



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 13, 2023

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The other day someone asked me, "What is your vision for OLR parish?"

I answered, "In the sixth century the great Roman Empire was disintegrating as a result of unlimited power, untold wealth and widespread moral degeneracy. The infrastructures were failing. Politicians were corrupt, the old religions were moribund and indifferent. The barbarians were encroaching and there was widespread fear, despair and collapse of civilization."

St. Benedict of Nursia went out from Rome and began to establish small monastic communities in the hills of Rome. His twin sister Scholastica followed his lead and built up women's communities. When we think of Benedictine monasteries we may imagine large medieval institutions with extensive buildings, a huge Abbey church and outlying farmlands and a sizeable enterprise. Benedict's communities were not that. They were simple, small survivalist communities where men and women lived disciplined lives of prayer, work and study.

Eventually those core communities flourished. The monasteries became centers of health, education and welfare. They grew and prospered. The seeds Benedict planted flowered into the amazing civilization we call Christendom. Thus, St. Benedict is recognized as the patron of Europe because Western civilization as we know it is largely the product of his simple life of faith—doing what he could with what he had where he was.

My vision for the parish is that it is a Benedictine parish. While we are not monks and nuns in a formal way, we *are* a community bound together by lives of prayer and worship. The other two planks of Benedict's revolutionary way of life are also part of our parish life: work and study. Over the years I've seen how hard our people at OLR work. I've seen how generous folks are with their time, talent and treasure. I also realize how important study is. This is why we've put such effort into building up our school.

Who knows what God has planned for OLR's future? It is my prayer that, like St. Benedict's little monasteries, this parish might be a seed planted by God which will be part of a flourishing of Christian culture in the years and centuries to come.

Your Pastor,
Fr. Longenecker

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PRAYER REQUESTS

Nancy Albozek, Delores Almaraz, Barbara Andersen, Ruth Ballard, Laurie Bernard, Jim Bever, Glen Bishof, Sandra Brock, Will Busby, Martha Catel, Claudia Caldwell, Alex Camp, Carson Family, Kathleen Crawford, Margaret Culin, Rose Cusumano, Christy Dias, Marian Eleazer, Sarah & Teresa Fuller, Larry & Cynthia Good, Bridget Gracon, 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, Justin Timbers, 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 12, through Sunday, August 20

(Mass Intentions are shown in italics)

All Masses are held in Upper Church unless otherwise noted.

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>
Monday, 8/14 Lower Church	8:30 am - Mass
Tuesday, 8/15 Holy Day of Obligation	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary 10:00 am - (School) Mass, <i>For Anna Schwarz+</i> 7:00 pm - Mass
Wednesday, 8/16	7:00 am - 5:00 pm - Eucharistic Adoration 4:30 - 5:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 6:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Br. Andrew Mary Lyons</i>
Thursday, 8/17	10:00am - School Mass, <i>For Matthew Craft+</i>
Friday, 8/18 Lower Church	10:00 am - Mass, <i>For Alton Durham+</i>
Saturday, 8/19	3:30 - 4:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For John Warga, Jr. +</i>
Sunday, 8/20	8:00 am - Mass, <i>For James Cronican+</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>

Parish Operating Financials

Weekend Collections for August 6, 2023

Needed: \$ 19,000.
Received: \$ 25,006.
Surplus: \$ 6,006.

Fiscal Year-to-Date Collections
Through Week #6 in the Fiscal Year
Beginning July 1, 2023

Needed: \$ 114,000.
Received: \$ 119,098.
Surplus: \$ 5,098.

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

**Reservations for this event are
now CLOSED.**

This 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.

MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUPS

We will start back with our regular meetings this Sunday, August 13, immediately after the 5pm Mass. We meet from 6-8pm.



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

Our main mission at Mother Teresa House is referring those in need with the services to help them. It requires us to be involved, through regular meetings and conversations, with our many partners. We rely on them and they rely on us. While our influx of calls has eclipsed 300 most months, we are often involved with helping many, many more by aiding our partners, including state and federal agencies.

Please continue to pray and deepen your prayer life. Pray for us. It will obtain many graces for those souls entrusted to you and those souls entrusted to us.

Chris Loewer, Director of Outreach
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St. Vincent de Paul Society

In this Gospel, Jesus immediately stretched out his hand and caught Peter, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?"

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can help them and bring them faith and hope!"



The LifeWise newsletter is published six times a year by Bon Secours St. Francis Health System, and is an

excellent resource for our seniors. There is a calendar of events happening in our local area, along with current and important health information to help our seniors live longer and more productive lives.

These will periodically be available in the Narthex. If you are unable to get to church, email Victoria Norris at gvnorris@outlook.com for a copy.

Spiritual Adoption

WEEK 21 August 13



Baby now weighs over one pound, and his hair is easily recognizable. You are now midway through the pregnancy. It is so hard to believe that in just 20 weeks your baby has developed so much. He has been growing a great deal since the beginning of his life at conception, and he will grow much, much more in the weeks to come.

School News



August 14

First Day of Class
NOON Dismissal

On most school days, drop off is from 7:45am-8:00am. For the First Day of School, we will offer an extended drop off time.

New OLR families - Drop off starting at 7:30am

Returning OLR families - Drop off starting at 7:40am

The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Tuesday, August 15, is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be celebrated at OLR on that day at 10:00 a.m. (school Mass); and 7:00 p.m.

This weekend, 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.

Shroud of Turin

Join us for a dynamic presentation of artifacts and artwork connected with the Shroud of Turin.

Thursday, September 7, at 7:00pm at Prince of Peace Catholic Church in Taylors.


The speaker is Dr. Cheryl H. White, PhD, a professor of history at Louisiana State University at Shreveport.

This free event is co-hosted by Christ On Main and Prince of Peace. Walk-ins welcome. RSVP encouraged. Click [HERE](#) to RSVP

We'll have a free-will offering to collect donations for Dr. White.

Campus Clean Up Day

Special thanks to all the volunteers who came on Saturday to help clean up our campus, especially after all the debris from the recent storms.



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.