



Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church

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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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

First Friday, 11am-5pm, Lower Church

Wednesday, 7am-5pm, Upper Church

Thursday, 7-8 pm, Lower Church

August 6, 2023

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Pastor's Letter this week is from JohnMark Cayer, Dir. of Faith Formation

The Summer is ending, and with it comes the sought after stability of the school year with the reminder that we have forgotten much, and have a great deal to learn. Especially when it comes to the Faith, we have the wonderful opportunity to constantly grow further up and further in to our understanding of the Church and our Blessed Lord. St. Jerome is credited with saying that "Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ". I would go further to say that ignorance of Christ is ignorance of Christ! It is necessary that we avail ourselves of every opportunity to come to a closer relationship with Christ by familiarizing ourselves with the Goods of our tradition, the Truths of our Faith, and the Beauty of the Church.

Here at Our Lady of the Rosary, we do our best to facilitate an ongoing catechesis from the womb to the tomb; from our Sunday Morning Catechesis program which serves K4-5th grade, to our Adult Education program which is open to anyone who desires a deeper understanding of Church teaching, culture, and history. We have something for everyone.

Allow me to give a brief overview of the various catechetical opportunities this fall...

-For children K4-5th grade, we have our Sunday Morning Catechesis which begins Sunday September 17, from 9:15am-10am. This is open to all children of the parish, and is necessary for non-OLR school children who need to receive their First Holy Communion in 2nd grade.

-For grades 6-8, we have our Middle School Youth Group which begins August 13, after the 5pm Holy Mass. Led by Mr. Joe Devine and his team, this is for all Middle School students and is necessary for those who would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in 8th grade.

-Also, for those who would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in 8th grade, we are hosting the Family Honor Program on September 27, October 4, and 11.

-For grades 9-12, we have our High School Youth Group which begins August 13, after the 5pm Holy Mass. Led by Mr. Dave Haggard and his team, this is for all High School students.

-For adults desiring further catechesis, we have our Adult Catechesis on Sunday Mornings at 9:15am starting on September 17. This semester we will be going through an overview of Catholic architecture with one of our more knowledgeable parishioners, Dr. Carolyn Watson.

Christ desires to be known and loved, and it is necessary to know Christ in order to love him. Make liberal use of the many opportunities for catechesis that our parish has to offer. Sign up for a Holy Hour. Read the Scriptures. Engage in community. We are here to facilitate your ongoing catechesis and conversion, but you have to do the heavy lifting.

If you are interested in any of these opportunities, would like to know more, would like to assist in any capacity, or would simply like to discuss the Faith then please contact JohnMark Cayer at (864) 422-1648 ext 209, or jcayer@charlestandioocese.org or during normal office hours.

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Parish Operating Financials

Weekend Collections for July 30, 2023

Needed: \$ 19,000.

Not yet published.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Nancy Alibozek, Delores Almaraz, Barbara Andersen, Ruth Ballard, Laurie Bernard, Jim Bever, Glen Bishof, Sandra Brock, John Bruce, OFS, Will Busby, Martha Catel, Claudia Caldwell, Alex Camp, Carson Family, Kathleen Crawford, Margaret Culkin, Rose Cusumano, Christy Dias, 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, August 5, through Sunday, August 13

(Mass Intentions are shown in italics)

All Masses are held in Upper Church unless otherwise noted.

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| Saturday, 8/5 | 3:30 - 4:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For The People</i> |
| Sunday, 8/6 | 8:00 am - Mass, <i>For Murray M. Howard, Jr. +</i> 9:00 - 10:00 am - Confessions (Upper Church) 10:30 am - Mass, <i>For Andrew & Ursula Osteoski+</i> 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Roxanne Gurley+</i> |
| Monday, 8/7 Lower Church | 8:30 am - Mass |
| Tuesday, 8/8 Lower Church | 12:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Special Intention</i> |
| Wednesday, 8/9 | 7:00 am - 5:00 pm - Eucharistic Adoration 4:30 - 5:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 6:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Frank Torres+</i> |
| Thursday, 8/10 Lower Church | 10:00am - Mass, <i>For Sr. Mary Ruth Bernard, OP</i> |
| Friday, 8/11 Lower Church | 10:00 am - Mass, <i>For Sr. Claire, OP</i> |
| Saturday, 8/12 | 3:30 - 4:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Marta Comas</i> |
| Sunday, 8/13 | 8:00 am - Mass, <i>For Mack L. Howard+</i> 9:00 - 10:00 am - Confessions (Upper Church) 10:30 am - Mass, <i>For Frank Walker+</i> 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For The People</i> |

