### ST. MARY MAGDALENE **CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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**JANUARY 28, 2024** FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME FATHER THEO TRUJILLO, PASTOR

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# The people who sit in darkness have seen a great light;

on those dwelling in a land overshadowed by death, light has arisen.

MT 4:16

# **SPIRITUAL LIFE**

#### Mass Readings/Lecturas

www.usccb.org

#### Mass Schedule and Mass Intentions

Esp - Misa en español Pol - Polish Mass | Tgl - Filipino Mass

#### Saturday, January 27, Vigil

Saturday, January				
	† Edwin J. Knowles			
7:00 p.m. (Esp)	St. Mary Magdalene Parish			
Sunday, January 28				
7:30 a.m.	Charles Ryan Burdge			
9:00 a.m.	† Vivian Williams			
	† Mary Bezek			
1:00 p.m. (Esp)	† Helen & Jose Santiago			
3:00 p.m. (Pol)	† Lucjan Mirowicz			
6:00 p.m.	† Mary Frances Stawiasz			
Monday, January 29				
8:30 a.m.	† Edmund Brent Herbert			
Noon	† Timothy Stine			
Tuesday, January 30				
8:30 a.m.	† Margaret Anne Luke			
Noon	† Thelma and Roger Barnett			
7:00 p.m.	† Rita Cusack			
Wednesday, January 31				
8:30 a.m.	† John P. D'Avella			
Noon	Jake Reinstein			
Thursday, February 1				
8:30 a.m.	The Staff of St. Mary Magdalene			
Noon	† Joseph Clark			
Friday, February 2				
8:30 a.m.	† Cathy Shaw			
Noon	Maria Mauro			
Saturday, February 3				
8:30 a.m.	Pam Schook			
10:00 a.m. (Tgl)	Matthew Mauro			
5:00 p.m.	† Galen Weingart			
7:00 p.m. (Esp)	St. Mary Magdalene Parish			
Sunday, February	4			
7:30 a.m.	Herm Spitzer			
9:00 a.m.	Michael and Maria Mauro			
11:00 a.m.	Married couples to be open to God's			
	gift of children			
1:00 p.m. (Esp)	† Lisandro Trujillo Perez			
6:00 p.m.	Willey Welch			
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#### **Other Masses**

Polish:Last Sunday of the month at 3 p.m.Filipino:First Saturday of the month at 10 a.m.Portuguese:Second and Fourth Friday of the month at 7 p.m.

### Childcare During Mass

Childcare is available for children 4 and under in the Conner Ministry Building on Sundays for 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Masses.

### **Reading a Printed Bulletin?**

Visit our bulletin web page at **www.smmcc.org/bulletin** for live links or scan the QR codes.



### Reconciliation

Saturdays after the 8:30 a.m. Mass, and from 3:30-4:45 p.m.

#### **Livestreamed Mass**

8:30 a.m. daily Mass 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. (Spanish) Sunday Mass Watch on Facebook at <u>facebook.com/SMMsimpsonville</u> and on our website at <u>www.smmcc.org/livestream</u>

#### Please Pray for...

Joan Galle, Paul Felton, Irene Johnson, Angela Ripandelli, Rick Agron, Leonard Byrne, Coleen McDonald, Philomena Reed, Gina and Dal Maness, Florence Jackson, Vincent Stankay, Brenda McCleary, Mary Radziewicz, Nancy Scala, Gustavo Valdez, Janice Reed, William and Marie Wilson, Ailani Urrego, Alejandro Leyton, Beatriz Rebolledo, Charlotte McGrath, Romeo Madeo, Bryan Aho, Weston Vigil, Connor Idi, Andrea Wiggins, Noraima Hernandez, Elizabeth Sima, Dennis & Rita Walsh, Carolyn Anderson, Mary Hennenhoefer, Jim McKenna, Cheryl Smyth, Sam Grasso, Anthony Ciociari, Lauer Jansen, Cathy Brownell, Harry Helvik, Tim Millhiser, Sharon Harris, Becky Tooley, David Wettlin, Jeanette Polt, Irene Stanco, Kevin and Pat Burke, Nancy Mathison, Michelle Marckini, John Kelly and all who are sick and suffering in our community.

