



St Mary's Catholic Church



Greenville, South Carolina

7 June 2026

Dear Friends in Christ,

The teaching of the Lord Jesus on the necessity of eating his flesh and drinking his blood in order to receive the gift of everlasting life is as difficult to understand today as it was when he first spoke the words recorded by Saint John in chapter six of his Gospel. (John 6:22-71)

From this teaching and the celebration of Christ's Last Supper at the Passover meal before his atoning death on the Cross, the Sacrament of the Most Holy Eucharist has ever been understood in the Catholic Church as the principal means by which the Lord Jesus remains with us and makes himself present in every time and place where the Most Blessed Sacrament of the Altar is received by the faithful in divine worship and reserved for adoration. This annual celebration of Corpus Christi reminds us that at every Mass the Lord Jesus comes to us under the appearance of bread and wine to nourish us unto everlasting life with the medicine of immortality.

But the difficulty of this teaching has posed a challenge to those who hear it from the very beginning. Saint John tells us that as a result of Christ's shocking doctrine on eating his flesh and drinking his blood, "many of his disciples returned to their former way of life and no longer accompanied him." (John 6:66)

In every century since then, those who are drawn to Christ have been challenged to accept this teaching even when such a mystery can never be fully comprehended, and from time to time the Church has been confronted by theological disputations on Christ's real presence in the Holy Eucharist. Those arguments have assisted the Church to clarify her understanding of how the Savior fulfills his promise to give us his flesh as food and his blood as drink, and the liturgical Solemnity of Corpus Christi emerged from one such prolonged theological battle in the twelfth and thirteenth centuries.

To deepen your understanding of this mystery of faith, I recommend that everyone read Part Two, Article Three of the Catechism of the Catholic Church on the Sacrament of the Eucharist (paragraphs 1322 to 1419). There you will find that "the Catholic Church has always offered and still offers to the sacrament of the Eucharist the cult (i.e. worship) of adoration, not only during Mass, but also outside of it, reserving the consecrated hosts with the utmost care, exposing them to the solemn veneration of the faithful, and carrying them in procession." (CCC, 1378)

And that is why on Saturday 6 June we will have a Solemn Eucharistic Procession beginning at 6.15 pm in observance of the Solemnity of Corpus Christi. Please join us Saturday evening in giving thanks for the inestimable gift of Christ in the Most Holy Eucharist, and then stay for the parish picnic.

Father Newman

Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sunday 7 June

7.30 am † Francis J Lauzon
 9.00 am Wake & Kallen Monroe
 11.00 am Pro Populo
 1.00 pm Spanish Mass

Monday 8 June

7.00 am Troy & Julie Miller

Tuesday 9 June

7.00 am Nielsen Family

Wednesday 10 June

7.00 am † Salvador Muñoz

Thursday 11 June

7.00 am Felicity Elster

Friday 12 June

7.00 am Matthew &
 Theresa Gevaert

Saturday 13 June

5.00 pm † Roman Family

Meetings & Events *

Sunday 7 June

Coffee & Doughnuts: After 9.00 am Mass (P)
 Nursery: During 9.00 am Mass
 5.00 pm Solemn Vespers (church)

Monday 8 June

Tuesday 9 June

6.30 pm KofC Meeting (M)

Wednesday 10 June

8.00 am Wit & Wisdom Bible Study
 5.00-6.00 pm Holy Hour & Confessions (church)

Thursday 11 June

1.00 pm St Anne's Crochet/Knit Class
 7.00 pm Spanish Adoration

Friday 12 June

5.45-6.45 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 13 June

3.30-4.30 pm Confessions (church)

Financial Report

Weekend of 30/31 May

Needed	41,300
Received	41,531
Surplus	+ 231

Poor Box 563

Offertory Year to Date

Needed	1,982,400
Received	2,107,855
Surplus	+ 125,455

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.

