024 Capital Improvement Fund

Goal	1,000,000
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Donations Received	306,038
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Still to Go	693,962
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Mass Attendance

Weekend of 18/19 May

5.00 pm	363
7.30 am	325
9.00 am	433
11.00 am	375
1.00 pm	472

Total	1,968
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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, Michael Tierney, Jaxson Rivera, Helen Carter, Anthony Harris, Katerina Puig, Lucero Rubiano, Aurelia LaValley, Sheila & Barry Garrison, Richard Murtaugh, Anthony Gomes, Chet & Dorothy Jaskwich Sobol, Lisa Myer, Sandy Miros, Terry Gurn, Mitchell & Elisa Bianco, Barbara Dresser, Caroline Henson, Betty Jo Brown.

Church Office Summer Hours

31 May through 16 August

Monday - Thursday 9 am - 4 pm
Friday 9 am - 12 noon

Senior Fellowship Luncheon

Saturday 15 June at 12.00 noon



Please join us in Sacred Heart Hall for our Summer Luncheon. A potluck main dish, side dish or dessert to share is always appreciated. Contact Dee Goughneour at 864.421.3726 or Alice Ramos at 864.430.7276 with questions.

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. If you are interested in joining our ministry, please contact Robert Sullivan (early group) at resulli42@gmail.com or 864.561.9600 or Mike Munafa (late group) at mmunafa1950@gmail.com or 864.313.5356.

Congratulations to

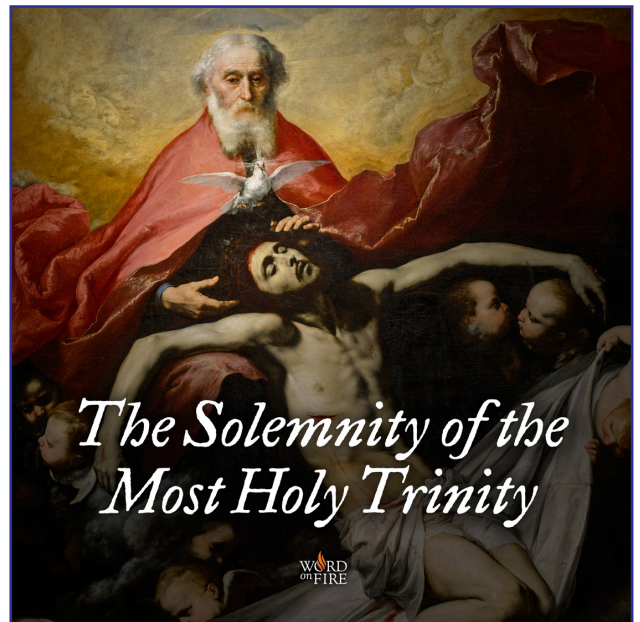
Devin Lee Hollister who was baptized last weekend.

PARISH NEWS

Collection for 25/26 May

Bishop's Annual Appeal
Support of the Parish

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



Church and Parish Office Closure

In observance of Memorial Day on Monday 27 May, the church and office will be **closed all day** and Mass will not be celebrated.

St Mary's Council of Catholic Women

Sewing Ministry

The group will meet Tuesday 28 May 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.

Feast of Corpus Christi

EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION & PARISH PICNIC

Come rejoice with us for the gift of Christ in the Holy Eucharist through a Eucharistic Procession around the campus of St Mary's and then stay to enjoy our parish community with a fun picnic.

Enjoy grilled hot dogs, Italian sausage with peppers and onions, and drinks all provided by the parish. Bring a side dish (A-L) or a dessert (M-Z) to share. There will be fun games and music. Please register at <https://stmaryschurchnews.flocknote.com/signup/165263> to help us plan the food.

Register Today!



Saturday 1 June

following 5.00 pm Holy Mass
at St Mary's Catholic Church

Show Your St Mary's Spirit!

T-shirts are \$10 each available in Adult and Youth sizes

Preordered t-shirts will be available for pick up at the Parish Picnic on 1 June (look for the blue balloons) as well as after all Masses on 2 June. A limited number of t-shirts will be available for sale at the Parish Picnic.



St Mary's Hiking Ministry

"The higher we
go, the better we
shall hear the
voice of Christ."

