



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

January 21, 2024

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

At OLR the Catholic Mass is celebrated in a traditional style.

In many American Catholic Churches those who plan the worship clearly have an intent to make the Mass as relevant, up to date and "relatable" as possible, but is this the main object of worship? The worship at OLR Greenville runs counter to this trend.

We worship in a traditional style because worship is a transcendental experience, and traditional Catholic worship aids the transcendental aspect of divine worship. How so? if the architecture connects with the 2000 year traditions of Catholic architecture then it transcends the trendy designs of modern American utilitarian architecture. A Romanesque church connects us with an earlier age and helps connect to the deep roots of our faith. It is the same with sacred music. Architecture, art and music transcend our everyday, utilitarian approach to life. That which is beautiful, good and true in this world connects us experientially with the source of Beauty, Truth and Goodness.

Traditional ceremonial lifts the heart and mind to God in a way that is not immediately as obvious as a form of worship that outwardly seems more relevant, up to date and "with it." That which is up to date will soon be out of date. Traditional worship sidesteps that problem and immerses us in that which is never out of date and therefore take us to the threshold of the eternal.

I realize some folks who are enthusiastic about the Traditional Latin Mass may ask why we don't simply go ahead and celebrate the Extraordinary Form (the TLM) The answer is, in Greenville, SC we don't need to because Prince of Peace parish here in Greenville is one of the locations in the diocese where the Traditional Latin Mass is celebrated regularly. Also, while I am in favor of the liberalization of permission to celebrate the TLM and support those who advocate for it, I am also aware that there are restrictions on its celebration. More importantly, however, is my concern for the people. Most American Catholics are not ready or prepared for a regular celebration of the Traditional Latin Mass. However, a good number are pleased to have a Novus Ordo Mass celebrated in a traditional style. Finally, I believe the Novus Ordo Mass celebrated in a traditional style is the Mass that is most consistent with the norms set forth in the documents of the second Vatican Council.

In these weeks leading up to Lent I will be writing in more detail about why we do certain things in our liturgy at OLR.

Your Pastor,
Fr. Longenecker

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Parish Operating Financials

Collections for the week ending Jan. 14, 2024

Needed: \$ 22,000.

Received: \$ 18,538.

Deficit: \$ 3,462.

Fiscal Year-to-Date Collections through Week #29 in the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2023

Needed: \$ 638,000.

Received: \$ 650,046.

Surplus: \$ 12,046.

Capital Campaign-Land Acquisition

5.2 acres on Augusta Rd. \$1,230,439. Diocesan Loan (total interest & principal to be paid) 2023-2028: 5-year term

Pledge Commitments Made: \$ 590,790.

Pledge Payments Received: \$ 413,683.

Needed: \$ 639,649.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Nancy Alibozek, Delores Almaraz, Barbara Andersen, Ruth Ballard, Laurie Bernard, Jim Bever, Glen Bishof, Sandra Brock, Doug Bryant, 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, Ma'May Grimm, Ed Harden, Janet Hardy, Donald Hargis, Theresa Hargreaves, Kathy Hess, Kathy Illingworth, Ingrid Ireland, Bob Jackowski, Stephanie Kaufmann, 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, Justin Timbers, Cheryl Wallace, Carolyn Watson, Mary Lou Whelan, Kayla Wiegand, Steve Wiltberger, Marcia Wolff, Jim Wood, Mary Louise Worthy & family, and all who are sick.

PARISH CALENDAR

Saturday, January 20, through Sunday, January 28

(Mass Intentions are shown in italics)

All Masses are held in Upper Church unless otherwise noted.

Saturday, 1/20	3:30 - 4:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Sophia & Ray Nelson+</i>
Sunday, 1/21	8:00 am - Mass, <i>For Mark Finkel+</i> 9:00 - 10:00 am - Confessions (Upper Church) 10:30 am - Mass, <i>For The People</i> 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Carissa Wascher</i>
Monday, 1/22 Lower Church	8:30 am - Mass, <i>For Lyn Northam</i>
Tuesday, 1/23 Lower Church	12:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Cindy Hilgen+</i>
Wednesday, 1/24	7:00 am - 5:00 pm - Eucharistic Adoration 4:30 - 5:30 pm - Confessions 6:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Laz & Lissette Toca</i>
Thursday, 1/25	10:00 am - Mass, <i>For Hannah Kuker</i>
Friday, 1/26 Lower Church	10:00am - Mass, <i>For Betty Schumacher+</i>
Saturday, 1/27	3:30 - 4:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Eileen Lucey+</i>
Sunday, 1/28	8:00 am - Mass, <i>For The People</i> 9:00 - 10:00 am - Confessions (Upper Church) 10:30 am - Mass, <i>For Ma'May Grimm</i> 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Carissa Wascher</i>

Catholic Schools Week
January 28 - February 3

Special thanks to our faculty, staff, and PTO

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP



We will NOT meet this Sunday, Jan. 21, due to *March for Life*. Our next regular meeting will be on Sunday, Jan. 28, from 6-8pm.

