



Saint Mary's Catholic Church



Greenville South Carolina

from the pastor

Dear Friends in Christ,

When Catholics ask “Why isn’t the Church doing something about *fill in the blank?*”, what they’re really asking is “Why aren’t the clergy doing something about that?” And that tendency to identify the work of the clergy as the work of the Church comes from a tragic misunderstanding of the dignity and demands of our Baptism. When anyone who is baptized is engaged in making just laws, teaching those in need of instruction, consoling the sorrowful, feeding the hungry, counseling the doubtful, visiting the sick or imprisoned, or serving someone in any kind of need, then the Church *IS* doing something about those problems, because everyone who is baptized is a member of the Church and bears responsibility for fulfilling the Great Commission.

Even more, all of the baptized have the high privilege and grave obligation to sanctify the world by their witness to Jesus Christ, and this can be done in every field of human endeavor. The Christian businessman who makes or sells something others need and does so honestly while treating his employees and customers with respect and fairness is bearing witness to the grace of his Baptism. The Christian politician who seeks to serve the common good and assist in the just governance of society according to the law of God is bearing witness to the grace of her Baptism. Christian doctors, lawyers, teachers, musicians, professors, accountants, journalists, architects, carpenters, plumbers, electricians, engineers, mechanics, soldiers, nurses, social workers, secretaries, pharmacists, artists, and shop keepers who work to the uttermost limits of their gifts and do so with integrity and virtue are bearing witness to the grace of their Baptism.

But if all of the above is true, then the converse is also true: Christians who sin gravely and behave badly and fail to live according to the Gospel give scandal to the world and make it more difficult for others to believe that Jesus Christ is Lord. We know this instinctively about priests, but it is true no less of everyone who is baptized and called by the Lord Jesus to be his disciple and follow him in the Way of the Cross. That is among the many reasons why all the baptized must strive with all their might to repent of their sins, believe in the Gospel, and cooperate with God’s grace to live in the evangelical freedom of the children of God.

Finally, while living an upright life is an essential part of fidelity to one’s Baptism, it is no substitute for explicit proclamation of the saving truth that Jesus Christ is Lord. All of the baptized are also called to announce the Good News of salvation in Christ and must be prepared at all times to speak to others about their friendship with the Lord Jesus, the truth and beauty of his Gospel, and the joy of living the life of grace in his holy Church. Praised be Jesus Christ! Now and forever!

Father Newman

Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sunday, 18 May 2014

7.30 am ✕ Mathilda Heidrich
9.00 am ✕ Alexis Quartararo
11.00 am Pro populo
1.00 pm Spanish Mass

Monday, 19 May 2014

7.00 am ✕ Cecilia Arroyave

Tuesday, 20 May 2014

7.00 am ✕ Mary Josephine Balistreri
12.00 noon ✕ William Rawlston

Wednesday, 21 May 2014

7.00 am ✕ Sharon Debbie Armstrong
12.00 noon ✕ Faber Family

Thursday, 22 May 2014

7.00 am ✕ Mary Wills
12.00 noon ✕ Members of the Bomia Family

Friday, 23 May 2014

7.00 am ✕ Gerald Ducie

Saturday, 24 May 2014

5.00 pm Special Intention

Meetings & Events *

Sunday, 18 May 2014

K of C Breakfast: After all morning Masses (Macalka)
Nursery during 9.00 & 11.00 am Masses
9.00 am Scripture Study
10.10 am Morning Prayer (McGrady)
6.00 pm High School Youth Group (McGrady)

Monday, 19 May 2014

6.30 pm Boy Scout Meeting (McGrady)

Tuesday, 20 May 2014

1.00 pm Senior Men's Club
6.00 pm Virtus Class

Wednesday, 21 May 2014

5.00-6.00 pm Holy Hour & Confessions (church)

Thursday, 22 May 2014

3.00 pm Cenacles/Rosary
4.00 pm Prayer Meeting

Friday, 23 May 2014

6.15 am Morning Prayer (church)
6.30-8.00 am Pillars of Christ
10.00 am Scripture Study Class
3.10-4.45 pm Youth Choir Practice

Saturday, 24 May 2014

8.00-9.00 am Rosary at Grove Road abortion clinic
3.30-4.30 pm Confessions (church)

Financial Report

Weekend of 10/11 May

Needed	31,500
Received	27,008
Shortage	4,492

Poor Box 371

Catholic Charities:
4,012

Offertory Year to Date

Needed	1,417,500
Received	1,425,418
Surplus	7,918

Electronic Giving: To sign up or to receive more information, please contact Pat Perkins in the church office at 864.679.4109 or pat.perkins@stmarysgvl.org.

