



St. Mary's Catholic Church



Greenville, South Carolina

7 May 2017

Dear Friends in Christ,

"I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep." The Fourth Sunday of Easter is also known as Good Shepherd Sunday because of the Scripture readings and Mass prayers appointed for this day in the sacred liturgy. The Latin word for shepherd is *pastor*, and this reveals why the Church also asks us to pray for more priests on Good Shepherd Sunday. The call to the priesthood comes from God, and the Lord has promised always to provide shepherds for his people. Through the Prophet Jeremiah, the Lord promised Israel: "I will give you shepherds after my own heart." (Jeremiah 3.15) But he also asks us to seek the gift of pastors in prayer: "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." (Matthew 9.37-38)

In the "developing" world - Africa, South America, and Oceania - the number of young men offering themselves for priestly formation is on the rise, in some cases a dramatic rise, but in the "developed" world - Europe and North America - this is not the case. It is strange but true that peace and prosperity seem to make it more difficult to hear the voice of God than do poverty and strife, and one reason for the difference, I think, is that those who live in peace and prosperity also live under the illusion of self-sufficiency. Young men are surely being called to the priesthood in sufficient numbers even in the First World, but too many of those called are afraid to hear and heed the voice of God. Why? A basic failure of Christian discipleship.

The priesthood is not an extraordinary life for extraordinary men; it is an ordinary Christian way of life for ordinary Christian men. But the key to hearing and heeding the voice of God is that the man called must first understand what it means to be a disciple of the Lord Jesus. The radical thing is not giving up marriage to give one's life to the Church; the radical thing is being baptized and giving one's life to Jesus Christ. When young men grow up in a vibrant Christian community in which the truth of the Gospel and the beauty of the Catholic Faith are the foundation of their lives, then those who are called to marriage will be equipped to be good husbands and those who are called to the priesthood will have the courage to answer the summons of the Good Shepherd to lay down their lives for his sheep.

Father Newman



Message of His Holiness Pope Francis for the 54th World Day of Prayer for Vocations

7 May 2017 - Fourth Sunday of Easter

Theme: Led by the Spirit for Mission

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In the last few years, we have considered two aspects of the Christian vocation: the summons to “go out from ourselves” to hear the Lord’s voice, and the importance of the ecclesial community as the privileged place where God’s call is born, nourished and expressed.

Now, on this 54th World Day of Prayer for Vocations, I would like to reflect on *the missionary dimension of our Christian calling*. Those who drawn by God’s voice and determined to follow Jesus soon discover within themselves an irrepressible desire to bring the Good News to their brothers and sisters through proclamation and the service of charity. All Christians are called to be missionaries of the Gospel! As disciples, we do not receive the gift of God’s love for our personal consolation, nor are we called to promote ourselves, or a business concern. We are simply men and women touched and transformed

by the joy of God’s love, who cannot keep this experience just to ourselves. For “the Gospel joy which enlivens the community of disciples is a missionary joy (*Evangelii Gaudium*, 21).

Commitment to mission is not something added on to the Christian life as a kind of decoration, but is instead an essential element of faith itself. A relationship with the Lord entails being sent out into the world as prophets of his word and witnesses of his love.

Even if at times we are conscious of our weaknesses and tempted to discouragement, we need to turn with God with confidence. We must overcome a sense of our own inadequacy and not yield to pessimism, which merely turns us into passive spectators of a dreary and monotonous life. There is no room for fear! God himself comes to cleanse our “unclean lips” and equip us for the mission: “Your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out. Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, ‘Whom shall I send and who will go for us?’ And I said, ‘Here am I, send me’” (*Is. 6.6-8*).

In the depths of their heart, all missionary disciples hear this divine voice bidding them to “go about”, as Jesus did, “doing good and healing all” (*cf. Acts 10.38*). I have mentioned that, by virtue of baptism, every Christian is a “Christopher”, a bearer of Christ, to his brothers and sisters (*cf. Catechesis,*

30 January 2016). This is particularly the case with those called to a life of special consecration and with priests, who have generously responded, “Here I am, Lord, send me!” With renewed missionary enthusiasm, priests are called to go forth from the sacred precincts of the temple and to let God’s tender love overflow for the sake of humanity (*cf. Homily at the Chrism Mass, 24 March 2016*). The Church needs such priests: serenely confident because they have discovered the true treasure, anxious to go out and joyfully to make it known to all (*cf. Mt. 13.44*).

