### ST. MARY MAGDALENE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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### January 24, 2021 - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Father Theo Trujillo, Pastor

## 3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said to them, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." - Mk 1:17

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THE CHURCH IS OPEN FOR PERSONAL PRAYER MONDAY - SATURDAY FROM 9 A.M. TO 4 P.M.

### MASS SCHEDULE

Monday—Friday \*8:30 a.m. and noon Tuesdays (Young Adults) at 7 p.m. (Except the 1st Tuesday of the month)

Saturday \*8:30 a.m. Vigil: 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. (español)

Sunday 7:30 a.m., \*9 a.m., 11 a.m., \*1 p.m. (español) and 6 p.m.

Sunday Mass Readings and Music <u>smmcc.org/p</u>

**Polish** Last Sunday of the month at 3 p.m.

**Filipino** First Saturday of the month at 10 a.m.

### \*this Mass will also be livestreamed on

the Parish Facebook page <u>facebook.com/SMMsimpsonville</u> and on our website at smmcc.org/492

### RECONCILIATION

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

## **SPIRITUAL LIFE**

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### Sunday Liturgy and Readings for the Week

Mass Readings and Music

Lecturas www.usccb.org Mass Readings

### **Mass Intentions**

### Saturday, January 23

8:30 a.m. † Barbara Harvey 5:00 p.m. + Tom Hollowed 7:00 p.m. + Carlos Andres Castro Jimenez Sunday, January 24 7:30 a.m. Susan Allman D'Alessandro 9:00 a.m. † Eleanor Maneeley 11:00 a.m. The Acosta and Rodriguez Families 1:00 p.m. St. Mary Magdalene Parish 6:00 p.m. † Angela Carbonara Monday, January 25 8:30 a.m. Gary Stec † Pierre K. Houry Noon Tuesday, January 26 8:30 a.m. † Joseph Edward Fromm † Daniel Loughlin Noon 7:00 p.m. † Luis F. Mayo Wednesday January 27th 8:30 a.m. + Kelly Bartlett Espinoza Noon † Detlev H. Nitsche Thursday, January 28 8:30 a.m. Anne Previdi Noon **†** Mary Frances Stawiasz Friday, January 29 8:30 a.m. † Kurt Paul Richter † Phillip D. Mehl Noon Saturday, January 30 8:30 a.m. † Clara Flora Porto 5:00 p.m. † Arthur M. Steven 7:00 p.m. St. Mary Magdalene Parish Sunday, January 31 7:30 a.m. † Dennis J. Hynes 9:00 a.m. † Richard "Ricky" Anthony Farmer 11:00 a.m. † Barbara O'Neal 1:00 p.m. † Teiron A. Torres 3:00 p.m. + Boleslaw and Emilia Chmara 6:00 p.m. † Thomas Stewart

### **Homilies Podcast**

Did you know you can listen to homilies by Fr. Cellars and our deacons on our website? <u>Click here!</u>

### Please Pray for...

Dona Ferrante, Carl Jones, Martha Wehrly, Kevin and Patricia Burke, Martha D. Harris, Joan Galle, Rosemary Buffardi, Kevin Burke, Paul Felton, Bob Komornik, Mary Jane Doster, Ben Coulter, Earline Geier, Peter Doster, Philomena Reed, Irvin Walter, Dorie Ferrari, Ted Huminski, Irene Johnson, Angela Ripandelli, Roger McClure, Daniel Harris, Robert Morris, Diane Romano, Patricia Merretta, Annette Weber, Caryn Schook, Carmela DeFlora, Audrey Connell, Kristen Mercurio, Amy Farrell, Alejandra Rosario, Bruyns Family, Bill Fedorka, Barrv O'Hare. Lila Childs, Susan Allman D'Alessandro, Tara Morris, William Hitchman, Becky Teachey, Steve and Reina Torelli, Joseph W. Noyes IV, KC McKee, Vincent Stankay, all affected by the Coronavirus, and our community.

Names will remain on the Please Pray for list for one month. Should you need your name to be kept for another month, please contact Kelly Meyer at 864-288-4884 x4232 or by email at kellym@smmcc.org.

