

St Mary's Catholic Church

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Greenville, South Carolina

28 July 2024

Dear Friends in Christ,

The word disciple means student, and with the arrival of the new school year, there are many opportunities at Saint Mary's for us all to be diligent students of the Lord Jesus.

All children in the parish from grades one through eight must receive Christian formation from one of three sources: 1) a Catholic school, 2) a Catholic homeschool, or 3) religious education on Wednesday evenings. If your children are not in our parish school or another Catholic school or homeschool, they need to attend our Wednesday evening classes which begin on 4 September, and registration will be available on our parish website starting 1 August. Also, if you have children in a Catholic homeschool or at Saint Joseph's School, please notify Linda Jackson, our Director of Catechesis, so that we are aware that they are receiving religious education elsewhere. And please note that all children who are preparing for First Confession, First Communion, or Confirmation must be registered with our parish office and receiving formation for these sacraments.

"An Introduction to Catholicism" is our course which includes the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults, and anyone who wants to learn more about Catholic Christianity is invited to take this course which meets on Wednesday evenings at 6.30 pm beginning 4 September. This course is for three different groups of people: 1) those who are not yet Catholic but who are curious about or feel drawn to the Catholic Church, 2) those Catholics who have been away from the Church for some time and are returning to a regular practice of the faith, and 3) those adult Catholics who were baptized as children but never received the Sacrament of Confirmation. There is no cost for this class, but registration on the parish website is required. Please plan now to join us beginning the Wednesday after Labor Day and invite a friend to come along for An Introduction to Catholicism. Look for more information in the eBulletin.

Each year in the Fall the Center for Evangelical Catholicism sponsors a conference on a topic of general interest to the cause of promoting the Gospel, and this year the topic is "The Inklings and the Reenchantment of the West." The Inklings was the name given to a group of friends who lived and worked in Oxford, England in the middle of the 20th century and who through their scholarship and writing bore witness to the goodness, truth, and beauty of God and His creation. C.S. Lewis and J.R.R. Tolkien are today the two best known of this group of friends, and on Saturday 28 September our conference will explain the importance of their work for the restoration of culture through presentations made by professors from Benedictine and Hillsdale Colleges. Please watch the eBulletin for registration information, and invite a friend to join you for "The Inklings and the Re-enchantment of the West."

Being a disciple of the Lord Jesus is an essential part of living the grace of our Baptism, so always look for ways to continue your Christian eduction.

Father Newman

Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Meetings & Events *

Sunday 28 July

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7.30 am 9.00 am 11.00 am

1.00 pm

♣ Elena Soto Aleshire Family Pro populo Spanish Mass

Nursery: During 9.00 am Mass

Monday 29 July

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7.00 am Liliana Nielsen

Tuesday 30 July

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7.00 am

♣ Mr & Mrs James Mooney Sr 10.00 am

SMCCW Sewing Group

Wednesday 31 July

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7 00 am

★ Caleb & Heather Hulsey

No Holy Hour & Confessions (resumes 7 August)

Thursday 1 August

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7.00 am

José Roberto Restrepo

7.00 pm

Spanish Adoration

Friday 2 August

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7.00 am

♣ Nancy Beatrice Frugoni

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 3 August

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5.00 pm

♣ Carlos José Restrepo 3.30-4.30 pm Confessions (church)

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 20/21 July

Needed	40,100
Received	41,875
Surplus	+ 1,775

Poor Box 722

Offertory Year to Date

Needed	160,400
Received	164,584
Surplus	+ 4,184

Electronic Giving: If you want to have direct management of vour 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**

1,000,000 Goal

Donations

Received 445,392

554,608 Still to Go

Mass Attendance

Weekend of 20/21 July

5.00 pm	293
7.30 am	330
9.00 am	451
11.00 am	351
1.00 pm	444
Total	1 869

Summer Liturgical Schedule Changes

No Holy Hour and Confessions on any Wednesday in July (resumes 7 August).

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, 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 Jaskwhich Sobol, Lisa Myer, Sandy Miros, Terry Gurn, Mitchell & Elisa Bianco, Barbara Dresser, Caroline Henson, Betty Jo Brown, Bridget Fitzpatrick.

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 has begun a study of the Miracles of the Eucharist. Please join us. 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. If interested in joining our ministry, please contact Robert Sullivan (early group) at rcsulli42@gmail.com or 864.561.9600 or Munafo (late group) at mmunafo1950@gmail.com or 864.313.5356.

