

St Mary's Catholic Church

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Greenville, South Carolina

11 August 2024

Dear Friends in Christ,

After fifteen years of extraordinary service to Saint Mary's Church, we bid farewell today to Arlen Clarke who joined our choir as a singer in 2009, moved up to assistant director, and then took over leadership as choirmaster in 2010. This is Arlen's last Sunday with the baton, and we owe him an enormous debt of gratitude for the excellence of our liturgical music. Arlen and his wife Carol will continue to live in Greenville, and in due course we will likely hear him again singing the praises of God. But Arlen has earned a well-deserved rest which begins today with our thanks for a job very well done.

For the past four years, Emily Cortes has been Arlen's able assistant in leading our choirs and playing the organ, and Emily is remaining with us to continue her outstanding work in both capacities. But Emily now has a new title, and starting today she is the Assistant Director of Sacred Music. Which brings us to a major transition in our musical leadership.

On Monday 12 August Dr Adam Pajan officially begins his service as Director of Sacred Music of Saint Mary's Church, and we are delighted to welcome him back to our parish. Adam grew up in Simpsonville and began to play the organ at Saint Mary Magdalene Church when he was in middle school. He then studied music at Furman University, and during all of his undergraduate years Adam was our principal organist.

When Judy Franzen retired as our choir director during Adam's junior year at Furman, he also took over choir direction and served in that dual capacity until he went to Yale University for his Master of Music degree. Adam's next stop was the University of Oklahoma where he earned his Doctor of Musical Arts in 2014, and he has remained in Norman, Oklahoma until now as Director of Music at Saint Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church, while also teaching organ, giving concerts around the country and abroad, and mastering the complex art of organ design and building.

I am delighted that Dr Pajan returns to us now to build on the very solid musical foundation laid by Judy Franzen, Kevin Clarke, Arlen Clarke, and a younger Adam Pajan! Now we will work together to learn new music and enhance our divine worship with beauty that moves the soul, and an essential part of Adam's work will be leading the search for the best way to update and expand our pipe organ which is now thirty-four years old. Imagine driving a car that age which has had nothing done to it except oil changes and new tires from time to time. Adam's education and experience make him uniquely qualified to help us prepare a bright future for sacred music at Saint Mary's, and it is a great pleasure to welcome him back to our choir loft and organ bench as our Maestro, the Director of Sacred Music.

Father Newman

Calendar of Events

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Mass Schedule & Intentions		Meetings & Events *		Weekend of Needed	<u>3/4 August</u> 40,100
Sunday 11 August		Sunday 11 Au	ugust	Received	41,461
7.30 am 9.00 am 11.00 am 1.00 pm	 ✤ Richard Beauchemin Jr ✤ Leonard Roark Jr Pro populo Spanish Mass 	Nursery: During 9.00 am Mass		Surplus Poor Box	+ 1,361 954
Monday 12 August 7.00 am ★ Eneida Morales Perez		Monday 12 August		Offertory Year to DateNeeded240,600Received247,426Surplus+ 6,826	
Tuesday 13 August		Tuesday 13 August		Electronic Giving: If you want to have direct management of your Electronic Fund Transfer online, you can now do so	
7.00 am	✤ Thomas Walsh	6.30 pm	KofC Meeting (M)	through the "Make a Gift" link on the homepage of our website. For more information or if	
Wednesday 14 August		Wednesday 14 August		you have any questions please contact Jennifer Anderson at	
7.00 am	✤ Grace Armaly	5.00-6.00 pm	Holy Hour & Confessions (church)	jennifer.anderson	
Thursday 15 August		Thursday 15 August		2024 Capital	
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary 7.00 am Andrew Burnos & Family		7.00 pm	Spanish Adoration	Improvem	
12.00 pm	✤ Mr & Mrs James			Goal	1,000,000
7.00 pm	Mooney Sr Pro Populo			Donations Received	455,213
Friday 16 August		Friday 16 Au	gust	Still to Go	544,787
7.00 am Sherry Perkins		Parish Office Closes at Noon5.30-6.30 amPillars of Christ (early group)6.30-6.45 amMorning Prayer (Lauds) (church)7.30-8.30 amPillars of Christ (late group) (M)10.00 amFriday Morning Bible Study7.00 pmSpanish Rosary		Mass Attendance Weekend of 3/4 August 5.00 pm 312	
Saturday 17 August		Saturday 17 August		7.30 am 9.00 am	281 433
5.00 pm	✤ Jason & Marina Crilly	3.30-4.30 pm	Confessions (church)	11.00 am 1.00 pm	369 439
G - Gallivan Hall P - Pazdan Hall G - Clinkscales Family Center		* All events in Sacred Heart Hall unless a location is listed		Total	1,834

Requiescat in pace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of John Edward Plowden, who died recently. We extend our prayers and sympathy to his 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, 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, Ellie O'Connell.

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. If interested in joining our ministry, please contact Robert Sullivan (early group) at rcsulli42@gmail.com or 864.561.9600 or Mike Munafo (late group) at mmunafo1950@gmail.com or 864.313.5356.

Congratulations to

Lily Hope Ford, Bjorn Michael Lindberg and Benedict Matthew Zgonc who were baptized last weekend.

