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WEEKEND MASS

Upper Church Saturday 5:00 pm, Anticipated Saturday, 8:00pm, Neocatechumenal Way Mass (Lower Church)

Sunday 8:00 am, 10:30 am, 5:00 pm

WEEKEND CONFESSIONS

Saturday, 3:30-4:30 pm Sunday, 9:00-10:00 am

DAILY MASS

Monday, 8:30 am, Lower Church Tuesday, 12:00 pm, Lower Church Wednesday, 6:00 pm Upper Church Thursday, 10:00 am, Upper Church Friday, 10:00 am, Lower Church

> **DAILY CONFESSIONS** Upper Church

Wednesday, 4:30-5:30 pm Or by appointment

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

First Friday, 11am-5pm, Lower Church Wednesday, 7am-5pm, Upper Church Thursday, 7-8 pm, Lower Church

Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church

3710 Augusta Rd. † Greenville, SC 29605

July 16, 2023

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Pastor's Letter this week will be from Tommy Curtin, Headmaster

In my last letter, I argued that OLR school offers an education that is fundamentally different from and superior to the pagan education of the public school system. We achieve this through an academic program that is at once Catholic and classical. Those reading these words likely have a good sense of what it means to receive a Catholic education. The doctrines of the Church are clearly taught in the classroom, validated by the words of scripture and the lives of the saints. While this teaching is being received by the students, the students grow in holiness through daily prayer and regular reception of the sacraments.

Here's the crucial part: Catholic education only works to the extent it takes place within a school culture that it coheres with and reinforces it. The average Catholic school lacks that to some degree, with the predicable result being that many students leave the Faith as soon as they leave the school.

This is why the classical part of the OLR program is so essential to the mission. Classical education provides an intellectual framework that allows Catholic teaching and formation to take deep root and blossom. For the sake of brevity, I will simply list the things OLR's classical education does differently. Together, these classical practices create fertile soil in which to plant a young Christian Catholic soul.

- Examples of Truth, Goodness, and Beauty are placed before the students at every opportunity.
- Stories with clear examples of right and wrong permeate the curriculum at all grades.
- Students develop their capacity for memory through the daily recitation of prayers, poems, Bible verses, and factual truths.
- Knowledge of actual content is prioritized rather than the mere acquisition of skills.
- History is emphasized to ensure students develop an appreciation for the immutability of human nature and the consequences of our actions.
- The study of Latin equips students to master the vocabulary and structure of their own language.
- Intensive work in grammar, logic, and rhetoric ensures students will be able to reason, write, and speak well.
- Technology use is kept to a minimum to help keep the students from developing a tech-dependent mentality while they are still developing their sense of self and others.

Most of what we do at OLR is simply what all schools used to do, whether Catholic or not. The difference is that, while other schools chased trends and abandoned these practices, OLR has rediscovered them within the classical model. The parents of our students see and understand the difference it makes. I hope all OLR parishioners may share in their appreciation for the great work our classical Catholic school is doing.

Tommy Curtin Headmaster

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Parish Operating Financials

Weekend Collections for July 2, 2023

Needed:	\$ 19,000.	
Received:	\$ 19,628.	
Surplus:	\$ 628.	

Weekend Collections for July 9, 2023

Needed:	\$ 19,000.
Received:	\$ 15,792.
Shortfall:	\$ -3,208.

Fiscal Year-to-Date Collections Through Week #2 in the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2023

\$ 38,000.
\$ 35,420.
\$ -2,580.

Join us this Sunday, July 16, after the 10:30am Mass for our Third Sunday Fellowship. Everyone is invited for coffee and donuts in the Courtyard.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Nancy Alibozek, Delores Almaraz, Barbara Andersen, Ruth Ballard, Laurie Bernard, Jim Bever, Glen Bishof, Sandra Brock, John Bruce, OFS, Megan Burgess, Will Busby, Martha Catel, Claudia Caldwell, Alex Camp, Carson Family, Kathleen Crawford, Margaret Culkin, Rose Cusumano, Christy Dias, Joseph Donovan, Marian Eleazer, Sarah & Teresa Fuller, Larry & Cynthia Good, Michael Granger, Phillip Greene, Ed Harden, Janet Hardy, Donald Hargis, Theresa Hargreaves, Kathy Hess, Kathy Illingworth, Ingrid Ireland, Bob Jackowski, Bethe Kitchen, Kenneth Landgrover, Gerry Loesch, John Loesch, Katherine Lowry, Anna Lunn, Madeline McKiernan, Lisa Meyer, Dianne Morrison, Marjorie Munson, Mrs. That Nguyen, Kim Orr, Marlowe Pastor, Dcn. Ray & Nancy Perham, Thien Pham, Andres Prestoza, Jacob & Jaxson Rivera, David Rubardt, Sonam Sherpa, Nancy & Earl Smith, Frank Striplin, Peter Stryker, Tedrick Family, Cheryl Wallace, Mary Lou Whelan, Kayla Wiegand, Steve Wiltberger, Marcia Wolff, Jim Wood, Will Woodward, Mary Louise Worthy & family, and all who are sick.

