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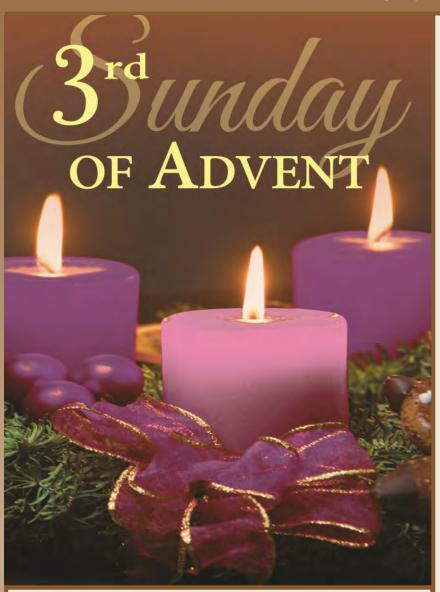
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December 13, 2020 - Third Sunday of Advent Father Theo Trujillo, Pastor



HOLY HOUR WITH SUNG VESPERS MONDAYS, DECEMBER 14 AND 21, AT 7 P.M.

SIMBANG GABI DECEMBER 15 - 23, AT 7 P.M.

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday through Friday

*8:30 a.m. and noon
Tuesdays 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 smmcc.org/p

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 facebook.com/SMMsimpsonville 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 www.smmcc.org/p

Lecturas www.usccb.org Mass Readings www.usccb.org

Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 12 8:30 a.m. † Doris Douthat

5:00 p.m. † Ruth Bader Ginsburg 7:00 p.m. St. Mary Magdalene Parish

Sunday, December 13 7:30 a.m. † Robert Wright 9:00 a.m. † Jack Milton Raymer 11:00 a.m. † Janusz Chmara 1:00 p.m. † Maria Esabel Parada 6:00 p.m. † Emilia Chmara Monday, December 14

8:30 a.m. † John Dallas LaFond

† Thelva Jimenez and † Maritza Gray Noon

Tuesday, December 15 8:30 a.m. † Ronald Feld

Noon † Roger and Thelma Barnett

7:00 p.m. † Doris Douthat Wednesday, December 16

8:30 a.m. † Charles and Ann D'Avella † Victoria Cepeda Moncayo Noon

Thursday, December 17

8:30 a.m. † William (Bill) Crosby † Mary Kay Doppel Noon

Friday, December 18

8:30 a.m. † Carmine Gennarelli Fr. Robert Falabella Noon

Saturday, December 19

8:30 a.m. Tom and Liz Schrody 5:00 p.m. † Dcn. Richard C. Warner 7:00 p.m. St. Mary Magdalene Parish

Sunday, December 20

7:30 a.m. † Anthony J Cipriani

9:00 a.m. Mary Klip

11:00 a.m. † Maria Carneiro and Francisco Pina

1:00 p.m. † Ramon Antonio Devia

6:00 p.m. † John Laaker

Homilies Podcast

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



Mondays, December 14 and 21 Adoration and exposition begins at 7 p.m. followed by solemn vespers and benediction.

PROGRAM

Please Pray for...

Dona Ferrante, Carl Jones, Jessica Ellis, Martha Wehrly, Kevin and Patricia Burke, Roberta Watson, 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, Carl L. Jones, Diane Romano, Patricia Merretta, Annette Weber, Caryn Schook, Carmela DeFlora, Audrey Connell, Kristen Mercurio, Amy Farrell, Alejandra Rosario, Bruyns Family, Bill Fedorka, Barry O'Hare, Angie Akins, Lila Childs, Bill Susan D'Alessandro, Dorothy Aranda, all affected by the Coronavirus, and our community.



We offer our sincere condolences to the Doppel Family on the death of Millie Bobula, mother of Sue Doppel, to the Milko Family on the death of Dr. Edward Milko, husband of Cecilia Milko, to the Tanner Family on the death of Amanda Zapata, mother of Maria Tanner, and to the family and friends of Antoinette Varrone. Please keep these families in your prayers.

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SPIRITUAL LIFE

Advent and Christmas Schedule

Please note that the Reconciliation Service is cancelled, in its place will be Vespers at 7 p.m.

