



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 20, 2025

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The first three commandments stand together to affirm our obligation to love God. The last seven commandments stand together to outline our obligation to love our neighbor. Jesus summarized the law by saying, "Love God and love your neighbor. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

The second commandment underlines and specifies the first commandment to love God first and foremost in our lives. To do this we honor Him with worship and adoration. When we skip Mass and intentionally do something else, we are putting some other 'god' before Him. If we do this intentionally and with full knowledge and without repentance, then we are in a state of mortal sin, for mortal sin is, by definition, any sin which takes us away from the love of God. We should remember that it is possible to be in a state of mortal sin without feeling terribly guilty or ashamed of ourselves. The level of guilt and shame we feel for our sins is not a reliable indicator of the seriousness of our sin.

The second commandment teaches us to not take the name of the Lord in vain. For the Jewish people the name of the Lord God was so holy that it could not only not be uttered aloud, but it could not even be written completely. They used a roundabout way of speaking to refer to the Lord God. This total reverence for the name of the Lord is lightened in the Christian tradition because Jesus Christ has shown us the Father and opened the way to a closer relationship with God.

Nevertheless, we are not to use the name of God in vain. This means using God's name, or the name of Jesus, the Blessed Virgin or the saints in any way that is degrading, cheap or blasphemous. If you use the Lord's name as a curse word in the same way that you might use a dirty, toilet or coarse sexual word to express your anger or frustration, then you are putting God on the same level as that filth. Using God's name in vain is a way of trampling God in the dirt or throwing the precious things of our faith down into the mud and trash of this world.

On the positive side, we are expected to show reverence and respect for the name of the Lord. When we pray, we cross ourselves reverently and say the holy name of the Trinity. When we mention the name of Jesus in the liturgy, we bow our heads in a sign of respect and reverence. When we pray to God and lift our hearts and voices and use His name, we bow our head in prayer. When we come to Mass, we take time to dress appropriately--not wearing beach wear to come into the presence of the Almighty. All these signs and actions of worship show our respect and love for God and for the holy name.

Finally, the actions and words of worship are a witness. I am always pleased when visitors come to OLR and comment on the reverence and respect our congregation shows at worship. When visitors come to Catholic worship, they should see our reverent love for God and realize there is a powerful difference.

Your Pastor,
Fr. Longenecker

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Parish Operating Financials

Collection for one week ending
July 21, 2025

Needed:	\$22,000
Received:	\$24,677
Surplus:	\$2,677

Year-to-Date Collections through Week #3
in the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2025.

Needed:	\$66,000
Received:	\$78,654
Surplus:	\$12,654

MOTHER TERESA HOUSE

"There were then in that house these two lives, and Himself, the Fountain of life. In Martha was the image of things present, in Mary of things to come. What Martha was doing, that we are now; what Mary was doing, that we hope for. Let us do the first well, that we may have the second fully. For what of it have we now? How far have we it? As long as we are here, how much of it is there that we have? For in some measure are we employed in it now, and you too when removed from business, and laying aside domestic cares, you meet together, stand, listen. In so far as you do this, you are like Mary."

St. Augustine, Sermon 54

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St. Vincent de Paul Society

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus affirms that to be a disciple we must also sit at his feet and listen to him. St. Vincent de Paul taught that it is only in prayer that we can give selfless loving service to those who are poor.

This week, please say a special prayer each day for the poor and forgotten in our parish and surrounding areas.

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.



Church Without Walls Backpack and School Supply Donations

Pastor Johnson is asking for your help in donating backpacks and school supplies for 600 children at the Waters on Augusta apartment complex in the Pleasant Valley neighborhood. The donation drop off box will be available by the St. Vincent de Paul statute in the Narthex from **July 28th - August 2nd**. Volunteers will be available to accept donations after all masses on August 2nd & August 3rd. No donations will be accepted at the Parish office.



