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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

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

First Friday, 11a - 5p 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

June 22, 2025

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ Corpus Christi

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

On this feast of Corpus Christi, it is important for us to re-affirm our belief in the Real Sacramental Presence of Our Lord Jesus Christ's Body Blood Soul and Divinity in the Most Blessed Sacrament, and to distinguish our belief from the opinions held by our non-Catholic brothers and sisters.

Many Protestants will say they believe in "The Real Presence" but they probably do NOT mean what we mean when we speak of the "Real Presence". The Catholic Church teaches that at a valid Catholic Mass the substance of the bread and wine are transformed into the Body and Blood of Christ. The invisible, eternal dimension of the bread and wine is truly transformed. This is called transubstantiation.

A Lutheran or Anglican may claim to believe in the "Real Presence" but they would deny the doctrine of transubstantiation. What do they mean, then, by their use of the term "Real Presence"? Lutherans officially teach consubstantiation which means the spiritual presence of Christ is "with or beside" the bread and wine, but that the bread and wine are not transformed in any way.

Many Anglicans (in the USA Episcopalians) would hold to receptionism. In other words, the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ if and when a person receives them with faith.

Sometimes Presbyterians, Baptists and other Protestants will also say they believe in the "Real Presence" what they mean by this is difficult to discern. Sometimes what they mean is "I feel especially close to Jesus when we have a communion service."

Non Catholics may protest, "You Catholics say our Eucharist is invalid. That's offensive!" We must understand the concept of sacramental validity. The Catholic Church teaches that for a sacrament to be valid it needs proper form (the words said) proper minister (the person officiating) and proper matter (the physical stuff of the sacrament). If one or more of these is missing it is not a valid Catholic sacrament. This is simply an objective definition. It is not a value judgement on the worth, the reverence or the spiritual intent of non-Catholic worship. In other words, a Lutheran or Methodist communion service may be a worthy, uplifting and inspiring act of Christian worship, but it is NOT a Catholic sacrament. No one should have a problem with this definition because the non-Catholics themselves would insist that what they are doing is not a Catholic sacrament!

While we always rejoice at non-Catholics desire to receive communion it is good to remember that receiving communion is a sign and seal of our unity with the Catholic Church. Non-Catholic Christians should not receive communion at a Catholic Mass nor should Catholics receive communion (or any other sacraments) in non-Catholic Churches. This discipline is not intended to divide and exclude people, but to recognize the divisions that exist in Christ's Body and to properly welcome those who wish to come into full communion with Christ's One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church.

Your pastor, Fr. Longenecker

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Parish Operating Financials

Collection for the week ending June 15, 2025

Needed: \$ 22,000. Received: \$ 22,078. Surplus: \$ 78.

Year-to-Date Collections through Week #51 in the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2024.

Needed: \$ 1,122,000. Received: \$ 1,429,293. Surplus: \$ 307,293.

MOTHER TERESA HOUSE

"For what you see is simply bread and a cup - this is the information your eyes report. But your faith demands far subtler insight: the bread is Christ's body, the cup is Christ's blood. Faith can grasp the fundamentals quickly, succinctly, yet it hungers for a fuller account of the matter. As the prophet says, "Unless you believe, you will not understand."

[Is. 7.9; Septuagint] "St. Augustine (Sermon 272)

The gospel reading today recounts the feeding of the 5,000 men (plus women and children) from what little they had. Even though they had only 5 loaves and 2 fish the food kept multiplying until everyone was fed, with food left over.

I see this "feeding" all the time at Mother Teresa House. I see it in the Saturday food pantry our St. Vincent de Paul operates by our volunteers and your generosity. I see it in our school as they feed our children both faith and knowledge. I see it in our priests and deacons who feed us with their words and in the hands of our priests at the altar. I see it in the people we interact with at MTH.

We, as a parish, "feed" those who are "hungry" in our community through our prayers, worship, teaching, sacraments, charity, wisdom, knowledge, kindness, generosity, and actual food. Christ works through us, like he did with the apostles, to multiply our "loaves and fishes" to feed a hungry world.

Chris Loewer, Director of Outreach cloewer@charlestondiocese.org

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Today we celebrate the gift of the Body and Blood of Christ. We hear Jesus ask his disciples, "Why do you not give them something to eat yourselves?" And he shows them how by the multiplication of the five loaves and two fishes.

