



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

WEEKDAY 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)

WEEKDAY 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*

May 10, 2026

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We have considered those who deny the resurrection by suggesting it is just a nice made up story. Then we considered those who said Jesus didn't really die on the cross--it was somebody else, or He just passed out and then came to again. All of these theories don't hold water.

This brings us to the next category of those who deny the Resurrection: Those who say that Jesus of Nazareth really did die, but something happened to His body and so His disciples started to believe what they wished was true: that their friend had risen from the dead.

One scholar supposes that Jesus' body disappeared because it was abandoned or hurriedly buried in a shallow grave and the dogs ate it. But we know that it was very important to the Jews to bury their dead respectfully, and we have the evidence that Jesus' body was buried in a particular person's tomb (who would have served as witness if it hadn't happened that way).

Furthermore, we have to remember that Jesus' enemies were concerned that His disciples would steal the body so they demanded that a Roman guard be set up. If the body wasn't buried why did they demand a guard at the tomb?

Others say the disciples stole the body. For this to be true we have to believe that the twelve men who fled in terror and denied their friend (lest they too would be tortured and crucified) suddenly not only found their courage, but they got together, planned a heist, crept out at night, over-powered the Roman guards at the tomb and stole the body away? Why would they have done this in the first place? Because they wanted to fake a resurrection? They were as surprised by the Resurrection as anyone else.

The New Testament account is very clear. Here are people who are telling the truth, even about awkward facts that are not instantly advantageous to their claims. They genuinely believe Christ was risen, they do not come across as people who lie about a body that they know perfectly well was stolen or eaten by dogs. For the rest of their lives (right through to their torture and execution), the apostles behaved like men utterly convinced that they had met the Risen Christ.

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

Your Pastor,
Fr. Longenecker

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Parish Operating Financials

Collection for the week ending May 3, 2026

Needed: \$ 25,500.

Received: \$ 40,080.

Surplus: \$ 14,580.

Year-to-Date Collections through Week #46
in the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2025.

Needed: \$ 1,147,500.

Received: \$ 1,251,248.

Surplus: \$ 103,748.

*For your increased security and efficiency,
please use the OLR online giving site [HERE](#).*

MOTHER TERESA HOUSE

“But when He says, I will ask the Father, and He shall give you another Paraclete, He intimates that He Himself is also a paraclete. For paraclete is in Latin called advocatus (advocate); and it is said of Christ, We have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. 1 John 2:1 But He said that the world could not receive the Holy Spirit, in much the same sense as it is also said, The minding of the flesh is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God; neither indeed can be; just as if we were to say, Unrighteousness cannot be righteous. For in speaking in this passage of the world, He refers to those who love the world; and such a love is not of the Father. 1 John 2:16 And thus the love of this world, which gives us enough to do to weaken and destroy its power within us, is in direct opposition to the love of God, which is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who is given unto us. The world, therefore, cannot receive Him, cause it sees Him not, neither knows Him. For worldly love possesses not those invisible eyes, whereby, save in an invisible way, the Holy Spirit cannot be seen.”

St. Augustine, Tractate 74

One year ago, I began using quotes from St. Augustine to get to know our Augustinian Pope a little better. I have been asked to introduce some of St. Thomas Aquinas’s wisdom for the next year which I hope will open you up to studying his writings.

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

In the Gospel today, Jesus says to us: “If you love me, you will keep my commandments...Whoever loves me will be loved by my Father and I will love him and reveal myself to him.

When we give to the poor, God indeed pours his love, peace and joy into our hearts, into our lives, and through us, into the hearts of those who are poor.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Nancy Alibozek, Delores Almaraz, Barbara Andersen, Ruth Ballard, Laurie Bernard, Eric Best, Glen Bischof, Silessa 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, Bob Linn, 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, Jim Wood, Guesler Zesir, and all who are sick.

YOUTH GROUP

- May 10** Mother's Day - we will NOT meet.
May 17 Senior Send Off and last youth group meeting of the year.