Certainly many questions arise when we speak of the Christian mission. What does it mean to be a missionary of the Gospel? Who gives us the strength and courage to preach? What is the evangelical basis and inspiration of mission? We can respond to these questions by meditating on three scenes from the Gospels: the inauguration



Jesus
the
Good
Shepherd

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of Jesus' mission in the synagogue at Nazareth (cf. *Lk* 4.16-30); the journey that, after his resurrection, he makes in the company of the disciples of Emmaus (cf. *Lk* 24.13-35) and, finally, the parable of the sower and the seed (cf. *Mt* 4.26-27).

Jesus is anointed by the Spirit and sent. To be a missionary disciple means to share actively in the mission of Christ. Jesus himself described that mission in the synagogue of Nazareth in these words: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour" (*Lk* 4.18-19). This is also our mission: to be *anointed* by the Spirit, and to *go out to our brothers and sisters* in order to proclaim the word and to be for them a means of salvation.

Jesus is at our side every step of the way. The questions lurking in human hearts and the real challenges of life can make us feel bewildered, inadequate and hopeless. The Christian mission might appear to be mere utopian illusion or at least something beyond our reach. Yet if we contemplate the risen Jesus walking alongside the disciples of Emmaus (cf. *Lk* 24.13-15), we can be filled with new confidence. In that Gospel scene, we have a true "liturgy of the street", preceding that of the word and the breaking of the bread. We see that, at every step of the way, Jesus is at our side! The two disciples, overwhelmed by the scandal of the cross, return home on the path of defeat. Their hearts are broken, their hopes dashed and their dreams shattered. The joy of the Gospel has yielded to sadness. What does Jesus do? He does not judge them, but walks with them. Instead of raising a wall, he opens a breach. Gradually he

transforms their discouragement. He makes their hearts burn within them, and he opens their eyes by proclaiming the word and breaking the bread. In the same way, a Christian does not bear the burden of mission alone, but realizes, even amid weariness and misunderstanding, that "Jesus walks with him, speaks to him, breathes with him, works with him. He senses Jesus alive with him in the midst of the missionary enterprise" (*Evangelii Gaudium*, 266).

Jesus makes the seed grow. Finally, it is important to let the Gospel teach us the way of proclamation. At times, even with the best intentions, we can indulge in a certain hunger for power, proselytism or intolerant fanaticism. Yet the Gospel tells us to reject the idolatry of power and success, undue concern for structures, and a kind of anxiety that has more to do with the spirit of conquest than that of service. The seed of the Kingdom, however tiny, unseen and at times insignificant, silently continues to grow, thanks to God's tireless activity. "The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground, and should sleep or rise night and day, and the seed should sprout and grow, he knows not how" (*Mk* 4.26-27). This is our first reason for confidence: God surpasses all our expectations and constantly surprises us by his generosity. He makes our efforts bear fruit beyond all human calculation.

With this confidence born of the Gospel, we become open to the silent working of the Spirit, which is the basis of mission. There can be no promotion of vocations or Christian mission apart from constant contemplative prayer. The Christian life needs to be nourished by attentive listening to God's word and, above all, by the cultivation of a personal relationship with the Lord in

Eucharistic adoration, the privileged "place" for our encounter with God.

I wish heartily to encourage this kind of profound friendship with the Lord, above all for the sake of imploring from on high new vocations to the priesthood and the consecrated life. The People of God need to be guided by pastors whose lives are spent in service to the Gospel. I ask parish communities, associations and the many prayer groups present in the Church, not to yield to discouragement but to continue praying that the Lord will send workers to his harvest. May he give us priests enamoured of the Gospel, close to all their brothers and sisters, living signs of God's merciful love.

Dear brothers and sisters, today too, we can regain fervour in preaching the Gospel and we can encourage young people in particular to take up the path of Christian discipleship. Despite a widespread sense that the faith is listless or reduced to mere "duties to discharge", our young people desire to discover the perennial attraction of Jesus, to be challenged by his words and actions, and to cherish the ideal that he holds out of a life that is fully human, happy to spend itself in love.

Mary Most Holy, the Mother of our Saviour, had the courage to embrace this ideal, placing her youth and her enthusiasm in God's hands. Through her intercession, may we be granted that same openness of heart, that same readiness to respond, "Here I am", to the Lord's call, and that same joy in setting out (cf. *Lk* 1.39), like her, to proclaim him to the whole world.