### Pray the Rosary

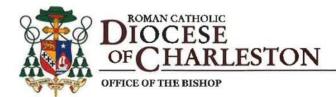
Monday - Friday at 6 p.m. on <u>Facebook live</u>



Did you know we pray the Rosary in person after the daily noon Mass and after the 8:30 a.m. Saturday Mass? Join us!

Jur Thoughts

We offer our sincere condolences to the Batista Family on the death of Jose Batista, father of Jose Batista, Lucia Castillo, Nicole Batista and Yomarys Gutierrez, and to the family and friends of Richard Wade. Please keep these families in your prayers.



### ACT OF CONSECRATION – ENTRUSTMENT OF THE DIOCESE OF CHARLESTON TO ST. JOSEPH, THE UNIVERSAL PATRON OF THE CHURCH

St. Joseph, Virginal Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ and Virginal Spouse of the Immaculate Mother of God, and Chosen Head of the Holy Family, the Church acknowledges you as its Universal Patron.

You are the spiritual and material provider and protector of all its institutions and individual members on our pilgrimage of faith on earth, awaiting fulfillment in heaven.

In view of these truths, as Shepherd of the Diocese of Charleston, I consecrate and entrust the Diocese of Charleston with all its members and institutions to your paternal care, development and safety.

Guide us according to the Holy Spirit to achieve the purposes that God the Father establishes through the Church founded by our Lord Jesus Christ. Inspire our minds and hearts to assure our continuous fidelity. Assist us to be the worshipers and witnesses that God the Father desires and deserves.

We thank you for your patronage and ask you to accept this Act of filial devotion.

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Most Reverend Robert E. Guglielmone Bishop of Charleston

January 14, 2021

## **SPIRITUAL LIFE - SACRAMENTS**

### Word of God Sunday

All Catholics Are Called to Study the Word of God

Aperuit Pope in his apostolic letter Francis. Illis, established the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time to be devoted to the celebration, study, and dissemination of the Word of God. It was published on September 30, 2019, the Feast of St. Jerome and the 1600th anniversary of the saint's death, who is known for translating the Latin Vulgate Bible from Greek and Hebrew manuscripts. In Aperuit Illis (Instituting the Sunday of the Word of God), the holy Father points to the unbreakable bond between Sacred Scripture and the Eucharist via the sacramental nature of the Word of God.

Spend time in Scripture each day whether it is in a formal Bible study or reading the Mass daily readings found on the bible.usccb.org website or in the free Laudate app.

Ten Points for Fruitful Scripture Reading

### Crean en la Buena Nueva

Creer para cambiar, es el secreto para no destruirnos. Recuerdo, al inicio de la pandemia, que muchas personas no creían la magnitud y alcance del virus. Hubo quienes hasta que lo vivieron en carne propia creyeron. Y luego comenzaron a decir: "Yo no creía esto, pero les digo cuídense, no se expongan, guarden la distancia, lávense las manos". En la primera lectura, los ninivitas no creyeron hasta que Jonás predicó que la ciudad sería destruida. Sin embargo, ellos escucharon el mensaje y creyeron en la advertencia del peligro. Ayunaron e hicieron penitencia. ¡Hubo cambio del corazón, hubo conversión!

El Evangelio narra que Jesús llama a sus cuatro primeros discípulos, y proclama la Buena Nueva de Dios. Decía: "El tiempo se ha cumplido, el Reino de Dios está cerca. Renuncien a su mal camino y crean en la Buena Nueva" (Marcos 1:15). Observemos, que, después del anuncio viene la invitación al seguimiento. La similitud entre las lecturas es muy parecida. Jonás proclama, la gente de la ciudad responde. Jesús, anuncia la Buena Nueva y llama al ministerio a sus discípulos. Llamado, conversión, y misión están entrelazados. Lo principal en todo es creer, sin ese detalle del corazón, no puede darse respuesta. Ahora, se sigue proclamando la cercanía de Dios de muchas maneras, los caminos se abren al seguimiento, a darnos la mano unos a otros, a luchar hasta el cansancio por la salud de los demás. ¿Lo has visto o vivido así? Yo creo que sí. La conversión, sin duda es ablandar el corazón y el compromiso viene del mayor hasta el menor. ©LPi

### New Year, New Season, New Music

Hello to all of my fellow St. Mary Magdalene parishioners! As we begin Ordinary Time, I invite you to prepare for our new musical Mass setting.

