ST. MARY MAGDALENE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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FEBRUARY 16, 2025 SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME FATHER THEO TRUJILLO, PASTOR office@smmcc.org | www.smmcc.org

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SPIRITUAL LIFE

Mass Readings/Lecturas

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Mass Schedule and Mass Intentions

Español (es) Polish (pl) Filipino (tl) Brazilian (pt) PLB - Mass is celebrated in the Parish Life Building

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Sunday Mass

Saturday Vigil: 5 p.m. and

7 p.m. (es)

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. and noon Tuesday 7 p.m. Young Adults Friday 7 p.m. (pt)

Saturday 8:30 a.m.

Sunday 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., 10 a.m. (pt in PLB), 11 a.m., 1 p.m. (es) 6 p.m.

Other Masses

Polish: Filipino: Brazilian: Last Sunday of the month at 3 p.m. First Saturday of the month at 10 a.m. Fridays at 7 p.m. in the church and Sundays at 10 a.m. in the Parish Life Building.

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 www.smmcc.org/livestream

Please Pray for...

Joan Galle, Paul Felton, Angela Ripandelli, Rick Agron, Leonard Byrne, Coleen McDonald, Philomena Reed, Florence Jackson, Romeo Madeo, Michelle Marckini, Bob Cardone, Joe Mihalchick, Polly Kanto, Mary Ols, Patricia O'Brien, Bill & Joanne Boozer, Maria Flores, Timothy Millhiser, Roger McClure, Sharon Harris, Harry Helvik, Carolyn Anderson, Paul Beaver, Carol Barnes, Michael Stankay, Marty Howat, Janet and Mike Canino, María del Carmen Copetillo, Clementina Argumedo, Shirley Walter, Donna Lee, Dee Helvik, Jimmy Martin, Scott Morris, Marco Rosato, Tim Farrell, Michael Adamczyk, Freya Moore, Mary Hennenhoefer, Chuck Baker, Maggie Scola, Jim McKenna, Mary Radziewicz, 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.

Reading a Printed Bulletin?

Visit our bulletin web page at <u>www.smmcc.org/bulletin</u> 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.

Childcare During Mass

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

Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 15, Vigil 5:00 p.m. † Toby McNulty 7:00 p.m. St. Mary Magdalene Parish Sunday, February 16 † Michael Signorini 7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. † Frances Hendrickson Fager 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. † Mary Bezek 1:00 p.m. † Edward Sheehy 6:00 p.m. Michael Milton Monday, February 17 † Jennie Zolandz 8:30 a.m. Noon † Flaviano Liaz Jr. Tuesday, February 18 8:30 a.m. † Joseph McKnulty † Jorge Perez-Rubio Noon 7:00 p.m. **† Halina Czerkas** Wednesday, February 19 8:30 a.m. Sawyer MacLean Noon † Aurora Gonzalez Figurora Thursday, February 20 8:30 a.m. † Jennifer Loft Noon † Ron Wehner Friday, February 21 8:30 a.m. † Ted Wisniewski Noon **†** Joseph DeSimone 7:00 p.m. Saturday, February 22 † Fr. Robert Falabella 8:30 a.m. 5:00 p.m. **†** Faye Reece 7:00 p.m. St. Mary Magdalene Parish Sunday, February 23 7:30 a.m. † Theresa Zutlas 9:00 a.m. **†** Fave Reece 10:00 a.m. † Mary Trzcinski 11:00 a.m. † Frances Mary Rohde 1:00 p.m. Maria Espino 3:00 p.m. † Tadeusz Zwolski 6:00 p.m. † James Maloney

SPIRITUAL LIFE

El Evangelio de hoy

Luchar por el bien común es la respuesta que debemos dar al evangelio de este domingo. No hay otra manera, y el mensaje es muy claro, no existe manera de suavizarlo. Lucas mira un solo punto, y es la justicia. La escena del evangelio nos narra que Jesús desciende del cerro y se detiene en un llano. Hay mucha gente de diferentes partes, muchos esperan ser curados por Jesús. Entonces, Jesús, dirige su mirada a sus discípulos y comienza su discurso. Les habla de la importancia de ser felices. Sí, Jesús llama felices a los pobres y a los enfermos. ¿Cómo podemos entender y asimilar ese llamado a la felicidad? ¿Que acaso no es contradictorio?

