



# Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church

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## **WEEKEND MASS**

*Upper Church*

**Saturday** 5:00 pm, Anticipated

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

## **WEEKEND CONFESSIONS**

Saturday, 3:30-4:30 pm

Sunday, 9:00-10:00 am

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## **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

April 23, 2023

Third Sunday of Easter

Brothers and Sisters,

In the wake of the Second Vatican Council the Holy Spirit inspired the formation of various new communities for evangelization, renewal and catechesis. One of these groups is called the Neocatechumenal Way.

The **Neocatechumenal Way**, also known as the **Neocatechumenate**, is a program of Christian formation for Catholics. It was initiated in Madrid, Spain in 1964 by Kiko Arguello and Carmen Hernandez. The program is inspired by the formation of Christians in the early church by which converts from paganism were prepared for baptism. It also provides post-baptismal formation for adults who are already members of the Church or to those far from the Church who have been attracted to the Catholic Church.

The Neocatechumenate is implemented in parish-based communities of up to 50 people. In 2007 there were around 20,000 such communities throughout the World, with an estimated million Catholics following the program. Due to numerous vocations coming from the families formed in the communities, it has also helped to establish and run over 100 missionary diocesan seminaries in various locations. They are called "Redemptoris Mater" seminaries. It is responsible for communities of "families in mission", living in many cities around the world. Members of the Neocatechumenate are also involved in direct evangelization.

Here in the Diocese of Charleston Bishop Guglielmone gave permission for the members of the Neocatechumenal Way to meet for fellowship and Bible Study at Our Lady of the Rosary parish. Members of OLR who are also members of the Neocatechumenal Way have been doing so for a couple of years.

Bishop Fabre-Jeune has now given permission for the members of the Neo Catechumenal Way to celebrate Mass together at Our Lady of the Rosary. A visiting priest who is a member of the Way joins them on Saturday nights at 8pm in the Lower Church.

The members of The Way come from our parish and other parishes in the Upstate. I am also pleased that the members of the Way are going to be active in door-to-door evangelization in our parish area.

Members of this energetic and committed group are contributing their time and talents to the growing outreach of Our Lady of the Rosary here in this needy part of Greenville and we are glad to welcome them.

Your Pastor,  
Fr. Longenecker

## Pastoral Staff

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## Parish Operating Financials

### Weekend Collections for Apr. 9, 2023

Needed: \$ 19,000.  
Received: \$ 28,664.  
Surplus: \$ 9,664.

### Weekend Collections for Apr. 16, 2023

Needed: \$ 19,000.  
Received: \$ 9,785.  
Surplus: \$ 785.

### Fiscal Year-to-Date Collections

Through Week #42 in the Fiscal Year  
Beginning July 1, 2022

Needed: \$ 798,000.  
Received: \$ 895,056.  
Surplus: \$ 97,056.

## 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 Culin, 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, April 22, through Sunday, April 30**

*(Mass Intentions are shown in italics)*

**All Masses are held in Upper Church unless otherwise noted.**

Saturday, 4/22	3:30 - 4:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Laz &amp; Lissette Toca</i>
Sunday, 4/23	8:00 am - Mass, <i>For Christine McGinn+</i> 9:00 - 10:00 am - Confessions (Upper Church) 10:30 am - Mass, <i>For Katie O'Brien Vogg+</i> 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For The People</i>
Monday, 4/24 <b>Lower Church</b>	8:30 am - Mass, <i>For Holy Souls in Purgatory</i>
Tuesday, 4/25 <b>Lower Church</b>	12:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Holy Souls in Purgatory</i>
Wednesday, 4/26	7:00 am - 5:00 pm - Eucharistic Adoration 4:30 - 5:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 6:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Bernice Merritt+</i>
Thursday, 4/27	10:00 am - Mass, <i>For Special Intention</i>
Friday, 4/28	10:00 am - Mass, <i>For Josephine Suit Howard+</i>
Saturday, 4/29	3:30 - 4:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Sr. Marie of the Incarnation</i>
Sunday, 4/30	8:00 am - Mass, <i>For Nancy Bryant+</i> 9:00 - 10:00 am - Confessions (Upper Church) 10:30 am - Mass, <i>For Bill &amp; Kay Maluchnik+</i> 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For The People</i>

## Marian Tea



Our next Marian Tea Party will be Saturday, **April 29**, at 10:30 am, in Guadalupe Hall.

