



St Mary's Catholic Church



Greenville, South Carolina

22 July 2018

Dear Friends in Christ,

In 2003 I drafted the Principles of Evangelical Catholicism to help shape our common life as a spiritual family, and I offer these principles to help us all become mature Christian disciples who are committed by the grace of conversion to a life of right belief, right worship, and right conduct.

Evangelical Catholicism is not a movement within the Church or a sub-set of Catholicism. Rather, being an Evangelical Catholic is simply a way of understanding the vocation of every Christian to be a faithful disciple of the Lord Jesus and of thinking about the things essential to the Church's life as they have been explained in the teaching of the Second Vatican Council and the magisterium of Popes Paul VI, Saint John Paul II, Benedict XVI, and Francis. During the nearly twenty-seven years of his pontificate, John Paul the Great summoned the Church to the urgent task he called the New Evangelization, by which he meant the proclamation of the timeless truths of the Gospel in the new circumstances of our time.

Another way of expressing our commitment to the work of the New Evangelization is to say we must become Evangelical Catholics, and this in turn means that we must let go of cafeteria, casual, and cultural Catholicism by accepting the Gospel of Jesus Christ as a complete, coherent, comprehensive Way of Life. To live as true disciples of the Lord Jesus, we must surrender our entire lives in the obedience of faith to the Gospel, which is the power of God unto salvation for all who believe, and this in turn means that everything about us must be measured and guided by evangelical truth - our thoughts, words, deeds, relationships, sexual behavior, spending habits, political convictions, religious beliefs, leisure activities, lifestyle choices, business decisions, etc. And in this obedience of faith, the Christian finds not the constriction of personal liberty which the world expects but the authentic freedom of the children of God: "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." (John 8.32)

In each of the next eight bulletin columns, I will explain one of the eight Principles of Evangelical Catholicism, and the complete list, together with a fuller discussion of these principles, can be found on the parish website at www.stmarysgvl.org. The Lord Jesus was a sign of contradiction, and he promised his disciples that if they were faithful to his teaching, then they would also be signs of contradiction who would be opposed and ridiculed. Becoming Evangelical Catholics is about following Christ in the Way of the Cross, and I encourage every parishioner to study these principles carefully and then shape your life and that of your family by the liberating truth of the Word of God who proclaimed: "The time is fulfilled, and the Kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the Gospel." (Mark 1.15)

Father Newman

**Join us for a presentation
by seminarian Bruce Barnett:**



***Scientific Proof for the
Genesis Account of Creation***

How is Christianity different
from other religions?

**Wednesday 25 July at
6.30 pm in McGrady Hall**

Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sunday, 22 July 2018

7.30 am ✿ Frank & Frances Watkins
9.00 am ✿ Robert Karandisevsky
11.00 am Pro populo
1.00 pm Spanish Mass

Monday, 23 July 2018

Church closed
No Mass

Tuesday, 24 July 2018

Church closed
No Mass

Wednesday, 25 July 2018

Church closed
No Mass

Thursday, 26 July 2018

Church closed
No Mass

Friday, 27 July 2018

Church closed
No Mass

Saturday, 28 July 2018

5.00 pm ✿ Marvin Hambleton

Meetings & Events *

Sunday, 22 July 2018

Monday, 23 July 2018

Tuesday, 24 July 2018

Wednesday, 25 July 2018

No Holy Hour and Confessions until 8 August

6.30 pm Presentation by seminarian
Bruce Barnett (M)

Thursday, 26 July 2018

Friday, 27 July 2018

6.15 am Morning Prayer (church)
6.30-8.00 am Pillars of Christ
10.00 am Scripture Study Class
3.30-5.00 pm Youth Choir Practice

Saturday, 28 July 2018

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

Financial Report

Weekend of 14/15 July

Needed	34,500
Received	34,985
Surplus	485

Poor Box	610
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Infirm Priests	3,975
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Offertory Year to Date

Needed	103,500
Received	105,482
Surplus	1,982

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.

Diocese of Charleston

Safe Environment Program for Volunteers

The Diocese of Charleston has implemented a Safe Environment Program to insure the protection of all children. As part of this program, all Church Personnel (volunteers & employees) who have contact with minors are required to participate in safe environment training for adults and to have a background screen completed by the Diocese. **Any volunteer who does not comply with this request must be denied permission to serve in any ministry involving contact with minors.**

Beginning 1 January 2017, the Diocese of Charleston transitioned from the live *Virtus* sessions to a new online educational program offered by Catholic Mutual called *Safe Haven*. The purpose of this change is to improve access for everyone and to facilitate retraining throughout the diocese.