2026 Capital Improvement Fund

Goal	1,000,000
Donations Received	689,494
Still to Go	310,506

Mass Attendance

Weekend of 30/31 May

5.00 pm	334
7.30 am	352
9.00 am	474
11.00 am	396
1.00 pm	381

Total	1,937
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G - Gallivan Hall
 P - Pazdan Hall

M - McGrady Hall
 C - Clinkscapes
 Family Center

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

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, James Smith, Nancy Laliberty, Marilyn Postell, Sofia Alvarez, Ann Howard, Carl Lee Cooke, Konta & Laman Patel, Sloane Perkins, George Cortes, Diane Hickey, Michael Tierney, Jaxson Rivera, Helen Carter, Anthony Harris, 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, Steve Hughes, Angelo Bautista Campos, Karen Krings, Michael Venerdi, Joan Greenaway, Dean Zimmermann, Mel Fitzpatrick, Chris Howard, Anna Roman, Edward Stone, Valentina Hernandez, Barbara Redding, Molly Fitzpatrick, Helena Howard, Daniel McGee, Jennifer Swyer, Patrick McLeod, Lily Elizabeth Reno, Stephen Moulton, Dee Dillon.

Nursery Closure

Summer break is 5 July through 2 August. Nursery reopens on 9 August. Please contact Linda Jackson at 864.679.4110 or linda.jackson@smcgv1.org with any questions.



All are invited to enjoy a wonderful spread of doughnuts, bagels and freshly brewed coffee in Pazdan Hall dining room after 9.00 am Mass. Join fellow parishioners for fellowship and refreshments.

Pillars of Christ Men's Ministry

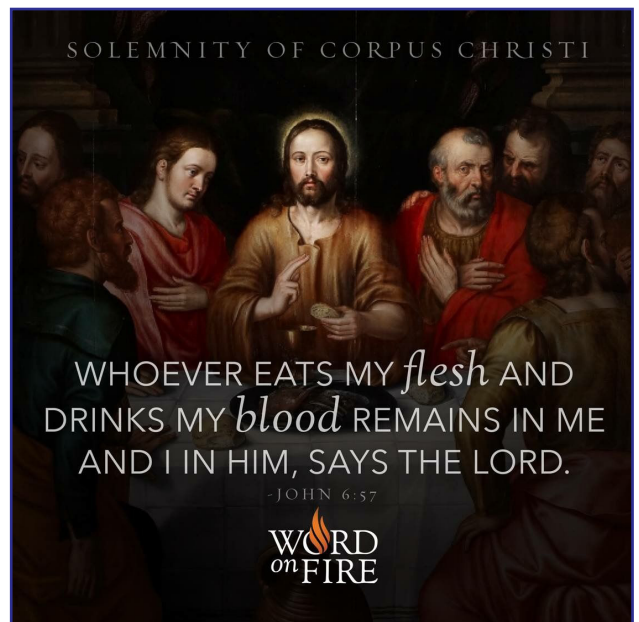
Pillars of Christ small group men's ministry meets in person every Friday throughout the year. The early group meets at 5.45 am and the late group meets at 7.30 am. The ministry is focused on helping men to live out their vocation as Catholic Christian men in every aspect of their lives, be it home, 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 Peter Mathern (early group) at peter.mathern@gmail.com or 864.363.5658 or Mike Munafa (late group) at mmunafa1950@gmail.com or 864.313.5356.

PARISH NEWS

Collection for 6/7 June

Support of the Parish

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



Welcome Newcomers

We welcome the following new members to our parish family: Angela Bolchoz, Caroline Schoenberger, Todd & Sam Presnick, Debbie Baker, Autumn Lyerly, Peter & Cheryl Graves.

Congratulations to

Reece Larkin Looper who was baptized last weekend.

Frank Baugh and Helen Norton who were married last weekend.

3rd Annual Feast of Corpus Christi **EUCCHARISTIC 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 for a fun picnic with our parish community.

