



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 27, 2023

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

When I was a kid September meant "Back to School". After the luxury of the lazy summer days it was back to work and back to busy schedules.

In the years since then the start of school has moved earlier and earlier, eroding the summer vacation for our kids. OLR school got started last week and it has been a joy to see so many boys and girls filling our classrooms. Over 300 are enrolled this year and we are bursting at the seams! Mr. Curtin's strategy of moving to a classical curriculum and adding grades 9 - 12 has been a wonderful success, and it is great to see our parish school going from strength to strength.

As school gets started it is an opportunity to emphasize the need for education for all ages. JohnMark Cayer has written about the opportunities at OLR to evangelize, defend the faith and learn more about our Catholic faith, and I would like to remind you of the need to support the High School and Middle School youth groups, CCD and adult education at 9:00 on Sunday mornings. This fall Carolyn Watson, retired art history professor, will be leading some sessions on the history of Catholic architecture.

The Youth Groups are the main way we continue the religious education for our young people, and adult education and RCIA are the ways we help adults to go deeper into their faith, receive a refresher course and learn more about Catholic history and culture. Please pay attention to the reminders in the bulletin and website and support the various offerings as you are able.

Also, don't forget our "Give and Take Library" in the Lower Church. There is a basket there for you to donate the Catholic books you have finished with, and you are welcome to take any of the books on the bookshelves. This is not a lending library. Instead, just take what you want and donate what you can. There are also some books on the Rosary and the Divine Mercy devotion that are for sale. Also remember that copies of all my books are also available at the parish office at a special OLR discount.

Keep reading, keep informed. Keep inspired!

Your pastor,
Fr. Longenecker

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Parish Operating Financials

Weekend Collections for August 20, 2023

Needed: \$ 19,000.
Received: \$ 26,757.
Surplus: \$ 7,767.

Fiscal Year-to-Date Collections
Through Week #8 in the Fiscal Year
Beginning July 1, 2023

Needed: \$ 152,000.
Received: \$ 160,685.
Surplus: \$ 8,685.



FIRST SATURDAY PRO-LIFE MASS FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE UNBORN AND PRO-LIFE WARRIORS

First Saturday Pro-Life Mass for Protection of the Unborn and Pro-Life Warriors will be on **Saturday, Sep. 2, at 9:30am in the Upper Church**. We will provide updates on pro-life issues and all are encouraged to join us in praying the rosary at the abortion clinic afterwards located at 1142 Grove Road.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Nancy Alibozek, 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 Culkin, 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 26, through Sunday, September 3
(Mass Intentions are shown in italics)

All Masses are held in Upper Church unless otherwise noted.

Saturday, 8/26	3:30 - 4:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Adelaide Fletcher+</i>
Sunday, 8/27	8:00 am - Mass, <i>For The People</i> 9:00 - 10:00 am - Confessions (Upper Church) 10:30 am - Mass, <i>For JoAnne Bricco+</i> 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Tom & Leslie DiMartino</i>
Monday, 8/28 Lower Church	8:30 am - Mass, <i>For Sr. Mary Paul Augustine, O.P.</i>
Tuesday, 8/29 Lower Church	12:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Sr. Rose of St. Mary, O.P.</i>
Wednesday, 8/30	7:00 am - 5:00 pm - Eucharistic Adoration 4:30 - 5:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 6:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Jack & Evelyn Mahan+</i>
Thursday, 8/31 (School)	10:00am - Mass, <i>For Brother Andrew Mary Lyons</i>
Friday, 9/1 Lower Church	10:00 am - Mass, <i>For Geoffrey Gorman+</i>
Saturday, 9/2	3:30 - 4:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Marta Comas</i>
Sunday, 9/3	8:00 am - Mass, <i>For Merle Menegay+</i> 9:00 - 10:00 am - Confessions (Upper Church) 10:30 am - Mass, <i>For Departed Souls in Purgatory</i> 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For The People</i>

OLR Capital Campaign

Please consider making a donation to help raise \$350,000. to purchase the 5.2 acre plot of land adjacent to our campus.

There are a number of ways you can do this; with a one time gift, or binding pledge, or stock donation.