Join us at Christ On Main on **Thursday, July 24th from 6pm-7:30pm** as we welcome Will Henry, the teenage president of Rings of the Lord, an online business selling the most durable rosaries available inspired by the Irish penal rosary.

Respect Life Annual Meeting

The Statewide Respect Life Annual Meeting will be held on **August 2 at Our Lady of the Lake from 10:00am-3:00pm**. There will be speakers and discussions on the Abortion Pill Reversal, End of Life Issues, IVF, Foster Care, and more. For more information and registration, please contact Christy Brown at cbrown@charlestandiocese.org.

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.

SCHOOL NEWS

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

Aug 13 First Day of School, NOON Dismissal



Married Love Course

Topics Include:

- Marital Communication
- Work and Family Life
- Love Bond

www.FEGreenville.com

Family Enrichment is a non-profit that helps families grow stronger through values-based education and support. Through small & large group sessions using the case study method, couples discuss solutions to common marriage and family issues. OLR is hosting the inaugural course of Family Enrichment in Greenville, to begin this fall.

Questions & Registration
for an upcoming Demo Session:
FEGreenville@gmail.com

Are you like Martha in the Gospel today, anxious and worried about many things? Learn how to make Jesus a part of your marriage and take your worries away. Participate in a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience** on **Nov 14-16, 2025** in **NORTH MYRTLE BEACH, SC**.

Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: <https://scmarriagematters.org> or contact us at applications@scmarriagematters.org or 803-258-0258.



Recently baptized was

Vanessa Josephine Morgante

daughter of

Fabio & Deborah Morgante

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



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

Donna Craft, Director of Communications, dcraft@charlestandiocese.org

JULY

19 Saturday	20 Sunday <i>16th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	21 Monday
7:00-9:00a Men's Basketball, Gym 9:30a Pro-Life Mass , UC 3:30-4:30p Confessions, UC 4:30p Choir Practice, GH 4:30p Rosary, UC 5:00p Mass , UC <i>For Brooke Renee Bozard Baldowski+</i> 8:00p Neocatechumenal Mass, LC	7:30a Choir Practice, GH 8:00a Mass , UC <i>For Natalie Catherine Habert+</i> 9:00a Choir Practice, UC 9:00-10:00a Confessions, UC 10:00a Rosary, UC 10:30a Mass , UC <i>For The People</i> 4:30p Rosary, UC 5:00p Mass , UC <i>For Carol Leonard+</i>	7:30a Morning Prayer, UC 8:30a Daily Mass , LC <i>For John Escobar+</i> 9:15a Divine Mercy Chaplet, LC
22 Tuesday	23 Wednesday	24 Thursday
7:00a Cursillo Group, GH 7:30a Morning Prayer, UC 12:00p Daily Mass , LC <i>For OLR Faculty and Staff</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 Carol Bever+</i> 6:45p Divine Mercy Chaplet, UC	7:30a Morning Prayer, UC 10:00a Daily Mass , LC <i>For Haven Doherty</i> 10:45a Divine Mercy Chaplet, LC 7:00-8:00p Adoration, LC
25 Friday	26 Saturday	27 Sunday <i>17th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
7:30a Morning Prayer, UC 10:00a Daily Mass , LC <i>For Olga Noble+</i> 10:45a Divine Mercy Chaplet, LC	7:00-9:00a Men's Basketball, Gym 9:30a Pro-Life Mass , UC 3:30-4:30p Confessions, UC 4:30p Choir Practice, GH 4:30p Rosary, UC 5:00p Mass , UC <i>For Connie Leonard+</i> 8:00p Neocatechumenal Mass, LC	7:30a Choir Practice, GH 8:00a Mass , UC <i>For Les Callan+</i> 9:00a Choir Practice, UC 9:00-10:00a Confessions, UC 10:00a Rosary, UC 10:30a Mass , UC <i>For William Brabston+</i> 4:30p Rosary, UC 5:00p Mass , UC <i>For The People</i>