~ Blessed Pier
Giorgio Frassati

Veronica Yockey

After a four year hiatus, St Mary's Hiking Ministry is starting up again. This ministry is open to all parishioners. Our primary outings will be hiking in the beautiful mountains of the Upstate and Western North Carolina, but will periodically include river rafting, tubing, snow skiing and other adventures. Some of our hikes will be family friendly, others will be more extreme (think climbing up Mount Mitchell).

Our patron is Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati, a beautiful example of one who not only believed, but also lived out his faith in every aspect of his life by seeking first the Kingdom of God in all things. Our first hike will be Saturday 15 June at DuPont State Forest.

For more information or to participate and receive notifications of upcoming events, contact Deacon John Heuser at john.heuser@smcgv.org.

Daily Mass Readings

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

School Office Summer Hours until 2 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.

BRUNCH & BUBBLY

Please join us for our first
annual

Women's Brunch

The Greenville Deanery
of the SCCCW
Sunday, June 30th

from
2-4 pm at

St. Anthony of Padua Social Hall
307 Gower St.
Greenville

Please RSVP to Veronica Yockey
by email (veronica.yockey@gmail.com) or by
phone (864-246-5777, a land line).



St Mary's School Job Openings

St Mary's Catholic School is accepting applications for the following positions for the 2024-2025 school year.

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.

Teaching Assistants in multiple elementary grade levels The ideal candidate would be a practicing Catholic with prior experience working with children. Candidates must be able to work well with children, accept supervision and guidance from the lead teacher, and possess the enthusiasm and energy necessary to help young students thrive. This position is paid hourly and no teaching license or certification is necessary.

Please email cover letter, resume, and references to Principal Steven Zimmerman at principal@smcgv.org.



St Mary's Religious Education



Registration for 2024-25 will open in August

Religious Education Grades 1-8

Classes meet on Wednesday from 6.30pm – 7.30pm

Sunday Mornings for 3 & 4 Year Olds

Classes meet on Sundays during the 9.00 am Mass

For More Information

Contact Linda Jackson

linda.jackson@smcgv.org or 864.679.4110

Adult Christian Formation

An Introduction to Catholicism

What is Catholicism? Is the Catholic Faith in the Bible? Did the Lord Jesus found the Catholic Church? *An Introduction to Catholicism* is designed to answer these and many other questions about the origins of Catholic Christianity and the shape of Christian faith and life within the Catholic Church. **It is also the perfect course for any Catholic who has non-Catholic or fallen away family members or friends, and wish to be able to better explain the Church's teachings.** All are invited to come and discover what it means to be a disciple of the Lord Jesus in His holy Catholic Church.

Class begins Wednesday 4 September. Registration will open in July on the parish website.

Please visit <https://smcgv.org/christian-formation/intro-to-catholicism/> to learn more.

Contact Deacon John at john.heuser@smcgv.org for more information on becoming a Catholic.

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 class is Monday 17 June at 6.30 pm.** Contact Deacon Joe Sanfilippo at 864.679.4119 or joe.sanfilippo@smcgv1.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.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. 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.



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



Visit our website here! 

Our Lady's Pantry Donations Needed



Catholic Charities' Our Lady's Food Pantry needs food pantry and hygiene items, especially the following items:

- ◆ Grains - cereal, oatmeal, flour, pasta
- ◆ Canned goods - fruit, corn, green beans, diced tomato, tuna
- ◆ Hygiene - toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, lotion

Donated items may be dropped off Monday through Thursday from 9.00 am - 4.00 pm. If you have any questions or need to arrange for a different drop off time, please contact lisa.woodard@charlestondiocese.org.

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Prince of Peace

"I am with you always, until the end of time."
~Matthew 28:20

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* & 7 am
- Tuesday 4 pm
- Thursday 1 pm
- Friday 12 pm
- Saturday 2 pm* & 8 pm

Read and Understand the Bible with *The Bible in a Year* Podcast with Fr. Mike Schmitz!



"As cradle Catholics, we hear Scripture at Mass and occasionally in self study but never like this. *The Bible in a Year* brings it all together."
—Ignacio G.

Join over 1 million Catholics listening to this podcast!

Listen free on the Ascension App!

Scan this QR code with your phone to download the Ascension App – the best place to listen to *The Bible in a Year*.



Young Adults Spring Retreat

Join us for our *Draw Near* spring weekend retreat from 14-16 June at St Christopher Camp and Conference Center in Seabrook Island, SC. Rachel Leininger will be our retreat leader guiding us as we reflect, discuss, and participate in our retreat focusing on prayer and discipleship and how they are relational in nature. Between jobs, education, relationships and all sorts of life changes, we offer you a weekend retreat to rest, pray and have the spiritual support to help you discern well. Join us for talks, prayer and community. Find more information and register at <https://charlestondiocese.configio.com/pd/427/ya-spring-retreat-2024>.