ADVENT VESPERS

Mondays, December 14 and 21
Adoration and exposition begins at 7 p.m. followed by solemn vespers and benediction.

SIMBANG GABI

December 15-23 at 7 p.m.

CHRISTMAS EVE

Thursday, December 24

*8:30 a.m. Daily Mass (NO Noon Mass)
The 8:30 a.m. Mass does NOT fulfill the Holy Day obligation

3 p.m. in the church and PLB
5 p.m. in the church and PLB
7 p.m. in the church and Simbang Gabi in the PLB
9 p.m. (Spanish) in the church and PLB
Midnight Mass in church and PLB

CHRISTMAS DAY

Friday, December 25

*9 a.m. in the church and the PLB
11 a.m. in the church and the PLB
*1 p.m. (Spanish) in the church and the PLB
(There will be no other Masses on this day.)

MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

Thursday, December 31

*8:30 a.m. Daily Mass (No noon Mass)
The 8:30 a.m. Mass does NOT fulfill the Holy Day obligation

Vigil Masses at 5 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Friday, January 1
*11am and *1 p.m. (Spanish)

(There will be no other Masses on this day.)

PLB - Parish Life Building
Please note that masks are required in the PLB.

* - Will be livestreamed

La luz del nacimiento de Cristo se acerca

La atmósfera de la Liturgia de hoy es de júbilo y de alegría, porque la luz del Nacimiento de Cristo se acerca. Juan Bautista invita con intensidad a que descubramos la identidad de Jesús. Él indica el camino, y aún más les dice a sus oyentes: "Yo no soy digno de soltarle la correa de su sandalia" (Juan 1:27). Con esta expresión indica la grandeza del que viene. Su dignidad es grande, es de Rey. Juan es el profeta que tiene la alegría de dar esperanza a aquel pueblo que vivía en tinieblas. San Pablo también habla a los Tesalonicenses de la importancia de la fe a la luz de la alegría. "Estén siempre alegres, oren sin cesar y den gracias a Dios en toda ocasión; esta es, por voluntad de Dios, su vocación de cristianos. Y añade: No apaguen el Espíritu, no desprecien lo que dicen los profetas. Examínenlo todo y quédense con lo bueno. Eviten toda clase de mal, dondequiera lo encuentren" (Tesalonicenses 5:16-22).

El Adviento es descubrir que Dios está en medio de nosotros. Y la alegría es el punto clave y esencial de nuestra vida de fe. Esa alegría se muestra en la convivencia familiar, en la ayuda al más vulnerable de la familia, en apoyar al inmigrante que sufre toda clase de desprecios. En fin, la generosidad no debe tener límites. Al Señor se le reconoce en el hermano/a con pensamientos y acciones efectivas. El Señor vendrá en unos días, sí, pero, su presencia en la Eucaristía está presente ya entre nosotros. ¿Lo reconoces ahí? ¡Ven Señor no tardes tanto en llegar! ©LPi



Pray the Rosary

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

Christmas Rosary Rally

Join us December 19 at 2:00 p.m. at Falls Park in downtown Greenville to pray a Rosary in honor of Christ's birth, as we give thanks to God for his many blessings, and ask for the triumph of Mary's Immaculate Heart in our world.

Rosario de Navidad

Acompáñenos el 19 de diciembre a las 2:00 p.m. en Falls Park en el centro de Greenville para rezar un rosario en honor al nacimiento de Cristo, para dar gracias a Dios por todas sus bendiciones y pedir el triunfo del Corazón Inmaculado de María en nues tro mundo.

SACRAMENTS - FORMATION

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.

Marriage Encounter

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a weekend to rediscover the spark that was there on your wedding day. 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 https://SCMarriageMatters.org, call 803-810-9602 or email applications@scmarriagematters.org.

Holy Family Institute - Pauline Encounter



The opening of the International Pauline Biblical Year began on November 26, and will continue through November 26, 2021. We began with the celebration of the liturgy with Father Matthew

Roehrig, SSP, Director of Holy Family Institute, at the St. Paul Monastery in Canfield, Ohio. It's being recorded so you can prayerfully enjoy.