Welcome Newcomers

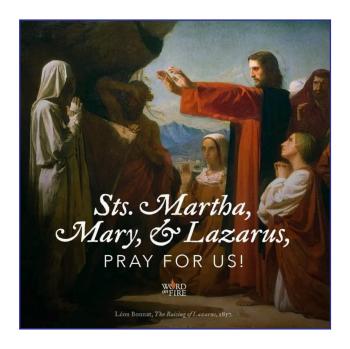
We welcome the following new members to our parish family: Steven & Jana Fetch, Frank Scotti & Tatiane da Silva, Frank & Catherine Scotti, Kaitlin Esposito, John & Rachel Branton, Kendall Estep, Olivia Comer, Tom Loughman, Margaret Ross, Harriette Swearingen, James & Elizabeth Bare.

Parish News

Collection for 27/28 July

Bishop's Annual Appeal Support of the Parish

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



Church Office Summer Hours 31 May through 16 August

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

St Mary's Council of Catholic Women Sewing Ministry

The group will meet Tuesday 30 July 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.

School Office Summer Hours 10 June through 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.

Fidelis at St Mary's

Our Fidelis chapter registration is now open! https://app.teamlinkt.com/register/find/ scstmarysgreenville

Please email cristinaeortiz@msn.com for more information about Fidelis or with questions.



allowing women of all ages to come together as sisters in Christ ONGOING FORMATION

equips mentors with the knowledge and spiritual guidance necessary to first seek God and then lead others closer to Him.

PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP

with the national organization builds a wider sisterhood of disciples and allows chapter volunteers to receive the help they need to thrive.

The three pillars of Fidelis work together as powerful tools for personal and spiritual growth. They help us to encounter God through Church teaching as well as in the hearts of the women in the Fidelis sisterhood.

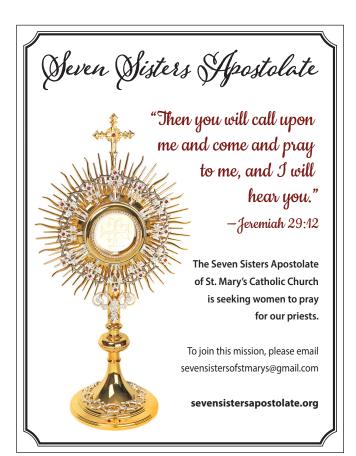
Our Pillars

Fidelis not only helped my daughters grow in the faith and live moral lives, but kept them in the Church.

We practice and cultivate habits that help to lead a morally good life while also cooperating with God's grace and his abundant gifts of faith, hope, and charity. MENTORSHIP

Ve receive guidance and ccompaniment on this journey nd remain open to the wisdom nd life experiences shared by





St Clare's Convent



In June, the newly constructed Convent for the religious Sisters serving at St Clare's Home was dedicated by a Mass and Blessing by our Bishop Jacques Fabre-Jeune. The new Convent, which sits next to St Clare's Home, allows the Sisters to live in community while serving the women and children who are living in the home. The new Convent was built by contractors at cost, saving our Diocese significant funds. The people of St Mary's were recognized and thanked for their generous donation in helping to build this new home. Please keep the Sisters and the women and children they serve in your prayers. For more information or to help support St Clare's Home, please visit https://stclareshomesc.org.



St Mary's Religious Education



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

REGISTRATION OPENS 1 August 2024

Registration for the 2024-2025 year opens 1 August. ALL children of the parish (grades 1-8) must register with the Religious Education Office including Homeschool and St Joseph's Middle School students.

Register on the parish website at https://smcgvl.org/christian-formation/religious-education/

Religious Education Grades 1-8

Classes begin 4 September 2024
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 8 September 2024

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

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. REGISTER NOW on the parish website at https://smcgvl.org/christian-formation/intro-to-catholicism/
Contact Deacon John at john.heuser@smcgvl.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 <u>Inactive</u> 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 16 September 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.

