



# 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

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## **DAILY MASS**

Monday, 8:30a, *Lower Church*  
Tuesday, 12:00p, *Lower Church*  
Wednesday, 7:15a, 6:00p  
Thursday, 10:00a, *Lower Church*  
Friday, 10:00a (School Mass)

## **DAILY CONFESSIONS**

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

## **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

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

August 17, 2025

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Continuing our Series on the Ten Commandments*

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The Sixth Commandment - Thou Shalt Not Commit Adultery. Another way to state this is: "Do not do anything that breaks marriage."

Marriage is rooted in the creation of man and woman, and the creation of man and woman is rooted in God himself since the Scripture says, "He created man and woman in His image." Sexuality is important because as the Catechism says, "Sexuality affects all aspects of the human person in the unity of his body and soul. It affects the capacity to love and procreate, and in a more general way the aptitude for forming bonds of communion with others."

Chastity is the successful integration of sexuality within the person and thus the inner unity of a person in his bodily and spiritual being. Being chaste means being faithful to the marriage vow, for marriage is the means by which most people will achieve this integration of body and spirit.

Being faithful to marriage means sexual activity only takes place within the boundaries of marriage. Any sexual activity outside marriage breaks marriage. Therefore fornication--sex outside marriage--is forbidden. Co-habitation--living together before marriage, is a form of fornication. Prostitution, pornography, adultery, rape and divorce are all grave offenses against marriage.

The Catholic church teaches that homosexual acts are intrinsically disordered, and same sex marriage is therefore impossible. However, the Catholic Church also teaches that homosexual people must be accepted with respect, compassion and sensitivity, and there must be no kind of prejudice or persecution of people with same sex attraction.

Because marriage, by its nature, includes the procreation of children, the Catholic church teaches that artificial contraception breaks marriage. Sterilization breaks the procreative aspect of marriage as does any form of fertility treatment which interrupts the marriage act or destroys a human embryo.

It is important to remember that marriage is a public sacrament. By this we mean that we all share in marriage. Marriage is not simply a private act between two people who love one another. It has a social dimension, so that when we break marriage through adultery or divorce or any of the other actions that break marriage, we are sinning not only against God, but against other people. When we sin against marriage, it is a public action, and we cause scandal to others with our immoral actions.

God's teaching on marriage is given to lead us to the highest form of happiness: a family life that is loving, abundant, and full of love and life. Marriage is a fragile, precious and beautiful gift. It is our ladder to heaven and the way most of us participate in the love of God and learn the difficult lessons of love. That is why the Catholic Church is so opposed to all the choices that break marriage--because when we break marriage, we are also breaking our chances to learn how to love.

The Catholic church's teaching on marital love is not easy. "Chastity," St. John Paul II said, "is the work of a lifetime." We are all called to live out the highest ideal in our sexuality. When we fail, we must turn to ask for God's forgiveness and the forgiveness of those who we have offended.

Your Pastor,  
Fr. Longenecker

## Pastoral Staff

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## Parish Operating Financials

Collection for the week ending Aug. 10, 2025

Needed:	\$ 22,000.
Received:	\$ 24,740.
Surplus:	\$ 2,740.

Year-to-Date Collections through Week #7  
in the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2025.

Needed:	\$ 154,000.
Received:	\$ 177,436.
Surplus:	\$ 23,436.

## MOTHER TERESA HOUSE

*"You have made us for Yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in You"* **St. Augustine** (Confessions).

In today's gospel, Jesus talks of "*setting the earth on fire*" and creating division in this world. The fire is His purifying and transforming fire and the peace He offers is not the absence of conflict, but the peace that comes from being united with Him in His passion, death, and resurrection.

At Mother Teresa House, we do not work to convert anyone to the faith. Our mission is to show Christ's love, His fire, through our actions. We see the deep division and lack of His light in the community we serve.

Our parish shines His light in our local world through our worship, prayers and ministries. Through ALL OF US, He works at "*setting the earth on fire*" and bringing His peace to the world.