El mensaje está en que, al ver la pobreza, el hambre, la enfermedad, la guerra, la oportunidad, la educación, por mencionar algunas injusticias en el mundo del tiempo de Jesús y el tiempo nuestro, estemos dispuestos a dar la vida por la justicia y la paz. Entonces, es que el Reino de Dios florecerá para todos. Y esa es la verdadera felicidad que la Palabra de Dios hoy nos menciona. Pidamos al Señor que nos incomode la injusticia, que nos mueva a tener empatía para entender los problemas y sentimientos de los demás. Porque, de esa manera seremos felices e incansables luchadores del bien común. La recompensa es grande, es el cielo, es la promesa de Jesús. El sacrificio bien llevado y con intención recta, desde el fondo del corazón, es la felicidad. ¿Lo has experimentado?

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Javier Visbal Ortega

May he rest in the arms of the Lord and rejoice in the glory of heaven, and may his family find comfort in their faith.

Pray the Rosary with Us!

Monday - Friday at 6 p.m. live on <u>Facebook</u> www.facebook.com/SMMSimpsonville

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.

All are invited to join us!

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.

Adorers needed for the following times: Mondays: 1 a.m., 2 a.m., 2 p.m. Tuesdays: 2 a.m., 4 a.m. Wednesdays: 3 a.m. Thursday: 4 a.m., 8 p.m. Friday: 1 a.m., 2 a.m. Saturdays: 2 a.m., 4 p.m. Sunday: 11 a.m., noon, 2 p.m., 6 p.m., 7 p.m.

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

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

Cursillo/Ultreya

Calling all cursillistas and those interested in Cursillo to our next Ultreya to be held on Thursday, February 20, at 7 p.m. in the PLB room 107. Snacks and drinks will be provided. All are welcome.

If you are interested in learning more about Cursillo contact Steve or Jan Fuld at 864 987-9470 or email snip306@aol.com.

Emaús



El Ministerio Emaús invita a los hombres de la parroquia al próximo retiro que se llevará a cabo del 4 al 6 de abril.

Los hombres que han asistido a un retiro de Emaús han sentido una

cercanía a Dios, una relación más profunda con sus familias y compañerismo con otros hombres de fe.

Si deseas más de tus relaciones con Dios, tu familia y tu prójimo, ¡llena una aplicación y ven con nosotros al próximo retiro! Puedes llenar una aplicación el fin de semana del 15 y 16 o del 22 y 23 de febrero.

Para más información, comuníquese al correo electrónico <u>emaushombres@smmcc.org</u> o llamar a Pablo Martínez al 864-221-7596.

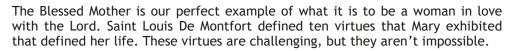
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The retreat starts with morning Mass at 8:30 a.m. The cost is \$20 for adults | \$15 for young adults and \$10 for students. It includes a light breakfast and boxed lunch.



Father Jeffrey Kirby, STD, CPC, KHS, is a Catholic priest, moral theologian, writer, and pastor of Our Lady of Grace Parish in Indian Land, South Carolina. He holds a doctorate in moral theology (STD) from the Holy Cross University in Rome. He is an adjunct professor of theology at Belmont Abbey College, a certified life coach (CPC), radio personality, conference speaker, retreat master, and pilgrimage leader. In 2020, Father Kirby was appointed a Missionary of Mercy by Pope Francis.



These sessions will shed a deep light on each of these virtues while offering approachable tips on how these virtues can better your life, your friendship, and your family.

SHE Sessions Start Tuesday, March 11, at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 11 at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, March 13, at 7 p.m.

We meet in the Parish Life Building. Childcare is available on Tuesday mornings.

You may do the study independently.

There is no cost for the study but we highly recommend purchasing the \$12 devotional.

Scan the QR code to register and purchase the devotional.



If you have any questions, please email womensbiblestudy@smmcc.org.

FORMATION

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 joem@smmcc.org or visit our web page



Vacation Bible School REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

June 9 - 13 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Cost: \$30 per child

Registration for a 3rd child or more is \$25 per child. After April 30, the cost is \$35 per child.

> We have many volunteer opportunities for teens and adults. Visit www.smmcc.org/vbs to register.



