

St Mary's Catholic Church

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Greenville, South Carolina

13 October 2024

Dear Friends in Christ,

The Sixth Principle of Evangelical Catholicism is: "Receiving the Sacraments without receiving the Gospel leads to superstition rather than living faith, and the Church must therefore take great care to ensure that those who receive the Sacraments also receive the Gospel in its integrity and entirety. Consequently, before Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Communion, and Marriage are administered, there must be in those who request these Sacraments clear evidence of knowledge of the Gospel and a serious intention to live the Christian life."

During the first three hundred years of Christianity, asking to receive a Sacrament of the New Covenant was never done lightly because during most of that time to be a Christian was to be a criminal. When practicing the Christian faith was a crime punishable by horrible penalties, no one asked to receive a Sacrament who was not prepared to live and die as a Christian. But in the middle of the fourth century, those circumstances changed dramatically, and Christianity went from being an outlaw sect to a tolerated minority to the official religion of the Empire in a few short decades. After that, being a European was almost the same thing as being a Christian, and for a thousand years and more the Church could almost assume that anyone who asked for a Sacrament believed in the Gospel and intended to live the Christian life. But that time has long since passed.

Today we live in an age of the "baptized pagan," meaning someone who was brought to the font as an infant but then never evangelized, never catechized, never taught the truths of the Gospel, never formed for Christian living. These poor souls now number in the tens of millions in our nation alone, and they constitute the larger part of baptized Catholics in most nations of the world. And because of the lack of Christian formation among baptized pagans, the Church must once again look to the sacramental disciplines of the first Christian centuries to shape our answer to those who ask for a Sacrament (like the Baptism of a child or Marriage) without giving any evidence of a serious intention to practice the Catholic faith by (at a bare minimum) going to Mass each Sunday.

The Sacraments are not a reward for being good Catholics; they are, rather, the means of grace that change us and give us strength to become holy. But to administer the Sacraments to those who give no evidence of faith and who do not seek to live as disciples of the Lord Jesus is a sacrilegious fraud, and this must stop. Following the Sixth Principle of Evangelical Catholicism has immediate and profound consequences for the pastoral practice of a parish, and it is here perhaps more than anywhere else that cultural, cafeteria, and casual Catholicism collide with Evangelical Catholicism. The Gospel is the power of God unto salvation for all who believe, and the Sacraments are for those who believe the Gospel.

Father Newman

Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Meetings & Events *

Sunday 13 October

7.30 am Tony Stewart 9.00 am Patricia Naylor 11.00 am Pro populo Spanish Mass 1.00 pm

Monday 14 October

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Tuesday 15 October

7.00 am Fr Jay Scott Newman

Wednesday 16 October

7.00 am ♣ Alexis Quartararo

Thursday 17 October

7.00 am ♣ Lorraine Beauchemin

Friday 18 October

★ William P Cahill V 7.00 am

Saturday 19 October

5.00 pm ➡ William C Jumper Jr

Sunday 13 October

Nursery: During 9.00 am Mass

Sunday Morning Bible Study 9.00 am

11.00 am Spanish Bible Class

6.00 pm High School Youth Group (P)

Monday 14 October

Fraternus (P) 6.30 pm

Tuesday 15 October

10.00 am **SMCCW Sewing Group**

6.30 pm Fidelis (P)

Wednesday 16 October

9.30 am Wednesday Morning Bible Study

5.00-6.00 pm Holy Hour

& Confessions (church)

Religious Education 6.30 pm

6.30 pm Introduction to Catholicism (M)

Thursday 17 October

7.00 pm Spanish Adoration

Friday 18 October

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) Friday Morning Bible Study 10.00 am

7.00 pm Spanish Rosary

Saturday 19 October

3.30-4.30 pm Confessions (church)

G - Gallivan Hall M - McGrady Hall P - Pazdan Hall C - Clinkscales

Family Center

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

Financial Report

Weekend of 28/29 September

40,100 Needed Received 36,632 Shortage - 3,468

Weekend of 5/6 October

Needed	40,100
Received	45,834
Surplus	+ 5,734

Poor Box 1,227

Offertory Year to Date

Needed	601,500
Received	609,304
Surplus	+ 7,804

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

1,000,000 Goal **Donations**

Received 573,034

426,966 Still to Go

Requiescat in pace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of John W Messner, 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, Gary Redding, Eddie Collins.

Knights of Columbus Poster Contest

Monsignor Charles J Baum Council #13112 is holding the Knights of Columbus "Keep Christ in Christmas" Poster Contest at St Mary's. The contest is for boys and girls in grades K, 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, and 7-8. The posters must be 11" x 17" and include a slogan, visual image and completed entry form. **The deadline is 6 November.** For more information and entry form, please contact John McGrath at 864.270.3656.

