ST. MARY MAGDALENE CA HOLIC CHURCH

2252 Woodruff Road Simpsonville, SC 29681 864-288-4884 | office@smmcc.org DECEMBER 17, 2023 Third Sunday of Advent Father Theo Trujillo, Pastor

My soul rejoices in my God.

ls 61:1, Lk 1:46

The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me...

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SPIRITUAL LIFE

Mass Schedule and Mass Intentions

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

Saturday, Decemb 5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. (Esp) Sunday, Decembe 7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. (Esp) 3:00 p.m. (Pol)	Mom, dad and brothers St. Mary Magdalene Parish			
6:00 p.m.	† Mary Bezek			
Monday, Decembe				
8:30 a.m.	† Barbara Joan Watzin			
Noon Richard and Patricia LaHood Tuesday, December 19				
8:30 a.m. † Patricia Landmann				
Noon	† Lynn Pittner O'Hare			
7:00 p.m.	Anna Niepke			
Wednesday, December 20				
8:30 a.m.	† Schoepf Siegried			
Noon	† Anthony Cipriani			
Thursday, Decem				
8:30 a.m.	Vecchio Abbade Warner			
Noon	† Richard Pittner			
Friday, December				
8:30 a.m.	† Herbert Landmann			
Noon	† Michael Rable and Joseph Furda			
Saturday, Decemb 8:30 a.m.				
5:00 p.m.	† Thomas Butler Cress † Thomas Connolly, Sr.			
7:00 p.m. (Esp)	St. Mary Magdalene Parish			
Sunday December 24, 4th Sunday of Advent				
7:30 a.m.	† Andrew Hryniewicz			
9:00 a.m.	Unborn babies and their mothers			
11:00 a.m.	† Gina Maness			
1:00 p.m. (Esp)	† Etelvina Barbacoa			
	24, Christmas Eve			
4:00 p.m.	† Loreto Paglia			
4:00 p.m. <i>PLB</i>	† Harrison Acree			
6:00 p.m.	† Gerald "Jerry" Keeton			
6:00 p.m. <i>PLB</i>	† Franklin Johnson			
8:00 p.m. (Esp)	† Junior Gabriel Linares			

PLB—Parish Life Building

Mass Readings/Lecturas

www.usccb.org

Childcare During Mass

For the 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday Masses, childcare is available in the Conner Ministry Building for children 4 and under.

NOTE: There will be no childcare on Sunday, December 24 and Sunday, December 31.

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.

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, John Kelly, Patricia O'Brien, Beth Snyder, Jennifer Farrell, Olivia Fu, Herm Spitzer, Rosa Schaeuble, Ed Zaik, Lilly Shields, Bryan Aho, Weston Vigil, Tim Rankin, Judy Balk, Kathy Ervin, Kenneth Ortiz, Edna Maldonado, Robert Hoyt, Janice & Edward Reed, Linda Overcon, Elizabeth Cox, David Guzman, Voite Hurst, Connor Idi, Andrea Wiggins, Noraima Hernandez, Jazmin Castillo, Elizabeth Sima and all who are sick and suffering in our community.

Other Masses

December 17 at 3 p.m. Polish: Filipino: Portuguese: 7 p.m.

First Saturday of the month at 10 a.m. Second and Fourth Friday of the month at

Livestreamed Mass

8:30 a.m. daily Mass

9 a.m. and 1 p.m. (Spanish) Sunday Mass Watch on Facebook at facebook.com/SMMsimpsonville and on our website at www.smmcc.org/livestream



December 17, 2023

SPIRITUAL LIFE

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MASS TIMES

Christmas Eve 4 p.m. | 6 p.m. | 8 (Spanish)

Lessons and Carols at 11:15 p.m. followed by Midnight Mass

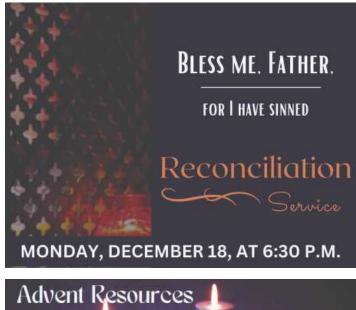
Christmas Day *9 a.m. | 11 a.m. | *1 p.m. (Spanish) | 6 p.m.