The Full Choir will sing **Solemn Vespers** for the Ascension of the Lord on Sunday, **May 17**, at 4:00 pm in the Upper Church.

Our **Seven Sisters Apostolate** is seeking additional women to pray one Holy Hour a week for Fr. Longenecker as he prepares to retire in December.

If you would like to show your appreciation for his 16 years of faithful service at OLR in this way, please contact Pat Wilder at 864-663-9565. Go [HERE](#) for more information.

Everyone is invited to the school's **Annual Spring Concert** on Thursday, **May 14**, at 6:00pm in Upper Church.

The Annual **Art Exhibition** will open immediately after the concert, in the Gym.

Solemnity of the Ascension

will be celebrated on **Sunday, May 17**, (transferred in our diocese from May 14) and is a Holy Day of Obligation, as are all Sundays during the year!



New fellowship and adult education course led by OLR parishioner, Pat May, will meet in Guadalupe Hall on Saturday evenings after the 5pm Mass, **May 16 - June 13**. The course, **"Behold the Lamb"** will look at the Biblical symbolism of the Lamb of God, and show how it is all fulfilled in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Join us to meet new friends, deepen your faith, and invite non-Catholics for this time of fellowship and faith sharing. The course is free, but please register [HERE](#).

The Divine Mercy Ministry of Prayer for the Dying

Through St. Faustina, Jesus promised many graces to the dying when the Divine Mercy Chaplet is prayed for them. If you would like the consolation of having the Divine Mercy Chaplet prayed for a loved one who is dying--in hospice, hospital, or at home--the eight members of the Divine Mercy Cenacle at OLR will be glad to pray for him or her for a full week. Anyone may request these prayers by sending an email to atbaird.divinemercury@gmail.com.

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, June 6**.

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

You are invited to a **Mother & Daughter Tea** celebrating the beauty of growing up, for girls age 10-12 **Saturday, May 16, 11:00am-1:00pm** in Guadalupe Hall. Cost \$20. per mother and daughter, and \$10. for each additional daughter. Register [HERE](#). There are print flyers available in the Narthex.

SCHOOL NEWS

- May 14** Spring Concert, 6:00pm, Upper Church
May 15 Alumni Mass 10:00am in Upper Church

Study Bibles - have arrived, please pick up your copies in the Parish Office as soon as possible. If you are unable to come during office hours, please contact us to make special arrangements.

Are you a registered parishioner?

We have many families who attend faithfully, but have not officially registered as parishioners. Printed registration forms are now available in the Narthex. Please complete the form and return it to the Parish Office, or place it in the offertory basket.

Are you interested in learning Natural Family Planning?

Maureen Holy, an OLR Parishioner and Registered Nurse, is seeking 10 couples to learn the Marquette Method of NFP as part of her certification program through Marquette University. Participation includes three brief education sessions (initial, 1 month follow-up, and 6 month follow-up). This training is being offered **free of charge** to these first 10 couples. Visit the Boland Institute for Natural Family Planning website to learn more about the Marquette method of Natural Family Planning [HERE](#).