Chris Loewer, Director of Outreach  
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## St. Vincent de Paul Society

*In today's Gospel Jesus said to his disciples: "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing! There is a baptism with which I must be baptized, and how great is my anguish until it be accomplished!"*

Your gift to the Society to assist those suffering in poverty will help set the earth on fire with God's love.

**The St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box has been replaced** and can be found on the wall in the St. Vincent de Paul room off the Narthex. You can also find offering envelopes and prayer cards by the statue. Thank you for your generosity and help for the poor in our area.



**Our ministry is growing and we invite you to join us!** Our volunteers connect with Moms via email and phone to advise them of available resources. In addition, we especially need

translators (SPA-ENG) as well as drivers who can take Moms to Birthright of Greenville or local food banks. **Please email [wwmin@proton.me](mailto:wwmin@proton.me) or text us (864-618-6814) to learn more!**

## 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 Culklin, 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, 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.

Regular Youth Group meetings for Middle School and High School will resume on Sunday, September 7.



## POOL PARTY

To celebrate our amazing Altar Servers!

August 24th 12:30 to 5:00pm  
At the Aschman home  
1138 Moore Rd Greenville, SC 29615

Please join us for swimming, yard games and fellowship with other altar servers and their families. This is a pot luck, so please bring a dish to share. RSVP by August 19th on the sign up genius. Call or text Devin with any questions at 808-469-8436

Go [HERE](#) to sign up.

### Faith Formation Reminders

All photos from First Holy Communion and Confirmation, as well as Baptism Certificates are on the credenza in the Narthex. This includes all items from the past few years, so please take a minute to stop and pick up those items for your children.

Go [HERE](#) for all the 2025-26 schedules and required forms.



School and Parish Offices will be closed on Monday, September 1, for the Labor Day Holiday.

All are welcome to our **3rd Sunday Brunch** in the Courtyard on August 17, immediately following the 10:30am Mass.

Please note . . .

The Wednesday morning 7:15am Mass in Upper Church will resume on August 20.

Please remember to contact Donna Craft at [dcraft@charlestondiocese.org](mailto:dcraft@charlestondiocese.org) to reserve a space on campus for any event or gathering that you wish to schedule. With our recent parish growth, room reservations need to be finalized weeks ahead of time.

## SCHOOL NEWS

Curriculum Nights - Guadalupe Hall, 6-8pm

**Aug 21** Lower School

**Aug 28** Middle School

**Sep 4** Upper School

**Sep. 1** Labor Day - NO School



### The 13th Marian Eucharistic Conference

will be held from October 24-25, at the Greenville Convention Center. Featured speakers include: Fr. Joseph Wolfe, EWTN; Fr. Chris Alar, MIC; Fr. Donald Callaway, MIC;

Daniel Cellucci, CEO, Catholic Leadership Institute; Russ Breault, Founder of Shroud Encounter; John Martignoni, President, Bible Christian Society.

General admission is \$135, and youth is \$90, which includes dinner on Friday and lunch on Saturday. Registered by October 11, by mail. Registration after Oct. 11: \$145. We offer gluten-free meals as you request. Parking is free.

For more information, call (864)354-7160,

### OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults)



classes begin soon. 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.

Our first meeting will be on Wednesday, **September 17, at 7:00pm** in Guadalupe Hall.

Recently baptized was

**Charles Joseph Knighten**

son of

**Patrick & Arielle Knighten**



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



St. Martha's Book Club will be discussing "*The Second Mrs. Astor*", by Shana Abe on Monday, **September 8**, from 12:30-2:00, in the Juan Diego Room. Come join us. Call (864) 360-2406 for more info.

### 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 **5th Grade Classroom on September 6**, and October 4. For more information, please email Meghan at [scnaprofnp@gmail.com](mailto:scnaprofnp@gmail.com).



