



# Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church

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And by appointment  
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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

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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, Lower 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

June 16, 2024

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

These weeks over the summer I will be dedicating my Pastor's Letters to some teaching about the sacraments of our church.

The word "sacrament" comes from the oath or covenant of loyalty and commitment made by Roman soldiers. It indicated a commitment on both sides and was sealed by a solemn ceremony. The word is also derived from the Latin word "sacra" meaning sacred or holy. This is the Latin form of the Greek word "Mysterion" or mystery. This is why we often refer to the sacraments as "these holy mysteries."

A mystery is something that can be experienced even if it cannot be explained. We enter into the sacramental life of the church through baptism, and baptism is the best and simplest sacrament we can use to explain a few basic principles about all sacraments.

For a sacrament to be effective it needs to be valid, and for it to be valid it must have a proper candidate, a proper minister, a proper form, and a proper matter. The candidate is any person who has not been baptized.

The minister of baptism is anyone who does what the church intends to do. This means a lay person or even a non-Christian could validly administer baptism. Of course, a deacon or priest is the ordinary minister of baptism, but so that God's mercy is as widely available as possible, anyone (in an emergency) can baptize.

The proper form of baptism is the simple words, "I baptize you in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit." While the whole form of the baptismal service is ordinarily used, that basic formula is the minimum for a valid baptism. Most non-Catholic baptisms are therefore valid and accepted by the Catholic Church. If there is some doubt, the person is conditionally baptized.

The proper matter for the sacrament of baptism is water. You can't baptize a person by dumping sand or ashes on their head or some other silly ritual. Water is necessary or its not baptism.

This is the first of the three sacraments of initiation. Baptism washes away original sin and restores the person to God's grace and favor. It is, however, the first step in the person's walk with God, and the other six sacraments are given to help the soul continue on their journey of faith.

Your Pastor,  
Fr. Longenecker

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## Parish Operating Financials

Collections for week ending June 9, 2024

Needed: \$ 22,000.  
 Received: \$ 22,550.  
 Surplus: \$ 550.

Fiscal Year-to-Date Collections through Week #50 in the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2023

Needed: \$ 1,110,000.  
 Received: \$ 1,179,259.  
 Surplus: \$ 79,259.

## Capital Campaign-Land Acquisition

5.2 acres on Augusta Rd. \$ 309,952. Diocesan Loan (total interest & principal remaining) 2023-2028: 5-year term

Pledge Commitments Made: \$ 564,715.  
 Pledge Payments Received: \$ 401,368.  
 Needed: \$ 146,605.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Nancy Alibozek, Delores Almaraz, Barbara Andersen, Ruth Ballard, Laurie Bernard, Eric Best, 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, 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, Emily Stiffler, 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, June 15, through Sunday, June 23**

(Mass Intentions are shown in italics)

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

Saturday, 6/15	3:30 - 4:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For The People</i>
Sunday, 6/16	8:00 am - Mass, <i>For Frank Walker+</i> 9:00 - 10:00 am - Confessions (Upper Church) 10:30 am - Mass, <i>For James Cronican+</i> 5:00 pm-Mass, <i>For Sr. Mary Paul Augustine, OP</i>
Monday, 6/17 <b>Lower Church</b>	8:30 am - Mass, <i>For Matthew Craft+</i>
Tuesday, 6/18 <b>Lower Church</b>	12:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Mary Miller+ and Stella Kellner+</i>
Wednesday, 6/19	7:00 am - 5:30 pm - Eucharistic Adoration 4:30 - 5:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 5:30 pm - Benediction 6:00 pm - Daily Mass, <i>For Allison Malena</i>
Thursday, 6/20 <b>Lower Church</b>	10:00 am - Daily Mass <i>For Linda Hendricks</i>
Friday, 6/21 <b>Lower Church</b>	10:00 am - Daily Mass, <i>For Rachel &amp; Jay Hutson</i>
Saturday, 6/22	3:30 - 4:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Betty Kerchner+</i>
Sunday, 6/23	8:00 am - Mass, <i>For The People</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 OLR School Faculty &amp; Staff</i>

## HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP



Save the date for these upcoming events:

**July 21 - Senior Sendoff Bonfire:** Bonfire at the Millegan Family property for a huge game of capture the flag, a bonfire, and the rosary. Dinner will be provided. This will be the last official meeting with our seniors, and will allow us to say goodbye before they head out into the world.

**August 25 - Annual YG Day AWAY,** with Sunday Mass at Look-up Lodge.

**September 6-9 - Junior/Senior Pilgrimage St. Augustine Florida** to the La Leche Shrine, and in commemoration of the first Thanksgiving Mass in America.



## MOTHER TERESA HOUSE

*"Every time you smile at someone, it is an action of love, a gift to that person, a beautiful thing."* **Mother Teresa**

A simple smile at someone can mean the world to them. If you are living at the edges of society, it means I see you as a person, you are not forgotten. In our daily interactions, it can mean the difference between a friendly interaction and a tense one. With our family and friends, it can be the hug they need to get through the day.

