



# Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church

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## **Parish Office Hours**

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## **School Office Hours**

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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, Upper 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, Lower Church

Thursday, 7-8 pm, Lower Church

August 18, 2024

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In parish life we often hear about the need to give our “time, talent and treasure” to the Lord’s work. I’ve often been a bit cynical about this thinking that it was usually just a nice way to encourage people to give more in the collection.

It is true, however, that we need all three areas of gift giving. In the past at OLR many of the families lived in the local community. Volunteers for church cleaning, hospitality and welcome came from the women—most of whom did not have employment outside the home. In today’s context that is not the case. Most able bodied women work outside the home and live at some distance from the church campus. We now employ professional cleaners to do most of the cleaning work. However, we still need a small team of folks to do some light cleaning and tidying up week by week. This is something that could be taken on by a group of people or a family effort. School families can use this as their volunteer hours. If you can help and would like to learn more about this volunteer opportunity, please contact Martha Mahan at the parish office.

Another need is for additional ushers. Ushers do more than hand out worship aids and seat people before Mass. They assist with security, parking and are trained to respond to visitors in need and possible emergency situations. Men and women over the age of eighteen may volunteer. Again—school families can count this as volunteer hours. To learn more, contact the ushers after Mass this weekend or be in touch with Martha at the parish office.

Talent? Volunteer your musical talent by joining the choir. Mr. Phillips would love to meet you. Volunteer your communications talent by teaching our children in CCD or helping with the youth work. Be in touch with JohnMark Cayer, our Director of Faith Formation.

Treasure? On the weekend of September 21-22, we will have a special collection with the target of paying off the new land purchase to the North of our campus. We still owe the Diocese about \$300,000, and we would love to save thousands of dollars of interest payments and clear this debt. When we have a goal to reach, I like to divide it among all our people just to see what that looks like. So: we have about 1,000 registered households in the parish. That’s easy: if each household gave \$300.00 we’d be there. But remember—some folks can’t afford to give \$30.00 and others can afford to pay the full \$300,000 themselves! So, with this in mind, all of us need to dig deep and on September 21-22, come prepared to make a substantial gift so we can be debt free.

Your Pastor,  
Fr. Longenecker

## Pastoral Staff

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## Parish Operating Financials

Collections for the week ending August 11, 2024

Needed: \$ 22,000.  
 Received: \$ 29,718.  
 Surplus: \$ 7,718.

Fiscal Year-to-Date Collections through Week #7  
 in the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2024

Needed: \$ 154,000.  
 Received: \$ 168,829.  
 Surplus: \$ 14,829.

## Capital Campaign-Land Acquisition

5.2 acres on Augusta Rd. \$ 289,444. Diocesan  
 Loan (total interest & principal remaining)  
 2023-2028: 5-year term

Pledge Commitments Made: \$ 564,990.  
 Pledge Payments Received: \$ 412,293.  
 Needed: \$ 136,747.

## 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, John Knope, 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, August 17, through Sunday, August 25**  
 (Mass Intentions are shown in italics)

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

Saturday, 8/17	3:30 - 4:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Matthew Craft+</i>
Sunday, 8/18	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 Barbara Greer+</i>
Monday, 8/19 <b>Lower Church</b>	8:30 am - Daily Mass <i>For Special Intention</i>
Tuesday, 8/20 <b>Lower Church</b>	12:00 pm - Daily Mass <i>For Special Intention</i>
Wednesday, 8/21	7:00 am - 5:15 pm - Eucharistic Adoration (Lower Church) 4:15 - 5:15 pm - Confessions (Lower Church) 5:15 pm - Benediction (Lower Church) 6:00 pm - Mass (Upper Church) <i>For Scott &amp; Sarah Schuler</i>
Thursday, 8/22 <b>Lower Church</b>	10:00 am - Daily Mass <i>For Willie Jean Hutson+</i>
Friday, 8/23	10:00 am - School Mass (limited seating) <i>For Paul Wegman+</i>
Saturday, 8/24	3:30 - 4:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Adelaide Fletcher+</i>
Sunday, 8/25	8:00 am - Mass, <i>For The People</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 Francis, OP</i>

**HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP**



We invite all incoming 6th-12<sup>th</sup> graders to participate in the Middle School or Upper School **Youth Day Away on August 25**, at Lookup Lodge (times and carpool details coming later). There will be swimming, games, prayer, and Mass. Dinner and snacks provided, but you will need to bring a sack lunch. Contact Dave Haggard by email for details.

Providing a Catholic framework on the truth and meaning of sexuality, love, and family.