* Livestreamed

Sunday, December 24

Please note that the following Sunday Masses fulfill the Fourth Sunday of Advent obligation, not Christmas.

7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. (Spanish)





En el Evangelio de hoy

El Tercer Domingo de Adviento es el domingo de "Gaudete", que en latín quiere decir alégrense o estar alegres. Por este motivo, las lecturas de hoy nos hablan del regocijo de tener al Señor ya casi con nosotros: "Estén siempre alegres en el Señor, les repito, estén alegres." El Señor está cerca. A esta altura del Adviento, debemos estar ya preparados y listos para recibir a Jesús, especialmente en la familia. Es esencial ayudar a los más pequeños a comprender que el mejor regalo de Navidad es Jesús en nuestro hogar. Danos Señor la alegría del Evangelio y el gozo de María, al esperar a su Hijo amado. Danos el compromiso de Juan Bautista, que anunciaba la luz del que iba a venir, y del cual no era digno de desatarle la correa sus sandalias. Todo eso es lo que nos hace cristianos comprometidos, ayudándonos unos a otros a ir al encuentro de Dios en esta Navidad.

"El camino de la alegría no es fácil, no es un paseo. Se necesita trabajo para estar siempre en la alegría" (Papa Francisco 12-13-2020). ¿Cuándo soy testigo de la alegría que existe en mi por mi bautismo? ¿Cuándo soy testigo de la luz de Cristo? Señor, tú me conoces bien y sabes que muchas veces mi estilo de vida no está al nivel que tu mereces. Sabes que, en lugar de confiar en ti plenamente, cierro las posibilidades de encuentro, de confianza contigo y con mi familia. Deseo ser libre de toda oscuridad, dame tu luz para ver tu verdad. ¡Ven Señor! ©LPi

SPIRITUAL LIFE - FORMATION







First Sunday of every month beginning January 7 after the 6:00 p.m. Mass

Pray the Rosary with Us!

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

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!



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

El 1^{er} viernes del mes tenemos una noche de adoración Eucarística.

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

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 have any questions.

Feel Like Something's Missing?

Come experience the Good News that over 1,000 parishioners here at St. Mary Magdalene have had with Alpha.

 Made me realize what was missing in my life and I never felt judged, which was awesome! Unplug. Connect. Try Alpha.

- A great booster shot to my faith and spiritual journey.
- I feel a stronger desire of learning more about my Catholic religion.
- I was renewed and encouraged spiritually; I now look forward to coming to church.

Alpha is for everyone, from questioning skeptics to those looking to reinvigorate their faith, Catholic or not. Come and See!

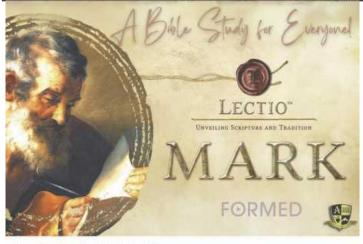
Morning and evening Alpha sessions are available. Evenings start Wednesday, January 17, at 6:30 p.m. Mornings start Thursday, January 18 at 9:15 a.m. All Sessions are held in the Parish Life Building.

Dropping kids off for Christian Formation or preschool is also a perfect opportunity to Join us for Spring Alpha 2024.



Scan the QR code to register or learn more at <u>smmcc.org/alpha</u>

FORMATION



Lectio: Mark: Faith Not Fear

Join Dr. Tim Gray in this powerful 14-part series to discover the Gospel of Mark like never before.

Immerse yourself in this action-packed Gospel that offers Saint Peter's account of Christ's life and teaching. Combining the insights of Dr. Tim Gray with the masterful artistry of the Augustine Institute, this Lectio series uses the Church's rich tradition of Lectio Divina to help you better understand and pray with the Gospel of Mark.