Names will remain on the **Please Pray for** list for one month. To request a name be added or kept for another month, please contact the parish office.

### Pray the Rosary with Us!

Monday - Friday at 6 p.m. on Facebook live

After the daily noon Mass and after the 8:30 a.m. Saturday Mass.

For Respect Life on the first Thursday of the month after the 8:30 a.m. and noon Masses.

On the second Wednesday of the month at 9:15 a.m. in PLB room 107 with The Lay Apostolate of Jesus Christ the Returning King.

All are invited to join us!

# **SPIRITUAL LIFE**



# PARISH RETREAT SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10 8:30 A.M. TO 3:30 P.M.

#### KEYNOTE SPEAKER: JOHN SEHORN, PH.D. Academic dean and associate professor of theology at augustine institute



#### The retreat starts with morning Mass The Cost is \$25 and it includes a light breakfast and boxed lunch

- · Understanding the Church's teaching on the Real Presence
- · Worshiping the Father in Spirit and Truth the Sacrifice of the Mass
- Life and strength as his beloved children Holy Communion and Eucharistic Adoration



· Eucharistic Vision - Living the Eucharist

### En el Evangelio de hoy

Hoy, el evangelista Marcos nos muestra a la gente que estaba presente en la sinagoga, la cual estaba llena de admiración y sorpresa a la propuesta de Jesús. ¡Una catequesis nueva, un reino de Dios cerca! Y no solo eso, también veían a Jesús enseñando con autoridad, con plena sabiduría de Dios. Se pensaría que es un profeta nuevo lleno de Dios. Nosotros, sin embargo, sabemos que Jesús es mucho más que un profeta, es la Palabra viva de Dios. Jesús usaba la autoridad no ejerciendo la fuerza, sino el amor y la compasión. El cambio en nuestra vida dará comienzo cuando escuchemos la Palabra de Jesús en cada relato del Evangelio y nos vaya transformando poco a poco en personas nuevas, justas y compasivas.

Hagámosle caso al Señor, y prestemos atención a lo que nos dice. Que no se vaya a un saco roto el poder conocerle y amarlo, en sus Mandamientos y Sacramentos, sobre todo en la Eucaristía donde se revela su amor por nosotros. "Así fue como la fama de Jesús se extendió por todo el territorio de Galilea" (Marcos 1, 28). Caminemos con esperanza y hagamos nuestra su fama, para que se extienda en el territorio familiar, comunitario y social, que tanto necesitamos. Para reflexionar durante la semana tenemos las siguientes preguntas: ¿Qué estamos haciendo con la Palabra viva del Señor? ¿Cómo lograr que esta Palabra viva penetre en el corazón de los oyentes ahora? Señor, danos tu autoridad moral para ponerla en práctica y así tener fuerza en lo que catequizamos. ©LPi

# EUCHARISTIC Miracles Exhibit

#### Saturday and Sunday January 27 and 28



Experience the diocesan Eucharistic Miracle exhibit, a curated selection from the Eucharistic Miracle exhibit originally created by Blessed Carlo Acutis.

It consists of 28 bilingual (English/Spanish) bifold panels that recount several Eucharistic miracles documented throughout the history of the Church.

The exhibit is divided into four categories, each with an audiovisual guide accessible on mobile devices through the use of a QR code.

The exhibit will be open in the Fellowship Hall after all Masses.

# **SPIRITUAL LIFE**

# The Legion of Mary and the Lay Apostolate



The primary function of the Legion of Mary is to develop the sense of a lay vocation. In the words of Cardinal Riberi, Apostolic Delegate to missionary Africa (and later Internuncio to China) "...The Legion of Mary is an apostolic duty - throbbing with life so that it wins all to it; undertaken in the manner stipulated by Pope Pius XI; that is, in dependence on the Virgin Mother of God, safeguarded by prayer and self-sacrifice, by exact system, and by

complete cooperation with the priest. The Legion of Mary is a miracle of the modern times."

