



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
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, 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 (during school term)
First Friday, 11a - 5p
Wednesday, 7:15a - 5:15p, *Lower Church*
Thursday, 7 - 8p, *Lower Church*

April 5, 2026

Easter Sunday

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Happy Easter!

Here is a poem for Easter by one of my favorite poets—George Herbert. George Herbert was born into an artistic, religious, and wealthy family. He enrolled as a student of Trinity College, Cambridge in 1609 and shone in languages, rhetoric and music. Although he intended to take holy orders, his brilliance attracted men in high places. As the University's Public Orator, Herbert drew the attention of King James I. He left Cambridge to serve in the government and as a member of parliament, but on the king's death he turned away from worldly affairs, was ordained, and retired to serve humbly in his country parish. The poet Henry Vaughan called him "a most glorious saint and seer."

Like the other metaphysical poets, Herbert's verse is full of sparkling wordplay, a great musical sense, and clever conceits taken from the natural and ecclesiastical world. His witty, surprising, and smart poem *Easter Wings* is a treasure of English poetry, and a fitting inspiration on Easter week.

Lord, who createdst man in wealth and store,
Though foolishly he lost the same,
Decaying more and more,
Till he became
Most poore:
With thee
O let me rise
As larks, harmoniously,
And sing this day thy victories:
Then shall the fall further the flight in me.
My tender age in sorrow did beginne
And still with sicknesses and shame.
Thou didst so punish sinne,
That I became
Most thinne.
With thee
Let me combine,
And feel thy victorie:
For, if I imp my wing on thine,
Affliction shall advance the flight in me.

Your pastor,
Fr. Longenecker

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Parish Operating Financials

Collection for the week ending Mar. 29, 2026

Needed: \$ 25,500.

Received: \$ 35,131.

Surplus: \$ 9,631.

Year-to-Date Collections through Week #40
in the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2025.

Needed: \$ 1,020,000.

Received: \$ 1,100,189.

Surplus: \$ 80,189.

Year End Tax Reports - Please contact
[Rachel Hutson](mailto:rhutson@charlestdioocese.org) for a copy of your contribution
statement for 2025. Electronic contributions
made exclusively through OSV can be printed
directly from the OSV website [HERE](#).

MOTHER TERESA HOUSE

“The Lord’s passion depicts for us our present life of trial – shows how we must suffer and be afflicted and finally die. The Lord’s resurrection and glorification show us the life that will be given to us in the future.

Now therefore, brethren, we urge you to praise God. That is what we are all telling each other when we say Alleluia. You say to your neighbor, “Praise the Lord!” and he says the same to you. We are all urging one another to praise the Lord, and all thereby doing what each of us urges the other to do. But see that your praise comes from your whole being; in other words, see that you praise God not with your lips and voices alone, but with your minds, your lives and all your actions.

We are praising God now, assembled as we are here in church; but when we go on our various ways again, it seems as if we cease to praise God. But provided we do not cease to live a good life, we shall always be praising God. You cease to praise God only when you swerve from justice and from what is pleasing to God. If you never turn aside from the good life, your tongue may be silent, but your actions will cry aloud, and God will perceive your intentions; for as our ears hear each other’s voices, so do God’s ears hear our thoughts.”

St. Augustine of the Easter Alleluia

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Join us on Monday, **April 6**, at 12:00pm for
lunch and discussion of “**Treasure in Clay**”
by **Fulton Sheen**.

Call 864-360-2406 if interested.

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, Beth Kitchen, John Knope, Kenneth Landgrover, Gerry Loesch, John Loesch, Katherine Lowry, Tonya Lucas, Anna Lunn, Frank McKenna, Madeline McKiernan, Lisa Meyer, Dianne Morrison, Marjorie Munson, Helena Murca, Mrs. That Nguyen, Kim Orr, Marina Osborn, Marlowe Pastor, Nancy Perham, Thien Pham, Andres Prestoza, Jacob & Jaxson Rivera, David Rubardt, Johnny Schiera, Sonam Sherpa, Emily Smith, Nancy & Earl Smith, Emily Stiffler, Frank Striplin, Peter Stryker, Tedrick Family, Justin Timbers, Mary Walker, Cheryl Wallace, Luigina Warga, Mary Lou Whelan, Kayla Wiegand, Steve Wiltberger, Marcia Wolff, Jim Wood, Guesler Zesir, and all who are sick.

YOUTH GROUP

- April 5** Easter Sunday, we will NOT meet this week.
- April 12** Divine Mercy Sunday - Party from 6-8pm in Guadalupe Hall. Please bring a dish to share, and be ready for games!