St. Mary's Accepts Credit Cards:

To make your gift for the **Regular Offertory Collection and Fund Drive for the Future** using MasterCard, Visa or American Express, please call Pat Perkins at 864.679.4109 for the authorization form.



Facebook

'Like' us on Facebook at
St. Mary's Catholic Church
Greenville SC.

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

PARISH NEWS

Pray the Rosary

The Friday Morning Bible Study class invites you to join them in praying the Rosary at Grace Grotto each Friday in May at 10.00 am.

Congratulations to

Adelaide Ann O'Brien Woodeshick, Lucy Marie Barcelona, and Tucker Anthony Babb who were baptized recently.



Collection for 17/18 May

Support of the Parish & Bishop's Appeal

Diocesan Ordination

On Friday 30 May at 6 pm in the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Charleston, Deacon Javier Heredia will be ordained to the priesthood. All are welcome to attend the ordination.

Thank You

"The Board of Governors, staff, and volunteers of Project Host thank you for your donation. Contributions like yours help The Project Host Soup Kitchen offer a balanced, nutritious meal each day in a safe, clean, and loving environment to all who are hungry."

Prayer Requests

Please pray for all those who are hospitalized and for all those who are shut-ins, ill or recuperating at home, especially Alan Howard, Alice Howard, Ronald Labbe, Andrew Brett, Cassandra Gomes, Paulina Cruz, Brett Gervais, Judy Byrum and Judy McColl.

Requiescat in pace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Paul Gallagher 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 they rest in peace. Amen. May their souls, and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Evensong in the Anglican Tradition Pentecost Sunday 8 June at 5 pm

After the Holy Eucharist, the most important form of Christian prayer is the Liturgy of the Hours, also called the Divine Office. In the Roman form of the Divine Office there are two liturgical Hours for the evening: Vespers and Compline. In the 16th century Book of Common Prayer, these two Hours were combined into one celebration called Evensong, and this beautiful way of praying is part of the Anglican patrimony preserved in the Catholic Church by the Personal Ordinariates for Catholics from the Anglican tradition. The Community of St. Anselm's is offering this splendid opportunity of liturgical prayer to everyone at St. Mary's and in the wider community.

Please join us at 5 pm and bring a friend for Evensong.



Office Closed

The parish office will be closed on Monday 26 May in observance of Memorial Day. We will reopen on Tuesday at 9.00 am.



Virtus Training

The next training class at St. Mary's will be in the Monsignor Gwynn Room of Sacred Heart Hall at 6.00 pm on Tuesday 20 May. Registration must be done online at virtusonline.org; click on "registration".

Memorial Day Observance

On Sunday 25 May the Knights of Columbus 4th Degree Assembly 1073 will hold a Memorial Day Observance at the Council Hall, 762 Mauldin Road at 3.00 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend. A light dinner will be served following the presentation.



Adult Men's Basketball

Consider joining us on Wednesday and/or Sunday nights at 8.00 pm for basketball in the Baum Center. If you are interested, please email Mike Graczyk at graczykfamily@gmail.com so that we can add you to the email blast that goes out the day before.

Vocations Office

The Vocations Office is pleased to launch its new vocations website. Some who have already visited the site have described it as "easy to navigate," "engaging," and "dynamic"! The website is full of vocation resources for all. Please visit: charlestonvocations.com.

Additionally, the Vocation Office continues its presence on social media. Please follow us on Facebook: "Charleston Vocations," and on Twitter: "FatherKirby."

Baptism Class

Prior to having a child baptized at St. 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 birth of child.

The next class is scheduled for Tuesday 24 June at 6.30 pm in Sacred Heart Hall. Pre-registration in the Church office is required.

Contact T.J. Nielsen at 864.679.4114 or timothy.nielsen@stmarysgvl.org.

Word of Life

"Nothing we do to defend the human person, no matter how small, is ever unfruitful or forgotten. Our actions touch other lives and move other hearts in ways we can never fully understand in this world."

- Archbishop Charles Chaput, *Politics and the Devil: Living in a World of Unbelief*



Augustine Literacy Project
in Upstate South Carolina

If you would be interested in helping teach an at-risk child to learn to read, please contact the Augustine Literacy Project in Upstate South Carolina. We train volunteers to become effective reading tutors who work 1:1 with a child at his school twice a week, at no charge to the child or school. There will be a 2-week training 14-25 July 14 - 25 at St. Anthony of Padua Catholic School. Please visit augustineproject-upstatesc.org or call Maxine Bennett at 864.270.9488 for more information. Please register by May 19.

All volunteers must be Virtus trained. Virtus training in Greenville will be offered at St. Mary's on Tuesday 20 May at 6.00 pm and at St. Mary Magdalene on Wednesday 21 May at 9.15 am. Pre-register for Virtus at virtus.org.



