



st. mary's catholic church

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St. Mary's Catholic Church, a parish
of the Diocese of Charleston,
was founded in 1852 and is dedicated
to Our Lady of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.



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Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome

9 November 2008

Dear Friends in Christ,

We the People have spoken, and the 44th President of the United States will be Barack Hussein Obama. This election ends a political process that started two years ago and which has revealed deep and bitter divisions within the United States and also within the Catholic Church in the United States. This division is sometimes called a "Culture War," by which is meant a heated clash between two radically different and incompatible conceptions of how we should order our common life together, the public life that constitutes civil society. And the chief battleground in this culture war for the past 30 years has been abortion, which one side regards as a murderous abomination that cries out to Heaven for vengeance and the other side regards as a fundamental human right that must be protected in laws enforced by the authority of the state. Between these two visions of the use of lethal violence against the unborn there can be no negotiation or conciliation, and now our nation has chosen for its chief executive the most radical pro-abortion politician ever to serve in the United States Senate or to run for president. We must also take note of the fact that this election was effectively decided by the votes of self-described (but not practicing) Catholics, the majority of whom cast their ballots for President-elect Obama.

In response to this, I am obliged by my duty as your shepherd to make two observations:

1. Voting for a pro-abortion politician when a plausible pro-life alternative exists constitutes material cooperation with intrinsic evil, and those Catholics who do so place themselves outside of the full communion of Christ's Church and under the judgment of divine law. Persons in this condition should not receive Holy Communion until and unless they are reconciled to God in the Sacrament of Penance, lest they eat and drink their own condemnation.

2. Barack Obama, although we must always and everywhere disagree with him over abortion, has been duly elected the next President of the United States, and after he takes the Oath of Office next January 20th, he will hold legitimate authority in this nation. For this reason, we are obliged by Scriptural precept to pray for him and to cooperate with him whenever conscience does not bind us otherwise. Let us hope and pray that the responsibilities of the presidency and the grace of God will awaken in the conscience of this extraordinarily gifted man an awareness that the unholy slaughter of children in this nation is the greatest threat to the peace and security of the United States and constitutes a clear and present danger to the common good. In the time of President Obama's service to our country, let us pray for him in the words of a prayer found in the Roman Missal:

God our Father, all earthly powers must serve you. Help our President-elect, Barack Obama, to fulfill his responsibilities worthily and well. By honoring and striving to please you at all times, may he secure peace and freedom for the people entrusted to him. We ask this through Our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever.

Amen.

Father Newman

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SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	5:00 pm	Sung Mass
Sunday	7:30 am	Low Mass
	9:00 am	Sung Mass
	11:00 am	Solemn Mass
	11:00 am	Maronite Divine Liturgy
	1:00 pm	Spanish Mass

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WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday	10th	7:00 am
Tuesday	11th	7:00 am
Wednesday	12th	7:00 am
Thursday	13th	7:00 am
Friday	14th	7:00 am

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	Ez 47:1-2,8-9,12/1 Cor 3:9c-11,16-17/ Jn 2:13-22
Monday	Ti 1:1-9/Lk 17:1-6
Tuesday	Ti 2:1-8,11-14/Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday	Ti 3:1-7/Lk 17:11-19
Thursday	Phlm 7-20/Lk 17:20-25
Friday	2 Jn 4-9/Lk 17:26-37
Saturday	3 Jn 5-8/Lk 18:1-8
Sunday	Prv 31:10-13,19-20,30-31/I Thes 5:1-6/ Mt 25:14-30

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday	9 November
7:30 am	Arthur Heidrich
9:00 am	Hoang Ve, Hoang Huong, All Souls
11:00 am	For the people of the parish
Monday	10 November
7:00 am	Rose & Steve Brown
Tuesday	11 November
7:00 am	Frankie & John Schnibben
Wednesday	12 November
7:00 am	Bradford Benedict
Thursday	13 November
7:00 am	Otis McGaha
Friday	14 November
7:00 am	Maxine Henderson
Saturday	15 November
5:00 pm	Angela Cooper

Congratulations to Lydia Mae Messner who was baptized last weekend.

Please Pray for all the Faithful Departed

Please remember to send in the names of your deceased family members and friends whom you wish to be remembered during our Masses through the month of November. The names will be placed on the altar for the entire month. Also, you may write the names of your beloved dead in the Book of Remembrance, which is located at the front of the church, near the Lady Chapel. Please pray for all the faithful departed especially those who died this past year.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Every Wednesday

5:00 pm	The Blessed Sacrament is exposed for adoration
5:00 pm	Confessions
5:45 pm	The Holy Rosary
6:00 pm	Benediction

Please Pray for all those who are hospitalized, and for those who are ill or recuperating at home, especially Mack Pazdan and “Lou” Wylie.