You can listen to the setting <u>here</u> to become more familiar with the music and ready to sing at Mass.

The audio will also be linked on our website at <u>smmcc.org/134</u>.

Sarah Chernetz, Director of Music

### Baptisms

For more information regarding Baptisms, contact the Sacraments Office at 864-537-4224.

### Bautismos

Para obtener más detalles con respecto a Bautismos, llame la Oficina de Sacramentos al 864-537-4224.

### Weddings

Please contact Maira Agrón at 864-537-4224 or mairaa@smmcc.org at least six months prior to the wedding date.

### Para Matrimonios

Para definir los detalles de la boda, por favor, comuníquese con Maira Agron al 864-537-4224 o mairaa@smmcc.org con seis meses de anticipación.

### Engaged Encounter

Learn how to have strong marriage by attending an Engaged Encounter Weekend. Some of the tools you will learn will help with communicating, arguing fairly, overcoming disillusionment, and living a sacramental lifestyle.

### 2021 Schedule

- St. Mary Magdalene: February 27-28; April 24-25; August 21-22; November 13-14.
- St. Michael, Murrells Inlet: be October 9-10.

The cost of the weekend is \$160 and lodging is not provided. You do not need to be a member of the parish to attend a weekend.

Register at southcarolina.engagedencounter.com.

For additional information, please call Bob and Mary Reimer 864-420-2633. COVID-19 Guidelines will be followed.

### **Preschool Information Session**



Preschool Registration (for K2, K3, K4, and K5 Transitional Kindergarten students) for the 2021-2022 school year begins tomorrow, Monday, January 25, at 8 a.m. Registration will be online only via the link on the preschool website,

www.smmcp.org. The link will go live for St. Mary Magdalene parishioners beginning at 8 a.m. on Monday.

Open enrollment (for non-parishioners) begins on Monday, February 1.

For more information, please contact Katie Jupena at 288-4884 ext. 4250 or at katiej@smmcc.org.

### Put Faith on the Map



Save the Date for Vacation Bible School June 14 - 18, 2021

Embark on an epic quest through hidden ruins, ancient caves, and dense jungles.

At Treasured VBS, kids dig into action-packed, faith-filled adventures.

They'll discover God's greatest treasure isn't diamonds, gems, or gold ... it's them!



Why return to Mass? Our very lives depend on it. It's the summit of God's plan for our salvation.

It's time to wake Catholics up to the awesome power, the incredible gift, that is the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. The alternative is unthinkable.

Join host Scott Hahn in our latest journey through Scripture study, *Parousia: The Bible and the Mass*, to uncover how and why all of God's action, in creation and redemption, are ordered to the Mass.

Watch the trailer and sign up to watch for FREE in Lent.

### **Online Book Launch and Webinar**

Ecumenical and Interreligious Guidebook: CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME

Monday, January 25, 11 a.m. to noon

Jointly published by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Catholic Association of Diocesan Ecumenical and Interreligious Officers, and Catholic Climate Covenant

### Hosted by:

Fr. Walter F. Kedjierski, USCCB, Executive Director, Secretariat of Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs



Facilitated by:

Sister Pamela Smith, SS.C.M., Director, Office of Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs, Diocese of Charleston, South Carolina



### Guests:

**Fr. John Chryssavgis**, Archdeacon of the Ecumenical Patriarchate, was born in Australia, studied theology in Athens, and completed his doctorate at Oxford. After several months in silent retreat on Mount Athos, he co-founded St. Andrew's Theological College in Sydney. He taught theology in Sydney and Boston. He serves as theological and environmental advisor to Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew.