SCHOOL NEWS

- Apr. 3-10** NO School, Easter Break
- Apr. 13** Classes resume
- Apr. 18** PTO sponsored Father/Daughter Dance, 7-9pm, Gym

Fiddler on the Roof - performances, April 23-25, and April 40-May 2. Buy tickets [HERE](#)

Please note . . .

School and Parish Offices will be closed April 6-10.

On April 7-10, usual Daily Masses will be celebrated.

Mass Schedule Reminders

Easter Sunday - NO 9am Confessions, and NO 5:00pm Mass

Monday, April 6 - NO 8:30am Daily Mass, and NO 9am-1pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

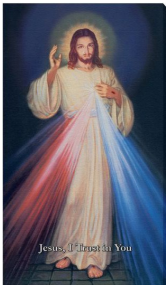
Wednesday, April 8 - NO 7:15am Mass

Friday, April 10 - 10:00am Mass will be celebrated in Lower Church

Save the Date!

Sunday, April 12, is Divine Mercy Sunday

OLR will offer a special program in Upper Church



- 2:00pm Adoration
- 2:45pm Benediction
- 3:00pm A talk by Dave Haggard
"King David: A Man After God's Own Merciful Heart"

Divine Mercy Novena Begins on Good Friday, April 3

(See details [HERE](#) and the print flyers in the Narthex)

Did you know that "**Walking with Moms in Need**" is a program promoted by both the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) and the Diocese of Charleston to assist Moms with unexpected pregnancies and Moms in dire need? *Our ministry is growing, we invite you to join us!* Our volunteers connect with Moms via email and phone and advise them of needed 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) or text us (864-618-6814) to learn more!

OCIA



The next class will be held on Wednesday, **April 22**, in Lower Church. We will discuss prayer and being Catholic in a Non-Catholic Society.

Recently baptized was

Isabelle Marie Hatcher

daughter of

David & Brianna Hatcher

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



St. Vincent de Paul Society

Today as we celebrate the Feast of Easter, we find the challenge of also seeing and believing the resurrection that comes through our own lives of self-sacrifice. It is then that we are truly Easter people!

As you give your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, know that you are a sign of God's love to those who are suffering, and you give them Easter hope and joy.

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 Mass at 10:15am in the 5th Grade Classroom. The next session is on **Saturday, May 2.**

Please **RSVP** Meghan at scnaprofnp@gmail.com or [HERE](#) so we can prepare class materials.

APRIL

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

4 Saturday	Sunday - 5 Easter Sunday	6 Easter Monday
<p>10:00a-2:00p Set Up for Easter, UC 2:00-4:00p Vigil Rehearsal, UC 3:00-4:00p Divine Mercy Novena, LC 3:30-4:30p NO Confessions, UC 7:00-8:15p Choir Practice, GH 8:30p Holy Saturday Easter Vigil, UC <i>For The People</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>NO First Saturday Pro-Life Mass</i></p>	<p>7:30a Choir Practice, GH 8:00a Mass, UC <i>For Josephine & Murray M. Howard, Jr. and the Suit, Howard, Votava, Sokol, Ayers, O'Barr, Hornaday, and Bagwell families.</i> 9:00a Choir Practice, UC 9:00-10:00a NO Confessions, UC 10:00a Rosary, UC 10:30a Mass, UC <i>For Matthew Craft+</i> 12:00p PTO Sponsored Easter Egg Hunt, Courtyard 5:00p NO Mass, UC</p>	<p>8:30a No Mass, LC 9:00a-5:00p Play Practice, GH 9:00a-1:00p NO Adoration, UC 9:15a Divine Mercy Chaplet, LC 3:00-4:00p Divine Mercy Novena, LC</p> <p style="text-align: center;">April 6-10 <i>No School</i> <i>Parish & School Offices closed</i></p>
7 Tuesday	8 Wednesday	9 Thursday
<p>7:00a Cursillo Group, GH 9:00a-5:00p Play Practice, GH 12:00p Mass, LC <i>For Samantha Kluger+</i> 12:45p Divine Mercy Chaplet, LC 3:00-4:00p Divine Mercy Novena, LC 7:00p N. Way Bible Studies, GH</p>	<p>7:15a NO Mass 9:00a-5:00p Play Practice, GH 8:00a-5:00p Adoration, LC 3:00-4:00p Divine Mercy Novena, LC 4:15-5:15p Confessions, LC 5:15p Benediction, LC 6:00p Mass, UC <i>For Josie Delac</i> 6:45p Divine Mercy Chaplet, UC 7:00p NO OCIA Class</p>	<p>9:00a-5:00p Play Practice, GH 10:00a Mass, LC <i>For Linda Webb+</i> 3:00-4:00p Divine Mercy Novena, LC 6:30p Adult Choir Practice 7:00-8:00p Adoration, LC</p>
10 Friday	11 Saturday	Sunday - 12 Divine Mercy Sunday
<p>9:00a-5:00p Play Practice, GH 3:00-4:00p Divine Mercy Novena, LC 10:00a Mass, LC <i>For Ryan Mears+</i> 11:00a Divine Mercy Chaplet, LC</p>	<p>7:00-9:00a Men's Basketball, GYM 9:00a-2:00p CLBBY Basketball, GYM 3:00-4:00p Divine Mercy Novena, LC 3:30-4:30p Confessions, UC 4:30p Choir Practice, GH 4:30p Rosary, UC 5:00p Anticipated Mass, UC <i>For Lloyd & Karen Millegan</i> 8:00p Neocatechumenal Way, LC</p>	<p>7:30a Choir Practice, GH 8:00a Mass, UC <i>For The People</i> 9:00a Choir Practice, UC 9:00-10:00a Confessions, UC 10:00a Rosary, UC 10:30a Mass, UC <i>For Katie O'Brien Vogg+</i> 2:00p Divine Mercy Program, UC 4:30p Rosary, UC 5:00p Mass, UC <i>For Sr. Mary Ann, OP</i> 6:00-8:00 Youth Groups, CAF, GH, GYM</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>If viewing online, please scroll down to the next page for all the Respect Life Ministry News.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Please see the OLR websites at olr.church and olr.school for all the most recent news and events.</p>		



RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY Current News and Events April 2026

40 Days for Life



Former abortion workers report that when somebody is praying in front of an abortion facility, the no-show rate for abortion appointments can go as high as 75 percent! Will you join us in praying outside the Greenville abortion facility on the public right-of-way during **40 Days 365** – the continuation of our presence at the abortion center. Go to www.40daysforlife.com/greenville to sign up on the vigil calendar or contact Judy at 864-506-0964 or Ingrid at 864-991-5873.

DIOCESE OF CHARLESTON ASKS CATHOLICS TO TAKE ACTION

This week, the Diocese of Charleston was requesting action of all SC Catholics. Other pro-life organizations, such as the South Carolina Citizens for Life (SCCL), were asking for the same actions. **Why?** Because on February 4, 2026, the SC House passed **H. 4760, a bill that would stop the mail order distribution of abortion inducing drugs in our state.** However, since then, Senator Danny Verdin, the Chair of the SC Senate Medical Affairs Committee, has not scheduled it for a hearing.

According to SCCL, **“Unless the Senate acts soon, South Carolina’s life-protecting laws will continue to be bypassed by out-of-state and international distributors shipping dangerous abortion drugs directly into our communities.**

Is this what we want? The **“Call for Action”** Last week South Carolina Citizens for Life and the Diocese of Charleston asked voters to contact Senator Danny Verdin, chairman of the Medical Affairs Committee, requesting that he set a subcommittee hearing for H 4760. **That has not happened.** This week we need you to contact Senate Majority Leader Shane Massey, R-Edgefield. An electronic letter has been composed where you may add your own language by clicking below! [CLICK HERE TO TAKE ACTION](#)

Did you know about this issue?

If not, would you want to be informed via email for a future “Call for Action”? **If so,** please send your email with the subject line **“Call for Action”** to: wwmin@proton.me. Thank you!

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Spiritual Adoption Sign-Up! What Is It?

Can you say a two-sentence prayer to Jesus, Mary and Joseph for an unborn child who is in danger of abortion? Of course, you can! Please find the Spiritual Adoption box in the narthex and fill out the form, naming your baby, and cut in half. Place one-half in the green basket. Take the other half as a reminder and please take a Spiritual Adoption Prayer Card! Please pray the Spiritual Adoption prayer found on the back of your prayer card. Each week, you can follow the “footprints” of your baby’s growth. You will also receive an email about the development of your spiritually-adopted child. Please join this spiritual battle to protect each small and innocent life.



Go [HERE](#) to see the weekly progress!

First Saturday Pro-Life Mass and Healing Service

The next Pro-Life Mass will be on Saturday, **JUNE 6, 2026**.at 9:30am, in Upper Church.

Online Giving for Life!

Go here, osvhub.com/olrgreenville/giving/funds at the OLR website to donate to the Respect Life or the Walking With Moms in Need ministries.