Sympathy: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Philip Clarke, cousin of Deacon George Tierney, who died recently. We extend our prayers and sympathy to his family and friends.

St. Mary’s 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 271.8422. ext. 127 to submit your requests. Information received will be kept confidential.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education Grades 1-8: Classes for grades 1-8 meet on Wednesday, 6:30-7:30 pm.

Sunday Mornings for 3 & 4 Year Olds: Classes meet every Sunday at 9:00 am upstairs in Sacred Heart Hall.

Confirmation Practice: Monday 17 November at 6:00 pm, St. Mary’s Confirmation students and their sponsors will have a dinner and practice for Confirmation. Please meet in the Macalka Dinning Room.

Confirmation: Msgr. Steven Brovy will confirm the Confirmation Candidates at St. Mary’s on Tuesday 18 November at 7:00 pm. All are welcome to attend. Please keep our Candidates in your prayers.

Attention Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: We are in need of Communion Ministers to visit our parishioners who are homebound or living in nursing homes in the Simpsonville/Mauldin area and also in Travelers Rest. If you are interested please call Deacon John Heuser at 834.3167.

High School Youth Group

Mission Statement of the St. Mary's Youth Group: "Set youth on fire for Christ by teaching the truth and glorifying God in all of our thoughts, words and actions."

Sunday 9 November: Join us tonight for the Youth Group meeting from 6:00-8:00 pm. Diner will be provided by two of our Youth. Our topic tonight will be a discussion of Dating vs. Courtship. New High School Youth are always welcome.

For information regarding the St. Mary's High School ministry, please call Chris Stansberry at 864.630.1646.

St. Mary's College Group

The Group meets every Monday at 7:30 pm in the upstairs conference room of Sacred Heart Hall. This fall we are reading and discussing *What Catholics Believe* by Josef Pieper. Newcomers are always welcome as the new discussion material is handed out and read every Monday. Come meet other local college students, grad students or recent grad-aged Catholics to learn more about what we believe and to support each other in living it out!

Please note: We will not meet on Monday 24 November or 1 December.

For more information, email Tim or Alycia Nielsen at timothyjnielsen@gmail.com. We'll see you there!

Disciples of Christ (Young Adult Ministry)

www.upstatedoc.com

The DOC is an Upstate Catholic Young Adult Ministry with a range of activities that include: Theology a Latte (speaker series), Bible Studies (currently 4!), Rosary groups, social events, retreats, and so much more!

Come join us. For info email info@upstatedoc.com, or email newsletter-subscribe@upstatedoc.com to receive the weekly newsletter.

3rd Annual Chili-Cook Off: Sunday 9 November, 2:00 pm. Come showcase your chili cooking and/or eating talents at Paris Mountain State Park, Shelter #1 for the DOC's 3rd annual Chili-Cook Off. Drinks will be provided. Contact Lauren Maher at hereinsc@aol.com or 843.0189 for more information.

Theology a Latte: Tuesday 11 November at 7:00 pm. Fr. Dac Tran will speak on "The History of the Catholic Church in Vietnam". Theology a Latte is held downstairs at Coffee Underground in downtown Greenville. Contact David or Michelle Carpenter at david@davidmichelle.org for details.

We Welcome the following new members to St. Mary's Parish: Dr. Sarah Bush, Ms. Courtney Camarillo, Mr. Drew Rossello and Mr. & Mrs. Matthew Santilli.

Cursillistas: The November Ultreya will meet on Thursday 20 November from 7:30-9:00 pm at St. Mary Magdalene.

St. Mary's School News

St. Mary's Middle School Open House: St. Mary's School is hosting a Middle School Open House for prospective middle school students and their families. It will be held in Pazdan Hall today, Sunday 9 November at 2:00 pm. Come meet the faculty, tour the Middle School building and campus, and hear about our challenging academic curriculum and religious education program. Please contact the school at 271.3870 or admissions@stmmarysgvl.org/theshool for more information.

St. Mary's Women's Club News

The monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday 11 November at 10:00 am in Sacred Heart Hall. The guest speaker will be from Ten Thousand Villages.

The Evening meeting will be held on Wednesday 12 November at 6:30 pm in Macalka Dining Room.

All women of the parish are invited to come and see what we are all about.

