



# Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church

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## **WEEKEND MASS**

Saturday 5:00 pm, Anticipated

*Saturday, 8:00pm, Neocatechumenal  
Way Mass, Lower Church*

Sunday 8:00 am, 10:30 am, 5:00 pm

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Monday, 8:30 am, *Lower Church*

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Wednesday, 4:15-5:15 pm, *Lower Church*

Or by appointment

## **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

First Friday, 11am-5pm

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November 17, 2024

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In last week's pastor's letter, I wrote about the five precepts of the church, and how they are universally binding upon all the Catholic faithful. These precepts specify the indispensable minimum moral and ecclesiastical duties that are expected of all Catholics. This week I want to briefly comment on how we are to fulfill each of these precepts.

### **1. attend Mass on Sundays and other holy days of obligation and refrain from work and activities which could impede the sanctification of those days.**

Every Catholic is obligated to participate in the celebration of the Holy Mass when the church gathers together on Sundays and on Holy Days of obligation. Very simply, go to one of the Masses offered on weekends, either the anticipated Mass Saturday evening or any of the Masses on Sunday, as well as a Mass on Holy Days, and observe all those days by refraining from servile work in order to pray, rest and have recreation with family and friends.

### **2. confess one's sins, receiving the sacrament of Reconciliation at least once each year.**

At a bare minimum, go to confession once a year, simple as that. However, every Catholic must receive the sacrament of Reconciliation whenever a mortal sin has been committed, and must normally refrain from receiving Holy Communion until that has been done. A good rule of thumb that I recommend to all people is to go to confession once a month, and as otherwise needed.

### **3. receive the sacrament of the Eucharist at least during the Easter season.**

This is called "doing one's Easter duty." Although any Catholic who seriously wishes to grow in the spiritual life and in sanctification should want to receive Holy Communion worthily as often as possible, every Sunday - or even daily - if they are in a state of grace.

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## **4. abstain from eating meat, and observe the days of fasting, as established by the Church.**

The USCCB has mandated that “Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence (from meat) for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. The norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59,” unless some infirmity prevents one from doing so. “When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.”

## **5. help to provide for the material needs of the Church, each according to his own ability.**

We are all called to give generously and sacrificially of our time, talents - and yes, our money - to support the work of the Church. A tithe, or 10 percent, has been the traditional standard from Old Testament times. For the poor, 10 percent might be a great deal, while 10 percent for the wealthy might mean very little. So, put God first and give proportionately, sacrificially and generously according to the degree to which you have been blessed with this world's goods.

These five precepts of the Church help us to align our spiritual lives according to God's will. They are the minimal prerequisites for practicing the Catholic faith. Let us each seek God's grace to fulfill these precepts and to grow in holiness of life so that one day we may hear God say to us: “Well done, good and faithful servant; enter into the joy of your master” (Matt. 25:21).

Fr. Richard Ballard

Parochial Vicar

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## Parish Operating Financials

Collections for the week ending Nov. 10, 2024

Needed: \$ 22,000.

Received: \$ 23,214.

Surplus: \$ 1,214.

Fiscal Year-to-Date Collections through Week #20 in the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2024

Needed: \$ 440,000.

Received: \$ 480,614.

Surplus: \$ 40,614.

## Capital Campaign-Land Acquisition

5.2 acres on Augusta Rd.

Diocesan Loan, 2023-2028: 5-year term.

*Debt paid off this month,  
thank you for your generosity!*

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Nancy Alibozek, Delores Almaraz, Barbara Andersen, Ruth Ballard, Laurie Bernard, Eric Best, Jim Bever, Glen Bishop, 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, Beth 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, 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, November 16, through Sunday, November 24**

(Mass Intentions are shown in italics)

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

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| Saturday, 11/16                        | 3:30 - 4:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church)<br>5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Leo &amp; Peg Verranault</i>  |
| Sunday, 11/17                          | 8:00 am - Mass, <i>For John &amp; Harriet Byers+</i><br>9:00 - 10:00 am - Confessions (Upper Church)<br>10:30 am - Mass, <i>For The People</i><br>5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Matthew Craft+</i>       |
| Monday, 11/18<br><b>Lower Church</b>   | 8:30 am - Daily Mass<br><i>For Patsy Higby+</i>   |
| Tuesday, 11/19<br><b>Lower Church</b>  | 12:00 pm - Daily Mass, <i>For Sr. Mary Dominic of the Holy Spirit, OP</i>   |
| Wednesday, 11/20                       | 7:15 am - 5:15 pm - Eucharistic Adoration (Lower Church)<br>4:15 - 5:15 pm - Confessions (Lower Church)<br>5:15 pm - Benediction (Lower Church)<br>6:00 pm - Daily Mass<br><i>For Jay Hutson+</i> |
| Thursday, 11/21<br><b>Lower Church</b> | 10:00 am - Daily Mass<br><i>For Albert Bricco+</i>  |
| Friday, 11/22                          | 10:00 am - School Mass (limited seating)<br><i>For John Bolchoz+</i>  |
| Saturday, 11/23                        | 3:30 - 4:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church)<br>5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Jerry Hoff</i>  |
| Sunday, 11/24                          | 8:00am - Mass, <i>For The People</i><br>9:00 - 10:00 am - Confessions (Upper Church)<br>10:30 am - Mass, <i>For James Cronican+</i><br>5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Anna Marie of Jesus, OP</i>         |



## HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

We will have Youth Group meeting this Sunday, November 17, at our normal time 6-8pm. Mr. Beach will be presenting on "Understanding and Dissecting Atheism".