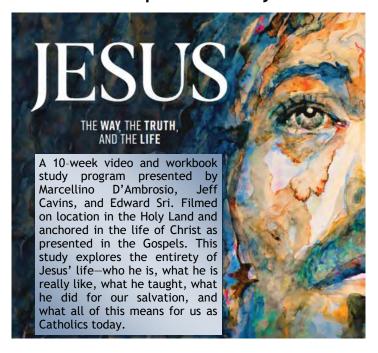
Pauline Encounter is on Facebook

Updated events will be presented throughout the year from various Pauline branches.

Those married and the widowed who would like to learn more about the formation of the Holy Family may contact our parish representative, Mary Jane Madeline, at maryjanemadeline@gmail.com or text/call 864-517-7072.

Blessings with our Divine Master Jesus, the Way, the Truth and the Life.

Women's Bible Study or Independent Study



Do You Know Jesus?

Included in the study is a "Jesus Timeline Chart" which provides a visual overview of the life and ministry of Jesus Christ, from the Annunciation of his birth to his Ascension into heaven. The story of Jesus is faithfully recorded in the four Gospels, but it is sometimes hard to see how everything fits together. This chart helps by giving the big picture of Christ's life and showing how it all unfolds. The timeline . . .

- Divides the life of Christ into seven major periods.
- Identifies the Gospel texts that cover each period.
- Presents sixty-four key events in Christ's life.
- Shows where each event occurred.
- Includes a summary of Catholic beliefs concerning Christ and a map illustrating the world in which he lived.

For independent study: The full student set is \$33 and it includes the workbook, book and one-year video streaming access.

For Women Bible Study Participants: The workbook is \$20 (no video access or book are included). WBS will watch the videos on Tuesdays and Thursdays during their scheduled Zoom meetings beginning January 5 and 7.

Order your study materials here!

Please contact womensbiblestudy@smmcc.org if you have any questions.

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FORMATION



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

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!

Upcoming Events

December 15 - Talk with Seminarian Nick Shiver December 22 - Social Night: Trivia December 29 - Mass and Bible Study

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>.

Christmas Book Bundle

This year give a gift that really matters. Buy a Christmas Book Bundle - keep them or gift them!

Four Catholic resources at a terrific price - only \$14!



- 1. God: What Every Catholic Should Know by Elizabeth Klein
- 2. Rediscover the Saints: 25 Questions that will Change Your Life by Matthew Kelly
- 3. A Minute in the Church: Life in Christ by Gus Lloyd
- 4. *The Search* by Chris Stefanick (free accompanying videos on <u>formed.org</u>)

Plus, check out some of last year's titles available for purchase while supplies last.

All the books are in stock and available for pickup.

Order Here!

New Year's Retreat



Close out 2020 (whew, what a year!) and begin 2021 with a happy, holy and healing retreat titled "Behold, I Make All Things New."

The two-night retreat will have both traditional meals and festivities, plus powerful talks by Franciscan Friar, Fr. Peter Tremblay. There will be time for Mass, Confession, and spiritual direction. There will also be time to reflect, explore our beautiful grounds or sit in our lounge and enjoy the gas logs.

The special price is \$300 per person, \$450 per couple, which includes all meals including a New Year's banquet and party favors, 2 night's lodging and access to the beautiful grounds of the Catholic Conference Center in Hickory, NC.

Register now at www.catholicconference.org/new-years. Email info@catholicconference.org or call 828-327-7441 if you need more information.

FORMATION

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PICK OF THE WEEK

December 13, 2020

WATCH

SAINT TERESA OF ÁVILA: A STUDY IN PERSEVERANCE

Both St. John of the Cross and his dear friend St. Teresa of Ávila lived heroic lives of prayer. In honor of these spiritual masters, enjoy this film depicting the Carmelite way of life and the virtue of perseverance.



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LECTIO: PRAYER—AN INTIMATE DIALOGUE

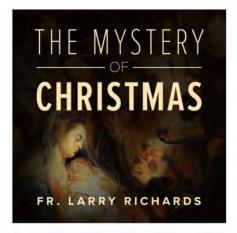
St. John of the Cross, Doctor of the Church, had a deep desire to help others grow in prayer. In honor of this mystical saint, join Dr. Gray as he dives into the simplicity and mystery of prayer.