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://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.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

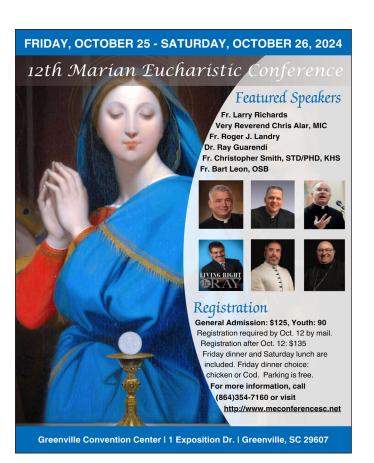
Be humble to one another. Learn how to be the best spouse you can be by participating in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience weekend on 9-11 August at DoubleTree by Hilton Atlanta Northlake in Tucker, Georgia. Early sign up is recommended. Please visit https://wwme.org to sign up or to find additional weekends, details and other marriage resources.

Novena to Saints Anne & Joachim



Join us for nine consecutive nights from 25 July - 2 August at 7.00 pm as we seek the intercession of Saints Anne & Joachim (parents of Mary and grandparents of Jesus) for

Couples Struggling with Infertility. Pious tradition tells us that they spent most of their life together as childless couple, thus they are the patron saints for infertility and also for grandparents. Every night, prayers will be said including specific intentions and a brief story of Saints Anne & Joachim. Register in advance and submit prayer intentions when you sign up at https://tinyurl.com/NovenaNFP.



${\cal P}$ ERPETUAL ${\cal E}$ UCHARISTIC ${\cal A}$ DORATION

Prince of Peace

"Eucharistic Adoration is the greatest power in the universe capable of transforming us and changing the face of the world." ~St Maximillian Kolbe

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 <u>please consider</u> one of the following hours of need (*urgent open hour!):

Sunday 11am Monday 6 am Friday 12 pm Saturday 2 pm* & 8 pm



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





Natural Family Planning Classes

In Person Sessions

20 August at 6.00 pm at Jesus Our Risen Savior (Spartanburg) - monicalara.fertilitycare@gmail.com

22 August at 7.00 pm at St Francis Eastside (Greenville) - napronurse@aol.com

Virtual Sessions

1 August at 7.00 pm - lexiesawonik@gmail.com 6 August at 8.00 pm - bit.ly/introwithemma

Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the LORD YOUR GOD goes with you, he will never leave you or forsake you.

DEUT 31:6

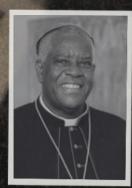
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south carolina catholic men's conference

featuring







Dr. Ian Murphy, Paul George, and Bishop Jacques Fabre-Jeune, CS

St. Finbar Hall 900 Orange Grove Road in Charleston

august 24 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

\$75 Early Bird Registration

ends Aug. 3

\$90 Regular Registration

ends Aug. 20

\$15 Livestream Registration

ends Aug. 20

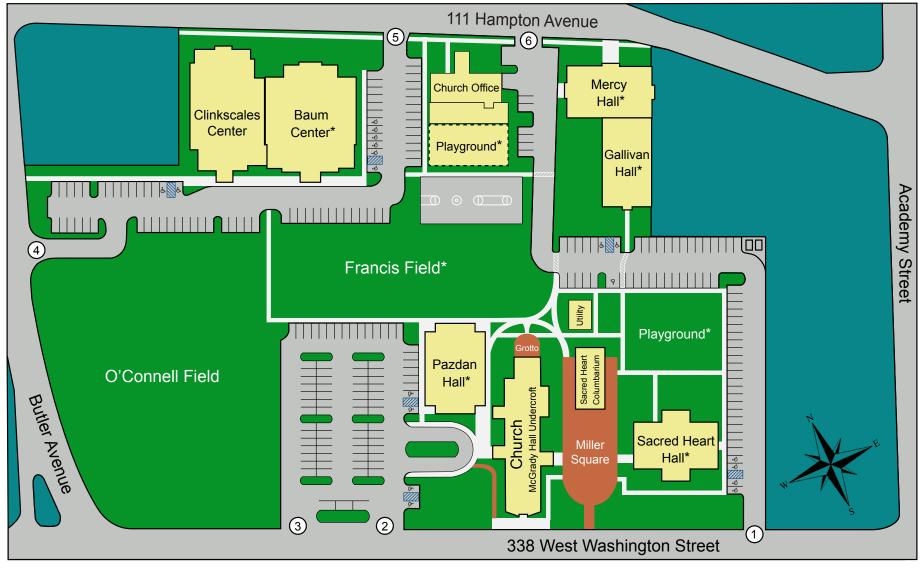
register

https://bit.ly/sccmc2024

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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