



St. Mary's Catholic Church



Greenville, South Carolina

14 January 2018

Dear Friends in Christ,

As the Prophet Samuel and the Apostle Peter were both called by name, so we too have each been called by name on the day of our Baptism. In a universal Church of more than a billion people, in a diocese of more than 200,000 people, and in a parish of nearly 5,000 people, it is easy for us to think of ourselves as just faces in the crowd - anonymous persons whose presence or absence will not be noticed and who make little or no difference to others or to God. But that is a lie of the Enemy.

To be called is also to be sent. We have each been called by name and have therefore received a unique and personal mission to accomplish in this life. Every baptized Christian is a missionary, and all missionaries have as their sacred duty and high privilege the task of introducing others to friendship with the Lord Jesus. The Church does not grow by means of programs or bureaucratic initiatives; the Church grows when one disciple of Christ introduces another person to the Lord Jesus and helps him come to know, love, and serve the Lamb of God who frees us from our sins.

In the Gospel appointed for this Second Sunday of the Year, we see that Andrew performed just such a work of evangelization when he told his brother Peter: "We have found the Messiah!" But as the Gospel explains, Andrew didn't simply tell Peter about Christ, he went further and brought Peter to Jesus. But how do we bring others to Jesus?

Bringing others to Jesus can be accomplished in many ways. We can invite others to join us at Mass, to study the Sacred Scriptures, to come for dinner with a group of Christian disciples, to attend a class, to participate in a recreational event with other Christians, or to share in some form of service to those in need. By the way we live, treat other people, and fulfill our duties in every part of life (home, marriage, parish, work, community, politics) we bear witness to the truth that Jesus Christ is Lord, and if our lives reflect the fruits of the Holy Spirit, then those who do not yet know the freedom of the children of God will be drawn to walk with us in the Way of Christ if we invite them to do so and help them receive the Word of God with saving faith.

But for any of this to happen, we must first be living in keeping with the grace of our Baptism. Each year at Easter we are asked to renew the promises of our Baptism, because it is by means of this first sacrament of the New Covenant that we become children of God, members of Christ, and heirs to the Kingdom of Heaven. We have been called by name to serve the living God and be witnesses to the truth of his Gospel, and each one of us has a personal contribution to make in fulfilling the Great Commission. So find someone who does not yet know the Messiah, and bring him to Jesus.

Father Newman

st. mary's catholic school

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27 January 2018

24 February 2018

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Grades K3-8



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101 Hampton Avenue, Greenville, SC 29601 ✿ www.stmarysgvl.org/theschool

Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sunday, 14 January 2018

7.30 am ✕ Bob Scoggins
9.00 am Elizabeth Aleshire
11.00 am Pro populo
1.00 pm Spanish Mass

Monday, 15 January 2018

7.00 am ✕ Michael M. McGrady

Tuesday, 16 January 2018

7.00 am ✕ Carol Pelicano
12.00 noon Carly Burkhardt

Wednesday, 17 January 2018

7.00 am Fr. Jay Scott Newman
12.00 noon ✕ Angeline Sesto

Thursday, 18 January 2018

7.00 am ✕ Argemira Palacio
12.00 noon ✕ Sophia & Ray Nelson

Friday, 19 January 2018

7.00 am ✕ Paul McCorry

Saturday, 20 January 2018

5.00 pm ✕ Lillian Sasso

Meetings & Events *

Sunday, 14 January 2018

No 3 & 4 Year Olds class this week
Nursery: During 9.00 am Mass
Coffee & doughnuts: After the 9.00 am Mass (P)
9.00 am Scripture Study
6.30 pm High School Youth Group (M)

Monday, 15 January 2018

Parish office closed today

7.00 pm Boy Scouts (M)

Tuesday, 16 January 2018

Wednesday, 17 January 2018

5.00-6.00 pm Holy Hour &
Confessions (church)
6.30-7.30 pm Religious Education
6.30 pm Introduction to Catholicism (M)

Thursday, 18 January 2018

Friday, 19 January 2018

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, 20 January 2018

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

Financial Report

Weekend of 6/7 January

Needed	33,800
Received	33,807
Surplus	7

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Offertory Year to Date

Needed	946,400
Received	950,904
Surplus	4,504

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.