From the Vatican,
27 November 2016
First Sunday of Advent

Franciscus

Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sunday, 7 May 2017

7.30 am ✘ Michael Pacewic
9.00 am ✘ Patricia Archibald Waters
11.00 am Pro populo
1.00 pm Spanish Mass

Monday, 8 May 2017

7.00 am Mike McGrady

Tuesday, 9 May 2017

7.00 am Harold Antrobus
12.00 noon Valerie Gabriela Hernandez

Wednesday, 10 May 2017

7.00 am Norman Konczal
12.00 noon ✘ Patti Waters

Thursday, 11 May 2017

7.00 am ✘ Gertrudis Haag
12.00 noon ✘ Michael Pacewic

Friday, 12 May 2017

7.00 am ✘ Manuel Jose Soto

Saturday, 13 May 2017

5.00 pm ✘ The Norungolo Family

Meetings & Events *

Sunday, 7 May 2017

VBS Registration

Nursery: During 9.00 am Mass
Coffee & doughnuts: After the 9.00 am Mass (P)
9.00 am Scripture Study
6.00 pm High School Youth Group (M)
6.00 pm Women of Grace

Monday, 8 May 2017

6.30 pm Cub Scouts / Boy Scouts (M)

Tuesday, 9 May 2017

1.00 pm Senior Men's Club

Wednesday, 10 May 2017

5.00-6.00 pm Holy Hour &
Confessions (church)

Thursday, 11 May 2017

2.00-4.00 pm St. Mary's Prayer Group

Friday, 12 May 2017

6.00 am Morning Prayer (church)
6.15-8.00 am Pillars of Christ
10.00 am Scripture Study Class
3.30-5.00 pm Youth Choir Practice

Saturday, 13 May 2017

8.00-9.00 am Rosary - Grove Rd
abortion clinic
12.00 noon Senior Fellowship Luncheon
3.30-4.30 pm Confessions (church)

Financial Report

Weekend of 29/30 April

Needed	33,150
Received	31,577
Shortage	1,573

Poor Box	463
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Offertory Year to Date

Needed	1,491,750
Received	1,504,852
Surplus	13,102

Electronic Giving: If you want to have direct management of your Electronic Fund Transfer online, you can now do so through the "Manage Your EFT" link on the homepage of our website. For more information or if you have any questions please contact Jennifer Anderson at jennifer.anderson@stmarysgvl.org.



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Greenville SC.

G - Gallivan Hall M- McGrady Hall
P - Pazdan Hall Dining Room

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

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ROMAN CATHOLIC
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April 2017

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On May 7, we will take up a special one-time collection to support the mosaic ornamentation of the Trinity Dome, the crowning jewel of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. I ask, if you are able, to please participate in this collection.

The Basilica is the largest Roman Catholic Church in North America and among the 10 largest churches in the world. It has been designated by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops as a National Sanctuary of Prayer and Pilgrimage, dedicated to the patroness of the United States, the Blessed Virgin Mary under her title of the Immaculate Conception.

The Trinity Dome is the central and largest dome of the National Shrine. The mosaic will show The Most Holy Trinity, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and a procession of saints. Through your support of this project, you become part of Mary's Shrine and help bring The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception to completion.

Thank you for your generosity.

In the Lord's Peace,

Most Reverend Robert E. Guglielmo
Bishop of Charleston

The collection date for the Diocese of Charleston is May 7, 2017.

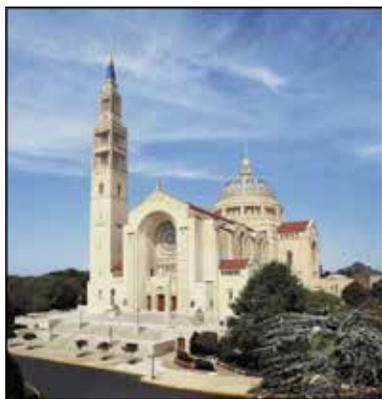


TRINITY DOME

AT AMERICA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

www.trinitydome.org
www.nationalshrine.org

THE BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION



Affectionately referred to as America's Catholic Church, the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC, has been a century in the making since the laying of its foundation stone in 1920.

