



Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church

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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, 6:00p
Thursday, 10:00a, *Lower Church*
Friday, 10:00a *Lower Church*

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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
First Friday, 11a - 5p
Wednesday, 7:15a - 5:15p, *Lower Church*
Thursday, 7 - 8p, *Lower Church*

July 6, 2025

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

When I am in the confessional I am aware that some of those who come to make their confession are well prepared and others are not. The key to making a good confession is to first make a good examination of conscience, and a good examination of conscience is impossible without a clear understanding of what sin is.

Many Catholics don't think they have anything to confess because they are basically nice people who don't commit crimes or don't do anything they consider to be really bad like murder, adultery or stealing. This is a very shallow understanding of the Catholic faith.

Sin is not simply the bad things we do of which we are ashamed. In the Epistle to the Romans, St. Paul defines sin as "falling short of the glory of God." Each of us were made to grow up into the fullness of God's perfection. In the Epistle to the Ephesians, St. Paul teaches us that we are all called to "grow up into the full humanity of Jesus Christ."

The spiritual life is a process of growing in grace, and to do this we need to not only choose good actions and thoughts, but we must also choose to repent of the times we have fallen short of God's glory. Only when we truly and honestly repent can we truly and honestly make progress. You can't improve if you don't know there is room for improvement, and you can't know there is room for improvement unless you understand the high standard to which you are aiming.

The Ten Commandments are God's high standard for the human race. He knows we can't keep them. He gives the Ten Commandments not because He thinks we will obey them, but because He knows we cannot. He sets the high standard so that we will realize our need for Him and learn to rely on His grace to "grow up into the full humanity of Jesus Christ."

These summer weeks I will be writing a series of pastor's letters on the Ten Commandments. I hope you will read them with interest, and that you will use them to examine your conscience. The reason to examine your conscience is to understand where you can improve and draw closer to God.

If we all continue on this pilgrimage towards Christ, think how much more powerful and joyful our Catholic witness will be at OLR! Join with me in renewing your spiritual life and commitment for the sake of Christ's kingdom and the salvation of our souls.

Your Pastor,
Fr. Longenecker

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Parish Operating Financials

Offertory totals are not yet published.

Needed:

Received:

Surplus:

Year-to-Date Collections through Week #1
in the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2025.

Needed:

Received:

Surplus:

MOTHER TERESA HOUSE

"The good man, though a slave, is free; the wicked, though he reigns, is a slave, and not the slave of a single man, but — what is worse — the slave of as many masters as he has vices." St Augustine City of God IV. 3

This weekend we celebrate our country's independence from tyranny. This is worldly freedom and one, as an American, I enjoy. The freedom to do what I ought and not whatever I want. We all have vices and with His grace, we are free. When we allow our vices to be more important and to take over our lives, we become their slaves with the illusion we are their master.

So too, the people I work with at MTH have allowed their vices to control their lives. Our Gospel reading today reminds us *"Lord, even the demons are subject to us because of your name."* It is through His grace we become truly free and without Him, we are a slave of the enemy.

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St. Vincent de Paul Society

In the Gospel today we see how Jesus sent his Apostles out two by two. In this spirit, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul members go out and serve those who are struggling financially and looking for food to feed their families.

Know that the members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul bring your gift directly to the poor and suffering in our parish neighborhoods.

The Poor Box in the Narthex is being replaced, please leave your donations at the Parish Office until further notice. Thank you.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Nancy Alibozek, Delores Almaraz, Barbara Andersen, Ruth Ballard, Laurie Bernard, Eric Best, Glen Bischof, Sandra Brock, Doug Bryant, Bill Burgess, 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, Phillip Greene, Ed Harden, Donald Hargis, Theresa Hargreaves, Kathy Hess, Kathy Illingworth, Stacy Isenbarger, 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.

July 27 - Senior Sendoff Bonfire at the Millegan Family property for a huge game of capture the flag, a bonfire, and the rosary. Dinner will be provided. This will be the last official meeting with our seniors, and will allow us to say goodbye before they head out into the world.



SCHOOL NEWS

Aug 11 Back to School Night, 3:00-6:00pm

Aug 13 First Day of School, NOON Dismissal

Calling All Aspiring Actors – Join the Recusant Players!