If you would like a 2023 tax contribution letter, please contact Rachel Hutson, Director of Finance, at rhutson@charlestandioocese.org

MOTHER TERESA HOUSE

"Jesus said love one another. He didn't say love the whole world."
Mother Teresa

Sometimes we see all the problems in the world and want to solve them. The problems are so large and so deep many folks give up or just do something to make themselves feel good that they did something. Solving the large problems will take good political leaders willing to make hard choices, our Church leaders preaching the Good News against the popular culture, and our prayers.

Here at OLR, we are not going solve those big problems but we work to make changes at our community level and more importantly, one person at a time. It is in those small acts of love, that we help change the world and solve those bigger problems.

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Catholic Authors Course

Fr. Longenecker is teaming up with well known author, Joseph Pearce, to teach a twelve week course on *Four Christian Writers of the 20th Century: T.S. Eliot, Evelyn Waugh, C.S. Lewis and J.R.R. Tolkien.*

The weekly sessions begin on **February 19, in Guadalupe Hall at 7 pm**. This is an opportunity to learn about these famous writers and their work, and to be informed about a new educational initiative in Greenville coming soon in Fall 2024. The sessions will last one hour and a \$100 donation per person for the whole course is requested.

Register at Sign Up Genius [HERE](#).

St. Martha's Book Club invites you to join our discussions in Guadalupe Hall, 12:30-2:00 pm.



Monday, Feb. 5 - *All the Light We Cannot See*
by Anthony Doerr

Call Marianne at (864) 360-2406 for information.

School News



Jan. 26-27 Middle School Play
"The Secret Garden"

Jan. 28 - Feb. 3 Catholic Schools Week

Feb. 1 Hard Deadline for re-enrollment and new sibling students.

St. Vincent de Paul

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus says: "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." As disciples, we are called to continue God's work on earth. Taking care of God's poor is indeed living gospel values.

In December, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to assist families by providing food for 180 households and \$1,645 for utility, rent and other bills. We also were able to provide 72 sets of hats, scarves and gloves. May God Bless You!

ADULT SUNDAY MORNING CATECHESIS



**Starting next Sunday, January 28
9:15 am in Guadalupe Hall**

Jim Craft, Professor Emeritus
and local artist, will present

"Seeing Jesus in History, Culture, and Context"



Rite of Christian Initiation
for Adults

RCIA

Our next meeting will be on **Wednesday, January 24**, in Guadalupe Hall at 7pm, discussing "Holy Orders".

FOURTH THURSDAY ADORATION

Thursday, Jan. 25, 7-8pm, in Lower Church.

Please join us in praying for the Knights of Columbus, a ministry of Catholic men focused on the principles of charity, unity, and fraternity.





WHY DIVINE MERCY?

Have you ever wondered why we have a Divine Mercy Shrine in our Lower Church? Or why the tympanums above the doors of the Upper Church depict Christ on the Mercy Seat, the woman caught in adultery, and the Prodigal Son? Why not images of Our Lady of the Rosary, for whom the church is named?

Listen to what Jesus Himself said to St. Faustina, after giving her the prayers of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy: "Say unceasingly the Chaplet that I have taught you. Whoever will recite it will receive great mercy at the hour of death. Priests will recommend it to sinners as the last hope of their salvation. Even if there were a sinner most hardened, if he were to recite the chaplet only once, he will receive grace from My infinite mercy. I desire that the whole world know My infinite mercy. I desire to grant unimaginable graces to those souls who trust in My mercy." (Diary 687)

Jesus also made this extraordinary promise: "Write that when they [souls] say this Chaplet in the presence of the dying, I will stand between My Father and the dying person not as the Just Judge but as the Merciful Savior." (Diary 1541)

To receive these graces, you are invited to join in praying the Chaplet of Divine Mercy immediately following our weekday Masses as an act of mercy for the world.

The Problem with "The Pill"

Have you ever wondered why the Church teaches against contraception? Do you know the effects hormonal contraception have on women? On relationships? What about other forms of contraception? What about the deceptive practices involved in the development of "The Pill" decades ago?

Join parishioners Jeannie & Vincent Weaver for a presentation and discussion on all of these questions and more in Guadalupe Hall on **Wednesday, February 21**, after the 6pm Mass (starting at about 6:45pm). This event is free and open to the public, but would not be appropriate for anyone under 16. Feel free to bring an appetizer, drinks, or a dessert to share.

Contact Vincent with any questions at: upstatefamilyhonor@protonmail.com.

Parents who have attended Family Honor programs in the past should find this to be a particularly helpful follow-up on this topic. Recent RCIA participants will likely also benefit from this discussion.

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RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY NEWS



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!

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