Designated by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops as a National Sanctuary of Prayer and Pilgrimage, the Basilica is our nation's preeminent Marian Shrine, dedicated to the Patroness of the United States, the Blessed Virgin Mary under her title of the Immaculate Conception. Mary's Shrine, as it is often called, is the largest Roman Catholic Church in North America and is one of the ten largest churches in the world.

Pope Francis, Pope Benedict XVI, Saint John Paul II, and Saint Mother Teresa are among the faithful who have visited this magnificent basilica. Now as its one hundredth anniversary approaches, a nationwide effort is underway to complete this great "Hymn in Stone" as its founders envisioned with the mosaic ornamentation of the Trinity Dome.

THE TRINITY DOME

The Trinity Dome is the central and largest dome of the Basilica. This "Crowning Jewel" will be adorned in mosaic and will depict the Most Holy Trinity, the Blessed Virgin Mary as the Immaculate Conception, and a procession of saints who have an association with America and the Basilica. The Nicene Creed will encircle the base of the dome, while the dome's pendentives will feature the four evangelists: Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. The Trinity Dome will complete the work of the Great Upper Church according to its original iconographic scheme and bring to a close construction of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception as it approaches its centennial milestone in 2020.



The artistic rendition of the mosaic that will adorn the Trinity Dome.

THE NATIONAL COLLECTION

The Bishops of the United States approved a special one-time second collection for the Trinity Dome. Your prayerful and financial support will not only adorn this "Crowning Jewel" and complete Mary's Shrine, but will also leave a lasting legacy for generations to come in this living monument to our Catholic faith and heritage that is America's Catholic Church.

Donations to the Trinity Dome collection support the completion of a beautiful mosaic that will adorn the "Crowning Jewel" of The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC. Visit www.trinitydome.org for more details.

400 Michigan Ave., NE
Washington, D.C. 20017
(202) 526.8300

Memorial Day

The church & church office will be closed on Monday 29 May for Memorial Day.

The 7.00 am Mass will not be celebrated.

Requiescat in pace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Bob Stewart 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 Alan Howard, Ronald Labbe, Paulina Cruz, Brett Gervais, Judy Byrum, Michael Pinto, Joseph & Sandy Srp, Marie-Therese Isidore, Thomas Thomason, Carlton Carpenter, Jim Barber, Jordan A. Upham, John Hever, Alfred Smith, Mauren Lukovic, Sr. Louiselle Gagnon, Sr. Simone Baril, Christine Tancrell, Dcn. John & Irene Karandisevsky, Ted Karalekas, Lenore Cole, Celsea Patry, Mary Hunter Wylie Gibbs and Lee Heap.

St. Mary's Senior Fellowship



Please join us Saturday 13 May at 12.00 noon in Sacred Heart Hall. Bring your favorite dish or dessert to share. For more information, contact Patricia Wellham at 864.294.9270.

Mass Intentions

If you would like to schedule a Mass intention, contact Vickie Acosta at 864.271.8422 or vickie.acosta@stmarysgvl.org.

Caritas Counseling Services, LLC

Counseling services are available at St. Mary's. Contact Dorothy Whalen at dorothy.whalen@stmarysgvl.org or 864.679.4122.

PARISH NEWS

Collections for 6/7 May

- 1st: Support of the Parish
- 2nd: Trinity Dome - National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception

St. Mary's is sustained by the generosity of our parishioners. Thank you for your generosity and support.

Vacation Bible School 2017

The Vatican Express with Saint Jerome 12-16 June from 9.00 am - 12 noon (Friday 11.30 am). Registration for volunteers and students will take place before and after all Masses on 6 & 7 May in Sacred Heart Hall. Registration forms for families, teen volunteers and adult volunteers are available online at stmarysgvl.org under Catechesis. **Deadline for registration is 12 May.** For additional information please contact Elizabeth McLeer at 864.245.0753 or gemcleer@gmail.com.

Families please save your empty toilet paper and paper towel rolls for our VBS; we need 150 pieces for a craft. We have a container in Sacred Heart Hall where you can drop them off. Thank you in advance.

Congratulations to

William Namett Glazier and Katherine Olivia Nash who were baptized last weekend.

Dominic James Mitchell and Ellen Marie Walker who were married last week.

Bulletin Submissions

The deadline for items is 12 days prior to the bulletin date. Contact Lisa at lisa.watkins@stmarysgvl.org to submit items for the e-bulletin.