A new parish-based theatre troupe, the **Recusant Players**, is forming and looking for parishioners interested in participating in a *reader's theatre* production of **Fr. Longenecker's play, "Only You."**

"Only You" is a lively adaptation of Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night*, filled with humor, antics, and frolic—set in southern Alabama during the 1950s. This is a staged reading—not a school-related event—and is open to individuals in the **Upper School** as well as **adults**. **Reader's theatre** is a style of performance where actors read from scripts on stage, focusing on voice and expression rather than memorization or elaborate staging. If you haven't been on stage in half a century and want to get back into the groove, or if you're brand new and curious to try your hand at acting, come to our informal meeting to learn more. **Information Night:** Wednesday, August 13th at 7:00 PM in Guadalupe Hall

Rehearsals will be minimal and flexible, perfect for busy schedules. The staged reading is tentatively scheduled for October—more details to follow.

This is a wonderful opportunity to build fellowship through the arts and celebrate the joy of storytelling together. For more information, or to sign up for the Information Night, please call or text **Nichola Bricco** at **864-525-7260**.

There will be an **altar server training** on Sunday **July 13**, following both the 8am and 10:30am Masses for aspiring, new servers in grade 3 and up, that have made their First Holy Communion.



Now accepting applications for the 2025-26 academic year.

rosary.college

Special thanks to Max Orbon, a faithful altar server at OLR for over 10 years. We wish him the best as he goes to Benedictine College in Kansas in August.



OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults) classes begin mid-September. If you are a non Catholic who is interested in becoming Catholic, or an Adult Catholic who has not received all of your sacraments, please reach out to JohnMark Cayer at the parish office.

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 10:15am in the GH Classroom on **July 12**, and August 2. For more information, please email Meghan at scnaprofnp@gmail.com.

Recently baptized was

Celeste Mariyah Racaza Dumdum

daughter of

Mechaelangelo & Bernadette Dumdum

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



The **5th annual World Day of Prayer for Grandparents and the Elderly** will take place on Sunday, July 27th, the day after the feast day of Saints Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus. The theme chosen by the Pope for this year is "Blessed are those who have not lost hope." (cf. Sir 14:2)

The Respect Life Ministry will be hosting a **celebration of our Grandparents and Seniors after the Anticipated Mass on Saturday, July 26, in Guadalupe Hall for the grandparents and the seniors of our parish**. A light meal, a "Who Am I" game, and fellowship will highlight a fun and enjoyable evening. Call/text Victoria Norris at 864.517.4279 or Cheryl Bever at 864.380.5432 for info.

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

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JULY

5 Saturday	6 Sunday <i>14th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	7 Monday
7:00-9:00a Men's Basketball, Gym 9:30a Pro-Life Mass , UC 11:00a Baptism, UC 3:30-4:30p Confessions, UC 4:30p Choir Practice, GH 4:30p Rosary, UC 5:00p Mass , UC <i>For The People</i> 8:00p Neocatechumenal Mass, LC	7:30a Choir Practice, GH 8:00a Mass , UC <i>For Joseph & Rosemary Torres</i> 9:00a Choir Practice, UC 9:00-10:00a Confessions, UC 10:00a Rosary, UC 10:30a Mass , UC <i>For Jim Stenhouse+</i> 4:30p Rosary, UC 5:00p Mass , UC <i>For Sr. Claire, OP</i>	7:30a Morning Prayer, UC 8:30a Daily Mass , LC <i>For Steve Lackey+</i> 9:15a Divine Mercy Chaplet, LC
8 Tuesday	9 Wednesday	10 Thursday
7:00a Cursillo Group, GH 7:30a Morning Prayer, UC 12:00p Daily Mass , LC <i>For Natasha Braden+</i> 12:45p Divine Mercy Chaplet, LC 7:00p Neocatechumenal Bible Studies, GH	8:00a-5p Adoration, LC 4:15-5:15p Confessions, LC 5:15p Benediction, LC 6:00p Mass , UC <i>For Josephine Suit Howard+</i> 6:45p Divine Mercy Chaplet, UC	7:30a Morning Prayer, UC 10:00a Daily Mass , LC <i>For Pauline Vella+</i> 10:45a Divine Mercy Chaplet, LC 7:00-8:00p Adoration, LC
11 Friday	12 Saturday	13 Sunday <i>15th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
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