All young adults (18-39) are welcomed & encouraged to join our ministry whose mission is to help young adults answer the universal call to holiness.

Monday Bible Study: Will return in September.

Upcoming Events:

Thirsty 4 Theology: "Seek & You Shall Find": 7 pm at Chuy's on Woodruff on the following dates/topics/speakers. Call Victoria at 770.366.3246 with questions.

19 May: Intimacy with Father John Eckert

Spring Picnic: Saturday 18 May at 1 pm at Shelter 5 in Cleveland Park. Bring a side dish! Call Dan at 412.651.5333 with questions.

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Visit us at: www.lvgreenville.com
Email us: LVgreenville@gmail.com

Perpetual Adoration

Prince of Peace Parish in Taylors, SC wishes to extend a warm invitation to all area parishioners to become members of our perpetual adoration Guild of St. Thomas Aquinas. Please contact Tom O'Donnell (POP parishioner and Guild coordinator) at 864.610.0588 if you would like to take one of these hours.

Hours in need of an adorer

Wednesday 1 pm & 3 pm

Thursday 2pm

Saturday 3 am

Sunday 8 am & 1 pm



Marriage Encounter

Worldwide Marriage Encounter wishes many blessings on all mothers today. Husbands, give your wife a special gift and register for a weekend away for the two of you. Plan to enrich your marriage by attending the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on 3-5 October in Myrtle Beach. **Please apply early.** For more information, call 803.810.9602 or visit scmarriagematters.org.



Catholic Radio in South Carolina

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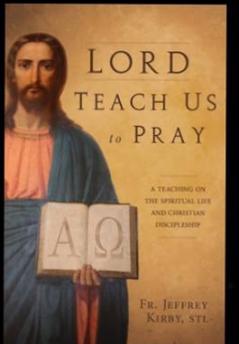
St. Joseph's Catholic School Summer Sports Camps

Online registration is now available for SJCS summer athletic camps. Offerings include speed & agility, football, basketball, lacrosse, baseball, tennis, cheerleading, soccer, softball and volleyball. All camps will be held on the SJCS campus in Greenville and are open to all students in the community. For more information and registration, visit sjcatholicsschool.org.



Coming Soon!

Book Signing by Fr. Jeffrey Kirby



Friday, May 23rd
12:00-5:00 pm

As advertised on Catholic Radio!

St. Benedict's Catholic Store - 900 W. Poinsett St., Greer - 864-801-1830



SAINT MARY'S SCHOOL

www.stmarysgvl.org/theschool



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St. Mary's 26th Annual Golf Gala

Friday 30 May

Golf Registration

Registration and information for the golf tournament during the day are available in the Golf Classic section of the school website.

Evening With St. Mary's Gala Tickets Embassy Suites Greenville

Tickets to the evening gala are \$45.00 each and are available for sale online through Eventbrite.com. Please contact Terri McMorro with any questions at 864.906.1393 or at tmcmorrow1978@gmail.com.

Click here to purchase: [2014 St. Mary's Golf Gala Tickets](#).

Remember: this year's golf tournament and gala evening will fund a new playground!

Private tours during school hours for the 2014-2015 school year are available by appointment. For more information, please contact Nelle Palms, Director of Admissions, at nelle.palms@stmarysgvl.org or 864.679.4117.

Become a Creighton Model FertilityCare Practitioner

The Diocese of Charleston is in need of more Natural Family Planning (NFP) instructors! The good news about this rewarding ministry is that the number of couples discovering the joys and freedom of NFP is increasing. The challenge now is that more instructors are needed to meet this demand. The Diocese of Charleston will host its fourth Creighton Model FertilityCare Practitioner Education Program in Greenville, SC for those interested in teaching others how to use the method. Applications are currently being accepted for the 13-month practitioner program.

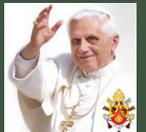
Making it easier for students to leave jobs and families for the training, Education Phase I will be conducted over two, 4-day weekends: 31 July - 3 August and 21-24 August. Education Phase II will be held from 25 February - 2 March 2015.

For more information and to request an application, please contact Kelli Ball, Diocesan NFP Coordinator, at 803.807.0158 or kellihball@gmail.com, or Nancy McGrath, Program Director and Educator, at napronurse@aol.com or 864.292.0475.

Senior Companions Training

Take the time to change someone's life. Training for Senior Companion care givers is set for **Wednesday 28 May** from 6.00-9.00 pm in Sacred Heart Hall. If you are interested in participating in this program or have already signed up, please plan to attend this training. Thank you. Contact Susanne Wolfe, Senior Companion Co-coordinator at 864.313.5866 or by email at wolfes@charter.net. Also you can contact Karl Rogozenski, Senior Care Coordinator, with Catholic Charities at 242.2233, ext. 2629, or by email at krogozenski@catholic-doc.org.