Facebook

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

G - Gallivan Hall

M- McGrady Hall

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

P - Pazdan Hall Dining Room

Visit us on the web at
www.stmarysgvl.org

Requiescat in pace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Spencer Leavitt 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 Ronald Labbe, Paulina Cruz, Brett Gervais, Judy Byrum, Michael Pinto, Joseph & Sandy Srp, Marie-Therese Isidore, Carlton Carpenter, Jim Barber, Jordan A. Upham, John Hever, Alfred Smith, Mauren Lukovic, Christine Tancress, Dcn. John & Irene Karandisevsky, Ted Karalekas, Lenore Cole, Celsea Patry, Mary Hunter Wylie Gibbs, John Tyler, Hunter Conant, Florence Mooney, Jimmy Tierney, Louis Brouillard, Claude Trépanier, Sr Colombe Gobeil, Anna Deehan, Carly Burkhardt, Alma Furman, Anne Alexander and Ruth O'Rourke.

Knights of Columbus Breakfast



The KofC Monthly Breakfast is scheduled for Sunday 21 January in the Pazdan Hall Dining Room after all the morning Masses. All are welcome to share breakfast with the parish family.

Congratulations to

Stephen Michael Advent and Samantha Lyn Pendrys who were married last week.

Mass Intentions

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

Caritas Counseling Services, LLC

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

PARISH NEWS

Collection for 13/14 January

Support of the Parish & St. Mary's Building Fund

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

2017 Tax Statements

Please contact Jennifer Anderson, Director of Finance, at jennifer.anderson@stmarysgvl.org or 864.679.4102 if you would like a copy of your contribution statement for 2017. Please allow several days to process and mail your statement.

Tax statements are only mailed upon request.

Parish Office Closure

The parish office will be closed Monday 15 January for the Martin Luther King, Jr holiday.

St. Mary's Senior Fellowship

Senior Fellowship for 13 January is canceled because all are invited to the Catholic Fellowship the same day in the Dining Room of Pazdan Hall at 6.00 pm. Contact Alice at 864.430.7276 or Dee at 864.421.3726 if you have questions.

Welcome Newcomers

We welcome the following new members to our parish family: Mr & Mrs Samuel Briggs, Mr & Mrs Robert Few, Mr Andrew Partridge, Ms Paige Doran, Mr & Mrs Michael Gertz, Mr & Mrs Jonathan Headley and Mr Dennis Grayson & Mrs Tina Kemnitz.



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

14 & 28 January



Dear Parents,

We are excited to announce a very special **Real Love & Real Life** family program sponsored by St. Joseph's Catholic School, St. Mary's Catholic Church, and Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church. Please join us:

When: *Wednesday, 21 February 2018*
Wednesday, 28 February 2018
Wednesday, 7 March 2018
Time: *6:30 pm – 8:45 pm*
Where: *St. John Paul II Center, St. Joseph's Catholic School, 100 St. Joseph's Drive Greenville, SC 29607*
Who: *Seventh & Eighth Grade Students with their Parents*
Cost: *\$45.00 per family*

Real Love & Real Life is presented by Family Honor, Inc. Since 1988, Family Honor has provided and promoted a family-centered, Catholic approach to chastity education.

In this **Real Love & Real Life program**, Family Honor will be presenting talks about communication, an understanding of our purpose in life, fostering virtues, including the virtue of chastity, recognizing what real love looks like, and fertility appreciation, ideas about dating and marriage, and much more.

We chose Family Honor to present a program here because they believe in parental empowerment. They believe you, as parents, are the first and best teachers of your children, and Family Honor wants to serve parents by helping to build and enhance bridges of communication between you and your child. Here, one parent shares what they liked most about the program, *"It opened a door for me that wasn't open before between my daughter and me. I definitely feel more comfortable and confident discussing chastity with her."*

There are lots of activities pulling families in many directions, but this is an experience that families look back on years later and say, "Wow – that really made a difference!" This is a chance to invest in one of your most precious assets – your child.

We are confident that you will find value in this program that far exceeds the registration fee of \$45.00 which is due upon checking in at the first session. Scholarships may be available, as well. Deadline for registering is 12 February 2018. Space is limited so please sign up early at www.familyhonor.org.

Thank you for your interest, and we hope to see you at this program. We consider this a wonderful opportunity to learn more about building healthy, happy, and holy families.

Sincerely,

Gabe Lewis
Campus Minister: St. Joseph's Catholic School

Joann F. Miller
Director of Religious Education: St. Mary's Catholic Church

Katie Orbon
Director of Faith Formation: Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church

2018 Calendars

We still have some 2018 calendars available in the parish office. You may pick one up during office hours (M-F, 9.00 am - 4.00 pm).