This Bible Study is for the Everyone!

You can do the study independently or with your family and friends in a small-group setting.

The workbook is \$10 and the videos are available on FORMED.

Ladies can join the Women's Bible Study starting January 9 at 9:30 a.m. or January 11 at 7 p.m. They meet in the Parish Life Building.

Scan the QR code to purchase your workbook.

Our Parish has a FORMED Subscription

To set up your free account, visit <u>formed.org</u> signup and select our Parish.



You can also find more information and Pick of the Week on our web page at:

www.smmcc.org/online-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.



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>

Want to serve the youth of our Parish?

Our youth need role models of all ages and backgrounds. You can work with our youth directly or behind the scenes. Volunteer by contacting Joe Maggio, Youth Minister, at joem@smmcc.org.

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, in the parent's room on the tabernacle side.

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.

We hope you will join us and grow together in faith.

MINISTRIES IN ACTION

Respect Life Advent Calendar

Third Week of Advent Light the 3rd candle – the pink/rose candle which represents Joy.

- Bring flowers to put on someone's grave at a cemetery
- Pray and fast for pregnant mothers and their unborn children
- Send a Christmas card to your priests
- Donate food, hats, gloves, scarves and/or coats to SVdP, Catholic Charities or other charity organization
- Go Christmas caroling



Proudly Pro-Life Rally

January 5 and 6, 2024 in Columbia, SC

Contact Respectlife@smmcc.org for more information and if you would like to carpool.

More information is available at www.sclife.org/events

St. Vincent de Paul



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.

Canned and other non-perishable food donations are always welcome, and can be left in the container located in the Narthex. Perhaps you could consider a donation via <u>Online Giving</u>. Log in or select *Quick Give*, find the St. Vincent de Paul fund and make your donation.

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

Thank you for your continued support. It's a blessing to us and the families we help.



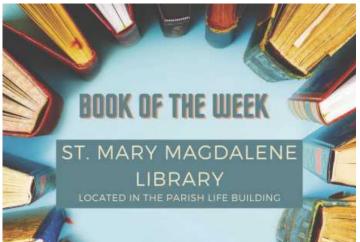
It's that time of the year when we need help with parking the more than 7,000 people who will come to our church on Christmas Eve.

We need at least 17 people covering each of the 3 shifts on Christmas Eve.

This is a very important ministry and service offered to help everyone have a safe and orderly experience coming to and going from the celebration of the birth of our Lord.

Please sign up for a shift and join us for an organizational meeting Tuesday, December 19, at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Life Building, room 106.





This week's recommended library title is "Into His Likeness" by Dr. Edward Sri.

Are you longing to grow closer to Christ during this Advent season? In this very helpful and inspiring book, Dr. Sri walks you through the practical steps of becoming a true disciple of Christ. A short, fantastic read!

Find this title in the church library or request it online at <u>stmarymagdalene.library.site</u>

Contact us at library@smmcc.org

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in the Fellowship Hall 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. Beef or Vegetarian Chili, cornbread, toppings bar, dessert bar and beverage. \$10 a plate.

> Sponsored by the Columbiettes 10819

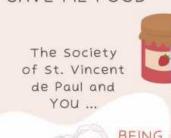
For tickets, scan QR Code or visit https://columbiettes-10819.square.site/

> Cena de chili para recaudar fondos Organizado por las Columbiettes 10819

13 de enero de 5:30 p.m. a 8:30 p.m. en el edificio Parish Life Chili con carne o vegetariano, pan, aderezos, postre y bebida. Costo: \$10 el plato.



Para comprar boletos, escanee el codigo QR.





BEING CHRIST TO OTHERS



The pantry needs cereal, pasta, jelly, and canned meat, tuna, and chili.

Get Involved!

Whether you want to share your time in prayer or formation, or share your God-given talents with your parish, we have a ministry for you!

Visit our ministry locator page.