**Fr. Joshtrom Isaac Kureethadam, SDB** is the Coordinator of the Sector of Ecology and Creation at the Vatican Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development. He is also Chair of Philosophy of Science and Director of the Institute of Social and Political Sciences at the Salesian Pontifical University in Rome. He was a Research Scholar at the University of Oxford, where he is now an Academic Visitor.

"This guide offers insights into how Catholics can bring the riches of the Catholic theological tradition to ecumenical and interreligious discussions and actions that uphold the dignity and sanctity of our environment."

Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, Bishop of Scranton Chairman, Bishops' Committee on Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

### CLICK HERE TO REGISTER AND FOR WEBINAR LINK



## God's Plan of Salvation

### Your Guide for the Highway to Heaven!

Our culture is so caught up in worldly things; we have lost our way when it comes to eternal concerns. We are focused on the here and now and we need a GPS to guide us to our destination where we want to spend eternity.

God has given us a GPS -- God's Plan of Salvation -- to choose one of two eternal destinations, heaven or hell.

This Bible study with Deacon Ivan offers a look at the Eternal GPS and invites everyone to take a tour.

Tuesdays, through March 30, from 2–3:30 p.m. and 6:30–8 p.m. in the Parish Life Building - Room 106 Please note that there is a maximum capacity of 25 people and masks mandatory.

### SIGN UP!



You can also participate from home. Join the <u>Facebook Group</u> to watch the livestream!

You can purchase the book on <u>Amazon</u>. It is also available in <u>Spanish</u>. You do not have to get the book to participate.

### Past Clergy Corner Articles

Do you remember reading a Clergy Corner you would like to read again or share with a friend? You can find past Clergy Corner articles on our website at <u>smmcc.org/</u><u>blog/Clergy-Corner</u>.



### **Catholic Radio**

Catholic Radio in South Carolina has been dedicated to educating Catholics in their faith, evangelizing fallen-away brethren and reaching those who may have an interest in learning more about Catholicism.

Are you growing in your faith? Tune in to WCKI 1300-AM.

### Youth Ministry



### WE ARE BACK TO IN-PERSON MEETINGS!

EDGE meets Fridays at 7 p.m. Life Teen meets Sundays at 7:30 p.m.

Contact Joe Maggio, Youth Minister, at joem@smmcc.org if you have any questions.

CDC guidelines will be observed.

### 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!



The Young Adult Ministry meets for Mass at 7 p.m. on Tuesdays, except the first Tuesday of the month. Confession is

available on Tuesday nights from 6:00-6:45 p.m. and Mass is held in the church sanctuary or parent's room on the tabernacle side. We hope to see you there!

### Join Us!

January 25 - Mass and Living like the Saints Series

We invite all young adults to join us and grow together in faith. Follow us on Facebook: <u>facebook.com/SMMCCYAM</u>. If you have any questions, email <u>youngadult@smmcc.org</u>.

### Men's Bible Study Group

Tuesday Mornings 6:30 - 7:30 a.m. via Zoom

Come join us for an interactive study of Scripture and meet other men seeking the wisdom and knowledge of God.

No registration is necessary. Just bring your Bible, catechism and a desire to learn and discuss the Word of God.

Have questions? Email <u>mensbiblestudy@smmcc.org.</u>



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PAUL THE APOSTLE

## PICK OF THE WEEK

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### FORMED NOW! LETTERS OF ST. PAUL

Outside of Jesus, the greatest teacher of the faith was Paul the Apostle. Join Dr. Gray and Dr. Barber as they discuss the great theologian known as the Apostle. LEARN

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## SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS WITH RANDALL SMITH

The Angelic Doctor is often associated with his Summa Theologica among his other great works. Join Drs Christopher Blum and Randall B. Smith as they explore some of the lesser known works of St. Thomas Aquinas.

## FAITH & CULTURE

Saint Thomas Aquinas

Our parish has a FORMED subscription. To set up your free account visit formed.org/signup and select our parish.