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 5 February at 6.30 pm in Sacred Heart Hall. Pre-registration in the church office is required. For questions, contact T.J. Nielsen at 864.679.4114 or timothy.nielsen@stmarysgvl.org.

St. Mary's Council of Catholic Women Sewing Ministry

The group meets on the 3rd and 4th Tuesdays, 10.00 am-12.00 pm, monthly from September through May. We invite any interested women to join us at the Sew Creative Sewing Studio, 1901-B Laurens Rd., Greenville. Bring a pair of sharp scissors or a rotary cutter. If you don't like to sew there are many other ways to help including cutting and ironing. We are currently sewing pillowcase dresses to send to the children's hospital/orphanage in Haiti in the spring. Contact Kim Adams at craigandkim@aol.com or 407.756.2255 for questions.

Greenville Deanery Council of Catholic Women

The winter meeting of the Greenville Deanery will be held on Sunday, 21 January at 2.00 pm in the cafeteria of the St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church, 307 Gower Street, Greenville, 29611. The members of the St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Women's Council will be our host and provide a lunch. The Deanery Board of Directors will meet at 1.00 pm in the same location.

Plans for community projects and a spiritual retreat in February are among the items on the agenda. All Affiliate members are encouraged to attend. We also invite women from all Upstate parishes to join us and become involved in the work of the Deanery.

Contact Greenville Deanery President, Susanne Wolfe at susanne.wolfe12@gmail.com or 864.313.5866 for more information. God's Work, Our Hands!



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Prayer Chain Ministry

St. Mary's Prayer Chain is a network of parishioners who receive prayer requests by telephone and then pray for those requests. Please call the office at 864.271.8422, ext. 127 to submit your requests. Information received will be kept confidential.

Funeral Notices

If you would like to receive notification when funerals are scheduled at St Mary's, please contact the parish office at churchoffice@stmarysgvl.org.

Bulletin Submissions

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





South Carolina Catholic

MEN'S CONFERENCE

Building The Domestic Church

March 3, 2018

Our Lady of the Lake Church / 195 Amicks Ferry Road / Chapin, SC

Do you want to:

- Grow in your Catholic Faith?
- Deepen your relationship with Christ?
- Be a better father, son, husband and man?
- Be a spiritual leader in your family, church, work place, and community?

This conference is for you!

Come and fill your spiritual toolbox with the information you need to build your faith and lead your family.

COST: \$40 Pre-Registration / \$50 at the door
Includes light breakfast and lunch

Discounts for: Knights of Columbus • Knights of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem • Knights of Peter Claver • Ancient Order of Hibernians • College/HS Students • Early Registration

REGISTRATION:

On-line at www.sccatholicmensconf.org or
mail check to: Daniel E. Barton
1510 Alric Court Charleston, SC 29412-8436

Registration at 7.30 am, Mass 8.30 am,
Presentations 9.45 am, Conclude 4.00 pm

Hotel Accommodations: **Hilton Garden Inn**
434 Columbiana Drive
Columbia SC 29212
803.407.6640

Room Rate:
\$105.00 plus tax

Reservation: Prior to 16 February 2018

WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Friday, March 2, 2018

6:30 — 8 p.m. (Registration at 6:00 p.m.)

Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church
195 Amicks Ferry Road, Chapin, SC

Speakers: Gus Lloyd, Msgr. Jim Vlaun



Gus Lloyd
Radio Host,
Evangelist and
National Speaker



**Most Reverend
Robert E.
Guglielmone**
Bishop of
Charleston



Tom Leopold
TV Comedy writer
(Seinfeld, Cheers),
Convert and
National Speaker

Culture of Life March for Life in Washington, DC

If you plan on attending the March for Life in Washington, DC on 19 January and would like to take the bus, one will be provided through St. Mary Magdalene. Please contact Valerie Baronkin at 864.275.5505 or valeriebaronkin@hotmail.com.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sunday Mornings for 3 & 4 Year Olds

No class this weekend.

Religious Education Grades 1-8

Classes meet on Wednesday from 6.30-7.30 pm

First Communion Adoration

On Wednesday 24 January, First Communion students and their parents will attend Adoration from 6.30 pm – 7.00 pm. Please meet in the church. Students in RE will have class immediately following Adoration.