LEARN

LISTEN

THE MYSTERY OF CHRISTMAS BY FR. LARRY RICHARDS

In this talk, Fr. Larry Richards reminds us that in the mystery of Christmas, God gives humanity his greatest gift—the gift of his Son to the world.



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FORMATION - MINISTRIES IN ACTION

Preschool Registration

Preschool Registration for the 2021-2022 school year is quickly approaching! If you would like more information about the preschool and the classes it offers (K2 through Transitional K5), you may join our Virtual Coffee and Questions Zoom meeting on Wednesday, January 20, at 10 a.m. During this Zoom information session with the director, you will hear an overview of the entire program, take a virtual tour of the building, witness teacher/student interactions, and receive information about the online registration process.

All preschool registrations will be online this year. The preschool will begin accepting online registrations for new students from registered parish families on Monday, January 25, at 8:00 a.m.

For more information or to RSVP for the Zoom information session, please contact the preschool director, Katie Jupena, at katiej@smmcc.org.

Library



Browse our library catalog and reserve books, Bible studies, and movies. You will be notified when your items are ready for pickup. Return materials to the drop box outside of the Conner Ministry Building at your convenience.

Visit: stmarymagdalene.library.site/

Contact library@smmcc.org for more information.

Free Online Membership



Stephen Ministry



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

Simple Caring Tips for the Holidays

In Christian Caregiving, a Way of Life, used by Stephen Ministers during their training, Kenneth Haugk talks about sharing a "cup of cold water," small caring gestures that show Christ's love.

Here are a few examples of how you can share a "cup of cold water" with people going through a tough time during this holiday season:

- * Ask people how they are doing.
- * Take someone out for an hour to get coffee.
- * Send a handwritten note letting someone know they are in your prayers.
- Don't pressure people to be happy.
- * Let them know you are willing to listen if they want to talk.

To receive 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: www.facebook.com/comite.comunitario.98

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

2021 March for Life, Washington, DC

Stand Up for Life Now!

Please join us January 28-30 for the 2021 March for Life. The cost, leaving from Greenville, includes the bus trip and 2 nights at the Key Bridge Marriott. Cost is \$173 each staying 4 per room; \$190 each staying 3 per room; \$221 each staying 2 per room; \$317 staying 1 per room.

Reserve your spot by December 15. Call Valerie 864-297-8838.

COVID Safety precautions are being taken.

MINISTRIES IN ACTION

The St. Vincent de Paul



The St. Vincent de Paul food pantry and financial assistance office will be closed on Monday, December 21 and Monday, December 28 so our volunteers can have time with their families to celebrate Christmas and New Year's.

We will resume our normal Monday schedule on January 3, 2021. We wish you all a blessed Christmas and a joyous New Year.

Our Schedule, Unless Specified Above

The food pantry is open on Mondays from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Brown Road House.

Food or financial assistance is available to Greenville County residents and all registered St. Mary Magdalene parishioners.

To schedule an appointment for financial assistance, call 864-537-4268 for English or 864-537-4274 for Spanish.

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

Pew Cleaning after Mass

We need your help!

To keep our sanctuary and Parish Center clean and safe, volunteers are needed every weekend to help us clean the pews and doors after each Mass. Thank you to those who have been willing to help!

Please sign up for the Mass time you attend to help with this important task.

Sign up here!



San Vicente de Paúl

Cambio de horario para Navidad y Año nuevo

La oficina de asistencia financiera y despensa de alimentos de San Vincent de Paul estará cerrada el lunes, 21 de diciembre, y el lunes, 28 de diciembre, para que nuestros voluntarios puedan estar con sus familias para celebrar la Navidad y el Año Nuevo.

Reanudaremos nuestro horario normal el lunes, 3 de enero de 2021. Les deseamos a todos una feliz Navidad y un feliz Año Nuevo.

Horario normal, a menos que se especifique anteriormente.

La despensa de alimentos está abierta los lunes de 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. en la casa ubicada en Brown Road.

Brindamos ayuda alimentaria y/o financiera para residentes del condado de Greenville y para feligreses registrados en Santa María Magdalena.

Para pedir una cita para ayuda financiera, llame al 864-537-4274 en español o 864-537-4268 en inglés.