Recently, a single mom and her two daughters came in speaking no English and looking for rental assistance. She had no income as her job had ended, and hence a barrier to assistance, as services want to make sure you can pay future rents. Over the next hour, using Google translate, we had a conversation and exchanged lots of smiles and laughs. While we were not able to help with finding rental assistance, we were able to give her contacts for employment who speak Spanish, removing the barrier of income. Pray for her to follow through and get the job she needs to provide for her family.

*Chris Loewer, Director of Outreach  
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## SCHOOL NEWS

August 12 First Day of School  
NOON Dismissal



### School Office Summer Hours

**9am-1pm Monday - Thursday, and by appointment**

### St. Vincent de Paul Society

*In the Gospel, Jesus says: "This is how it is with the reign of God. A man scatters seed on the ground. He goes to bed and gets up day after day. Through it all the seed sprouts and grows without his knowing how it happens."*

Through your almsgiving you are sowing seeds that grow far greater than you know. The donations placed in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box bring Christ's love and compassion to the poor, especially through our financial assistance ministry.

Benjamin Phillips, OLR Organist and Choirmaster, will present an **organ concert on Tuesday, June 18,** at 7:00 p.m. in Upper Church.



The program includes works by Bach, Brunckhorst, Guilmant, Richter, & Widor.

This concert is free and open to the public.

Recently baptized was  
**Bernadette Valerie Laylock**  
daughter of  
Matthew & Sandra Laylock



*We welcome Bernadette as a new member of the OLR family.*

Diocesan Second Collection for the Weekend of June 16, will be for the Seminary Collection.

### Daily Mass Schedule Change

Daily Mass on Thursdays will now be celebrated in Lower Church at 10:00am.

When school resumes in August, the Daily School Mass will be held in Upper Church on Fridays at 10:00am.

The Wednesday 6pm Daily Mass will continue to be held in Upper Church.

## SAVE THE DATE FOR LOOK UP LODGE



**Annual Family Retreat**  
**Saturday, September 14**

Don't Miss the Deadline  
Sign Up [HERE](#)

**Spiritual Adoption**  
WEEK 11: June 16



Although your baby's eyelids are currently closed, he will soon open his eyes and see the world around him. His intestines are developing in the abdomen, and his fingernails are present. Baby can now make hand-to-face contact and move his fingers.

We are especially grateful for the **3 lives saved in Greenville** that we know of. ***We can truly say that prayer and fasting is the answer.*** A big thank you to all who participated for your sacrifice and dedication.



Abortions continue to be performed daily at the Greenville Women's Clinic. If you are able, select a day and time that works for you and continue with us for 40 Days 365 at the abortion facility. We are there from 8:00 am until 3:00 pm. Please sign up on the 40 Days for Life 365 Calendar at [www.40daysforlife.com/greenville](http://www.40daysforlife.com/greenville). We need sidewalk advocates and prayer warriors there daily, beyond the 40 Days Campaigns. Help spread the word to others about this important life-saving effort. For more information, please call Judy 864-506-0964 or Ingrid 864-329-0044.



The Appalachian Council of Governments in partnership with Bon Secours St. Francis LifeWise Program invites you to **World Elder Abuse Awareness Day 2024** (WEAAD). We are coming together as a community to take action to protect older people by raising awareness about elder abuse, why it occurs and what we can do to stop it. Go [HERE](#) to register. Contact us at (864) 242-9733 or via email at [aplumley@scacog.org](mailto:aplumley@scacog.org)

**Jazz for Justice**

Thursday, June 20, 2024  
6-8pm

Senior Action  
3715 E. North Street, Suite K  
Greenville, SC 29615

**Sidewalk Counseling Training:**

Online/virtual training and in-person training are both offered. Contact Judy Masterson at 864-506-0964, or [info@sidewalkadvocatesgreenville.org](mailto:info@sidewalkadvocatesgreenville.org).

**SEVEN SISTERS APOSTOLATE**

The Seven Sisters Apostolate is a beautiful ministry praying for our parish priests. We are looking for women to make a weekly prayer commitment for Fathers Longenecker and Ballard.

This ministry involves one woman praying one holy hour on her assigned or predetermined day of the week, every week for a one-year commitment. It can be done at home or in any nearby Catholic Church, and does not need to be in an adoration chapel.

Please go to <https://sevensistersapostolate.org/> for more information. If you are interested, please contact Jeanine Maillet, [j9rnorris@yahoo.com](mailto:j9rnorris@yahoo.com).

**DIVINE MERCY**

“I demand from you works of mercy, which are to arise out of love for Me.”

For Jesus is our Hope: Through His merciful Heart, as through an open gate, we pass through to heaven. (Diary of St. Faustina, 1570)



Families often feel helpless and powerless when a loved one is dying. Some people hyper-focus on the physical and medical concerns of the situation—things they can perceive with their senses and try to control.

When it's time to let go and let God, the Divine Mercy chaplet can console both the dying and the grieving. Praying it at the bedside of a dying person is a powerful grace.

You can multiply that grace by contacting Martha at the parish office to request that the Divine Mercy Cenacle prayer group offer the chaplet for your loved one *by name* for seven consecutive days (renewable) for hope in Jesus.

*Jesus, I trust in You. Jesus, I trust in You.  
Jesus, I trust in You.*

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

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