Prior to volunteering at St Mary's, all adults with regular access to those under age 18 must

1. Complete the Safe Haven online course and submit a Certificate of Completion. ***Virtus* certificates are no longer accepted; all volunteers for the church and school must have a *Safe Haven* course certificate on file with the Safe Environment Coordinator.** Register at <http://charleston.CMGConnect.org>.
2. Submit a Background Screening packet which includes the
 - Basic Data Form
 - Acknowledgment and Authorization for Background Check
 - Disclosure Regarding Background Investigation
 - Driver Application Form with a copy of your driver's license & proof of insurance (*only if driving for parish or school*)
 - Credit Authorization Form (*only if handling money for parish or school*)
3. Read, sign, date and return "Code of Conduct Agreement" (numbered page 61). **
4. Read, sign, date and return the form "Acknowledgement of Receipt of the Policy Concerning Allegation" (numbered page 65). **
5. For continuing involvement, volunteers must comply in a timely manner with any new requirements as determined by the diocesan Office of Child and Youth Protection.

**** The Code of Conduct and the 2012 Diocesan Policy are both available on the St Mary's website.**

Background screening packets are available from and should be returned directly to the parish or school Safe Environment Coordinator in a sealed envelope.

St Mary's Catholic Church

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St Mary's Catholic School

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Thank you for helping us provide a safe and nurturing atmosphere for the children of St Mary's.

Summer Liturgical Schedule Changes

No noon Mass on weekdays in July.

No Masses and the church will be closed from 16-20 July and 23-27 July for painting and maintenance work.

No Holy Hour and Confessions on any Wednesday in July or on 1 August. Regular schedule will resume on 8 August.

Prayer Requests

Please pray for all those who are hospitalized and for all those who are shut-ins, ill or recuperating at home, especially Paulina Cruz, Brett Gervais, Judy Byrum, Michael Pinto, Joseph & Sandy Srp, Marie-Therese Isidore, Carlton Carpenter, Jim Barber, John Hever, Alfred Smith, Mauren Lukovic, Christine Tancrell, Dcn. John & Irene Karandisevsky, Lenore Cole, Celsea Patry, John Tyler, Hunter Conant, Carly Burkhardt, Alma Furman, Anne Alexander, Ruth O'Rourke, Rafael Marquez, Lori Wylie, Kenneth & Nancy Tessier, Kevin N. Brown and Arthur & Patricia O'Leary.

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.

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.

Caritas Counseling Services, LLC

Counseling services are available at St Mary's. Contact Dorothy Whalen by phone at 679.4122 or by email at dorothy.whalen@stmarysgvl.org.

PARISH NEWS

Collection for 21/22 July

Support of the Parish & Bishop's Appeal

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

Summer Church Office Hours

Until 17 August

Monday - Thursday 9 am - 4 pm
Friday 9 am - 12 noon

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.

Congratulations to

Tucker D. Crowe who was baptized last week.

Welcome Newcomers

We welcome the following new member to our parish family: Dr Kathleen Clark.

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

We will have three Masses for the Assumption:

Wednesday 15 August
7 am, 12 noon & 7 pm

An Introduction to Catholicism



What is Catholicism?

Is the Catholic Faith in the Bible?

Did the Lord Jesus found the Catholic Church?

Our course called *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.

The classes meet on Wednesday evenings from 6.30 to 8.00 pm from Labor Day through Easter, and all are invited to come and discover what it means to be a disciple of the Lord Jesus in His holy Catholic Church.



FOR MORE INFORMATION

Contact T.J. Nielsen, Director of Christian Formation, at
timothy.nielsen@stmarysgvl.org or 864.679.4114.

Social Ministries at St Mary's

Social Ministries at St Mary's is a new addition to our bulletin. In it we will be introduced to members of our parish community who are working to make our world a better place by serving those in need. If you or someone you know would like to be featured, please contact Deacon John at the Office of Social Ministries below.

There are many children at risk in Greenville county – at risk of not transitioning into a productive, law-abiding, contributing member of society. The causes of this are many: Low income, parents who have to work multiple jobs just to provide the basic necessities, substance abuse & bad influences in the neighborhood where the child is growing up are just a few of them. Mentoring to these youth at risk is one means to combat this problem.