# AUGUST

UC (Upper Church) LC (Lower Church) JDR (Juan Diego Room) GH (Guadalupe Hall) CAFE (Cafeteria) GYM (School Gym)

<b>16</b> <b>Saturday</b>	<b>17</b> <b>Sunday</b> <i>19th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	<b>18</b> <b>Monday</b>
7:00-9:00a Men's Basketball, GYM 10:00a Baptism, UC 12:00p Wedding Prep, GH 1:00p Wedding, UC 3:30-4:30p Confessions, UC 4:30p Choir Practice, GH 4:30p Rosary, UC 5:00p <b>Mass, UC</b> <i>For Margaret Russo+</i> 8:00p Neocatechumenal Mass, LC	7:30a Choir Practice, GH 8:00a <b>Mass, UC</b> <i>For Manning Bolchoz, Jr. +</i> 9:00a Choir Practice, UC 9:00-10:00a Confessions, UC 10:00a Rosary, UC 10:30a <b>Mass, UC</b> <i>For The People</i> 12:00p Third Sunday Brunch, GH 4:30p Rosary, UC 5:00p <b>Mass, UC</b> <i>For Ursula Hubschman+</i>	7:30a Morning Prayer, UC 8:00a-5:30p School Events, GH 8:30a <b>Mass, LC</b> <i>For Charlie &amp; Morgan Seiter</i> 9:15a Divine Mercy Chaplet, LC 11:00a-1:00p Divine Mercy Cenacle, LC
<b>19</b> <b>Tuesday</b>	<b>20</b> <b>Wednesday</b>	<b>21</b> <b>Thursday</b>
7:00a Cursillo Group, GH 7:30a Morning Prayer, UC 8:00a-5:30p School Events, GH 12:00p <b>Mass, LC</b> <i>For Brooke Renee Bozard Baldowski+</i> 12:45p Divine Mercy Chaplet, LC 2:30p Parent Led Rosary, LC 3:00p Girls Choir Practice, UC 7:00p Neocatechumenal Bible Studies, GH	7:15a <b>Mass, UC</b> 8:00a-5p Adoration, LC 8:00a-5:30p School Events, GH 3:00p Schola Practice, UC 4:15-5:15p Confessions, LC 5:15p Benediction, LC 6:00p <b>Mass, UC</b> <i>For Dick Harris+</i> 6:45p Divine Mercy Chaplet, UC 7:00-9:00p Fellowship of St. Joseph, GH	7:30a Morning Prayer, UC 8:00a-5:30p School Events, GH 10:00a <b>Mass, LC</b> <i>For Barbara Moskowitz+</i> 10:45a Divine Mercy Chaplet, LC 3:00p Boys Choir Practice, UC 6:00-8:00p Curriculum Night, GH 6:00-8:00p Respect Life Meeting, JDR 6:30-9:30p Knights of Columbus, CAFE 7:00-8:00p Adult Choir Practice, UC 7:00-8:00p Adoration, LC
<b>22</b> <b>Friday</b>	<b>23</b> <b>Saturday</b>	<b>24</b> <b>Sunday</b> <i>21st Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
7:30a Morning Prayer, UC 8:00a-5:30p School Events, GH 10:00a <b>Mass, UC</b> (Limited Seating) <i>For Stephen Stanko+</i> 10:45a Divine Mercy Chaplet, LC 3:30-10:30p Middle School Boys Retreat (7th & 8th Grades) GYM, GH, UC, LC Middle School Girls Retreat (7th & 8th Grades), Off Campus	7:00-9:00a Men's Basketball, GYM 9:00a-12:00p Respect Life Ministry Deanery Meeting, GH 3:30-4:30p Confessions, UC 4:30p Choir Practice, GH 4:30p Rosary, UC 5:00p <b>Mass, UC</b> <i>For Luis &amp; Gabella Ospina+</i> 8:00p Neocatechumenal Mass, LC	7:30a Choir Practice, GH 8:00a <b>Mass, UC</b> <i>For Anna Hutson</i> 9:00a Choir Practice, UC 9:00-10:00a Confessions, UC 10:00a Rosary, UC 10:30a <b>Mass, UC</b> <i>For James Cronican+</i> 12:00-4:00p Altar Servers Party, Off Campus 4:30p Rosary, UC 5:00p <b>Mass, UC</b> <i>For The People</i>

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for all the most recent news and announcements.

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