### Creighton Model FertilityCare System

Thursday, February 11: 7 p.m.—Virtual lexiesawonik@gmail.com or NaProNurse@aol.com

Wednesday, February 17: 6:30 p.m.—In person St. Joseph Catholic Church, Columbia, SC naprogal@gmail.com

Thursday, February 25: 6:30 p.m.–Virtual janellenapro@gmail.com

We have available instructors for Natural Family Planning International, Marquette Method and Couple to Couple League upon request.

Please contact nmcgrath@charlestondiocese.org for more information.

### **Give Until It Hurts**

One of the characteristics of Everyday Stewardship is to be committed – to persevere daily in a way of life acknowledging that everything belongs to God ... I know, I know. Easier said than done.

Just ask Zebedee. It's quite an image we get from the Gospel, after all. "So they left their father Zebedee in the boat along with the hired men and followed him."

I don't know about you, but if my kids left me on a hot summer day to finish the lawn by myself, I wouldn't be too happy. Zebedee must have been someone quite special. Perhaps he realized that his sons didn't belong to him - not really. They belonged to God, and from the beginning of time, it had been appointed that they would be among the first disciples of Christ. He passed, he called, they followed, and Zebedee obliged.

Zebedee already understood what St. Teresa of Calcutta would say millennia later: "Give until it hurts."

"You're wasting my time." "I've done so much for her; she owes me this." How often do we think things, and even people and relationships, belong to us? The truth is none of them do. We must be ready, as Zebedee was, to surrender them to God when He comes walking past.

- Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS - ©LPi



## **MINISTRIES IN ACTION**

### St. Vincent de Paul Donations



Due to the repaving of the main parking lot, weekday access to the donation bin located by the Brown Road House will be unavailable. If you wish to donate any items other than food, please drop them off in the donation bin on the weekend or you can park by the Parish Life Building

and walk over. The St. Vincent de Paul basket in the Narthex is for food donations only.

If you have questions about what we accept as donations, please call 864-537-4268 and leave us a voice message with your question. Please do not leave items on the ground outside the bin.

### San Vicente de Paúl

Debido a la construcción en el estacionamiento principal, el paso entre semana al contenedor de donaciones ubicado junto a Brown Road House no estará accesible. Si desea donar cualquier artículo que no sea comida, déjelo en el contenedor de donaciones durante el fin de semana o puede estacionarse en el edificio Parish Life y caminar. La canasta de San Vicente de Paúl en el vestíbulo es solamente para donaciones de alimentos.

Si tiene preguntas sobre lo que aceptamos como donaciones, llame al 864-537-4268 y déjenos un mensaje con su pregunta. Por favor, no deje artículos en el suelo fuera del contenedor.



### Thank You

The Giving Tree Ministry would like to thank you, our parishioners, for your support this Christmas season.

**Tree** Through your generosity, we were able to serve just over 90 families from our parish and local community.

We spread the joy of Christ's birth with gifts of clothing, household supplies, books, toys, and hygiene items.

There were many smiles, along with some tears of gratitude, when families received their gifts.

Thank you to all who donated their time and treasure. Our ministry was overwhelmed by your dedication.

### **Stephen Ministry**



When a crisis comes, call the Stephen Ministry at 864-537-4089 or email stephenministry@smmcc.org for support.

**Do You know Someone going through a Difficult time?** Do you have a friend, neighbor, co-worker or relative who has been struggling with the loss of a loved one, loneliness, cancer, a layoff, relocation, divorce, a spiritual crisis, recuperation, single parenthood or any other life challenges?

A Stephen Minister can provide them with the focused care, encouragement and support they need to make it at this time. Stephen Ministry is not just for people experiencing a major crisis. We also provide care and support for people weighed down by the little things in life. If you're feeling down, lonely, stressed or discouraged, you could benefit from the care, support and encouragement of a Stephen Minister.

Since confidentiality is a cornerstone of this ministry, you can feel confident with the care you are receiving. To receive God's Love in Action (a Stephen Minister's care), please call 864-537-4089 or email stephenministry@smmcc.org.

### COCE

El Comité Comunitario de Emergencia CO.C.E. los invita a su programa informativo "Café con aroma de Dios" ahora transmitido todos los lunes a las 7:00 p.m.