Congratulations to

James Henry Weaver and Cayden John Martin Lardizabal who were baptized last weekend.

Matthew Langley & Kathleen Champagne who were married last weekend.

Parish News

Collection for 12/13 October

Capital Improvement Fund Support of the Parish

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

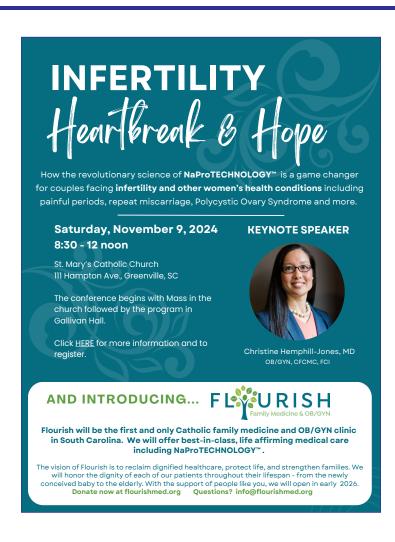


Nursery Help Needed

Our nursery is open each Sunday morning to provide child care during the 9.00 am Mass, and we need some more adult help. 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.

Welcome Newcomers

We welcome the following new members to our parish family: John & Amy Meridith, Enrique Morales, Joseph & Adria Castronovo, Henry Martin, Branson Guest, William & Melanie Sanders, William Mathis, Victoria Amalia, Juan Baquero & Johana Otalora.



Fidelis at St Mary's

Fidelis forms girls heart, mind, body and soul into virtuous disciples of Christ through the witness of Catholic women. We meet on Tuesdays at 6.30 pm in Pazdan Hall. Our Fidelis chapter registration is open at https://app.teamlinkt.com/register/find/scstmarysgreenville. Contact Cristina Ortiz at 305.439.2172 or cristinaeortiz@msn.com for more information. Visit https://www.fidelisonline.org.

St Mary's Council of Catholic Women Sewing Ministry

The group will meet Tuesday 15, 22 & 29 October 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.

Daily Mass Readings

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

Sunday Morning Bible Study

The Sunday Morning Bible Study continues its fall session by examining the ministry of Jesus, the High Priest of the New Covenant. Jesus is most often looked upon as the sacrifice of the New Covenant "who gave Himself for our sins..." (Gal 1:4), but Jesus is also the Priest who offers this sacrifice. We will take an in-depth look at Jesus' priesthood which is rooted in the Old Testament priesthood, revealed in the Gospels and explained in the Letter to the Hebrews. Join us Sunday mornings at 9.00 am on the first floor of Sacred Heart Hall. For more information contact Joe Beauchemin at josephbeauchemin@hotmail.com.

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 on Mondays 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 more information.



sacred heart columbarium

St Mary's Catholic Church Greenville, South Carolina



Sacred Heart Columbarium at St Mary's Church contains 600 niches surrounding a bronze statue of the Lord Jesus - a beautiful and sacred place for mortal remains to rest next to our church.

Current prices are \$4000, \$5500, and \$7500 depending on their location.

Beginning I November 2024, prices will increase to

\$4500, \$6000 and \$8000 respectively.

To learn more about the Columbarium or to purchase niches, please contact Jennifer Anderson at 864.679.4102 or jennifer.anderson@smcgvl.org.



St Mary's Religious Education



Religious Education Grades 1-8

Classes meet on Wednesday from 6.30pm – 7.30pm **Next Monthly Parent Meeting is 6 November**

Sunday Mornings for 3 & 4 Year Olds NO Sunday Morning Preschool this week

> For More Information Contact Linda Jackson linda.jackson@smcgvl.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.

2024-2025 classes have begun! Learn more 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 December 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 at https://charitiessc.org.

Catholic Charities is Hiring!

Catholic Charities of SC Upstate is hiring a Client Advocate. This position is Full Time with benefits. Bilingual preferred, but not required. The Client Advocate will be responsible for daily operations of the food pantry, clothing closet, save a smile program and mobile clean of heart program offered through Catholic Charities. The Client Advocate will assist in recruiting, training, and managing volunteers. They will work with community partners and other social service agencies to implement overall wellness for clients and coordinate assistance efforts. Must have great empathy and understanding of the homeless population that we serve daily. Please apply at https://charlestondiocese.org/job/client-advocate-3/.