## MOTHER TERESA HOUSE

"I am not sure exactly what heaven will be like, but I know that when we die and it comes time for God to judge us, He will not ask, 'How many good things have you done in your life?' rather He will ask, 'How much love did you put into what you did?'" **Mother Teresa**

Today's readings speak about the apocalypse at the end of times when everyone will be judged. When we will all have our particular judgement at our death, we will be judged on what we have and have not done.

"Love is the fruit of faith" (Mother Teresa) and we are called to put our love for Him into action. In the work we do at Mother Teresa House, we try and help with the needs of this world for those in need. Ultimately, that work, if it bears fruit, will not only help in this world, but draw them closer to Him and hopefully, their eternal salvation. When you pray, examine your conscience and ask yourself "How much love did I put into my actions today?"

Chris Loewer, Director of Outreach  
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Join us in December for the **OLR Advent Parish Mission**. The Capuchin Friars of the Renewal will preach our mission on the evenings of **December 8th, 9th, and 10th** at 6pm in Upper Church.

Recently baptized was  
**Taylor Adelaide Hawks**  
daughter of  
Seth & Faith Hawks



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

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



**Nov. 21** Upper School Dress Down Day  
**Nov. 25 - 29** NO School  
Thanksgiving Break

## 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 can participate (864) 360-2406.

## St. Vincent de Paul Society

*The Gospel predicts end times; our challenge though is to live faithfully now. When we live in conformity to the Word, hearing Jesus' words and living them out, the future holds no fear for us.*

As you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul poor box, know that you are hearing the words of Jesus and living them out.

## Thanksgiving Schedule

School will be closed Nov. 25-29

Parish Offices will be closed Nov. 27-29

The Wed., Nov. 27 Mass will be a Mass of Thanksgiving

There will be NO MASS on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 28

Daily Mass will resume on Friday, November 29,  
in **Lower Church** (not a School Mass)

The choirs from OLR Church and School will present a service of **Advent Lessons and Carols on Thursday, December 5**, at 7:00 pm in Upper Church. All are welcome.

We would like to further beautify our worship in the Lower Church with frontals in the four liturgical colors for the altar and a hanging for the front of the pulpit. Parishioner Caroline Kane has volunteered to make the frontals and has researched fabrics and designs. The cost of each set of hangings is \$800.

If you would like to donate one of these - perhaps in memory of a loved one - an inscription in their memory would be embroidered and attached to the back of the frontal. Please contact Fr. Longenecker by email at [dlongenecker@charlestdiocese.org](mailto:dlongenecker@charlestdiocese.org) if you would like to be involved.



Fr. Longenecker will speak at **Christ On Main** on Wednesday, **November 20**, at 6pm.

Topic: "Mere Christianity or More Christianity." This event is FREE, but REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED, due to limited space. Go to [catholic.center](http://catholic.center) to register.

Pick up your Advent/Christmas gifts until 6pm that evening at the new Catholic Bookstore and Gift Shop at the Center.

### RCIA

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, November 20, at 7pm in the Upper School Classroom, discussing "The Eucharist".



Please join St Martha's Book Club on **Monday, Dec. 2**, in the Juan Diego Room to discuss "**Princess Elizabeth's Spy**" by Susan Elia MacNeal .

We meet from 12:30-2:00pm. Call 864)360-2406 for details.

### Spiritual Adoption

WEEK 33: November 17



Your baby's fat layers, which he will need to regulate his body temperature once he is born, are filling out. If you have been nervous about going into preterm labor, you will be happy to know that, 99 percent of babies this age can survive outside the womb, and most have no long-term problems related to premature birth.

### Rachel's Vineyard Retreat for Post Abortion Healing

is a supportive, confidential, nonjudgmental weekend retreat for women and men who have had an abortion experience.

On the retreat you can find peace while also strengthening your relationship with God while experiencing His love, mercy and forgiveness.

The next retreat in South Carolina is in the Charleston area (English) **December 13-15, 2024**.

For information or registration please contact Christy 803-554-6088 or Kathy 803-546-6010.



Please help "Church Without Walls" minister to the children of Grove Road Elementary School by providing new or gently used coats.

Coats will be collected by SVdP members after each of the **weekend Masses on December 7-8**. Thank you for your generosity.

### Learn more about Natural Family Planning with the Creighton Model System.

Introductory Sessions will be presented by OLR parishioner and Family Nurse Practitioner, Meghan Pillow, MSN, APRN, FNP-C, on Saturday mornings after the Pro-life Masses at about 10:15am in the OLR cafeteria. December 7, and 28, February 1, and March 1. For more information, please email Meghan at [scnaprofnp@gmail.com](mailto:scnaprofnp@gmail.com).



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Friday, December 6 and Saturday, December 7, 2024



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### To Our Spiritual Adoption & Birthright Baby Shower Participants! THANK YOU!!!



Your spiritual adoption in prayer and gifts for unborn babies in danger of abortion have been a true blessing! Baby lives have been saved as parents' hearts opened to receive them. As we approach Advent and the birth day of Baby Jesus, we know that God will remember your generosity and we ask for His continual blessing upon you and your families. One day, God will reveal to you the babies you helped save!

**-OLR Respect Life Committee**

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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