Meet Joe Bishop



Joe volunteers as a mentor to at risk youth through a volunteer organization called Mentor Upstate. Mentor Upstate presently has over 1000 mentor/mentee matches in the upstate for male and female students in elementary, middle and high school. The young people range in ages from 5 to 18 years old.

The mentoring relationship is a unique relationship. You are not the parent, teacher, nor counselor; instead you are an adult friend. These young people do not have much stability in their lives. As a mentor you become the dependable, stabilizing influence they want and need but don't know how to find. When it works well you watch your mentee grow in confidence and self esteem. You are rewarded in countless ways from the smile you receive when they see you, to the recognition that you have been part of changing the arc of their lives.

The need is great. The middle school that Joe mentors at has a student body of 450 to 500 students and less than 20 mentors.

The rewards are many. As with most volunteer service, it seems those who are “giving” receive more in return from those they serve. As Joe will tell you, becoming that mentee’s advocate is an experience is both rewarding and life enriching.

If you are at least 18 years old and want to learn more about becoming a mentor, or, if you are interested in any volunteer opportunities at our church or in our community, please contact Deacon John Heuser at john.heuser@stmarysgvl.org or 864.679.4113. Deacon John will help you to get involved, be engaged and become a source of blessing as you answer our Lord’s call to serve those in need.

Daily Mass Readings

For the daily Mass readings,
visit <http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings/>

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 www.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 6.15–8.00 am for prayer in the church and then in Sacred Heart Hall for study.



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 scheduled for Monday 27 August 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.



Men's Discernment Retreat

Have you ever wondered if you have a vocation to the priesthood? The Diocese of Charleston's Office of Vocations will sponsor a Men's Discernment Retreat on 28 July from 9 am - 12 noon at Transfiguration in Blythewood. For details or to register, email Dan Lord at dlord@charlestondiocese.org.

www.CharlestonVocations.com

Music at Saint Mary's Church

Arlen Clarke, Choirmaster

Youth Choir Auditions

Friday, 27 July at 2.45 pm

In the Choir Room in Sacred Heart Hall

For further information contact the Choirmaster: arlen.clarke@stmarysgvl.org



The St. Mary's Youth Choir sings each Sunday at 9 am and on special occasions throughout the year. The choir is open to boys and girls ages 8-16. Participation in the choir builds musical skills, self discipline, confidence, motivation and liturgical expertise. The choir's repertoire includes plainchant, polyphony, classical hymnody and sacred music from ancient to modern.



School Summer Office Hours

Until 10 August

Monday - Thursday

9.00 am - 2.00 pm

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

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Donations needed for The Really Good, Really Big, Really Cheap Book Sale!

Do you have books at home in new or gently-used condition that you would like to donate for a great cause? The Really Good, Really Big, Really Cheap Book Sale, Greenville Literacy Association's largest annual fund-raiser, will be held at McAlister Square on 10-12 August. Please place your books in the collection boxes located in Sacred Heart Hall. The boxes will be in place until 27 July.

 The Center for Evangelical Catholicism
presents

Social Justice Isn't What You Think It Is



21-22 September 2018 - Greenville, South Carolina

Featuring Speakers

Fr. Raymond de Souza

Priest, Chaplain and Commentator

Join us to hear top scholars explain the social doctrine of the Catholic Church and help us understand both what social justice is and is not.

Philip G. Nielsen

Director of Research for the CEC

Dr. Jay W. Richards

Author and Assistant Research Professor of Business & Economics at Catholic University of America

Dr. Nathan Schlüter

Professor of Philosophy and Religion at Hillsdale College

\$75 per person

continental breakfast & light lunch included Saturday

register online at www.evangelicalcatholicism.com

Byzantine Rite Divine Liturgy

Holy Dormition Eastern Catholic Mission in Greenville, will gather for the Divine Liturgy, in English, on Sunday, 22 July at 5 pm, at St Rafka Maronite Church, 1215 Hwy 14, Greer, with fellowship to follow. We will commemorate the First Six Ecumenical Councils and St Mary Magdalene, "Equal to the Apostles." For more information about the new missionn, visit dormition.weebly.com or contact Fr Joseph Matak at 980.785.2764.

GREENVILLE DEANERY & OTHER NEWS

PERPETUAL EUCARISTIC 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 864.508.7123.