Scouts' Food Drive

St. Mary's Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts will be holding a food drive on 22 & 23 November at all the Masses. The Scouts will hand out bags on 15 & 16 November after all the masses and will be on hand to collect the bags before the Masses on the following weekend. (Remember only canned goods or non-perishable food is acceptable.) Your food donations will be given to Catholic Charities.

The K. of C. Monthly Breakfast is scheduled for Sunday 16 November in Macalka Dining Room after all the morning Masses. All are welcome to share breakfast with the parish family.

The Knights of Columbus Council 1668 will host a Veteran's Day celebration today, Sunday 9 November at 3:30 pm at the council home (762 Mauldin Road). There will be a brief presentation followed by food and refreshments. Come out and help the Knights honor our veterans of this great country.

St. Joseph's Catholic School Board of Trustees recently announced the addition of two new members, Amy Rex and Greg Rusnak. Both are members of St. Mary's Parish:

Amy Rex is an active member at both St. Joseph's and St. Mary's School. She and her husband Jim have been married for nineteen years and have three children; Jessica (11th grade) Jay (9th grade) and Jared (St. Mary's 4th grade).

Greg Rusnak is the Chief Operating Officer of Greenville Hospital System and has served on numerous community and professional organizations. He and his wife, Mary Rippon, have two children; Caitlin (10th grade) and Sean (7th grade).

Financial Report

Fund Drive for the Future The Last Lap 5 November 2008

Oct-Dec 2008	
Donation Goal	\$ 500,000.00
Donations Received	61,049.00
Previous Pledge Payments	15,383.00
Total Donations	76,432.00
Pledge Goal	450,000.00
Pledges Received	24,080.00
Outstanding Pledges	24,080.00
Jan-Dec 2009	
Pledge Goal	750,000.00
Pledges Received	62,465.00

Weekly Operating Offertory Week Ending 1/2 November 2008

Weekly Offertory Goal	\$29,500.00
Offertory Donations Received	23,488.00
Electronic Donations Received	7,740.00
Total Operating Offertory	31,228.00
Weekly Overage	1,728.00
Poor Box	520.00
Year to Date Operating Offertory	
Goal through 11/02/08	531,000.00
Actual through 11/02/08	508,004.00
	(unaudited)

The Church Office will close at 12:00 noon on Tuesday 11 November in observance of Veterans Day.

Electronic Giving

Since St. Mary's began offering the automated giving program, many parishioners have chosen to participate. They all like the program because of its convenience. They never have to worry about remembering to bring their checkbook or envelope. Our members also mentioned how much they appreciate that their financial gifts to St. Mary's continues even if they are out of town or unable to attend Mass. If you are interested in either signing up or just want to receive more information about Electronic Giving, please contact Pat Perkins at 679.4109 or pat.perkins@stmarysgvl.org.

Charitable IRA Rollovers are Back!!!

The charitable IRA legislation is back for a repeat performance. Don't miss this second-chance opportunity to make tax-free gifts from your IRA. For individuals aged 70½ or older you can again make outright gifts using IRA funds without tax complications. While you cannot claim a charitable deduction for the IRA gifts, you will not pay income tax on the amount. If you are required to receive minimum distributions from your IRA and you do not need the money for personal use, consider using a portion of those funds as a charitable gift.

Benefits:

The transfer counts toward your minimum required distribution.

The gift generates neither taxable income nor a tax deduction, so even those who do not itemize their tax returns receive the benefit.

For more information contact Bill Biediger (679.4108) or Pat Perkins (679-4109) in the church office.

St. Mary's Knitting, Crocheting and Sewing Ministry: Come join us on Saturday 15 November, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm, in Sacred Heart Hall. Share your skills or learn a new skill. RSVP if possible to Carol Paul at cocoman@aol.com or call 282.0982.

St. Joseph's School News

The Annual High School Admissions Open House will be held on Sunday 16 November at 1:00 pm on the school's campus. Families will have an opportunity to learn more about the Upstate's only Catholic high school, pick up admissions information, tour the facility with current students, and meet the faculty and coaches. For more information, call 234.9009, ext 104.

St. Joseph's Catholic School announces their 14th annual Holiday Lucky Drawing. This year's prizes are a 2008 Nissan 350Z or Titan Crew Cab Pickup (or \$25,000 cash!), a \$3,100 Best Buy home theater package, or a travel package from Golden Tours & Travel. Tickets can be purchased for \$100.00 each by contacting the School at 234.9009.

The Fine Arts Department of St. Joseph's Catholic School will present the first-ever Shakespearean production of *Much Ado About Nothing* on 21-23 November. You won't want to miss a moment of this classic tale. Come enjoy this fresh performance of the Bard's best comedy. Tickets (which includes refreshments at intermission) are \$10 for children and senior citizens, \$15 for adults. For more information call 234.9009, ext. 386.