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CATHOLICISM 101

CHURCH HISTORY

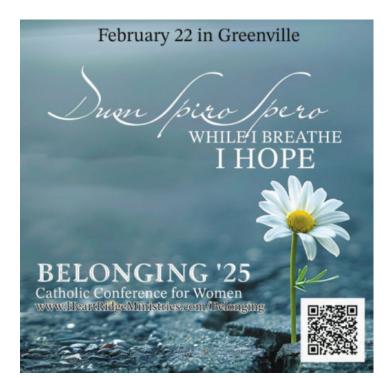
MONDAYS AT 7 P.M. IN THE PARISH LIFE BUILDING

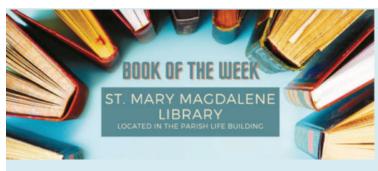
FACILITATOR: DEACON ROGER SCHONEWALD

February 17: Church History - Part III Growth, Saints, Challenges, Great Schism (400 to 1060)

February 24: Church History - Part IV Medieval Church, Great Saints, Great Issues, seeds of the Protestant Revolt (1060 to 1400)

March 3: A Preparation for Lent Striving for Holiness, Building Virtue and Combatting Sin









Invita a todos los jóvenes adultos solteros de 18 a 32 años a participar de sus reuniones los viernes de 7 a 9 p.m. en el edificio de ministerios Conner, donde se dan las catequesis. jovenesadultos@smmcc.org ¡Te esperamos!

Young Adult Ministry



Are you between 18 and 35 and looking to grow in faith, build fellowship and find ways to serve? Then join us!

The Young Adult Ministry meets for Mass on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. in the church (parent's room).

After Mass, we may have a book or Bible study, lively discussion and fellowship. We also have monthly social events.

Come and get to know us! Let us be part of your faith journey.

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.

This week's recommended book title is "Fulfilled," by Sonja Corbett. This book provides a fascinating look at the biblical roots of the Catholic Church. Discover the many intriguing ways the Old Testament lays the foundation for the New!

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

Contact us at library@smmcc.org

FORMATION - MINISTRIES IN ACTION

Escuela de la Fe "Cristo Maestro"



Las Oficina del Ministerio Hispano de la Diócesis de Charleston invita a todos los hispanos mayores de 18 años a conocer y fortalecer su fe cristiana-católica a través de estudios teológicos ofrecidos por instructores con conocimiento teológico.

Las clases se llevarán a cabo los lunes, dos veces por mes, de 7:00 a 9:00 p.m. en el edificio *Parish Life*.

Curso 12: Eclesiología y Vaticano II La matricula está abierta. El costo es \$20

Horario de clases: 3, 17, y 31 de marzo y 21 de abril.

Para más información, comuníquese con la coordinadora, Nancy Naranjo, por mensaje de texto al 864-907-7727.



Everyone aged 55 and over is invited to the Young at Heart meeting on Thursday, February 20, from 1-3 p.m. in the Gathering Hall.

An informative program about pairing wine and cheese (with samples) will be presented.

Optional: Bring a little cash to participate in a drawing.

Contact Youngatheart@smmcc.org to join and receive information.



Volleyball Signups Open

Don't get caught on a waiting list. Sign up for Coed Volleyball today!

Please visit <u>SMMCCsports.org</u> to register. The deadline for registration is February 19.



Free Throw Championship Sunday, February 23, from noon to 4 p.m. Fellowship Hall

- The championship is open to all boys and girls, ages 9 to 14.
- The basketballs and free throw lines will be age and gender appropriate.
- Check-in time is at noon and Furman players' clinic at 12:30 p.m. Competition begins at 2 p.m.
- All participants and their families will be served free hot dogs, chips and a drink.

Winners will receive prizes and awards immediately following the event. The Council winners may have the opportunity to compete in the District competition and then possibly on the State competition in Columbia in March 15.

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: Jim Corbo at jcorbovt@live.com or 802-779-6867

Our food pantry is in need of...



- Pasta
- Dried beans
- 1 lb. bags of rice
- Snack packs (Jello or pudding cups)

Thank you for your continued support!

MINISTRIES IN ACTION - PARISH LIFE

40 Days for Life Signups

Good news! 40 Days for Life is coming March 5. You can help save babies and mothers and end abortion by your prayers and Christian witness at the abortion facility.

There are many reasons to pray at the abortion facility:

- ⇒ Our presence is powerful! "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)
- \Rightarrow Our prayers are powerful showing that we are there to support and protect mothers and babies in a non-threatening way, and maybe change some hearts.
- $\Rightarrow\,$ It is God's will that we help the "least of these" and to be His witnesses.

Will you pray at the abortion facility? Members of our Respect Life Ministry will be outside after Mass February 22/23 and March 1/2 to facilitate sign-ups for 40 Days for Life.

You can also sign up at www.40daysforlife.com/ greenville or contact respectlife@smmcc.org.

Spiritual Adoption for the Unborn

Respect Life Ministry would like to invite you to join us in spiritually adopting unborn babies. A spiritual adoption is a pledge to pray daily for 9 months for a baby in danger of abortion.

