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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, Lower Church Friday, 10:00 am, Upper Church

DAILY CONFESSIONS

Lower Church
Wednesday, 4:15-5:15 pm
Or by appointment

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Lower Church
First Friday, 11am-5pm, Upper Church
Wednesday, 7:15am-5:15pm
Thursday, 7-8 pm

Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church

3710 Augusta Rd. † Greenville, SC 29605

October 27, 2024

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The three Benedictine tools complement the three vows of Obedience, Stability and Conversion of Life. Prayer is the second of the three tools, and it connects with the spiritual aspect of our lives.

Prayer for the Benedictine monk or nun means going into the chapel seven times a day to recite and sing the Divine Office. Each of the offices is a compilation of psalms, Scripture readings and prayers. The monastic day is punctuated with prayer so that the monk or nun learns eventually to "pray without ceasing." (I Thess. 5:16-18)

We are not living in monasteries in the sixth century in Italy. However, the principle of punctuating our day with prayer is still possible.

Here's how it could work:

- 1. Begin your day with the Morning Offering or the Lord's Prayer
- 2. Take time to offer thanks over your breakfast
- 3. Make sure you have a morning quiet time with Scripture, the Divine Office or daily Mass
- 4. Take a moment of quiet prayer (more than just a hurried grace) before lunch of a mid day snack
- 5. Take a break mid afternoon for some spiritual reading—a book of quotes or Bible passages
- 6. Have an evening prayer time—the rosary or Vespers/Evening Office
- 7. An examination of conscience and night prayer before bed.

Prayer connects us with the Lord. Along with our Sunday Mass obligations it helps to purify our mind, put our priorities right and keep us on the right path.

Prayer gives spiritual energy, light and power to our work and our study so the three tools work together to help us on the path to obedience, stability and conversion of life.

It requires discipline and focus, but all this, as St. Benedict says, so that we may eventually, "Run in the path of God's commandments, our hearts overflowing with the inexpressible delight of love".

Your Pastor, Fr. Longenecker

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Parish Operating Financials

Collections for the week ending Oct. 20, 2024

Needed: \$ 22,000. Received: \$ 23,431.

Surplus: \$ 1,431.

Fiscal Year-to-Date Collections through Week #17 in the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2024

Needed: \$ 374,000. Received: \$ 406,703. Surplus: \$ 32,703.

Capital Campaign-Land Acquisition

5.2 acres on Augusta Rd. \$ 227,923. Diocesan Loan (total interest & principal remaining) 2023-2028: 5-year term.

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, Guesler Zesir, and all who are sick.

PARISH CALENDAR

Saturday, October 26, through Sunday, November 3 (Mass Intentions are shown in italics)

All Masses are held in Upper Church unless otherwise noted.

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Saturday, 10/26	3:30 - 4:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 5:00 pm - Mass, For Cheryl Trimarco+
Sunday, 10/27	8:00 am-Mass, For William David Bozard, III 9:00 - 10:00 am - Confessions (Upper Church) 10:30 am - Mass, For John & Harriet Byers+ 5:00 pm - Mass, For The People
Monday, 10/28 <i>Lower Church</i>	8:30 am - Daily Mass For Gary Gillis
Tuesday, 10/29 Lower Church	12:00 pm - Daily Mass For Souls in Purgatory
Wednesday, 10/30	7:15 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 - Daily Mass For Evelyn Ellman+
Thursday, 10/31	7:00 pm - Anticipated Mass for All Saints' Day For Latrisha Vinson
Friday, 11/1 All Saints' Day	10:00 am - School Mass (limited seating) For Paul Bever, Jr.+
Holy Day of Obligation	12:00 pm - Mass
Saturday, 11/2 All Souls' Day	9:30 am - All Souls' Day & Pro-Life Mass (Upper Church) 3:30 - 4:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 5:00 pm - Mass, For All the Faithful Departed
Sunday, 11/3	8:00am - Mass, For Josephine & Murray M. Howard & Deceased Members of the Suit, Howard, Votava, Sokol, Ayers, O'Barr, Hornaday & Bagwell Families 9:00 - 10:00 am - Confessions (Upper Church) 10:30 am - Mass, For The People 5:00 pm-Mass, For Michael Merbach+

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

We will be joining the St. Mary's group for their party in honor of the Martyrs (6-8pm). Please either dress up as a martyr, or bring in a dish inspired by a martyr. Keep your martyr a secret because we will be turning our costumes and food into a game.

MOTHER TERESA HOUSE

"Let us touch the dying, the poor, the lonely and the unwanted according to the graces we have received and let us not be ashamed or slow to do the humble work."

Mother Teresa

In the work at Mother Teresa House, we have to do the hard work of not being toxic in our charity. *Toxic Charity* (title of a book by Robert Lupton) is when we actually do more harm than good in our work with the poor and homeless. When we give with no expectation of change, we enable people to stay in their lifestyle. Our SVdP offers a foodbank to help feed people available with only an ID, and they may also receive utility assistance, but require documentation and an interview and finally, repeat users are required to attend financial counseling (I refer them on their initial contact). With the homeless, I (and all the local charities working with homeless) want to get them off the street, we offer space with local shelters, but that means stopping drug and alcohol use, and mental health counseling as needed. Yes, we can give them food, but they must be willing to make the life change. We can open the door, but they must want to walk through. We will take every step with them that they are willing to make. Sadly, many people don't want to change and so the answer, like with your children, is sometimes "no", as hard as it is emotionally on us to do so. Jesus did not want us to live in sin, but He knew many would rather live in sin than follow Him. They did not want to give up their vices and even today, until they do, we can only offer a way out in love and hope to hear them say one day "Son of David, have pity on me."