Natural Family Planning: Discover a natural method of family planning that is healthy and just effective as the Pill. A course, which starts Thursday 13 November at 7:00 pm, teaches the symptom-thermal method and is taught by members of the Couple to Couple League. For information Contact Andrea Suarez at 234.7415.

International Adoption, Tuesday 18 November, 6:30-9:00 pm at St. Francis Eastside. Topics includes the core issues of international adoption, expectations and transition, foster care, medical considerations, resources and more. 2.5 credit hours/certificates are available.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S CHURCH

SUNDAY - 9 NOVEMBER

Nursery: During the 9:00 Mass.
Sunday Morning Scripture Study: "Salvation History", 9:00-10:30 am in Sacred Heart Hall (second floor).
Coffee & Donuts: In Sacred Heart Hall after the 9:00 am Mass. .
High School Youth: Meeting, 6:00 pm in McGrady Hall.
Women of Grace Program: 6:00-8:-00 pm in Sacred Heart Hall.

MONDAY - 10 NOVEMBER

College Student Fellowship: 7:30 pm in Sacred Heart Hall.

TUESDAY - 11 NOVEMBER

Senior Men's Club: 1:00 pm in Sacred Heart Hall.
Altar Server Training: 6:00-7:30 pm in the church.
K. of C. Monthly Meeting: 7:00 pm in McGrady Hall
Baptism Class: 7:00 pm in Sacred Heart Hall.

WEDNESDAY - 12 NOVEMBER

Wednesday Morning Bible Study: 10:15 am in Sacred Heart Hall
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 5:00-6:00 pm.
Confessions: 5:00-6:00 pm.
Religious Education: Classes for grades 1-8, 6:30-7:30 pm.
R.C.I.A.: 6:30-8:00 pm in McGrady Hall.
Topic-*The Four Marks of the Church* (Chapter 14)
Adult Choir Rehearsal: 7:30 pm in Sacred Heart Hall.

THURSDAY - 13 NOVEMBER

St. Mary's Prayer Community: Cenacles/Rosary, 3:30 pm.
Prayer Meeting at 4:30 pm in McGrady Hall.

FRIDAY - 14 NOVEMBER

Morning Prayers: Liturgy of the Hours, 6:15 am in the church.
Pillars of Christ - Men's Ministry follows, 6:30-8:00 am in Sacred Heart Hall.
Friday Morning Scripture Study Group: 10:00 am in Sacred Heart Hall.
Youth Choir Rehearsal: 3:30 pm in Sacred Heart Hall.

We welcome to this Holy Mass all who share our faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, but while all are welcome here, we cannot extend to all an invitation to receive Holy Communion. This is not a lack of Christian hospitality; rather, it is the recognition by the Catholic Church that real divisions of faith and practice do sadly exist among Christians. Practicing Catholics who go to Confession whenever needed are invited to receive Holy Communion. Non-Catholic Christians and those Catholics who should not receive Holy Communion (including those married outside the Church and those in need of the sacrament of Penance) are asked to pray for a spiritual communion with the Lord Jesus and for the unity of His Church. Those who are not receiving Holy Communion but who would like to receive a blessing are invited to indicate this desire by crossing their arms across their chests in the Communion procession.

Confessions

Wednesday, 5:00 to 6:00 pm; Saturday, 3:30 to 4:30 pm and by appointment

Baptism

To have a child baptized at St. Mary's, at least one parent must be a practicing Catholic, registered at this church for at least six months, and regularly attending Mass and participating in the life of the parish. Baptisms are administered on Saturdays at 6:15 pm after the 5:00 pm Mass. Attending a Baptism Preparation Class (approximately 2 hours) is required. The next baptism class is Tuesday 11 November at 7:00 pm in Sacred Heart Hall. Contact Deacon George Tierney to register for the class.

Marriage

To be married at St. Mary's, either the bride or groom must be a practicing Catholic, registered at this church for at least six months before beginning the six month marriage preparation, and regularly attending Mass and participating in the life of the parish. The only exception to this rule is made for Catholic children of registered and active parishioners who live outside of greater Greenville and who are practicing Catholics in their own parish. Weddings take place on Saturdays outside of Advent and Lent between 10:00 am and 1:00 pm. Please call Mary Hunter Gibbs, Coordinator of Marriage Preparation at 864.386.6350 or e-mail mhwylie@hotmail.com.

Medical Emergencies

Call 800.925.1087