THE BEST VACATION

FOR CATHOLIC FAMILIES





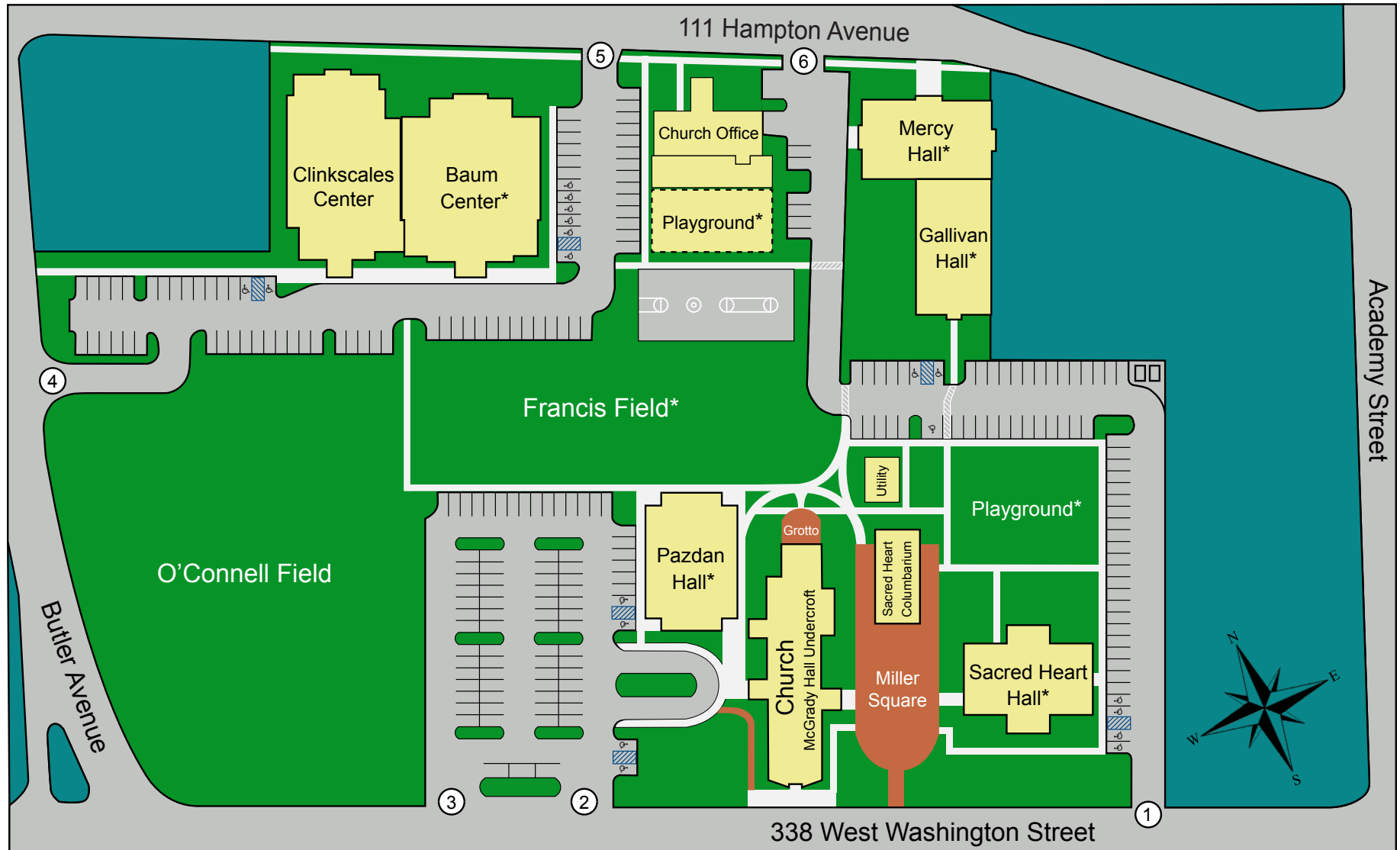
GREAT FOOD • COMFORTABLE LODGING • DAILY MASS • OUTDOOR ADVENTURES • FELLOWSHIP



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.



*No access during school hours.

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