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All services are held in UPPER CHURCH unless otherwise noted.

WEEKEND MASS

Saturday 5:00p, Anticipated Saturday, 8:00p, Neocatechumenal Way Mass, Lower Church Sunday 8:00a, 10:30a, 5:00p

WEEKEND CONFESSIONS

Saturday, 3:30 - 4:30p Sunday, 9:00 - 10:00a

DAILY MASS

Monday, 8:30a, Lower Church Tuesday, 12:00p, Lower Church Wednesday, 7:15a and 6:00p Thursday, 10:00a, Lower Church Friday, 10:00a

DAILY CONFESSIONS

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

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

First Friday, 11a - 5p Monday, 9a - 1p Wednesday, 7:15a - 5:15p, *Lower Church* Thursday, 7 - 8p, *Lower Church*

Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church

3710 Augusta Rd. † Greenville, SC 29605

April 20, 2025

Easter Sunday

"An Easter Gift" by Gerard Manley Hopkins, 1844 - 1889

Break the box and shed the nard; Stop not now to count the cost; Hither bring pearl, opal, sard; Reck not what the poor have lost; Upon Christ throw all away: Know ye, this is Easter Day.

Build His church and deck His shrine, Empty though it be on earth; Ye have kept your choicest wine— Let it flow for heavenly mirth; Pluck the harp and breathe the horn: Know ye not 'tis Easter morn?

Gather gladness from the skies; Take a lesson from the ground; Flowers do ope their heavenward eyes And a Spring-time joy have found; Earth throws Winter's robes away, Decks herself for Easter Day.

Beauty now for ashes wear, Perfumes for the garb of woe, Chaplets for disheveled hair, Dances for sad footsteps slow; Open wide your hearts that they Let in joy this Easter Day.

Seek God's house in happy throng; Crowded let His table be; Mingle praises, prayer, and song, Singing to the Trinity. Henceforth let your souls always Make each morn an Easter Day!

Gerard Manley Hopkins is considered to be one of the greatest poets of the Victorian era. His family encouraged his artistic talents when he was a youth in Essex, England. However, Hopkins became estranged from his Protestant family when he converted to Roman Catholicism, under the leader of the Oxford converts, John Henry Newman. Newman received him into the Roman Catholic Church on October 21. 1866.

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Parish Operating Financials

Not yet published, offertory totals will be available next week.

Needed:

Received:

Surplus:

Year-to-Date Collections through Week #43 in the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2024.

Needed:

Received:

Surplus:

MOTHER TERESA HOUSE

"But I tell you again that I love you, not for what you have or ceased to do, I love you for you, for the beauty and the dignity My Father gave you by creating you in His own image. It is a dignity you have often forgotten, a beauty you have tarnished by sin. But I love you as you are, and I have shed My Blood to rescue you. If you only ask Me with faith, My grace will touch all that needs changing in your life: I will give you the strength to free yourself from sin and from all its destructive power."

Words Jesus spoke to Mother Teresa from "I Thirst"

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St. Vincent de Paul Society

Today we celebrate the feast of Easter.
As Pope John Paul II said, "Do not abandon yourselves to despair. We are the Easter people and hallelujah is our song."

Despair has turned to joy with the Resurrection of our Lord. Thank you for your generosity this Lenten season and may you all have a Blessed and Joyful Easter!

PRAYER REQUESTS

Nancy Alibozek, Delores Almaraz, Barbara Andersen, Ruth Ballard, Laurie Bernard, Eric Best, Jim Bever, Glen Bischof, 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, Ed Harden, Janet Hardy, Donald Hargis, Theresa Hargreaves, Kathy Hess, Kathy Illingworth, Stacy Isenbarger, Bethe Kitchen, John Knope, Kenneth Landgrover, Gerry Loesch, John Loesch, Katherine Lowry, Anna Lunn, Madeline McKiernan, Mike McMahon, 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.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

We will NOT meet on Easter Sunday, April 20. On April 27, we will have our usual meeting with a Divine Mercy Potluck Party from 6-8pm.

School and Parish Offices will be closed April 18-25, and will reopen on Monday, April 28.





We will have coffee and donuts for older family members while the children have their Easter Egg Hunt.

First Saturday Pro-Life Mass for Protection of the Unborn and Pro-Life Warriors will be on **Saturday, May 2**, at 9:30a in Upper Church.

St. Martha's Book Club will be meeting at a private residence on Monday, **May 5**, from 12-2pm, with lunch and outdoor discussion of "A Severe Mercy" by Sheldon Vanauken. Car pool provided. Call 864-360-2406 for details.