Join us in Pazdan Hall after the 9.00 am Mass for doughnuts

7 May



CHARLESTON VOCA TIONS

Catholic Diocese of Charleston, SC



If you are discerning a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact the Vocations Office.

"Do not be afraid; henceforth thou shalt be a fisher of men." -Luke 5:10

Men's Discernment Retreat

Saturday, June 17, 2017 | 8 a.m.- Noon

St. Benedict Catholic Church in Mount Pleasant

Come to a special Discernment Retreat for men considering the priesthood!

For more information or to register, contact Dan Lord: dlord@catholic-doc.org or 843-261-0532

Prayer for Vocations

Loving and gracious God, Father of all, you bless your people in every time and season and provide for their needs through your providential care. Your Church is continually in need of priests, sisters and brothers to offer themselves in the service of the Gospel by lives of dedicated love. Open the hearts of your sons and daughters to listen to your call in their lives. Give them the gift of understanding to discern your invitation to serve you and your Church. Give them the gift of courage to follow your call. May they have the spirit of young Samuel who found fulfillment in his life when he said to you, "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening." We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Redeemer. Amen.

2017 Ordinations

It is with great pleasure that I announce the following ordinations for the Diocese of Charleston:



Mr. Rhett Williams
to the
Transitional Diaconate
Friday 26 May
6.00 pm
St. Joseph Catholic Church
3512 Devine St, Columbia, SC 29205



Deacon Andrew Fryml
to the
Sacred Priesthood
Friday 9 June
6.00 pm
Cathedral of St John the Baptist
120 Broad St, Charleston, SC 29401

+ The Most Reverend Robert E. Guglielmono

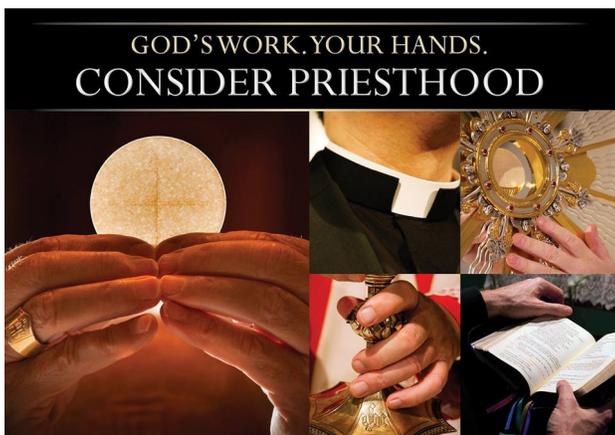
Prayer for Seminarians

O Lord Jesus Christ, great High Priest, I pray that You call many worthy souls to Your holy priesthood.

Enlighten the Bishop in the choice of candidates, the Spiritual Director in molding them, and the professors in instructing them.

Lead the seminarians daily in Your unerring footsteps; so that they may become priests who are models of purity, possessors of wisdom and heroes of sacrifice; steeped in humility and aflame with love for God and man; apostles of Your glory and sanctifiers of souls.

St. Charles Borromeo, pray for our seminarians.



St. Mary's Wedding Committee



The Wedding Committee is a team of volunteer women who help coordinate the weddings that take place at St. Mary's during the year. They are asking for new volunteers to join their team. You would be asked to help at the Friday evening rehearsal and Saturday wedding for a few hours several times a year. If interested please contact Cathy Markway at cmarkway@bellsouth.net.

PILLARS OF CHRIST

Pillars of Christ is a men's ministry led by a group of St. Mary's men who are on fire with the love of Christ and His Church. The group meets on Friday mornings from 6.00-8.00 am for prayer in the church and then in Sacred Heart Hall for study.

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 the birth of your child.



The next class is scheduled for Monday 22 May 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.

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If you have any questions please contact **Timothy Nielsen: timothy.nielsen@stmarysgvl.org**

Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus is a Catholic Men's Fraternal Organization with principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity & Patriotism. Our service programs are Church, Community, Youth and Pro Life. Meetings are on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7.00 pm in McGrady Hall.

PERPETUAL EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

St. Mary Magdalene

A key card is required to enter the chapel. If you would like to sign up as an adorer or regular visitor, or just visit for the day, please come to the St. Mary Magdalene parish office Monday - Friday, 9.00 am - 3.30 pm.