Next week the fall semester begins at

OLR School. Consequently, the Thursday Daily Mass, starting August 17, will resume being celebrated in the Upper Church, and will be the weekly "School Mass."

Please be aware that due to our increased school enrollment, seating is very limited.

OLR Parish Retreat at Look Up Lodge Saturday, September 9, 9am-7pm

This event is free, however, you may wish to make a donation to help offset the cost. Space is limited, go [HERE](#) to reserve your spot.

MOTHER TERESA HOUSE

"Sweetest Lord, make me appreciative of the dignity of my high vocation, and its many responsibilities. Never permit me to disgrace it by giving way to coldness, unkindness, or impatience." **Mother Teresa**

Vocation refers to a call, specifically a call by God. In the Catholic church, there are four vocations: ordained life, vowed religious life, married life, and dedicated single life. I was called to married life, by far the most common, and no less a vocation than any of the others. It is a high vocation indeed. I always pray to be the husband and father I am called to be.

In our society, marriage and family life are being torn apart, as marriage, for many, has become a convenience and a nice idea until it isn't. Sixty years ago, family life was still important to people of all economic classes. Between government intervention, modern relativism, the sexual revolution and our "me first" culture, families have been destroyed and divorce and single parent families are normal. At Mother Teresa House, the attack on families is prevalent with those we serve. Pray for them, our country and our Catholic Church. Remember the high calling of your vocation and remember to not disgrace it with coldness, unkindness or impatience and our world will be a better place.

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SCHOOL BACKPACKS STILL 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.



Please note . . .

Beginning on Monday, August 7,
Parish and School Office regular hours will resume.
Open Monday-Friday, from 9am-3pm.

Spiritual Adoption

WEEK 20 August 6

Your baby's rate of breathing and heart rate are changing frequently throughout the day. He has higher breathing rates right after the mother eats, and lower heart rates at night. Baby's heart began pumping fifteen weeks ago and he began breathing eleven weeks ago.



School News



August 10 Back to School Night
4-7pm, in the Gym

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

St. Vincent de Paul Society

In the Gospel, the Lord's voice says; "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." The disciples were afraid, but Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and do not be afraid."


Know that in making your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you are listening to Christ, and helping others to not be afraid. In July, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul enabled the poor to experience Jesus' presence by providing food to 210 families. Thank You!

During the weekend of August 12/13, OLR will be visited by Sr. Stan Therese Mario Mumuni, foundress and superior of the Marian Sisters of Eucharistic Love in Yendi, Northern Ghana, West Africa. She will speak briefly after all of the weekend Masses, and at length during the education hour on Sunday, August 13, at 9:00 a.m. in Guadalupe Hall. The primary apostolate of Sr. Stan, and her order, is the operation of Nazareth Home for God's Children which provides care for orphaned and abandoned children. They currently provide for the physical, emotional and spiritual welfare of over 100 children. Rachel Ducker, one of OLR's parishioners, recently visited Ghana and volunteered at Sr. Stan's orphanage. Please plan to come and hear about Sr. Stan's vision of humility and love as she works to save the lives of the most vulnerable members of her community. An opportunity for donations to support her work will also be given.

All are welcome to join St. Martha's Book Club on **Monday, Aug 7, from 12:30-2:00 pm** as we discuss "**Peace Like a River**" by Leif Enger. Call Marianne 360-2406 for location.

Campus Clean Up Day

Please join us on **Saturday, August 12**, from 8am-12pm. Volunteers are reminded to wear clothes that can get dirty or stained, as there will be plenty of cleaning, organizing, gardening, possibly sodding, and painting. Some tools and supplies will be provided but volunteers are encouraged to also bring their own.