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 in disposable containers.

The food will be served in the Baum Center and dining tables will be set up in the Clink. Bring your own chairs and blankets if you would like to eat outside. There will be fun games, face painting, and music. Text Nancy Carrano at 512.466.7989 with questions.



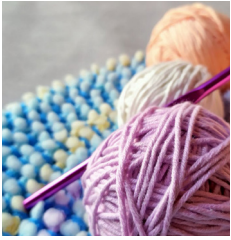
**CLICK HERE
TO REGISTER!**

Saturday 6 June
following 5.00 pm Holy Mass

*Our Parish Picnic will
be held immediately after
the procession. Rain or shine!*



Crochet & Knit Classes



Join the fun and learn to crochet or knit! St Anne's Stitchery Ministry of St Mary's Council of Catholic Women *Learn to Crochet / Knit* class is Thursday 16 May from 1.00-3.00 pm in Sacred Heart Hall. Experienced members of the ministry will be available to share their skills with those who would like to learn. Supplies will be provided. Please contact Maggie Simons at maggie.simons54@gmail.com or 612.695.0903 with questions or for more information.

School Summer Hours

8 June - 3 August

Monday - Thursday 9.00 am - 2.00 pm

A lot goes into keeping our school buildings beautiful and safe and most of that work takes place over the summer. Before visiting the School Office, please call 864.271.3870 ahead of time to ensure that it is open.

Vespers
at St Mary's

7 June
Corpus Christi

Sundays at 5 pm
in the church

*Thirty minutes of peaceful prayer and sacred silence.
Sung by the Schola Cantonum. Join us and bring a friend.*

Dr Adam Pajan, Director of Sacred Music ♦ Fr Jay Scott Newman, Pastor

UNIVERSITY OF
South Carolina

You're Invited

Join Fr. Rhett Williams, University of South Carolina students, and supporters to learn more about the Envision More capital build campaign and to celebrate the incredible growth of USC's Catholic campus ministry.

Sunday, June 14, 2026 from 6-8pm
Home of Diane and Tom Baliker

Email Ellie Placencia for the address
ellie@stthomasmoreusc.org

Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres will be provided

Please share this invitation with any family or friends you feel would be interested in hearing more about the mission of the Catholic campus ministry at USC!

RSVP to Ellie Placencia by June 10th, 2026
ellie@stthomasmoreusc.org

Respect Life

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION

Week 37

Baby can stretch, roll, and wiggle. They can inhale and exhale amniotic fluid. The baby can also grasp onto objects.

Prayer by Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen
"Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the pre-born baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion."

The Center for Evangelical Catholicism
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with the

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AN UNFORGETTABLE EVENING OF
BLUEGRASS, GOSPEL JOY, AND REVIVAL SPIRIT!



**MONDAY,
AUGUST 3, 2026**



DOORS OPEN: 5:45 PM



CONCERT: 6:30 – 9:00 PM



**CLINKSCALES CENTER
ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**
111 HAMPTON AVENUE
GREENVILLE, SC 29601

AN UNFORGETTABLE EVENING OF
BLUEGRASS • GOSPEL JOY • REVIVAL SPIRIT

Featuring the nationally acclaimed
Hillbilly Thomists, the bluegrass band
of Dominican friars whose albums have
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THROUGH JUNE 30

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St Mary's Religious Education

Registration for 2026-27 will open soon



Religious Education Grades 1-8

Classes meet on Wednesday from 6.30pm – 7.30pm
September - April

Sunday Mornings for 3 & 4 Year Olds

Classes meet on Sundays during the 9.00 am Mass
September - April

For More Information

Contact Linda Jackson

linda.jackson@smcgv1.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.