**SAVE THE DATES**

September 11, 18, and 25  
 "Real Love & Real Life" retreat at OLR for 7th and 8th graders and their parents.  
 Guadalupe Hall, each session, 6:45-9:15pm  
 \$45 per family, Register [HERE](#)

**MOTHER TERESA HOUSE**

*"Imagine for a moment that we are living in Jesus' time and He has invited us to visit with Him and spend some quiet time getting to know Him better.*

*Being aware who He was, we would be humbled and honored by such an invitation. The good news is that Jesus is here with us TODAY - body, blood, soul and divinity – in the Holy Eucharist.*

*Although Jesus comes to us under the appearance of bread and wine, His presence is as real to us NOW as He was flesh-and-blood-real to His disciples when he walked this earth.*

*He can perform miracles, heal us, teach us, and love us. We can talk to Him and He can speak to us through His Word and through the Holy Spirit who lives in us through our baptism and confirmation."*

**Mother Teresa**

Chris Loewer, Director of Outreach  
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**SCHOOL NEWS**



Aug 19 Middle School Curriculum Night, 5:30pm in Guadalupe Hall

*Sunday Catechesis for First Communion starts on Sunday, September 22. Please register [HERE](#) by September 1.*

*Contact JohnMark Cayer if you have any questions at [jcayer@charlestandiocese.org](mailto:jcayer@charlestandiocese.org).*

**St. Vincent de Paul Society**

*In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us that "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him." Our Lord is certainly experienced through Word and Sacrament, but also through the merciful works of loving people.*

During the month of July, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to provide food to 207 families, and \$2,000 for utilities and other bills. God Bless You!

**The Ushers** are a vital part of our worship life at Our Lady of the Rosary. We need more people to volunteer for this task. Men and women over the age of 18 are eligible. Please see the ushers in the Narthex after Mass if you are willing to learn more about helping. Leave your contact details and we will be in touch with further information.



In her *Diary*, which has received the nihil obstat and imprimatur of the Church, St. Faustina records these words of Jesus:

**At the hour of their death, I defend as my own glory every soul that will say this chaplet; or when others say it for a dying person, the pardon is the same. When this chaplet is said by the bedside of a dying person, God's anger is placated, unfathomable mercy envelops the soul, and the very depths of My tender mercy are moved for the sake of the sorrowful Passion of My Son.**

Commenting on these words of the Savior, St. Faustina wrote: "Oh, if only everyone realized how great the Lord's mercy is and how much we all need that mercy, especially at that crucial hour!" (*Diary, 811*)

If you know of someone who is near death, please inform Martha Mahan in the parish office. The eight members of the Divine Mercy Cenacle, a prayer and study ministry at OLR, will each pray the chaplet for this person for seven days, renewable if requested. **These prayers offer an extraordinary opportunity to ensure the salvation of loved ones.**

**PLEASE NOTE . . . Starting on August 22**

Thursday Daily Mass at 10:00am will now be held in Lower Church.

Friday Mass at 10:00am will be a School Mass held in Upper Church (limited seating).



Recently baptized was  
**Lucy Maureen Edwards**  
 daughter of  
 Michael & Julia Edwards

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



## Spiritual Adoption WEEK 20: August 18



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 .

778,000+ Marriages Helped  
in 156 Communities  
in 29 Countries  
in 7 Languages  
on 5 Continents  
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Saving Marriages!

**Marriage Help** – For over 40 years, Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi) has helped tens of thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage.

This program can help you too, or a hurting couple you might know. For confidential information about the program or to register for the upcoming September 27-29, weekend in Charlotte area, call Bill and Lyn Folsom at 727-343-6701 or email: [3062R@helpourmarriage.org](mailto:3062R@helpourmarriage.org) or visit the web site at [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org)

## CALLING ALL GARDENERS!



The OLR St. Vincent de Paul Group will be sponsoring a Farmer's Market for the needy in our area on **Saturday morning, August 24**. You can assist SVdP directly by serving those in need with any extra fresh produce you have from your gardens.

This would be a good opportunity for volunteer hours for your middle or high school children.

You can set up your own table of produce and we will provide bags for patrons to use according to household size. If you can provide produce but can't set up a table, please let us know and we will take care of it – but the mission here is to connect parishioners with those in need in our area.

There is a sign up genius [HERE](#) where you can sign up so that we will know how many will be providing produce. Once we know who will be participating, we will send more information on the set up details.

Photos from First Communion and Confirmation are in the parish office for the families of the First Communicants and the Confirmands. Please come by during office hours to pick up.

## Wednesday Schedule Change

Wednesday **Eucharistic Adoration** will now be held in the lower church from 7:15 a.m. until 5:15 p.m.

**Confessions** will be in the lower church from 4:15 p.m. until 5:15 p.m.

**Benediction** of the Blessed Sacrament will be in the lower church at 5:15 p.m.

Wednesday **Mass** will remain in the upper church at 6:00 p.m.



Please go [HERE](#) to access all the forms and information needed for fall classes and registration.

## 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 [HERE](#) for more Information. If you are interested, contact Pat Wilder at [patwilder@verizon.net](mailto:patwilder@verizon.net).

Interested in becoming Catholic?  
Our fall session of classes will begin in September.

Please contact JohnMark Cayer at [jcayer@charlestandiocese.org](mailto:jcayer@charlestandiocese.org).



 St. Martha's Book Club next meeting will be on Monday, September 9, in Guadalupe Hall 12:30-2:00. Jim Craft will be our special guest as we discuss two short stories by Catholic author, Flannery O'Connor. "**A Good Man is Hard to Find**" and "**The Displaced Person**". Come join us, call Marianne for info 864-360-2406.

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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