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 GH Classroom on May 3, June 7, July 12, and August 2.

For more information, please email Meghan at scnaprofnp@gmail.com.

Sunday, April 27 - Divine Mercy Sunday

2:00p Eucharistic Adoration 3:00p Divine Mercy Program

Pope St. John Paul's Gift to the World 25 Years Ago



On April 27, we will offer a special program in honor of this blessed anniversary. The celebration in the Upper Church will begin with Adoration and Benediction at 2pm and a program of speakers and prayer beginning at 3 pm.

For more information, click <u>here</u> or take a copy of the flyer in the Narthex.

Our Divine Mercy Novena began on Good Friday, April 18, and will conclude on Saturday, April 26. For the full schedule, click here.

Recently baptized was

Thomas John Worrall

son of

Lee & Maria Worrall



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



Respect Life Ministry

All current events and news will now be published at the OLR website <u>HERE</u>.

Please feel free to contact Deacon Bob Connor with any questions,

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The **5th annual OLR campout** will be held **May 9-11**, at Lake Hartwell State Park. This is an invitation extended to families of the school and parish. Our hope is to take over as much of the campground as possible.

This is a public campground, so the reservations are open to all (including the public). It is a fun, community-centered weekend. Come, enjoy the fellowship, and great outdoors! Once a reservation is made, we will ask for a \$20-30 donation in the spring to help provide breakfasts and a communal dinner. Reserve a site <a href="https://docs.ncb/here.com/

APRIL		
19 Holy Saturday	20 Easter Sunday	21 Easter Monday
* School Closed, April 18-25 * Parish Offices Closed, April 18-25 7:00-9:00a Men's Basketball, Gym 2:00-4:00p Vigil Mass Rehearsal, UC 3:00p Divine Mercy Novena, LC Day 2 3:30-4:30p NO Confessions, UC 4:30p Choir Practice, GH 8:30p Easter Vigil Mass, UC	7:30a Choir Practice, GH 8:00a Easter Mass, UC For Josephine & Murray Howard, Suit, Votava, Sokol, Ayers, O'Barr, Bagwell, Howard, Hornaday and Bagwell Families+ 9:00a Choir Practice, UC 9:00-10:00a NO Confessions, UC 10:00a Rosary, UC 10:30a Easter Mass, UC For James Cronican+ 12:30p Easter Egg Hunt, UC Courtyard 5:00p NO Mass, UC 6:00-8:00p NO Youth Group, GH	7:30a Morning Prayer 8:30a NO Daily Mass, LC For 9:15a Divine Mercy Chaplet, LC 9:00a-1:00p NO Adoration, UC 3:00p Divine Mercy Novena, LC Day 4
22 Tuesday	23 Wednesday	24 Thursday
7:00a Cursillo Group, GH 7:30a Morning Prayer, UC 12:00p Daily Mass, LC For Edward Gourde+ 12:45p Divine Mercy Chaplet, LC 3:00p Divine Mercy Novena, LC Day 5 3:00p NO Girls Choir Practice 7:00p Neocatechumenal Bible Studies, Cafeteria	7:15a Daily Mass, UC 8:00a-5p Adoration, LC 3:00p Divine Mercy Novena, LC Day 6 3:00p Schola Choir Practice, UC 4:15-5:15p Confessions, UC 5:15p Benediction, UC 6:00p Mass, UC For Sr. Ann Joseph, OP 6:45p Divine Mercy Chaplet, UC	7:30a Morning Prayer, UC 10:00a Daily Mass, LC For The Hutson Family 10:45a Divine Mercy Chaplet, LC 3:00p Divine Mercy Novena, LC Day 7 3:00p NO Boys Choir Practice
25 Friday	26 Saturday	27 Divine Mercy Sunday
7:30a Morning Prayer, UC 10:00a Daily Mass, LC For Brooke Renee Bozard Baldowski+ 3:00p Divine Mercy Novena, LC Day 8	3:00p Divine Mercy Novena, LC Day 9 3:30-4:30p Confessions, UC 8:00p Neocatechumenal Mass, LC 5:00p Mass, UC For the People	7:30a Choir Practice, GH 8:00a Mass, UC For Sr. Mary Ruth Bernard, OP 9:00a Choir Practice, UC 9:00-10:00a Confessions, UC 10:30a Rosary, UC 10:30a Mass, UC For Kathy McBride+ 2:00p Divine Mercy Adoration, UC 3:00p Divine Mercy Program, UC 4:30p Rosary, UC 5:00p Mass, UC For Sr. Mary St. John of the Lamb of God 6:00-8:00p Youth Group, GH