



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, Lower Church

Friday, 10:00 am, Upper Church

DAILY CONFESSIONS

Lower Church

Wednesday, 4:15-5:15 pm

Or by appointment

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Lower Church

First Friday, 11am-5pm, Upper Church

Wednesday, 7:15am-5:15pm

Thursday, 7-8 pm

October 6, 2024

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Friday we remembered St. Francis of Assisi. So how do you find Francis? The temptation is always to sentimentalize him. He was more than the little poor brother, the preacher to birds and the singer of songs to Brother Sun and Sister Moon.

Furthermore, in today's sentimentalized age it is all too easy to turn St. Francis into the poster boy for fashionable causes. Yes, he loved nature and stands for our proper stewardship of the world's resources, but he is not just a proto-environmentalist. Yes, he was for poverty, but he really lived it. He didn't just show off and pretend he was poor. The question of poverty and riches is as potent and controversial in our age as it has ever been.

While we admire St. Francis and the Franciscans for their love of poverty, we also realize that many who seem rich are in fact very poor, while many who seem poor are rich. We can never judge by outward appearances. Material wealth is not bad in itself, just as poverty is not good in and of itself. The question is not how much money we have, but what we do with it. The question is not how wealthy we are, but whether we are prepared to leave it all behind, because one day we will indeed leave it all behind.

The example of St. Francis challenges our attitude to our wealth. Can we live generously and give generously? If so, we will have joy and freedom. If not, we will lapse into greed, mean heartedness, and lack of compassion.

Your Pastor,
Fr. Longenecker

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Parish Operating Financials

Collections for the week ending Sep. 29, 2024

Needed: \$ 22,000.

Received: \$ 24,521 .

Surplus: \$ 2,521.

Fiscal Year-to-Date Collections through Week #14 in the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2024

Needed: \$ 308,000.

Received: \$ 336,923.

Surplus: \$ 28,923.

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 5, through Sunday, October 13

(Mass Intentions are shown in italics)

All Masses are held in Upper Church unless otherwise noted.

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| Saturday, 10/5 | 3:30 - 4:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For The People</i> |
| Sunday, 10/6 | 8:00 am-Mass, <i>For Gabriela Marotti</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 John Warga, Jr. +</i> |
| Monday, 10/7 Lower Church | 8:30 am - Daily Mass <i>For Scott & Kelly Malena</i> |
| Tuesday, 10/8 Lower Church | 12:00 pm - Daily Mass <i>For John & Harriett Byers+</i> |
| Wednesday, 10/9 | 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 -Mass (Upper Church) <i>For A Deceased Loved One</i> |
| Thursday, 10/10 Lower Church | 10:00 am - Daily Mass <i>For Souls in Purgatory</i> |
| Friday, 10/11 | 10:00 am - School Mass (limited seating) <i>For Tommy Curtin</i> |
| Saturday, 10/12 | 3:30 - 4:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Pattie Hackney+</i> |
| Sunday, 10/13 | 8:00am - Mass, <i>For The People</i> 9:00 - 10:00 am - Confessions (Upper Church) 10:30 am - Mass, <i>For Rigmaiden Family</i> 5:00 pm-Mass, <i>For Robert P. Reilly+</i> |

MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUPS

Pizza lunch in the cafeteria after the 10:30am Mass on Sunday, then at 1:45pm leave to participate in Life Chain on Woodruff Road.

Leading & Loving



This program is presented by Family Honor and it's for any parent or guardian of a child from infancy through about age 10. The program will be held in Guadalupe Hall on **Friday, Oct. 11, from 4-8:30pm, and Saturday morning from 8-11am.**

Leading & Loving will help you, as parents or guardians, not only raise virtuous and loving children, it will also give you the resources and ideas on how to answer the difficult questions your young children sometimes ask.

RCIA



Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, October 9, at 7pm in the Upper School Classroom, discussing "The Four Marks of the Church".

Contact JohnMark Cayer, jcayer@charlestondiocese.org.