As you donate to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, please know that the multiplication of the loaves and fishes will happen again and the hungry will be fed. **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, 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, Mary Lou Whelan, Kayla Wiegand, Steve Wiltberger, Marcia Wolff, Jim Wood, Mary Louise Worthy & family, Guesler Zesir, and all who are sick.

Please join us for a **Corpus Christi Procession** immediately following the 10:30am Mass on Sunday, June 22.



The school and Parish Offices
will be closed
June 30 - July 4 and
will reopen on Monday, July 7.

Please note . . .

Gym will be closed for repainting and repairs, June 20 - July 4



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,

jcayer@charlestondiocese.org.

OLR's Walking with Moms in Need program assists Moms in Need, especially those with unexpected pregnancies. We offer free support and are here to walk with you and your baby as you peacefully prepare for his or her arrival. Book your confidential interview with us today via wwmin@proton.me or phone 864-791-5080. Please allow our advisors to provide you and your baby with the support you need. We look forward to meeting you!

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.

SCHOOL NEWS

Jun 30 - Jul 4 School Offices Closed

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

Aug 13 First Day of School, NOON Dismissal

THE BIBLE COMES ALIVE! PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

with Fr. Dwight Longenecker and Kenny Burchard

April 19-30, 2026

Go HERE for reservation details.

Calling all ladies of the church - the **St. Martha's Group** has gatherings for charity, fun and fellowship. If you'd like to be added to our list please email inacottingham@yahoo.com

Parish Office - SUMMER HOURS

Monday - Friday, 9am - 1pm

June 2 - August 8

Recently baptized was

Nolan Andrew Wain

son of

Andrew & Linsey Wain



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

Music at OLR

Go **HERE** for recordings of our

organ and choirs at OLR

JUNE		
21 Saturday	22 Sunday Corpus Christi	23 Monday
7:00-9:00a NO Men's Basketball 3:30-4:30p Confessions, UC 4:30p Choir Practice, GH 4:30p Rosary, UC 5:00p Mass, UC For Jay & Rachel Hutson 8:00p Neocatechumenal Mass, LC	7:30a Choir Practice, GH 8:00a Mass, UC For Betty Kercher+ 9:00a Choir Practice, UC 9:00-10:00a Confessions, UC 10:00a Rosary, UC 10:30a Mass, UC For James Cronican+ Corpus Christi Procession 4:30p Rosary, UC 5:00p Mass, UC For The People	7:30a Morning Prayer, UC 8:30a Daily Mass , LC For Allison Malena 9:15a Divine Mercy Chaplet, LC
24 Tuesday	25 Wednesday	26 Thursday
7:00a Cursillo Group, GH 7:30a Morning Prayer, UC 12:00p Daily Mass , LC For Barry O'Hare+ 12:45p Divine Mercy Chaplet, LC 7:00p Neocatechumenal Bible Studies, GH	8:00a-5p Adoration, LC 11:00a Tom Calamia Funeral, UC 4:15-5:15p Confessions, LC 5:15p Benediction, LC 6:00p Mass, UC For Ashley & Chris Rocci 6:45p Divine Mercy Chaplet, UC	7:30a Morning Prayer, UC 10:00a Daily Mass , LC For Paul Bever, Jr.+ 10:45a Divine Mercy Chaplet, LC 7:00-8:00p Adoration, LC
27 Friday	28 Saturday	29 Sunday Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles
7:30a Morning Prayer, UC 10:00a Daily Mass , LC For Ma'May Grimm+ 10:45a Divine Mercy Chaplet, LC	7:00-9:00a NO Men's Basketball, Gym 3:30-4:30p Confessions, UC 4:30p Choir Practice, GH 4:30p Rosary, UC 5:00p Mass, UC For Jack Robejsek+ 8:00p Neocatechumenal Mass, LC	7:30a Choir Practice, GH 8:00a Mass, UC For The People 9:00a Choir Practice, UC 9:00-10:00a Confessions, UC 10:00a Rosary, UC 10:30a Mass, UC For Lawton Salley+ 4:30p Rosary, UC 5:00p Mass, UC For Sr. Sarah David, OP

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