



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

July 9, 2023

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Imagine a planet where a large portion of the population is both highly educated and believed and did patently absurd things. In fact, the more years the inhabitants spent receiving this planet's education, the more likely they were to become illogical and narcissistic. A visitor to such a planet might reasonably conclude that the "education" in question was the very thing producing these results. In other words, the activity the inhabitants called education was not in fact creating well-educated people. It was creating the exact opposite.

Welcome to Planet Earth, where our very own state government schools have been mercilessly educating our citizens in just this way for decades. Beginning around the middle of the 20th century they began removing religion, truth, virtue, memorization, grammar, logic, and rhetoric from the curriculum, in favor of a nebulous "college and career readiness". (Do high school graduates seem more college and career ready these days?)

A review of all the absurdities of modern American society is not necessary. You know what is happening and sense it is only going to get worse unless something changes.

Our Lady of the Rosary School exists to educate Catholic children in the Faith. Well, guess what? That's the mission of every Catholic school, and plenty of them fail miserably at it. The reason most fail is that, while they teach religion and offer the sacraments, the lion's share of their academic program is borrowed wholesale from the very government schools their families hoped to escape. Their teachers teach from pagan textbooks using the pagan methods they learned in their pagan training programs.

I use the term *pagan* advisedly, for *secular* is no longer the right word. The philosophy of public government education is not values-neutral; it is deeply imbued with an alternative subjectivist religion that opposes Christianity in its essence. This reality must be understood before anything OLR school does will make sense. But once it is understood, no education but the one OLR offers *can* make sense.

My next letter will briefly explain how OLR's classical program both educates students to live properly as Catholics and inoculates them against the absurdities of modern society.

Tommy Curtin
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Parish Operating Financials

Weekend Collections for
July 2, 2023

Not yet published.

SAVE THE DATE . . .

OLR Parish Retreat at Look Up Lodge

**Saturday, September 9, 2023
9am-7pm**

This event is free, however, you may wish to make a donation to help offset the per person cost.

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, Beth 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 8, through Sunday, July 16

(Mass Intentions are shown in italics)

All Masses are held in Upper Church unless otherwise noted.

Saturday, 7/8	3:30 - 4:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Laz Toca</i>
Sunday, 7/9	8:00 am - Mass, <i>For Josephine Suit Howard+</i> 9:00 - 10:00 am - Confessions (Upper Church) 10:30 am - Mass, <i>For The People</i> 5:00 pm - Mass
Monday, 7/10 <i>Lower Church</i>	8:30 am - Mass
Tuesday, 7/11 <i>Lower Church</i>	12:00 pm - Mass
Wednesday, 7/12	7:00 am - 5:00 pm - Eucharistic Adoration 4:30 - 5:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 6:00 pm - Mass
Thursday, 7/13 <i>Lower Church</i>	10:00 am - Mass
Friday, 7/14 <i>Lower Church</i>	10:00 am - Mass, <i>For</i>
Saturday, 7/15	3:30 - 4:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For</i>
Sunday, 7/16	8:00 am - Mass, <i>For</i> 9:00 - 10:00 am - Confessions (Upper Church) 10:30 am - Mass, <i>For The People</i> 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Matthew Craft+</i>

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,

dcraft@charlestdioocese.org.

MOTHER TERESA HOUSE

“Keep giving Jesus to people not by words but by example, by being in love with Jesus.”

Mother Teresa

Recently, we had someone stop by who was very angry and aggressive. He was not pleasant to deal with but I let him tell his story, asked questions when he allowed, and got his life’s story and information. For over three hours, he talked. I listened and did my best to not interrupt. Over those three plus hours, his attitude changed and he moved from anger to thankful.

His issues are very difficult to overcome and will take weeks to fully understand, as a lot of background work needs done. We can then have a conversation on his next best steps which will not be easy. Sometimes our family, friends or complete strangers just want you to sit and listen. No judgements, no solutions, they just want to be heard. Everything else comes later. Jesus is always there to listen to us in prayer. He hears our cries and joys. Let us remember to reflect Christ to others by simply listening, the answers can come later.

Chris Loewer, Director of Outreach
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Online Giving

Please remember that especially during the summer months, we have continuing financial obligations.

To sign up for regular online planned giving, or to make a single donation online go [HERE](#).

With our parish growing the way it is, our youth groups are thriving and growing.

We are in need of volunteers to lead our Middle School Youth Group. If you are interested in assisting, please contact JohnMark Cayer in the parish office.

Spiritual Adoption

WEEK 16, July 9



You might begin to feel Baby move around. The first day that movement is noticed by the mother is called quickening. Although this is the first time you are feeling the baby move, he has been moving and stretching for six whole weeks.

School News



August 10

Back to School Night

August 14

First Day of Class
(2023-24 School Year)

St. Vincent de Paul Society

In the Gospel today we hear Jesus say: “Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest.”

Your gifts, whether it be through food or monetary donations to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul bring peace to those who are overwhelmed with life’s burdens. Please pray for all those who are carrying heavy burdens.



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 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 seniors of our parish.

A light meal, name-that-jingle- game, and fellowship will highlight a fun and enjoyable evening. Call or text Victoria Norris at 864.517.4279 or Cheryl Bever at 864.380.5432 for more information.



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 olr.church and olr.school for all the most recent news and announcements.

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