The Legion of Mary is coming to St. Mary Magdalene.

If you are interested about becoming a legionnaire, join us for an informational meeting on Saturday, February 10, at 4 p.m. in the Parish Life Building, Room 106.



Renovación Carismática Católica de Carolina del Sur Viernes de 7:00 p.m. a 9:15 p.m.

#### El 1<sup>er</sup> viernes del mes tenemos una noche de adoración Eucarística.

Para más información comunícate con Alejandro Hinojoza al 864-551-5183 o por correo electrónico a oración@smmcc.org.

### Holy Spirit Prayer Group

Come and worship with us at Holy Spirit Prayer Group as we praise the Lord in music and

song, always asking the Holy Spirit to fill us anew with His power and grace.

Join us on Mondays from 7 - 9 p.m. in the Parish Life Building, Room 108

Contact: prayergroup@smmcc.org.



#### **First Sunday Adoration**



#### **Adoration Chapel**

Please consider taking a weekly hour to be with Jesus. It will be the best hour of your week.

If you cannot commit to the same hour each week, consider becoming a substitute.

Click/scan the QR code to sign up for a weekly hour.

Visitors will need an access card to enter the chapel. If you do not have one, please come to the parish office.



Contact <u>adoration@smmcc.org</u> if you <u>have any questions</u>.

#### **Baptisms**

For more information regarding Baptisms, contact the Sacraments Office at 864-288-4884 ext. 4224.

#### **Bautismos**

Para obtener más detalles con respecto a Bautismos, llame la Oficina de Sacramentos al 864-288-4884 ext. 4224.

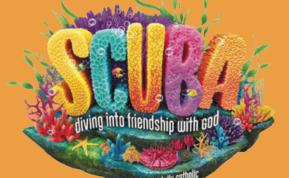
#### Weddings

Please contact Maira Agrón at 864-288-4884 ext. 4224 or mairaa@smmcc.org at least six months prior to the wedding date.

#### **Matrimonios**

Para definir los detalles de la boda, por favor, comuníquese con Maira Agrón al 864-288-4884 ext. 4224 o mairaa@smmcc.org con seis meses de anticipación.

# **SPIRITUAL LIFE - FORMATION**



JUNE 10 - 14

9 A.M. TO 12 P.M.

Cost: \$30 per child

Registration for a 3rd child or more is \$25 per child.

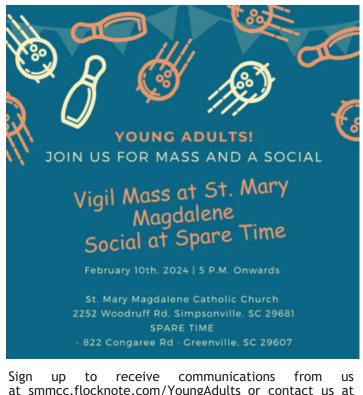
**REGISTRATION OPENS FEBRUARY 1!** 

We have many volunteer opportunities for teens and adults.

Visit www.smmcc.org/vbs

### Young Adult Ministry

Are you between 18 and 39 and looking to grow in faith, build fellowship and find ways to serve? Then join us!



sign up to receive communications from us at <u>smmcc.flocknote.com/YoungAdults</u> or contact us at <u>youngadult@smmcc.org</u>. Follow us on Instagram at smmccyoungadult.

Check us out at www.smmcc.org

The Youth of the Parish are Invited to Join One of Our Youth Ministry Groups. We Meet ...







High School Life Teen meets Sundays at 7:30 p.m.

Middle School EDGE meets Fridays at 7 p.m.

Programa en español Jóvenes sin Fronteras se reunen los viernes a las 7 p.m.



5th Grade Students Journey meets on the 1st and 3rd Friday of the month at 7 p.m.