PARISH NEWS

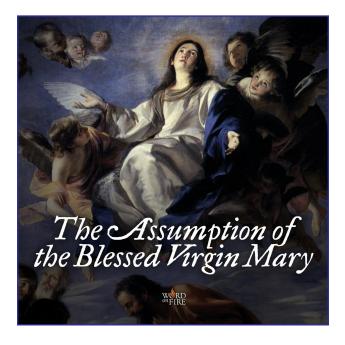
Collection for 10/11 August

Capital Improvement Fund Support of the Parish

Collection for 15 August

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

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 Thursday 15 August at 7.00 am, 12.00 noon & 7.00 pm.

Fidelis at St Mary's

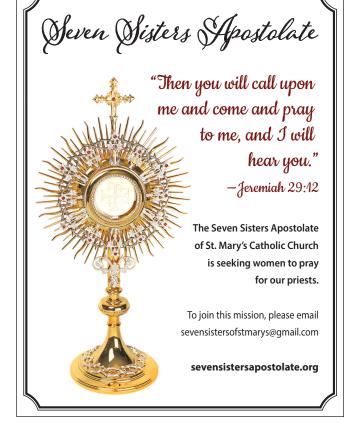


Come experience Fidelis at our **INTRODUCTION WEEKS** Tuesdays 6.30 - 8.30 pm in Pazdan Hall 20 & 27 August and 10 & 17 September *no registration necessary to attend introduction weeks

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

Contact Cristina Ortiz at 305.439.2172 or cristinaeortiz@msn.com for more information







The Center for Evangelical Catholicism Presents



And the Re-Enchantment of the West

28 September 2024 St Mary's Catholíc Church — Greenvílle SC

Join us on Saturday 28 September 2024 from 8.30 am until 12.00 noon for our 2024 CEC Fall Conference on two of the 20th Century's greatest Christian writers, J.R.R. Tolkien and C.S. Lewis. Bradley Birzer, author of J.R.R. Tolkien's Sanctifying Myth, and Jason Baxter, author of The Medieval Mind of C.S. Lewis, will unpack how Tolkien and Lewis provided the antidote to much of the terror, confusion and moral floundering of the modern world. Through their stories and myth, these two authors re-enchanted Western Civilization with a Sacramental and Liturgical understanding of creation that is open to the gradual discovery of beauty, truth, and excellence, answering the fundamental question of what is the role of the human person within God's created order?

Register at https://www.evangelicalcatholicism.com/2024-the-inklings-the-reenchantment-of-the-west \$45 per person. Books will be available for purchase and signing.



St Mary's Religious Education



REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

Registration for the 2024-2025 year is now open. 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* Classes meet on Wednesdays from 6.30-7.30 pm Parents meet 2nd Wednesday of the month

For More Information Contact Linda Jackson <u>linda.jackson@smcgvl.org</u> or 864.679.4110

Sunday Mornings for 3 & 4 Year Olds *Classes begin 8 September* Classes meet Sundays at 9.00 am in K4 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.



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!

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

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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

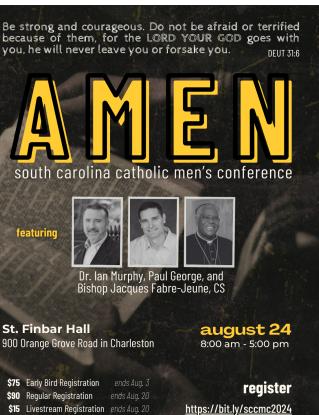
To share a Holy hour with the Lord, contact Lisa Buss at adoration@princeofpeacetaylors.org or 864.508.7123. All hours are available for adoption, but <u>please consider</u> one of the following hours of need (*urgent open hour!):

Sunday 11am Monday 6 am Friday 12 pm Saturday 8 pm

Nationwide Mass Times

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

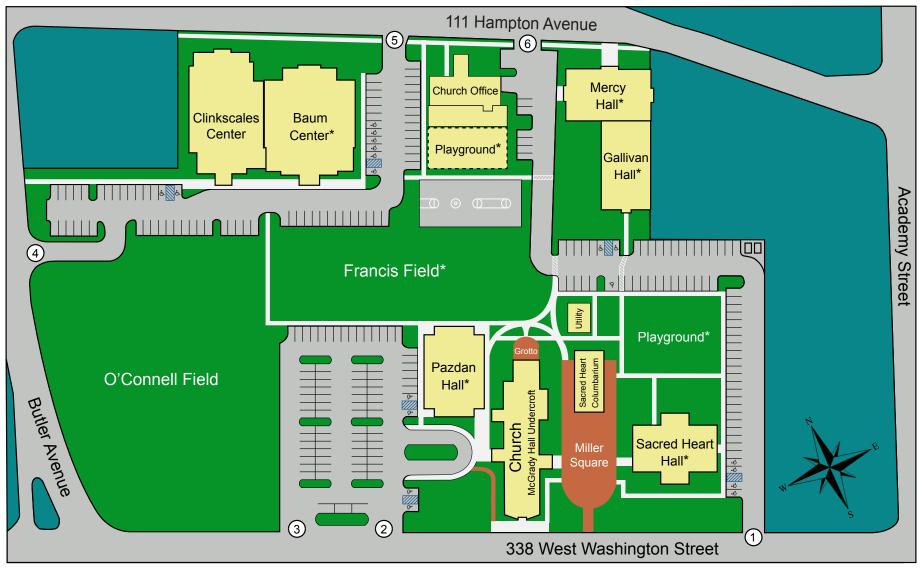




SAINT MARY'S CAMPUS MAP

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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