**Sunday Morning Adult Catechesis
and Faith Formation for Children
will be canceled this Sunday, October 6.**

St. Martha's Book Club



Our next meeting will be on **Monday, October 7**, 12:30-2:00pm. Please plan to meet outside Guadalupe Hall and we will walk over to our new meeting space in the Juan Diego Room at 6 James Drive. We will be discussing "Firefly Island" by Christian author Lisa Wingate. Come join us.

Call Peg for info 864-423-7426.

SCHOOL NEWS



Oct. 7 Mission Day
Oct. 10 NOON Dismissal, Aftercare ENDS at 3pm
Oct. 11, and 14 NO School, Columbus Day Holiday

Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary October 7

We will celebrate this at the weekend Masses, on **October 5-6**, and as part of this commemoration, after the 10:30 Mass, we will unveil and bless a beautiful new painting of Our Lady of the Rosary by Gwyneth Thompson Briggs for the Narthex of the Church. Ms. Thompson Briggs, 2024 Laudamus Prize Finalist, (gwyneththompsonbriggs.com) will be present.

After the 10:30am unveiling, we will have a reception in Guadalupe Hall and Gwyneth will give a talk about her work as a Catholic artist.

Next weekend, on **October 12**, after the Saturday evening Mass, the Knights of Columbus will host a **Parish Party** in the courtyard and Fr. Longenecker will give a talk about the history of the Battle of Lepanto and how it is linked with Our Lady of the Rosary.

Please join us for an **OLR Parish Party** celebrating the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary on **Saturday, October 12, at 6pm** immediately following the 5pm Mass.

All parishioners, friends, and family are invited for food, drinks, games and fellowship. This is a free event, sponsored by Knights of Columbus, and will be potluck, so please register to bring your favorite dish. We need at least 15 people to bring food.

Go [HERE](#) to sign up.



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](#)

Spiritual Adoption

WEEK 27: October 6



A facial response occurs when baby is given bitter-tasting substances. Reflexes between the taste buds and facial muscles are in place. His lungs are capable of breathing air, and the central nervous system can detect rhythmic breathing and control body temperature.

LIFE CHAIN

Sunday, Oct. 6, 2:30 – 3:30pm
Woodruff Road, Greenville

Please join others across the country for this peaceful, prayerful, public witness for the sanctity of human life. OLR is assigned the grassy areas near the road in front of Cracker Barrel and Whole Foods all the way down to Verizon. Please pick up your signs at Whole Foods parking lot beginning at 2:00 PM. You may park there. If praying in front of Cracker Barrel you may drive over there and park in their far back area by Drury Inn. Life Chain guidelines are to be prayerful and stand a minimum of 10 feet apart in a continuous line, filling gaps where possible. Call Ingrid at 864-329-0044.

Candlelight Vigil

The 40 Days for Life Candlelight Vigil with the multilingual rosary and singing led by Greg Grimm will be held on Sunday, October 13, at 7pm in the parking lot of Christ the King Church (formerly Grove Road Baptist Church) at 1123 Grove Road, Greenville. Parking is on the premises.

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" (Proverbs 24:11). The National Organization requires that those participating in a campaign sign a promise to conduct themselves in a peaceful, respectful manner.

The backbone of the whole pro-life ministry is prayer. No Crisis Pregnancy Center, Sidewalk Ministry, Post Abortion Ministry, or Maternity Home can exist without our prayers. Many believe the Holy Spirit is using this movement to end abortion and at the same time bring people of many faiths together. Will you join us in praying outside the Greenville abortion facility during the 40 Days for Life campaign starting September 25?

Be the **ONE** to make this a priority in your life and join us. Please visit www.40daysforlife.com/greenville to sign up on the vigil calendar or contact Judy Masterson 864-506-0964 or Ingrid Ireland 864-329-0044. Help spread the word to others about this important life-saving effort.

Rosaries for Life: Pray the rosary during 40 Days for Life for the intentions to end abortion, for the conversion of our society, and for an end to other assaults on human Life. Turn in your counts at your local parish or email your count each week to familylife@charlestandioocese.org.

Sidewalk Counseling Training: Online/virtual training and in-person training are both offered. Go [HERE](#) or contact Judy Masterson, 864-506-0964.

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

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