Acompáñenos a discutir temas de actualidad en medicina, psicología y espiritualidad. Todo lo que nuestra comunidad necesita saber en estos tiempos.

Hora: Lunes a las 7:00 p.m. Transmitido por Facebook Live: <u>www.facebook.com/comite.comunitario.98</u>

¡No se lo pierdan! Ayúdenos a ayudar...

### **Pro-life Rosary**

The Respect Life Ministry prays a Pro-life Rosary on the first Thursday of the month after the 8:30 a.m. and noon Masses. All are invited to join us.

If you have any questions, please contact us at respectlife@smmcc.org

## **MINISTRIES IN ACTION - PARISH LIFE**

### Audio/Visual (AV) Ministry

We are looking for volunteers to assist during Mass and at other Parish functions to run our A/V systems.

The main job is the livestreaming of Masses. The task involves starting the feed, monitoring the camera angle and checking for good sound.

You can serve your Parish and help bring the Mass to parishioners who cannot attend in person. You can volunteer for the Mass time you attend.

We welcome anyone who is interested in this ministry. Training will be provided.

Please contact Michael McGarry at michaelmc@smmcc.org or call 864-537-4235 to set up training or if you have any questions.



### Ministerio de Audio / Visual (AV)

Estamos buscando voluntarios para ayudar durante la misa y en otras funciones de la parroquia para ejecutar nuestros sistemas A/V.

La deber principal es la transmisión en vivo de las misas. La tarea implica iniciar la transmisión, monitorear el ángulo de la cámara y verificar un buen sonido.

Puede servir a su parroquia y ayudar a llevar la misa a los feligreses que no pueden asistir en persona. Puede ser voluntario para la misa a la que asiste.

Invitamos a quienes estén interesados en ser parte de este ministerio. Habrá capacitación.

Comuníquese con Michael McGarry al correo electrónico michaelmc@smmcc.org para programar la capacitación o si tiene alguna pregunta.

### Join our Flock



Are you signed up to receive email or text notifications from the Parish? Signing up for **Flocknote** is easy!

### Text smmcc to 84576 or visit smmcc.org, scroll down to the blue boxes, and click on JOIN OUR EMAIL LIST.

Flocknote allows you to choose your preference in receiving notifications. You can sign up to receive information from specific groups/ministries as well as indicate whether you want to receive text or email notifications.

### Not getting our emails?

## Add <u>mail@flocknote.com</u> to your contacts to avoid emails being flagged as spam.

### Support the Parish while You Shop!

If you are already shopping at Amazon.com, you can support the parish while you shop!

Through AmazonSmile, you can donate 0.5% of the cost of eligible products to St. Mary Magdalene. There is no cost to you and you can use your existing Amazon account.

To add our parish as your charitable organization to your Amazon account on AmazonSmile, follow these simple steps:

- 1. Visit smile.amazon.com
- 2. From the selection of charitable organizations, find Saint Mary Magdalene Catholic Church.
  - Do not abbreviate the word "Saint," otherwise, you won't find us.
  - Make sure the location states "Simpsonville, SC."
- 3. This is a one-time setup.

That's it. Thanks for your support!

[The parish does not endorse Amazon but wanted to alert parishioners about an opportunity to support the parish.]

## **PARISH LIFE**

### Your Offertory

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



Make your Sunday offertory at:

www.smmcc.org/online-giving

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

### Tax Letters

The 2020 tax letters will be sent out *via email* by the end of January.

To update your email address, please contact the office at <u>bsnyder@smmcc.org</u> or call 864-288-4884, ext. 4234. Thank you.

### Have You Signed Up for Online Giving?

Are you using Online Giving with our parish? Here are some ways Online Giving benefits our parish and you!

### Benefits for You:

- Convenient Access your account via the internet anytime and anywhere
- Secure and Confidential Adheres to banking security standards
- Flexible Start, stop, or change your contributions at any time
- Simple No need to contact the church office or your bank
- Contributions via direct withdrawal (ACH) or credit card

### Benefits for the Parish:

- Stable Contributions: Regularly scheduled gifts occur automatically, which allows the parish to effectively manage monthly expenses.
- Secure and Confidential: No need to store member account information.
- Efficient: Participation saves time and expenses in bookkeeping.
- Current: A tool for people who prefer using electronic services.