Formed.org

Online resources are available to every member of our parish through a new program called Formed. This website includes a variety of free resources, including books, movies, podcasts, etc. for people of all ages. Go to Formed.org. Register using our parish code: **8B7VRM** to get access to the resources. If you have questions, please contact Timothy Nielsen at timothy.nielsen@stmarysgvl.org.

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.

EFT Donation

We would like to remind everyone that St. Mary's offers Electronic Funds Transfer through the parish website as a way to automate your regular weekly offertory donation.

EFT donation options include:

Direct Debit Donation that allows you to automatically transfer funds from your checking or savings account.

Credit & Debit Card Donation that allows you to make offerings automatically on a pre-determined schedule using a credit or debit card.

EFT donation lets you establish an automatic donation plan, change your plan, make a one-time donation and view your online donation history.

Visit the 'Manage Your EFT' link on the homepage of our parish website.



Young Adult Ministry Bootcamp

Hosted by the Diocese of Charleston Office of Young Adult Ministry

Open for all new, current, and interested
young adult leaders

Saturday, January 20, St. Mary Magdalene Parish in
Simpsonville
11:30am- 3pm
no cost, lunch provided

Register online at catholicyoungadultsofsc.com/register-for/

Catholic Speaker



Melinda Selmys, Canadian Catholic author and speaker, will speak on "Catholic Social Teaching" on Monday, 22 January at 7.00 pm in the Parish Center conference room at St. Paul Catholic Church in Spartanburg (290 E Main St, Spartanburg 29302). Mrs. Selmys has published several books and writes regularly for *First Things* and *National Catholic Register*. A nursery will be provided for young children, and refreshments will follow. Mrs. Selmys will also be available to sign her latest book, which will be available for purchase.

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, between 9.00 am and 3.30 pm.

Prince of Peace

Each moment you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament brings joy, pleasure, and delight to his Sacred Heart! "My joy, my pleasure, my delight is to be with you." (Proverbs 8.31) Contact Lisa Buss at adoration@princeofpeacetaylors.org or call 864.508.7123.

Urgent Need:
Monday 10 pm & 11 pm
Saturday 12 am, 3 am, 8 pm & 9 pm

8th Annual Men's Conference

Transformed by Christ

Saturday, February 24, 2018 at St. Therese Catholic Church, Mooresville, NC



Abbot Placid Solari
Abbot of Belmont Abbey
and Homilist

Fr. Dwight Longenecker
Former Anglican Minister
and Catholic Priest

Fr. Tom McCarthy
Augustinian Friar & Priest

Keynote Speaker:
Patrick Madrid
Radio Host & Author



Join us for these great Catholic speakers, Mass, Adoration, confession and lunch.

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www.CatholicMenoftheCarolinas.org

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SCHOLA

High School Summer Program

Introducing Three Sessions for 2018

July 9 – July 14
July 15 – July 21
July 22 – July 28



Belmont Abbey College

The Program

Schola is a pre-college program that gives high school students an opportunity to grow in friendship, devotion, wonder, and wisdom. Spend a week discussing classic works of philosophy and literature with friends, enjoying daily recreational activities, and praying with the monastic community at beautiful Belmont Abbey College in North Carolina. The program features several day trips including exploring the City of Charlotte, rafting at the U.S. Whitewater Center, and hiking in the North Carolina mountains.

Application

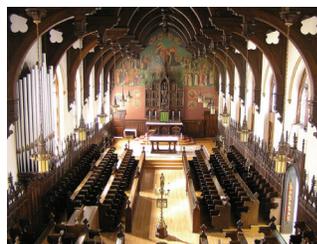
Students who have completed two years of high school by summer 2018 are invited to apply to this exciting program. The program fee of \$575 includes meals, books, tuition, room and board, and activity fees. Visit www.belmontabbeycollege.edu/schola to apply.

If you have questions about the *Schola* summer program, please contact
Dr. Joseph Wysocki at JosephWysocki@bac.edu or 704.461.6831.

www.belmontabbeycollege.edu/schola



DOMINICAN VOCATIONS PROVINCE OF ST. JOSEPH



COME & SEE
VOCATION WEEKENDS
Dominican House of Studies
Washington, D.C.

16-18 February 2018
6-8 April 2018

No matter where you ultimately go to serve the Lord, our vocation weekends are an excellent opportunity to learn more about religious life in general. These weekends are the fastest way to concretely learn a lot about the Order of Preachers (and our province) in a very short period of time.

To reserve your space contact

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