PARISH CALENDAR Saturday, July 15, through Sunday, July 23 (Mass Intentions are shown in italics) All Masses are held in Upper Church unless otherwise noted.

Saturday, 7/15	3:30 - 4:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For The People</i>
Sunday, 7/16	8:00 am-Mass, For Departed Souls in Purgatory 9:00 - 10:00 am - Confessions (Upper Church) 10:30 am - Mass 5:00 pm - Mass, For Matthew Craft+
Monday, 7/17 <i>Lower Church</i>	8:30 am - Mass
Tuesday, 7/18 <i>Lower Church</i>	12:00 pm - Mass, For Linda Flage+
Wednesday, 7/19	 7:00 am - 5:00 pm - Eucharistic Adoration 4:30 - 5:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 6:00 pm - Mass, For Fr. Richard & Ruth Ballard
Thursday, 7/20 <i>Lower Church</i>	10:00 am - Mass
Friday, 7/21 <i>Lower Church</i>	10:00 am - Mass, For Bobbie Godfrey
Saturday, 7/22	3:30 - 4:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Fred Rogers</i> +
Sunday, 7/23	8:00 am - Mass, For George & Martha Jackowski+ 9:00 - 10:00 am - Confessions (Upper Church) 10:30 am - Mass, For Carol Bever+ 5:00 pm - Mass, For The People

Fr. Longenecker is teaming up with notable
Bible teacher, Steve Ray, to lead a parish pilgrimage to the Holy Land on May 15-24, 2024.
If you're interested mark your calendars and email Donna Craft in the Parish Office, <u>dcraft@charlestondiocese.org</u>.

MOTHER TERESA HOUSE

"Deepen your prayer life and you will grow in holiness and obtain many graces for the souls entrusted to your care." Mother Teresa

I often talk about prayer life and its value to all the work we do in this parish, our school, in our families, and community. I cannot do my work at Mother Teresa House without your prayers. The work we do is hard, people can be unreasonable, and they often blame us for the choices they have made.

Without your prayers and His strengthening me (and a very supportive wife and family), I would long ago have waived a white flag. I ask you to find ways to deepen your prayer life through constant visits to the Eucharist and the sacraments, set aside time for personal and family prayer every day, learn to pray, always as it is in that prayer that we are linked together to serve Him in our community. Thank you for your continued prayer and support!

Chris Loewer, Director of Outreach cloewer@charlestondiocese.org

Interested in Becoming Catholic?

Our RCIA classes will begin soon, please contact JohnMark Cayer at jcayer@charlestondiocese.org for more information.



SCHOOL BACKPACKS NEEDED

Please consider donating new school supplies and backpacks for the needy children in our neighborhood.

Church Without Walls will be collecting these soon, so please bring them to the Parish Office by Wednesday, July 26.

The Diocesan Second Collection for the weekend of July 16, will be for Infirm Priests.

The Tithe Committee will make a donation on behalf of OLR, however, there will also be a basket in the Narthex if you wish to make an additional donation.

Spiritual Adoption WEEK 17, July 16



When you visit the doctor for an ultrasound, you will now see bones, ears, and many other features. Your baby now also has unique finger, palm, and footprints, which have formed while he has been growing in the womb.

School News



August 10 Back to School Night

August 14 First Day of Class (2023-24 School Year)

St. Vincent de Paul Society

In today's Gospel, we hear the story of the Sower, and we know that "some seed fell on rich soil, and produce fruit, a hundred or sixty or thirty fold."

This week by putting a gift in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box, know that together they will produce fruit a hundred fold. Please make checks payable to *St. Vincent de Paul, OLR Conference*.



The 3rd Annual World Day of Prayer for Grandparents and the Elderly will take place on Sunday, July 23, near the feast day of Saints Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus.

The theme chosen by Pope Francis for this year is "His mercy extends from age to age" (Luke 1:50).

OLR's Respect Life Committee will be celebrating our Grandparents and Elders at each Mass the weekend of July 22/23. There will be a reception after the Anticipated Mass on July 22, in Guadalupe Hall for the grandparents and elderly of our parish. A light meal, name-that-jingle- game, and fellowship will highlight a fun and enjoyable evening. Call/text Victoria Norris at <u>864.517.4279</u> or



11th Annual Marian Eucharistic Conference Friday, October 13 - Saturday, October 14 at the Greenville Convention Center

Our featured speakers include: Fr. Donald Calloway, MIC, STB, STL; Fr. Thomas Petri, OP, STB, STL, STD; Jim Wahlberg; John Martignoni; Fr. John Bartunek, LC, S.Th.D.

General admission is \$125, youth is \$75, and it includes dinner on Friday and lunch on Saturday. Register by October 2, by mail. Registration after October 2: \$135. All need to be registered by October 6. Please see the OLR websites at <u>olr.church</u> and <u>olr.school</u> for all the most recent news and announcements.

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