### SIGN UP FOR ONLINE GIVING

### **Pastoral Staff**

**PASTOR** Fr. Theo Trujillo

PAROCHIAL VICARS Fr. Ray Nacino Fr. Michael Cellars

PRIEST IN RESIDENCE

Fr. Robert Falabella

### DEACONS

Dcn. Bert Chavez Dcn. Joe Ciavardini Dcn. Ivan O. Hawk III Dcn. Roger Schonewald

### Parish Offices

The Parish Offices are open Monday - Friday 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

When coming to the offices, please remember that masks are required and appointments are highly encouraged.

We are able to help you by phone and by email. Please visit our Parish Office web page, <u>www.smmcc.org/67</u>, for contact information.

Offertory for Fiscal Year				
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Current Week Actual	Current Week Budget	Current Week Actual/Budget		
\$73,336	\$57,245	128%		
Year-to-Date Actual	Year-to-Date Budget	Year-to-Date Actual/Budget		
\$1,627,916	\$1,660,114	<b>98</b> %		

Mass Attendance for January 16/17: 2,222

### St. Vincent de Paul Outreach

23 families 81 people Served 24 Financial Assistance Interviews (by phone)

### Face Mask Project

Total number of masks delivered thus far: 6,251

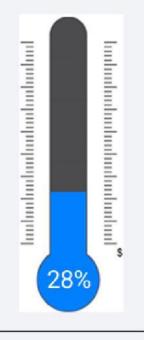
## We are thankful for the gifts and for the givers!



St. Mary Magdalene TARGET: \$3,150,000

St. Mary Magdalene RAISED-TO-DATE: \$871,097

NUMBER OF GIFTS: 141



DIOCESE OF CHARLESTON TARGET: \$60,000,000

> TOTAL RAISED \$65,191,109

PERCENT OF TARGET: 108%

TOTALS ACCURATE AS OF 12/31/20

### Please Prayerfully Consider Supporting the Bicentennial Campaign at St. Mary Magdalene

Dear Parishioners,

Our parish has restarted its participation in the *Bicentennial Campaign*, a Diocese-wide initiative to strengthen the parishes and missions of South Carolina. At St. Mary Magdalene, our prayer is to raise the necessary funds to pay off the \$2,000,000 loan from the Diocese to build our new Parish Life Building and replenish parish's savings.

Please know that we fully understand the anguish and uncertainty that COVID-19 has caused in our community in recent months. We were on the verge of launching our *Bicentennial Campaign* effort in April of 2020 before COVID-19 struck and parish activity was suspended. Recognizing the insensitivity of carrying-on with a fundraising effort when the physical, mental, and financial health of so many were put in jeopardy, we halted the launch of this effort. By continuing the *Bicentennial Campaign*, we acknowledge that your circumstances may have changed, therefore <u>there is no judgement or expectation in your</u> <u>level of support</u>. We simply want to ensure all parishioners know that this is a tremendous opportunity for our parish to meet its needs mentioned above.

In addition, the funds we raise will also be provided to the numerous programs and ministries across our state that offer much-needed aid and assistance to our vulnerable brothers and sisters who have been stricken by homelessness, mental illness, food insecurity, and familial instability. In large part, these are the members of our community who have been impacted the most by COVID-19, and these programs and ministries are needed now more than ever. These funds will also be directed towards bettering our Catholic schools, as well as funding for Seminarians and the Vocations.

The pledges you make to this campaign may be fulfilled over the course of the next five years. These pledges are not legally binding and may be adjusted at any point. For simplicity, if you supported our *Lighting Our Path* campaign, you may extend your pledge to the *Bicentennial Campaign*. This support will pay tribute to those who came before us to build this church and will serve as an investment in our future. Every Catholic in South Carolina is being invited to participate in this campaign, and the positive response has been overwhelming. Now it is our turn.