Registration for Easter 2027 classes will open in July on the parish website

<https://smcgv1.org/christian-formation/intro-to-catholicism/>

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 Tuesday 16 June at 6.30 pm.** Contact Patrick Ford at patrick.ford@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://vocations.charlestdiocese.org>

Formed.org

Online resources are available to every member of our parish including books, movies, podcasts and more. Sign up at <https://formed.org/individuals> using zip code 29601 and click on our parish. Register with your name and email address to access the library.

ST. ANTHONY JUNETEENTH 2026

A CELEBRATION OF FREEDOM, FAITH, & COMMUNITY



**JUNETEENTH
CELEBRATION**

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17

6:00 PM | MASS (Church)
Most Rev. Jacques Fabre-Jeune, CS, Bishop of Charleston, presiding.

BBQ DINNER & PROGRAM
(School Gymnasium - 311 Gower Street)
7:00 PM – 8:30 PM
Featuring music, dance, and Black history.

LOCATION (Greenville SC 29611):
307 Gower Street

ADMISSION:
FREE (Love Offering Accepted)
Parishioners, friends and the public are invited.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- ✦ Jessica Williams
- ✦ Sammy Dotson
- ✦ Bonnie Franks & The Nicholtown Community Choir
- ✦ Larry McCullough & Chosen Generation
- ✦ Jeremiah Dew (J Dew)
- ✦ Kendra Williams
- ✦ Imani Dancers
- ✦ Father Tony Ricard

Joining us for the evening are participants in the national Archbishop Lyke Conference held in Greenville June 16-19. The premier Black Catholic liturgical event.

UNDERSTANDING THE HUMAN PERSON

July 17 (Friday) 5:30 - 9:00 PM | July 18 (Saturday) 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
900 Orange Grove Road, Charleston, SC 29407



TOPICS Include:

- Pope St. John Paul II's Theology of the Body
- The Roots of Sexual Revolution
- God's Gift of Sexuality and Fertility
- Consequences of harmful Sexual Behavior
- Child Development and the Importance of Family
- Gender Identity and Confusion...and more

REGISTRATION FEE: \$150
includes approximately 12 hours of instruction, books and meals

**ONLY \$75 for DREs/ Youth Ministers/
Family and Marriage Coordinators/ NFP Teachers**

Register in advance: <https://tinyurl.com/FamilyHonorJuly2026>
For more info, contact: familylife@charlestdiocese.org






Diocesan News

PERPETUAL EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Prince of Peace

"I have a burning thirst to be honored by men in the Blessed Sacrament." ~Jesus speaking to St Margaret Mary Alacoque

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!):

- Monday 1 am*
- Tuesday 9 am*
- Friday 8 am
- Saturday 11 am* & 7 pm

Job Openings

St Anthony of Padua is hiring for two positions. Learn more about the Facilities Coordinator position at <https://charlestdiocese.org/job/facilities-coordinator/> and the Parish Operations Manager position at <https://charlestdiocese.org/job/pastors-assistant-operations-manager/> if interested.


Nationwide Mass Times

<https://www.catholicdirectory.com>

Icon Painting Workshop

St. Rafka Catholic Church, Greenville, South Carolina
Experience the unique spiritual world of the Byzantine Era through icon painting