Pledge cards are available in the Narthex.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

Our next regular meeting will be on August 27, after the 5pm Mass, from 6-8pm. Mrs. Curtin will be presenting on "Superstition: What it is, the different forms, and why it is dangerous for the spiritual life."



School News



- Sep. 1** Mission Day, NOON Dismissal
After Care available until 3 pm
- Sep. 4** Labor Day, NO School

Additional information such as [uniform policy](#) and [print-friendly yearly calendar](#) can be found on the Parents Tab of the [school website](#).

PTO Events & Information can be found on the [PTO page](#) of the website

MOTHER TERESA HOUSE

"Intense love does not measure, it just gives."

Mother Teresa

We often think we have done or given enough. We take account of those good deeds. In my selfish pride, I look at all I do at Mother Teresa House and pat myself on my back. As a parent and spouse, I used to count all I did. It wasn't until I learned that being a parent or spouse is a complete donation of myself to my spouse and family, then that burden became light.

When we give ourselves fully to God without counting the costs, the supernatural joy we receive is beyond belief. It is not easy. Carrying your cross was not meant to be easy, but when you give everything to Him, the burden is light. The struggle in dealing with those in need is hard. Many just take and take, many don't want to make the changes needed, and it is hard to understand why. We are to love intensely and He will make our burden light.

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St. Vincent de Paul Society

Like Peter in today's Gospel, we can find that when we open our eyes to see, our ears to hear and our hearts to experience Jesus' presence in our daily lives, God reveals himself to us.

Have you considered answering the call to help serve the poor by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul?

PLEASE NOTE

The parish and school offices will be closed on Monday, September 4, in observance of the Labor Day holiday.



FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
will be held in Lower Church on
Friday, September 1, from 11:00am-5:00pm.



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.

St. Martha's Book Club invites you to join our discussions.

Tuesday, Sept 5 - My Antonia by Willa Cather

Monday, Oct 2 - A Gentleman in Moscow by Amor Towles.

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.

Spiritual Adoption

WEEK 23 August 27



Your baby's eyebrows and eyelashes are now recognizable. If he is born at this time, he will be able to breathe and has a very good chance of survival.



*Providing comfort and assistance to Moms in Need. Call or email for an appointment. 864-412-7101 or wwmin@proton.me
YOU COUNT and we are here to help!*

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Sunday Morning Catechesis registration for K4-5th grade is now open. Please submit your [registration](#) form to the parish office by Tuesday, September 5.

If you are interested in teaching Sunday Morning Catechesis, please contact JohnMark Cayer asap at jcayer@charlestdiocese.org.

We are in special need of catechists for our K4-K5 class, our 2nd grade class, and our 3-5th class.

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation registration is now open. Please submit [registration](#) forms to the parish office by January 8.

FAMILY HONOR PROGRAM

The Family Honor Program for our confirmands will meet on September 27, October 4, and October 11.

Please register [HERE](#).

Interested in becoming Catholic?

Maybe you or someone you know might be curious to learn more about the Catholic Faith. Or you might be looking to deepen your relationship with God. Perhaps you were baptized Catholic, but never received the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation.



Rite of Christian Initiation
for Adults

For anyone who is interested in full sacramental communion with the Catholic Church, the **RCIA program** at Our Lady of the Rosary offers the opportunity to learn more. Our adult initiation program helps adults interested in becoming Catholic to decide whether they want to be received into the Catholic Church, and prepares them to be received if they are ready.

For more information, please contact JohnMark Cayer, Director of Faith Formation jcayer@charlestdiocese.org.

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>

Help us to support the Bishops' Initiative on marriage!

Couples who attend Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekends not only rediscover the joy, intimacy & romance in their relationships, but also become more active in their parish. Together, we are making marriages, families and our Church stronger & healthier.

Have faith that your marriage can be strong. Gain the tools of a great marriage on an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on Nov 10-12, 2023 in NORTH MYRTLE BEACH, SC and Jan 26-28, 2024 in NORTH MYRTLE BEACH, SC. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: <https://SCMarriageMatters.org> or contact us at applications@scmarriagematters.org or 803-810-9602.

Please see the OLR websites at [olr.church](#) and [olr.school](#) for all the most recent news and announcements.