Here is the prayer written by Bishop Fulton J. Sheen:

"Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of (your baby's name), the unborn child that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion."

First, pray to God to know the name of a baby to pray for, and then pray for a spiritually unborn baby of your own for the next 9 months.

Email us at respectlife@smmcc.org with the name of the babies you are praying for.



Facilities Manager Position

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church is seeking a Facilities Manager to oversee the maintenance and operations of our 26-acre campus and 80,000 square feet of buildings. This role includes supervising maintenance and custodial staff, managing the facilities' budget, and ensuring a safe, well-maintained parish environment.

The ideal candidate will have a collaborative leadership style, strong organizational and communication skills, and experience in facilities management. Preferred qualifications include an associate's degree (bachelor's preferred), 5+ years of experience (3+ in a church or nonprofit setting), and proficiency in Microsoft Office.

This position requires occasional hands-on maintenance work, flexible scheduling, and the ability to respond to emergencies.

For a detailed job description, visit <u>www.smmcc.org/</u><u>info</u>.

To apply, send your resume, cover letter, three references, and salary expectations to jobs@smmcc.org by February 28, 2025.

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 <u>www.smmcc.org/columbarium</u>.

Soundboard Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to run the soundboard. Our most pressing need is for covering the monthly AWE Nights (the first Sunday of each month from 7–8:15 p.m.), but we could use more help at our normal weekend Masses too.

You will sit with a trainer during various Masses to learn how to operate the soundboard until you are comfortable on your own. Teens and adults can volunteer.

Please email Sarah at SarahC@smmcc.org if you are able to help. Without volunteers, our Masses cannot be heard by those that come to worship!

PARISH LIFE

Your Offertory

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



Offertory for Fiscal Year

July 2024 - June 2025 as of February 9, 2025

Mass attendance for February 8 & 9: 5,180

Current Week	Current Week	Current Week
Actual	Budget	Actual/Budget
\$95,637	\$76,222	125%
Year to Date	Year to Date	Year to Date
Actual	Budget	Actual/Budget
\$2,541,850	\$2,521,583	101%



PARISH LIFE BUILDING DEBT REDUCTION CAMPAIGN



OR USE THE ENVELOPES IN THE PEWS

WE ARE THANKFUL FOR THE GIFTS AND FOR THE GIVERS!

Pastoral Staff

PASTOR Fr. Theo Trujillo

PAROCHIAL VICAR

Fr. Max Tria Fr. Ramyro Gomes Armond

DEACONS

Dcn. Joe Ciavardini Dcn. Roger Schonewald Dcn. Juan Londoño Dcn. Jovan Simo

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 www.smmcc.org/staff.

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.

We Are a Tithing Parish

Thanks to your generosity ...

we're giving back to the community.

St. Anthony's Catholic Church Food Pantry

The Outreach Tithe Committee is helping 15 charities this quarter, including a \$2,500 gift to St. Anthony's Catholic Church food pantry in West Greenville. The pantry hands out 1,500 bags of food each month, offers a poverty fund to help with utility bills and offers limited clothing.

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



Find us (SMMSimpsonville) We are on Facebook and Instagram Follow us, like us!

And don't forget to share our posts.

IN THE COMMUNITY

IVF and the Natural Law: Understanding Church Teaching

Sunday, February 23, at 6:00 p.m. At St. Joseph's Catholic Church Anderson, SC All are welcome!

- How should we understand recent news about IVF?
- Why does the Church teach that IVF is "objectively disordered"?

Presentation by Dr. Murray Daw, Professor of Physics at Clemson University.



Fr. Mike Schmitz is Coming to Charleston

Purchase your tickets before they sell out: https://www.eventticketscenter.com/father-mikeschmitz-north-charleston-tickets/1099519/e

Become a Host Family with CIEE!

CIEE: Council on International Educational Exchange is a non-profit organization with a mission to help people gain understanding, acquire knowledge and develop skills for living in a globally interdependent and culturally diverse world. With over 65 years of experience, CIEE is the largest and longest running sponsor of exchange programs in the U.S.

We are looking for families in your area to partner with CIEE to host an international high school student for the upcoming school year. In return for hosting, families learn about a different culture, enjoy lifelong friendships with students, fulfill the dream of a young person, and become global ambassadors in their own communities.

Becoming a CIEE host family is an experience of mutual discovery. When you give an international student the opportunity to explore American culture through your eyes, you'll discover a new culture as well, by experiencing new values, traditions, languages and foods.

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