June 8-13, 2026
St. Rafka Catholic Church
Greer, South Carolina



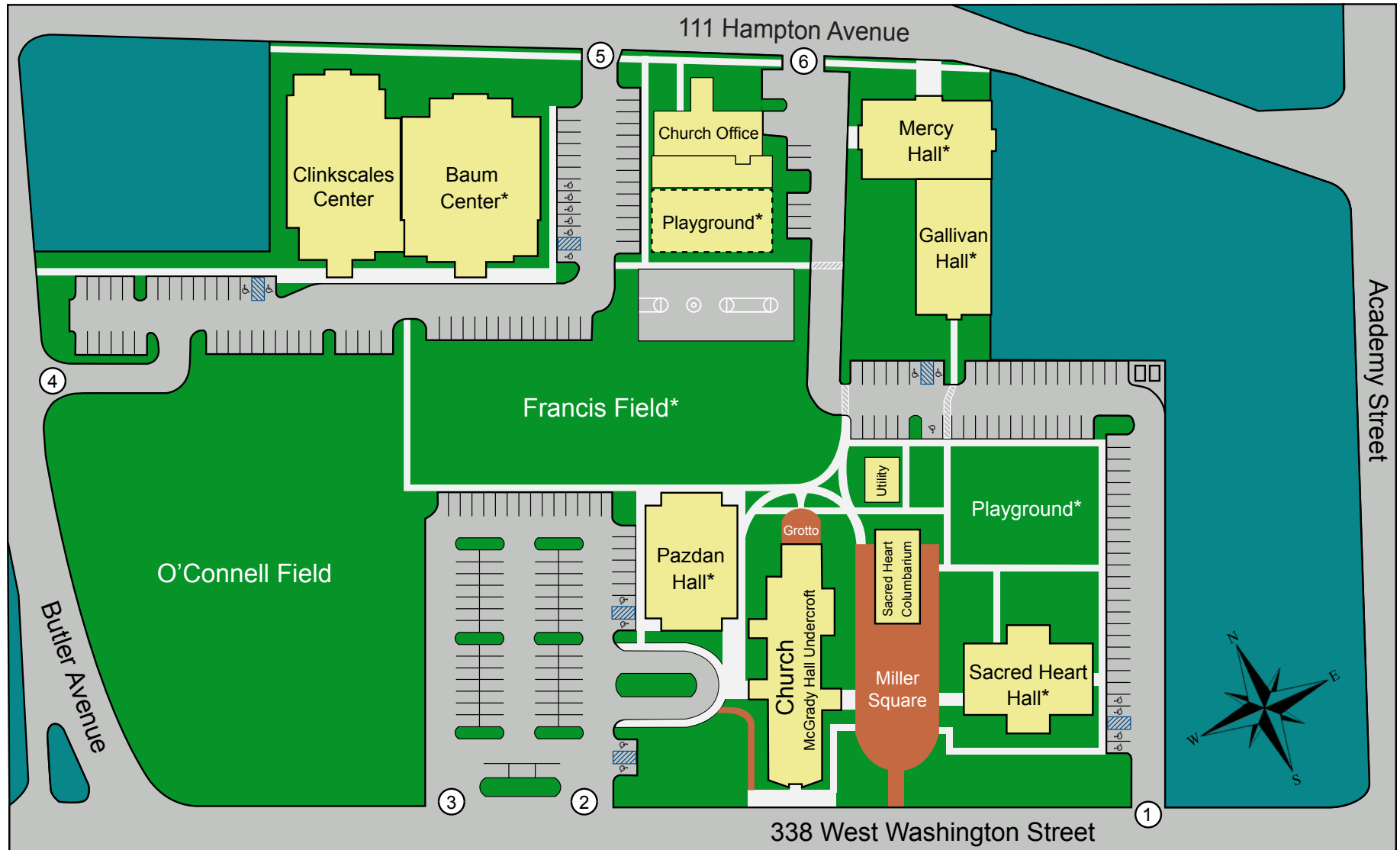
Join us on this six day intensive course under the direction of visiting master iconographer and expert instructor Theodoros Papadopoulos from Greece. This "Virgin Mary icon" will "come alive" as he will guide you step by step, through the ancient techniques of Byzantine Iconography. Let us journey together, discovering anew, this traditional artistic expression of theology and spirituality often called the "meeting place of the Divine". Whether you are beginner or a professional, this workshop offers the opportunity to learn or refine your techniques. It is a great opportunity for everyone to experience first hand the painting of an icon.

Your tuition fee of \$850 includes all materials including boards brushes, pigments etc.
Space is limited and early registration is suggested.
For enrollment and more information, visit the website theodoreicons.com/sc
or contact the instructor Theodoros Papadopoulos at: theodoreicons@gmail.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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