Chris Loewer, Director of Outreach cloewer@charlestondiocese.org

Special indulgences for the Holy Souls in purgatory are available on All Souls' Day.

Please take one of the printed flyers in the Narthex for a detailed explanation, or go **HERE** to read this information on our website.

Two secure and trustworthy ways to make donations to help those suffering from the effects of Hurricane Helene:

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Charlotte, NC HERE

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Charleston, SC HERE

SCHOOL NEWS



Oct. 30 Upper School Information Night (for 7th & 8th Grade Students and Families, 6:45 – 8:00 pm

Oct. 31 US Dress Down Day - No Halloween Costumes

Nov. 4 Saints Showcase, 6pm

All Souls' Day Saturday, November 2

This Mass usually takes place at the Outdoor Chapel, however, this year because it coincides with the First Saturday Pro Life Mass, it will be held in Upper Church at 9:30am. Immediately after the Mass there will be a presentation on "Hospice and End of Life Issues", in Guadalupe Hall.

St. Vincent de Paul Society

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus asks Bartimaeus: "What do you want me to do for you?" And he answers, Master, I want to see." Let us ask Jesus for the grace to "see" our brothers and sisters who are poor and lonely.

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

All Saints' Day Mass Schedule Holy Day of Obligation

Thursday Oct. 31 7:00 pm Anticipated Mass

Friday Nov. 1 10:00 am School Mass

12:00 pm Mass

Congratulations to our Deacons in training, Eric Bricco and Brian Hansen!

This past weekend, Eric received his Master of Arts in Theology degree, and Brian received the ministry of Acolyte. We keep them in our prayers as they continue in their formation for ordination to the diaconate.



Next weekend, **Nov. 2,**Daylight Saving Time ends.
Remember to "fall back"
one hour.

Recently baptized was

Judith Clare Millegan

daughter of

Brantley & Krista Millegan



We welcome Judith as a new member of the OLR family.



Please join us on Saturday, Nov. 2, after the 9:30am COMPASSUS Pro-Life Mass, for a presentation on Hospice

and End of Life Care, from a Catholic perspective.

The meeting will be held in Guadalupe Hall, presented by Compassus/Bon Secours, and the content has been approved by the Charleston Diocese.

There is no charge, however, to ensure enough materials are available please email bconor@charlestondiocese.org to register and let us know the number of people to expect. Thank you.

PATRIOTIC ROSARY

Please join us for a "Patriotic Rosary" starting at 9:40am, before the 10:30am Mass on Sunday, **Nov. 3**, (the last Sunday before the election).

RCIA



Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, October 30, at 7pm in the Upper School Classroom, discussing "The Four Last Things, Death, Judgement, Heaven and Hell".

Spiritual Adoption

WEEK 30: October 27

Your baby continues to grow. He weighs about 3.5 pounds, and crown-to-rump length is 11.2 inches. His total length is 18 inches. Baby's heart has been beating for 25 weeks and he has been breathing for 21 weeks.

Respect Life Committee's "Fantastic" Sunday Brunch



Come join us in Guadalupe Hall for a tasty brunch following the 10:30 am Mass next Sunday, November 3. We will showcase all that the Respect Life Committee brings to

OLR and invite interested parties to join our TEAM! A Children's Pro-Life Table will have an educational exhibit and giveaways. Bring your appetite and join us for coffee, tea, food and fellowship! A free will offering will be taken.



Please join St Martha's Book Club on Monday, **Nov. 4**, in the Juan Diego Room to discuss "Frankenstein" by Mary Shelley. We meet from 12:30-2:00pm. Call 864)360-2406 for details.

Thanksgiving Morning Meal Deliveries

Volunteer Teams are needed to deliver meals to Meals on Wheels recipients on Thanksgiving morning. Each team/family will deliver to approximately 6-8 homes. We are partnering with Long Branch Baptist Church (meal preparation) and Church Without Walls. Call Marianne if you would like to participate (864) 360-2406.

Offertory Counters Needed

If you would like to volunteer to help count weekend offertory donations, please contact Rachel Hutson, Director of Finance at rhutson@charlestondiocese.org.

Spiritual Adoption's Birthright of Greenville Baby Shower!



Our spiritually-adopted babies have been growing and are about 7 months in utero. As we continue to pray for the moms and dads who chose life, let's help them get ready for their Christmas arrival! Respect Life has a Pack 'n'

Play in the Narthex for items needed by Birthright of **Greenville for the next few weekends.** Birthright needs: baby wipes, baby wash & shampoo, Desitin (or similar), newborn diapers, girls 3-6 month sleepers. As always, thank you for your prayers and generosity to these precious, unborn children!

You are invited to join other Christians throughout the Upstate to take part in our local 40 Days for Life effort Sep. 25 - Nov. 3. The overturn of Roe and



the S.C. Supreme Court's decision to uphold the Fetal Heartbeat Bill are signs of great hope for the end of abortion. However, abortions are still performed before a heartbeat is detected, for rape and incest, and fetal anomalies. We must continue to pray and draw attention to this human tragedy until life is protected from conception to natural death.

40 Days for Life is a prayer campaign to end abortion. This prayer campaign is initiated and organized at the grassroots level in communities throughout the nation and abroad. Prayer, fasting, public vigil at abortion facilities, and community outreach are key components. There are two campaigns each year, one in the spring and the other in the fall. God tells us to deliver the helpless from destruction: "Rescue those who are being taken away to death; hold back those who are stumbling to the slaughter" (Prov. 24:11). The National Organization requires that those participating in a campaign sign a promise to conduct themselves in a peaceful, respectful manner.