We are welcoming author and speaker, Kathleen Billings, who will share with us how to "Be a Living Image of Your Loving Mother Mary." *Please RSVP [HERE](#).*

**FIRST THURSDAY ADORATION - Thursday, May 4, 6-8pm** in Lower Church - Please join us as we pray for further protections for the unborn and vulnerable among us, for our priests, deacons and religious, all who pray and counsel at the abortion clinic as well as the volunteers and clients of OLR's Walking with Moms in Need program.

## MOTHER TERESA HOUSE

"None of us, including me, ever do great things.  
But we can all do small things, with great love, and  
together we can do something wonderful."

**Mother Teresa**

I have written about how hard it is to change. We usually need to be made uncomfortable to make a change in our lives - clothes get too tight, lose some weight -which is often a repeating cycle. Same with sin, we feel the separation from God in our lives and go to confession, and to stay close we must frequently repeat. This is active participation with God's plan.

Jesus requires active participation and did throughout the Gospels, not by great feats but by simple, humble steps. This is also true when moving from poverty, addiction, or mental health issues, we must make little, humble steps for it to take hold. At MTH, I often say "I will take every step with them that they are willing to take." I can open the door but they must be willing to walk through it. I cannot do it for them or there is no active participation and no change. Pray for them to have the courage to be active participants in the change in their lives.

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The Thursday, April 27, lecture on the Declaration of Independence and the U. S. Constitution, sponsored by OLR's **Knights of Columbus Council**, has been **rescheduled** to Thursday, May 11, beginning at 7 pm in Guadalupe Hall. Please join fellow OLR parishioner and Brother Knight Bill Burgess as he discusses the importance of these documents in our nation's founding. This lecture series will continue on Thursday, May 25, and June 1, (7 pm in Guadalupe Hall) as we explore the false ideologies that undermine our nation and religious freedom. All Brother Knights, OLR parishioners and their family and friends are invited! Please contact Bill at [scburgess50@gmail.com](mailto:scburgess50@gmail.com) with any questions.

OLR's **WALKING WITH MOMS IN NEED** program assists Moms in Need, especially those with unexpected pregnancies, by offering support for their questions and concerns as well as assisting them in providing for themselves and their growing baby. Once a Mom phones or emails us, we set up an appointment with her where she can receive comfort and a confidential listening ear. Whether it is applying for Medicaid, finding a food bank or clothing closet, looking into pre-natal care, delivery options or planning for childcare after delivery. Walking With Moms In Need is there to help each mom navigate resources all around us. If you find yourself in need of our free services, we would be so happy to connect with you via email: [wwmin@proton.me](mailto:wwmin@proton.me) or phone: **864-412-7101**.

**You are not alone. We are here for You!**

## School News



<b>April 22</b>	Annual Gala
<b>April 29</b>	Spring Dance/Prom
<b>May 4-5</b>	Upper School Play "Sense and Sensibility"
<b>May 9</b>	Formal Recital
<b>May 17</b>	Spring Recital
<b>May 20</b>	First Holy Communion
<b>May 26</b>	Class of 2023 Graduation Mass
<b>May 28</b>	Confirmation
<b>June 1</b>	Last Day of School - Noon Dismissal



High School Youth Group will meet on April 23, from 6-8pm. After dinner, we will be in the Upper Church for some Meditation on the Road to Emmaus.

## RCIA

Our next meeting will be on May 3, and the discussion will be on "Catholic Devotions and Traditions."



Rite of Christian Initiation  
for Adults

All are welcome to join  
**St. Martha's Book Club** for  
upcoming discussions from 12:30-2:00 pm.  
**May 1 "Educated"** by Tara Westover

**May 1 (only) St. Martha's Book Club will NOT be meeting in Guadalupe Hall - Please call for location - Marianne (864) 360-2406**

## RESPECT LIFE

"And the King will answer and say to them, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.' Matthew 25:40 - With the current SC legislative session ending on May 11, it is imperative that our SC Senators vote on the passage of the Human Life Protection Act (H.3774). How can this happen? With your call to your SC Senator and your email asking him or her to "set the Human Protection Act for Special Order (H.3774)." To email your SC Senator, go to: [SCCatholicConference.org](http://SCCatholicConference.org) and click "Take Action." **This week, please take this important step to save unborn lives!** --Respect Life Committee

## Spiritual Adoption

WEEK 5, April 23



Your baby's eyes begin to develop.  
Baby's cardiovascular system has formed and his heart begins to pump. Your Baby has been alive and individual now for four whole weeks, and he is growing at an amazing pace.

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