Please prayerfully consider supporting the *Bicentennial Campaign* at St. Mary Magdalene. We have a long history of generosity at our parish, and now is an opportunity for us to come together as a parish family to fulfill our needs and to contribute to the prosperity of the Church in South Carolina. Together, we must keep our faith in Christ and be not afraid.

May God continue to bless you and your families. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Fr. Theo Trujillo Fr. Raynald B. Nacino Fr. Michael Cellars

Daily Commitment	Monthly Commitment	Yearly Commitment	Total Commitment	My Sacrifice Equals
\$7	\$200	\$2,400	\$12,000	Dining out WEEKLY
\$5	\$150	\$1,800	\$9,000	Value meal DAILY
\$4	\$100	\$1,200	\$6,000	Cable Bill MONTHLY
\$2	\$50	\$600	\$3,000	Small Coffee DAILY

## **PARISH LIFE - OTHER NEWS**

### Parish Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

Walk where Jesus walked, and join us for 10 days in the Holy Land with Fr. Ray and Fr. Cellars from July 19-28, 2021.

The cost is \$4,149 based on double occupancy. Cost will cover:

- Roundtrip airline flight
- Centrally located hotel stays
- Air-conditioned bus/transfers in Holy Land
- 3 meals/tips daily plus wine (except for airport meals)
- Daily Mass and opportunity for Confession
- Sightseeing/admission fees as per itinerary

Expenses not included are tips to tour drivers, personal purchases, and optional travel insurance.

For more information and for reservation, visit <a href="http://www.smmcc.org/pilgrimage">www.smmcc.org/pilgrimage</a>.



### Marriage Encounter

Take time to rediscover the best friend you had when you were first married. Join the millions of couples worldwide who have learned how to keep their marriage vibrant and alive by signing up to attend one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experiences on January 29-31, 2021 in North Myrtle Beach, SC, or virtually April 15-May 6, 2021.

Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit <u>https://SCMarriageMatters.org</u>, call 803-810-9602 or email <u>applications@scmarriagematters.org</u>.

### **Contact Information**

Has your contact information changed?

Please contact <u>kellym@smmcc.org</u> if you have a new address, phone number or email address.

### Marriage Anniversary Mass

The Office of Family Life is sponsoring the Marriage Anniversary Mass, celebrated by Bishop Robert E. Guglielmone, on Sunday, February 14, 2021, at 2 p.m. at the Cathedral of John the Baptist in Charleston, SC.

Please register by sending an email to familylife@charlestondiocese.org and provide: the husband and wife's names and last name, years married in the year 2021 and the name of the parish you attend.

### **COVID-19 Educational Resources**

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops has a new COVID-19 vaccine educational resource: <u>Answers to Key Ethical Questions About COVID-19 Vaccines</u>. The purpose of the document is to provide concise answers to the most frequently asked ethical questions about COVID-19 vaccines and to provide additional resources for further study.

In addition, the USCCB now has a page on its website dedicated to providing <u>Moral Guidance on Vaccines</u>.

### Catholic Charities Clothing Closet

Catholic Charities of SC Upstate has opened a new clothing closet to complement our other services!

Open the 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays of the month during Mobile Clean of Heart (10 a.m. to 1 p.m.), our clothing closet provides clothes to those in need.

The closet is entirely donation-based. Therefore, to continue to provide clothes, your generosity is much appreciated.

### The most pressing needs are:

- Pants, sweaters, long-sleeve shirts, sweatshirts, and jeans (M/L/XL+ preferred)
- Coats and jackets
- Comfortable shoes (like sneakers, no heels)
- New or gently used socks
- NEW underwear (M-L+ sizes preferred)
- Hats and gloves

Donations can be dropped off at: Catholic Charities, 2300 Old Buncombe Rd., during pantry hours – Tuesdays and Thursdays, noon to 3 p.m.

### Cambio en datos

¿Ha habido algún cambio en sus datos?

Por favor, póngase en contacto con Kelly a <u>kellym@smmcc.org</u> si usted tiene una nueva dirección, número de teléfono o correo electrónico.