You are invited to join

Joseph Pearce,

internationally known author & speaker,
as he shares his wisdom on
**"The Evangelizing Power of
Beauty: Converting the Culture"**

August 16, 2023
7pm
Saint Mary Magdalene Catholic Church
Fellowship Hall
2252 Woodruff Road-Simpsonville, SC

Free of charge though donations appreciated.
Books will be available for purchase and signing.
Baked goods will also be available for purchase.

Discover how
the beauty of
Catholic art and
culture can win
souls for Christ
and His Church.

More of Joseph Pearce's work can
be found at JPearce.co

Save the Date for HS Youth Group!

Are you an incoming freshman-senior student?
If so, mark your calendars for our kickoff meeting
Sunday, August 13, and our Youth Day Away at
Camp Awanita on Saturday, August 19.

For most young adults, the time in high school can be a "make or break" period in one's faith. The Youth Group at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish provides a place where you can ask the difficult questions: *what is my purpose? Who and what is God? Should I persevere in Catholicism? Is my faith really true?* These are the type of questions that every youth asks himself. A well-ordered youth group gives these serious questions the time and space they deserve, so that you can make the faith your own. The OLR Youth Group is a vital opportunity for young Catholics to deepen their understanding of the truths of the faith and grow into spiritual maturity. Not only does our youth group allow time for questions, its aim is to teach adolescents the practice of prayer.

Our goal is to pray on a deeper level, and to engage in the spirituality of the saints, from Francis De Sales to Therese of Lisieux. It is not a coincidence that spiritual giants like this had friends and relatives who were also saints. A further aim of our youth group is to surround yourself with friends who are seeking God together. With this in mind, we are inviting all incoming 9-12th graders to come and be part the OLR Youth Group.

We meet Sunday nights in the OLR cafeteria from 6-8 pm, with free time, dinner, and then a conversation and prayer. Our first meeting will be August 13. If you would like to be put on the email list for our group, please email me at David.haggard@olrschool.net.

Our Youth Day away is at Camp Awanita on Saturday August 19. The goal of this day is to meet people and cultivate friendships. The cost of the day away is \$45 and will include 2 meals. Checks can be dropped off in the parish office and or brought to the first YG meeting on August 13, and can be made out OLR with "Youth Day Away" on the Memo line. We have reserved 30 spots, and need to know by August 13.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13 – SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2023

Marian Eucharistic Conference

Featured Speakers





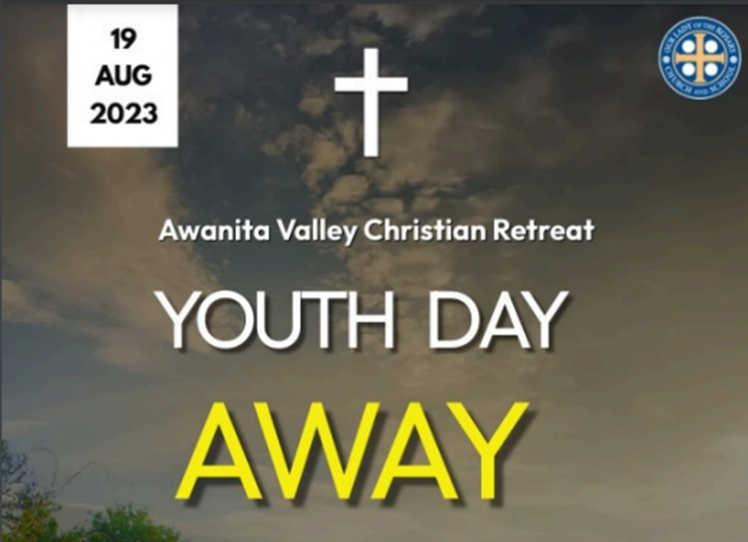



Rev. Don Calloway, MIC Very Rev. Thomas Petri, OP
Rev. John Bartunek, LC Jim Wahlberg John Martignoni

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. For more information, go to <http://www.meconferencesc.net>



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Awanita Valley Christian Retreat

YOUTH DAY AWAY

Please see the OLR websites at olr.church and olr.school for all the most recent news and announcements.