If you would like to learn more about Youth Ministry, please contact <u>joem@smmcc.org</u> or visit our web page at <u>www.smmcc.org/youth-ministry.</u>

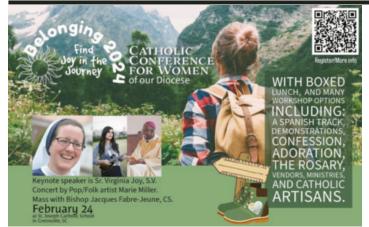


Staying # Hampton Inn

- Cost \$200 (Call Joe for Scholarships)
- Leave SMM at 6/45 on Friday, March 8th. Arrive back a SMM on Sunday. March 10 between 3/30-4/00 [Eat dinner before arriving on Friday]

Bus transportation provided

## **FORMATION - MINISTRIES IN ACTION**



Find "Joy in the Journey" by joining us and hundreds of women from our diocese at the Belonging Women's Conference. It's Saturday, February 24, at St. Joseph Catholic School in Greenville.

Our keynote speaker is Sr. Virginia Joy from the Sisters of Life. We will also have Mass with Bishop Jacques Fabre -Jeune, a concert with awarding winning recording artist, Maria Miller, multiple workshops and opportunities for prayer and visiting, and many Catholic/Women vendors and artisans. Also included is a boxed, catered lunch.

You can scan the QR code to register. A group rate is available through our Women's Bible Study group. You can contact womensbiblestudy@smmcc.org to take advantage of the group rate.



Jóvenes de corazón

Únete a nuestro grupo todos los miércoles de 10 a.m. a 12.30 p.m. en el edificio Parish Life. El propósito es activar la mente, fortalecer la memoria, crear relaciones sociales y compartir un pequeño desayuno con otras personas. Tenemos diversas actividades como juegos de manualidades, crochet, bordado. mesa. pintura. bisutería, ejercicios, etc...

¡No faltes! Recuerda que estaremos esperándote.

Para más información escríbenos al correo electrónico jovenesdecorazon@smmcc.org o llama a Cecilia Elguera al número 864-423-3264.

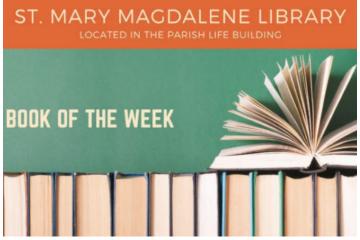


We remember - our loved ones We celebrate - our blessings We believe - in God

#### Join us for a Valentine's Day Breakfast on Monday, February 12, at 10 a.m. in the Parish Center.

This will be the first meeting of 2024. Join us for conversation, renew acquaintances and welcome new friends. We are here for each other, you don't have to be alone, come celebrate Valentine's Day with your church family.

Please RSVP by Wednesday, February 7, by emailing griefsupport@smmcc.org or calling 864-288-4884 X4086.



This week's recommended library title is "In the Shadow of His Wings" by Fr. Gereon Goldman, OFM.

What happens when a young German seminarian is drafted into Hitler's dreaded SS? This is the astonishing true story of how he completed his priestly training, was ordained. and secretly ministered to soldiers and civilians alike all throughout WWII. A miraculous and beautiful tale!

Find this title in the church library or request it online at stmarymagdalene.library.site

Contact us at library@smmcc.org

# **MINISTRIES IN ACTION**

### Volleyball Signups Open!



Registration for the 2024 volleyball season is now open. The league offers coed adult teams, which is considered high school to adults (15 years old and older). Practice begins in late February/early March.

Please visit <u>SMMCCsports.org</u> to register and for more information. The deadline for registration is February 11. Don't wait until the last minute. Once a team is full, players are placed on a waiting list until a new team is formed or space on an existing team becomes available.



#### Knights of Columbus Council 10819

Free Throw Championship for boys and girls, ages 9 to 14. Sunday, February 4, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church - Fellowship Hall

Check-in starts at 1 p.m., competition begins at 2 p.m.

All participants and their families will be served free hot dogs, chips and a drink.

Council winners will receive prizes and awards and have the opportunity to compete in District competition immediately following the event with winners advancing on to State competition in Columbia in March.

To speed up registration, you can download the registration form at <u>www.smmcc.org/ftc</u>, print, complete and bring it to the event. Same day registration will be available at check-in.

Contact: Jeff Klopfenstein at 864-316-1249. or jeffklop1954@gmail.com.