All hours are available. Urgent needs are:

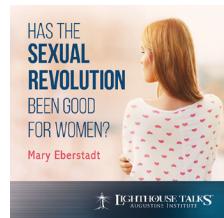
Sunday 6 pm	Thursday 6 pm
Tuesday 11 am & 12 pm	Saturday 12 am & 3 am
Wednesday 11 am	



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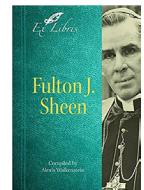
*Has the Sexual Revolution
Been Good for Women?*

Both secular and religious observers agree that the sexual revolution has caused seismic changes for society across the globe. Mary Eberstadt, a secularly-trained writer who has written for Time magazine, the Wall Street Journal, the LA Times, among other publications, uses her training as a professional researcher to objectively assess whether or not the severing of sex and procreation has delivered on its promise to liberate women and make them happier.



www.LighthouseCatholicMedia.org

Mini-Retreat: *In the School of Fulton J. Sheen*



On Saturday, 18 August from 9 am - 4 pm, join a special mini-retreat titled "In the School of Fulton J. Sheen" at Prince of Peace - Taylors led by Alexis Walkenstein, nationally-recognized author of selected wisdom of Venerable Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen. The cost is \$15 per person and includes lunch. There will be several breaks for fellowship, reflection, and prayer across the day. Copies of Walkenstein's book, *Fulton J. Sheen*, published by Pauline Books & Media will be available. Contact AngelaCalabro at 864.331.3903 or angela.calabro@princeofpeacetaylors.org or register online at <https://goo.gl/forms/4yGQpYQrChO4hKUM2>.

Diocease of Charleston Young Adult Ministry

Young Adult Leadership Training



September 21-23
White Oak Conference Center

With sessions on:
Discipleship
Sharing Your Witness
Spiritual Multiplication

Cost:
\$30/Shared Room
\$45/Private Room

Register:
www.catholicyoungadultsofsc.com

A New Education Savings Opportunity for Current and Prospective Catholic Schools Families

Charleston Catholic Schools



The 2017 Tax Cut and Jobs Act now allows families to use expanded 529 savings plans to invest funds for K12 tuition in addition to higher education expenses.

Here's what you need to know.

What is a 529 plan?

Named after section 529 of the tax code, the 529 plan is a tax-advantaged plan operated by a state or an education institution designed to encourage saving for college. The federal tax advantage is that earnings on funds contributed to 529 accounts are not federally taxed when withdrawals are used for educational purposes. As of January 1, 2018, 529 plans may be used for K-12 education tuition. For more information, visit www.futurescholar.com.

What are the tax advantages of saving money with a 529 plan?

The primary benefit of a plan is that any earnings from growth over time are tax-free if they are used to pay for qualified education expenses. Secondly, contributions to a plan may be eligible for a State income deduction depending on where you live.

Who may open a 529 plan?

Parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, godparents, and just about anyone else can give the gift of a Catholic education by opening a 529 plan for a child in their preferred state. At the age of 18, students may open plans for themselves.

Is more than one account per child permissible?

Yes! Multiple friends or family members may open separate accounts for a child or contribute to one single plan. If there is more than one child, accounts may be opened for each child.

Is there a maximum amount that can be used to pay K12 tuition?

Yes, the maximum amount that can be distributed tax-free per calendar year is \$10,000 per student, regardless of the number of 529 accounts.

I already started a 529 plan to save for my child's college expenses. Should I use that money to pay for K12 tuition?

This is an important question to discuss with your financial advisor.

How do I enroll in a 529 plan?

You may enroll directly with a State 529 plan manager or with your financial advisor. Please visit www.futurescholar.com to sign up.

Anything else I should consider?

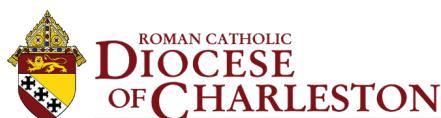
Please consult with your financial advisor or accountant to determine the specific state requirements and select the best option for your family.

What does the Catholic Church believe regarding parental choice in education?

The Declaration on Christian Education, *Gravissimum Educationis*, proclaimed during the Second Vatican Council, neatly summarizes parental choice in education as the following: *Parents who have the primary and inalienable right and duty to educate their children must enjoy true liberty in their choice of schools.* While the expansion of 529 plans does not address all the concerns regarding inequities in our education system, it is a step in the right direction.

Contact your local tax professional or South Carolina Catholic Conference Director, Michael F. Acquilano, at (843) 261-0535 or macquilano@charlestondiocese.org for further information.

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