"We cannot keep to ourselves the words of eternal life given to us in our encounter with Jesus Christ: they are meant for everyone, for every man and woman... It is our responsibility to pass on what, by God's grace, we ourselves have received."



- Pope Benedict XVI in *Verbum Domini*

High School Youth Group

Join us on Sunday Night 18 May for our regular Sunday Night meeting from 6.00-8.00 pm in McGrady Hall - undercroft of the church. We will celebrate Senior Night with a time of sharing from each of our graduating seniors. We are winding down from a great year of faith, fun, and growth in our relationships to Christ and His Church. Newcomers are always welcome. For information about our High School Ministry, please contact Chris Stansberry at Chris.Stansberry@stmarysgvl.org or 864.630.1646.

Following is our meeting schedule the next few weeks.

Sunday 25 May - No Meeting, Memorial Day Weekend

Sunday 1 June - Regular Sunday Night Meeting

Sunday 8 June - Kick Ball Tournament, YG vs. Lucis Via

Saturday 14 June - Father/Son, Father/Daughter Kayak Trip - See Flyer for Details

Mark Your Calendars - Saturday 5 August - Saturday Night Alive in Christ, YG Kickoff

Fall Retreat - Camp Kahdalea, 5-7 September

Culture of Life

St. Mary's Culture of Life Team mission is "to equip the people of St. Mary's to help build a 'culture of life' where human life is protected, respected and nurtured."

"The first person in the world to welcome Jesus, to recognize him in the womb of his own mother, was a child: John the Baptist. It is wonderful; God chooses an unborn child to announce the coming of his redeeming Son." - *Blessed Mother Teresa*

Important numbers to remember:

Crisis Pregnancy Helpline 1-800-4-OPTION

Birthright - 1-800-550-4900

Abortion Recovery Help - 1-877-HOPE-4-ME

Spiritual Adoption

Your spiritually adopted baby will be born this month.

Baby Shower: In order to prepare for his/her arrival, the Culture of Life Ministry will be having a Baby Shower on Sunday 18 May at the Knights of Columbus breakfast. Please check the following to see what your spiritually adopted baby needs. No need to wrap your gift; a plastic shopping bag will do. Drop it off at the Culture of Life table and if by chance you have forgotten to bring a gift, a monetary donation will be accepted. All of this will then go to Birthright of Greenville who help women in crisis pregnancies and also their babies.

Pacifiers (new)

Newborn Diapers

Baby Wash/Shampoo

Baby Bottles, plastic, large and small (new)

Girls Winter Clothing Outfits & Sleepers 0 - 3 months

Infant Teething Rings (new)

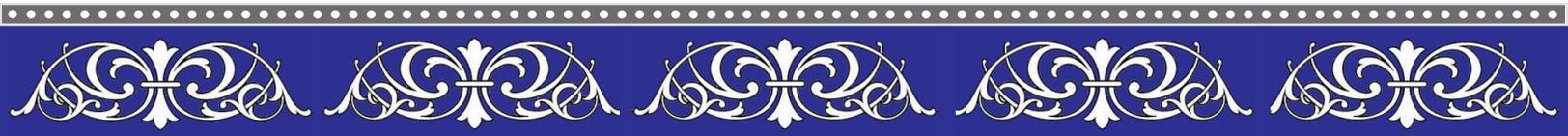
Baby Wipes

Baby Towels

Receiving Blankets

Please continue to pray for you spiritually adopted baby by saying the following prayer -

"Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion."



Saturday, June 14th



Father/Son Father/Daughter Kayak Trip

What a great way to connect with your teen on Father's Day Weekend!

Organized by St. Mary's High School Ministry

Leaving St. Mary's @ 12:30 pm, Sat. June 14th.

Returning St. Mary's @ 6:00 pm

**Equipment, guide & instruction provided by:
Green River Adventures**

111 E Main St.

Saluda, NC 28773

(828)749-2800

Normally \$45 per person

**Negotiated Group Rate \$35
per person!**

**Reservation is Required. Parental liability form is a requirement.
Money confirming your reservation is due Sunday, May 18th.**

For more information contact Chris Stansberry @ 864-630-1646 or email chris.stansberry@stmarysgvl.org.

The Lower Green River is Family Friendly, Class II Water Rapids. Transportation from Green River Outfitters to the launch site, and the pickup at the end of the trip, is provided by the Outfitter. The trip is 2 hours in the water, 3 miles. The participant will be wearing a life preserver, but should be a good swimmer, confident in water! The kayak is a "Duckie" which is an inflatable open single man kayak. Two person kayaks are also available.

Parents are responsible for the Safe Transportation of their Son/Daughter to and from this event!

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