### 40 Days For Life is Coming in Lent!

You can help **save babies and mothers** and **end abortion** by your **prayers and Christian witness** at the abortion facility.

Why do we pray at the abortion facility?

"According to the abortion industry's own internal data, as many as three out of every four clients decide not to keep their abortion appointments when somebody is outside praying in front of the facility." (40 Days for Life)

"Because I believe our presence is powerful." (Patty)

"To show our support for life and maybe change some hearts." (Geoff)

You can sign up to pray at the abortion facility at <u>www.40daysforlife.com</u> or after Mass the weekend of February 10/11.

#### **Respect Life Ministry**

Help us protect mothers and babies from abortion during the upcoming 40 Days for Life campaign and other efforts to respect the sacredness of human life from conception to natural death.

WE NEED YOU - all are welcome to join us at our next meeting on February 7 at 7 p.m. in the Parish Life Building, room 108.

For questions, please email <u>respectlife@smmcc.org</u>.

#### **Prison Ministry**

#### I was in prison, and you came to visit me. MT 25:36

Do you hear the words spoken by Christ in the Gospel of Matthew and wonder what you can do? For many years, men from St. Mary Magdalene Church have been bringing Christ to the men at Perry Correctional Institution with a 4-day retreat. These Kairos Walks are an ecumenical effort of Christian churches in the upstate, retreats that brings the message of salvation to 30 incarcerated men two times a year, once in the spring and once in the fall.

The team is looking for more volunteers. A 40-man team is needed to present this retreat. This spring's Walk will be Thursday, April 18, through Sunday, April 21, and includes six evenings of training over the next three months to ready volunteers for the retreat.

If you would like more information, click on this link to download a PDF of a flyer at <u>https://bit.ly/Kairos-Perry</u>.

Please contact our ministry at prison@smmcc.org.

# **PARISH LIFE**

# WE ARE HIRING

#### Facilities Engineer

We are looking for an experienced facilities management professional who will assist the Director of Facilities to plan and oversee the maintenance of the facilities of St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church. The Facilities Engineer will oversee, review, and implement processes and/or improvements in the operations, maintenance and care of the Parish's facilities. This person will ensure the efficient operation of the building and mechanical svstems including the HVAC, electrical and plumbing systems. He/she will assist with building an effective and cohesive facilities team that works together to achieve the vision and mission of the Church.

To apply, email resume with cover letter, salary requirements and three letters of reference to jobs@smmcc.org. No phone calls, please.

#### **Director of Business Administration**

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church is looking to hire for the position of Director of Business Administration. This individual will be responsible for the full range of business administrative functions, including accounting, finance, payroll, and human resources.

The Director performs these functions in such a manner to enable the Pastor to concentrate on the spiritual needs of the Parish. The Director also serves as the Business Manager for the Parish's Catholic Preschool and supports all the staff. Additionally, he/she supervises volunteer staff and staff positions in the Director's areas of responsibility.

If you are interested in applying, please submit a cover letter, resume, three letters of reference and your salary expectations to <u>office@smmcc.org</u>.

#### Parish Bookkeeper - Part-Time

The Parish Bookkeeper is responsible for the bookkeeping activities for St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church. This person will report directly to the Director of Business Administrator and will provide hands-on support for all accounting activities using QuickBooks, ADP Payroll, Parish Database and OSV Online Giving systems.

To apply, email your resume to office@smmcc.org.

Complete job descriptions for these positions are available at <u>www.smmcc.org/info</u>.

### **Blood Drive**



Valentines and Love bring thoughts of those we most love! Many of us have family and friends who are suffering from cancer, and need our help. We often don't know what to do, and feel helpless, but, we have help.

Cancer patients often need BLOOD TRANSFUSIONS as part of their treatment, and depend on us to provide this life-saving treatment.

Help save lives and sign up for our next Blood Drive on Saturday, February 3, from 7 a.m. until noon behind the Parish Life Building. Please sign up online or after Mass.

https://donate.thebloodconnection.org/donor/ schedules/drive\_schedule/221688



### Columbarium Garden

If you are considering the St. Mary Magdalene Columbarium Garden as your final resting place, please schedule an appointment with our columbarium representative who can help you with \_\_\_\_\_

this process and answer any questions you may have.