Prince of Peace

The LORD is risen! He is risen, indeed! Contact Lisa Buss at adoration@princeofpeacetaylors.org or call 864.508.7123. Choose an hour of your convenience or consider one of our URGENT NEEDS (*) or one needing a prayer partner:

Sunday 8 am* & 9 am
Monday 9 am*
Tuesday 8 am & 6 pm
Wednesday 2 am*
Thursday 1 pm* & 8 pm
Friday 9 am*, 4 pm & 6 pm*
Saturday 8 pm* & 10 pm

Children of Mary Religion Camp 16-22 July

The Children of Mary Religion Camp is a one-week overnight Catholic-based camp for children ages 6-12 years old held at Camp York in Kings Mountain State Park, located in Blacksburg, SC. Visit ChildrenofMaryCamp.com for information and applications. Volunteers are also needed for counselor positions. Questions: Email ChildrenofMaryCamp@gmail.com.



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Spelling Bee Winner

Congratulations to Brooke, 8th grade, for winning the Spelling Bee, and to Jacob, 4th grade, for coming in second place.



St. Mary's 101 -

Catholic Traditions: May Crowning

We celebrate Mary as the Queen of Heaven during the month of May.



The student body gathered in Gullivan Hall for the Crowning of Mary on 1 May. They prayed a rosary and sang "Immaculate Mary". Our student body president, Abbey, and her buddies Taylor and Sophia placed a flower crown on the statue of Mary.

Jesus presented Mary to John and the entire Church as he hung on the cross. From this point onward, Christians have considered Mary not only as the mother of Jesus but also as the mother of his entire body, the Church (cf. 1 Corinthians 1.27). During the May Crowning, we recognize Mary's place of honor as the mother of our Incarnate God and her role as an intercessor on behalf of the entire Church.

Philippines Lenten Project

Thank you to the 8th grade for leading the whole school during our Lenten service project to assist the Philippines. Thank you to all the parents and students who generously donated money. We raised over \$3,000!

Father-Daughter Dance

Thank you to the Knights of Columbus and St. Mary's PTO for sponsoring the Father-Daughter Dance on 29 April. It was a beautiful event. The girls loved spending time with their fathers.



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Diocese of Charlotte Vocations Camps

For questions about Quo Vadis Days or Duc in Altum,
please contact Sister Mary Raphael at MRaphael@charlottediocese.org.

Quo Vadis Days - 12-16 June 2017

Open to young men ages 15-19.

Quo Vadis Days is a five-day vocations discernment camp for young men at Belmont Abbey College. The camp includes talks by local priests, seminarians, and others on the vocations to the priesthood, marriage, and fatherhood. Ultimately, the goal of our Quo Vadis Days is to challenge young men to ask the fundamental question “quo vadis” or “where are you going?”, while equipping them with the tools and opportunity to discern God’s will for their life. The camp fee is \$150. This cost includes lodging at Belmont Abbey College, all meals and supplies. More information is available at <https://charlottediocese.org/vocations/quo-vadis-days/>

Duc in Altum - 26-30 June 2017

The camp is open to young women who are rising freshmen in high school to freshman in college.

One day, after speaking to the crowds from Simon’s boat, our Lord invited the Apostle to “put out into the deep” for a catch: “Duc In altum” (Luke 5.4). The Diocese of Charlotte hosts Duc in Altum, an opportunity for young women to deepen their faith, develop new friendships and explore the meaning and purpose of their lives. Cost is \$150, which includes lodging at Belmont Abbey College, all meals and supplies. More information is available online at

<https://charlottediocese.org/vocations/duc-in-altum/>



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.

Upcoming Event

12 May - Monthly Happy Hour: 6 pm at Brazwell’s Premium Pub (631 Main St, Greenville 29601). Join your Lucis Via friends and your host, Sarah P., at this month’s happy hour! We’ll kick things off at Brazwells, and for those who want to enjoy the opening night of Artisphere, the events are just a short walk away!



Get ready for the Diocese of Charleston YAClympics!

What: The YAClympics (Young Adult Catholic Olympics)

When: Saturday, May 20th, 2017, from 10:30 am - 5 pm

Where: Sesquicentennial State Park, picnic shelter #3.

The coveted YAClympics trophy will be awarded to the winning team!

Please [click the link](#) if you are planning on attending.



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