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

Prince of Peace

"But who do you say that I am?" ~Mark 8:28

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

Sunday 11am

Monday 4 pm & 8 pm

Tuesday 4 pm

Wednesday 12 pm

Friday 12 pm & 5 pm

Saturday 2 pm & 7 pm*

OLR Upper School

OLR Classical Upper School Information Night will be at Our Lady of the Rosary (2 James Dr) in Guadalupe Hall on Wednesday 30 October from 6.45-8.00 PM (after 6.00 pm Mass). Middle School students and their parents interested in our 9th -12th grade Classical program are invited to come find out more about our school. Contact Christine Barr at christine.barr@olrschool.net or 864.277.5350 for more information.

Natural Family Planning Classes

In Person Sessions

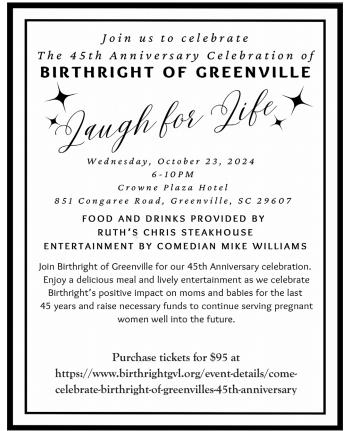
22 October at 6.00 pm at Jesus Our Risen Savior (Spartanburg) - monicalara.fertilitycare@gmail.com

23 October at 6.00 pm at St Joseph (Columbia) - email Sally Zaleki at naprogal@gmail.com or visit https://www.stjosephcolumbia.org/natural-family-planning

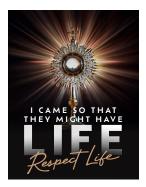
29 October at 6.00 pm at Jesus Our Risen Savior (Spartanburg) - email Monica Lara at monicalara.fertilitycare@gmail.com

<u>Virtual Sessions</u> 17 October at 6.30 pm - janellenapro@gmail.com





October Is Respect Life Month



We reflect on the gift of every human life and how to build a culture that protects life from conception to natural death. An old Irish proverb says "It is in the shelter of each other that the people live." Visit https://www.respectlife.org/celebrate to join Catholics nationwide in celebrating Respect Life Month.

Marian Servants

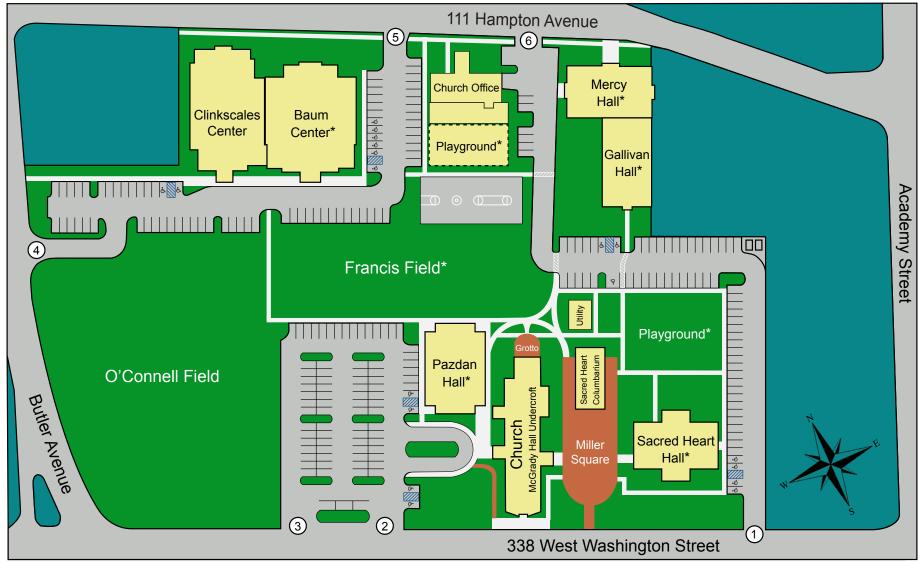
The Marian Servants® of the Holy Face of Jesus is one of several Marian Servant Communities across the United States and is now operating in the Charleston Diocese with Bishop approval. We have a mission to bring Catholic Christians to a deeper understanding of their vocation and mission in Christ, in the Church and in the world. Marian Servants have a special devotion to the Holy Spirit and to Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and always remain loyal to authentic Catholic teaching and the Magisterium of the Church. We embrace the Marian Servants Rule of Life, striving for holiness, obedience, and humble servanthood. We meet as a community on Tuesdays from 9.30-11.30 am in the Blessed McGivney Community Center (library) at Prince of Peace Catholic Church for praise and worship, a teaching, and conclude with praying the rosary together. We welcome men and women who are seeking a deeper spiritual journey and a desire to live and grow in community with others. For more information contact Lisa Buss at marianservantsHFJ@gmail.com or 864.508.7123. Visit https://divineprovidence.org for more details.



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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