Email <u>columbarium@smmcc.org</u>, call (864) 537-4232 or visit our web page at www.smmcc.org/columbarium.

### Are You Receiving Our Emails and Text?

Are you signed up to receive email or text notifications from St. Mary Magdalene?



Text smmcc to 84576 or go to smmcc.flocknote.com to JOIN OUR EMAIL LIST.

## **PARISH LIFE**

#### Your Offertory

We thank you, Lord, for the opportunity to give back a portion of your goodness to us.



If you are an Online Giving user and want to cancel receipt of all envelopes, please email <u>bsnyder@smmcc.org</u>.

### Offertory for Fiscal Year

July 2023 - June 2024 as of January 14, 2024

Mass attendance for January 13 & 14: 4,964

	Actual	Budget	Actual/ Budget
Current Week Sunday	\$91,650	\$73,906	124%
Year-to-Date Sunday	\$2,111,806	\$2,143,283	<b>99</b> %
Year-to-Date Christmas	\$81,655	\$99,684	82%
Year-to-Date Holy Days	\$24,105	\$17,453	138%
Year-to-Date Total	\$2,217,565	\$2,260,420	<b>98</b> %



 Debt to Pay Down:
 \$ 900,000

 Collected to Date:
 \$ 150,309

 Remaining Debit:
 \$ 749,691

 Progress
 Remaining

 16.7%
 83.3%

Contributions may be made via the special debt reduction envelope available in the Narthex and in your envelope packet, online on the parish website or by scanning the QR code.



We are thankful for the and for the givers!

### Pastoral Staff

**PASTOR** Fr. Theo Trujillo PAROCHIAL VICARS Fr. Stephen Dyas, RC Fr. Max Tria

**PRIEST IN RESIDENCE** Fr. Robert Falabella

DEACONS

Dcn. Bert Chavez Dcn. Joe Ciavardini Dcn. Roger Schonewald

### **Parish Offices**

Regular Office Hours Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

You can also reach us by phone and by email. Please visit our Parish staff directory at <u>www.smmcc.org/staff</u>.

It is always helpful if you make an appointment with us. As a large parish serving our parishioners, ministries and community, please note that while the main parish office may be open, other departments keep different hours.

#### 2023 Tax Letters

The 2023 tax letters will be sent out via email by the end of January. To update your email address, please contact the office at bsnyder@smmcc.org or call 864-288-4884, ext. 4234.

#### We Are a Tithing Parish United Housing Connection

Thanks to your generosity ...

we're giving back to the community.

Thanks to your generosity, our parish supports the Outreach Tithe Committee who research and assist worthy charities. We are donating \$2,500 to the United Housing Connection. Their affordable housing division serves over 1,100 individuals with safe, sustainable and affordable housing. Their permanent supportive housing division provides housing and support services for 154 households for people who are homeless suffering from mental and/or physical disabilities.

If you would like us to consider a charity, you can email us at <u>outreachtithe@smmcc.org</u>.

# **PARISH LIFE**



#### Men's Emmaus Weekend Retreat



ATTENTION MEN... Are you restless in your faith? Feel like you need to do "something"? Tired of the hustle and bustle and endless negativity from today's culture? Not sure where to turn or what to do?

Perhaps you need to retreat and spend some AUTHENTIC, personal time with GOD. The 22<sup>nd</sup> Carolina Men's Emmaus Retreat may be the opportunity you are looking for. The weekend retreat is an exceptional event and will occur on the weekend of February 16-18, 2024.

Men who have attended have experienced a closeness to God, deeper relation with their families, and fellowship with other men of faith, among other amazing results. If you desire more from your relationships with God, your family,

and your fellow man, then fill out an application and come and join us!

For more information, visit <u>www.emmausofthecarolinas.org</u> or contact Craig Hudak, at 864-238-6743. You will not regret it!





Since 1968, Camp Spearhead has been providing an environment of understanding and unconditional acceptance for children and adults with special needs.