Interested couples please contact Holy.Maureen@gmail.com

Recently baptized was

Andrew Kristof Blake

son of

Eric & Heather Blake

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



MAY

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

9 Saturday	Sunday - 10 Sixth Sunday of Easter	11 Monday
<p>7:00-9:00a Men's Basketball, GYM</p> <p>9:00a Baptism, UC</p> <p>10:00a Baptism, UC</p> <p>11:00a Baptism, UC</p> <p>3:30-4:30p Confessions, UC</p> <p>4:30p Choir Practice, GH</p> <p>4:30p Rosary, UC</p> <p>5:00p Anticipated Mass, UC <i>For Joseph & Mary Torres</i></p> <p>6:00-8:00p Norris Small Group, GH</p> <p>8:00p Neocatechumenal Way, LC</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Mother's Day</i></p> <p>7:30a Choir Practice, GH</p> <p>8:00a Mass, UC <i>For Kaylee Kuhlman</i></p> <p>9:00a Choir Practice, UC</p> <p>9:00-10:00a Confessions, UC</p> <p>10:00a Rosary, UC</p> <p>10:30a Mass, UC <i>For The People</i></p> <p>4:30p Rosary, UC</p> <p>5:00p Mass, UC <i>For Dcn. Ray Perham+</i></p> <p>6:00-8:00p NO Youth Group</p>	<p>7:00a Morning Prayer, UC</p> <p>8:00a-5:00p School Events, GH</p> <p>8:30a Communion Service, LC</p> <p>9:00a-1:00p Adoration, UC</p> <p>9:15a Divine Mercy Chaplet, LC</p>
12 Tuesday	13 Wednesday	14 Thursday
<p>7:00a Cursillo Group, GH</p> <p>7:00a Morning Prayer, UC</p> <p>8:00a-5:00p School Events, GH</p> <p>12:00p Mass, LC <i>For John Warga, Sr.+</i></p> <p>12:45p Divine Mercy Chaplet, LC</p> <p>2:30p Parent Led Rosary, LC</p> <p>3:00p Girls' Choir Practice, UC</p> <p>7:00p N. Way Bible Studies, GH</p>	<p>7:15a NO Mass, UC</p> <p>8:00a-5:00p Adoration, LC</p> <p>8:00a-5:00p School Events, GH</p> <p>3:00p Schola Practice, UC</p> <p>4:15-5:15p Confessions, LC</p> <p>5:15p Benediction, LC</p> <p>6:00p Mass, UC <i>For Joe & Beth Lennon</i></p> <p>6:45p Divine Mercy Chaplet, UC</p>	<p>7:00a Morning Prayer, UC</p> <p>8:00a-5:00p School Events, GH</p> <p>10:00a Mass, LC <i>For Dan O'Reilly+</i></p> <p>10:45a Divine Mercy Chaplet, LC</p> <p>3:00p Boys' Choir Practice, UC</p> <p>6:00p Spring Concert, UC</p> <p>6:00-8:00p Student Art Exhibition, GYM</p> <p>7:00-8:00p Adoration, LC</p>
15 Friday	16 Saturday	Sunday - 17 Ascension of the Lord (Holy Day of Obligation)
<p>7:00a Morning Prayer, UC</p> <p>8:00a-5:00p School Events, GH</p> <p>10:00a School Mass, UC (limited seating) <i>For Lloyd J. Simmons+</i> (Alumni Mass)</p> <p>11:00a Divine Mercy Chaplet, and Our Lady's Prayer Warriors, LC</p>	<p>7:00-9:00a Men's Basketball, GYM</p> <p>10:00a-2:00p Mother/Daughter Tea, GH</p> <p>3:30-4:30p Confessions, UC</p> <p>4:30p Choir Practice, GH</p> <p>4:30p Rosary, UC</p> <p>5:00p Anticipated Mass, UC <i>For Sr. Maria of the Angels, OP</i></p> <p>6:00p "Behold the Lamb" Class, GH</p> <p>8:00p Neocatechumenal Way, LC</p>	<p>7:30a Choir Practice, GH</p> <p>8:00a Mass, UC <i>For John Warga, Sr.+</i></p> <p>9:00a Choir Practice, UC</p> <p>9:00-10:00a Confessions, UC</p> <p>10:00a Rosary, UC</p> <p>10:30a Mass, UC <i>For Katie O'Brien Vogg+</i></p> <p>4:00p Ascension Vespers, UC</p> <p>4:30p Rosary, UC</p> <p>5:00p Mass, UC <i>For The People</i></p> <p>6:00-8:00p Youth Group, GH, GYM</p>
<p>Please see the OLR websites at olr.church and olr.school for all the most recent news and events.</p>		