PARISH LIFE

MANY BLESSINGS ON THE 16TH ANNIVERSARY OF YOUR PRIESTLY ORDINATION.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR LOVING SERVICE TO THE PARISHIONERS OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE.

MAY YOUR PRIESTLY MINISTRY CONTINUE TO BE FILLED WITH HIS GRACE AND JOY.



¿Ha habido algún cambio en sus datos?

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

Contact Information

Has your contact information changed?

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



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 <u>office@smmcc.org</u>.

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



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>.



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 bsnvder@smmcc.org.

Offertory for Fiscal Year

July 2023 - June 2024 as of December 3, 2023

Mass attendance for December 2/3: 4,628

	Actual	Budget	Actual/ Budget
Current Week Sunday	\$55,867	\$73,906	76%
Year-to-Date Sunday	\$1,564,519	\$1,699,846	92%
Year-to-Date Christmas	\$325	\$0	_
Year-to-Date Holy Days	\$14,189	\$13,842	103%
Year-to-Date Total	\$1,579,034	\$1,713,688	92 %



Debt to Pay Down:	\$ 900,000	
Collected to Date:	\$ 128,556	
Remaining Debit:	\$ 771,444	
Progress	Remaining	
14.3%	85.7%	

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 gifts and for the givers!

Pastoral Staff

PASTOR Fr. Theo Trujillo

PAROCHIAL VICARS Fr. Ray Nacino Fr. Stephen Dyas, RC

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.

The Parish Offices will close at noon on Friday, December 22.

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

We Are a Tithing Parish

United Ministries of Greenville

Thanks to your generosity ... we're giving back to the community.

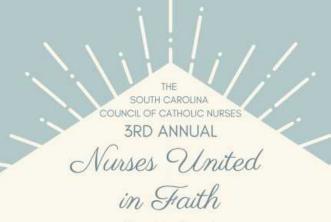
The Outreach Tithe Committee is donating \$2,500 to United Ministries of Greenville. They help around 2,000 individuals and families each year, providing them with shelter, food and utilities.

They offer financial coaching and assist students in obtaining their GED.

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

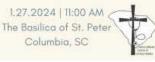


IN THE COMMUNITY



Reception & Lunch Presentation by Sister Stella Mary Okogie, SSMA Mass with Very Rev. Canon Gary S. Linsky VF, VP

Registration fee: \$15 RSVP by January 1st SCcatholicNursesegmail.com



Catholic Charities Clothing Closet



The clothing closet provides Catholic Charities clothes to those in need, especially our homeless clients.

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

The most pressing needs are:

- Children's clothing
- Men's jackets •
- NEW underwear (M/L/XL+ preferred)
- Pants, sweaters, long-sleeve shirts, sweatshirts and jeans (M/L/XL+ preferred)
- Women's coats and jackets
- Comfortable shoes (like sneakers, no heels)
- New or gently used socks
- Hats and gloves

Donations can be dropped off at: Catholic Charities, 2300 Old Buncombe Rd., Monday through Thursdays, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Please call 864-331-2629 if you have any questions.

Learn more about Catholic Charities and how you can get involved to serve those in need in our community.



Marriage Encounter

Are you looking to rediscover the spark that was there on your wedding day? Do you want to rediscover the best friend you had when you were first married? Unwrap the gifts in your marriage on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a weekend for married couples who value their relationship and desire a richer, fuller life together.

Sign up for the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on January 26-28, 2024, in North Myrtle Beach, SC.

Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit https://SCMarriageMatters.org or contact US at applications@scmarriagematters.org or 803-810-9602.

Marriage Troubles?

If your marriage has become troubled and stressed, unloving or uncaring; if you have grown cold and distant; even if you are divorced or separated, or are thinking about it, Retrouvaille can help, as it has helped tens of thousands of others.

Our next program begins January 19-21, 2024.

For more information, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com, or call 727-343-6701. This is not counseling or group therapy. All contacts and names are held in strictest confidence.

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 OIN OUR EMAIL LIST.

We are on Social Media

Find us (SMMSimpsonville) we are on Facebook and Instagram