Audio/Visual (AV) Ministry

St. Mary Magdalene is seeking volunteers to assist during Mass and at other Parish functions to run our A/V systems.

We welcome anyone who is interested in this new ministry, and training will be provided. However, if you are skilled in all or some of the following areas, that would be helpful:

- Livestreaming/Webcasting
- Online Meetings/Talks
- Video Production and Editing
- Audio Mixing
- Equipment Management and Deployment

<u>Please click here</u> to fill out a form to let us know about your interest and time availability.

For questions, please email Michael McGarry at michaelmcg@smmcc.org or call 864-537-4235.



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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 kellym@smmcc.org.

Online Giving

Have you signed up for Online Giving?

Choose your method:

Download the *Online Giving* App, or visit www.smmcc.org/onlinegiving, or text your offering (dollar amount) to 864-263-1038.

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¿Tiene cuenta para dar su donación en línea?

Utilice el método que le favorezca: Baje la App Online Giving, visite la página www.smmcc.org/online-giving, o haga su ofrenda por mensaje de texto. Marque la cantidad que desea ofrecer al número 864-263-1038.

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Offertory for Fiscal Year

July 2020 - June 2021 as of December 6, 2020

Current Week	Current Week	Current Week
Actual	Budget	Actual/Budget
\$53,015	\$57,245	93%
Year-to-Date	Year-to-Date	Year-to-Date
Actual	Budget	Actual/Budget

Mass Attendance for December 5/6: 2,331

St. Vincent de Paul Outreach

42 families 160 people Serve 21 Phone Financial Assistance Interviews

Face Mask Project

Total number of masks delivered thus far: 6,108

We are thankful for the gifts and for the givers!

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 Office are open
Monday - Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Masks are required and appointments are highly
encouraged.

We remind you that the staff is available to help you via email and phone. Please visit our Parish Office web page, www.smmcc.org/67, for contact information. If you are not sure who to contact, please email office@smmcc.org.

Christmas Flowers



Christmas Flower envelopes are available in the Narthex. Please drop them in the offertory basket or bring them to the parish office no later than Monday, December 21.

Please print clearly on the envelope. Thank You!

You can also use the envelope in your packet or log in to your Online Giving account.

The 2021 Calendars are Here!

They come in English, Spanish and Polish. Pick up your free calendar from the Narthex.



PARISH LIFE - OTHER NEWS



Newly Registered Families

We are delighted that you have joined our Parish family!

The Gerhard Family
The Stone Family
The Mozo-Cortes Family
The Florez Family
The Messina Family
The Giraldo Family
The Delgado Vazquez
Family
The Furda Family
The Palacios and Meikle
Families
The Rosemond Family
Oswaldo Arenas and Pilin
Posada

The Galvis FamilyThe
Benitez Family
Andy Tennison
The Haffner Family
The Olaya Garcia Family
Melina Knowles
Miguel Cuesta and Karen
McCormick
Joan Greenaway
The Anderson Family
The Davis Family
The Pineda Family
Alejandra Hernandez and
Ali Muguerza

We hope you will join us in serving our Parish family and the community through the many ministries at St. Mary Magdalene.

We would be happy to help you find a ministry where you can grow and serve. To find out how, please contact Olga at servants@smmcc.org.

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.

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.

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.

We are on Social Media

Find us (SMMSimpsonville), follow us, like us! And don't forget to share our posts.



Facebook, Twitter, Pinterest and Instagram.

Not on social media?

You might be missing out on the Mass and Rosary livestream, as well as posts from other sites that may be of interest to you such as free conferences, great Catholic articles and videos. And of course any last minute news we want to share is always posted on our social media pages.

Organ Recital

On Sunday, December 13, 2020, at 6:30 p.m., Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church organist and choirmaster, Alan Montgomery, will give an organ recital playing works of Bach, Bruhns, Karg-Elert, and Elgar.

The church is located at 3710 Augusta Rd., Greenville, SC, and the recital is free and open to the public. Seating is limited.



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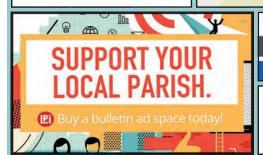
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