



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*

June 21, 2026

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Pastor's Letters in June and July will be from our Holy Deacons.

Deacon Jerry Schiffer

Whether it's something as challenging as a wedding or as simple as a family meal, preparation is key to a successful presentation.

In much the same way, preparation is important to the celebration of every liturgy at Our Lady of the Rosary. As many of you may know, the deacons at OLR serve as sacristans for each Mass, and in that role, we prepare for each liturgical celebration by (among other things):

- * Checking the sound system
- * Assuring that the candles are filled and lit before Mass begins
- * Preparing the missals, lectionary, Book of the Gospels and universal prayers
- * Preparing chalices (for the wine), ciboria (for the hosts), and cruets, water pitcher, purificators, towel and patens for the credence table in the sanctuary
- * Preparing for any special services including baptisms or confirmations

After Mass, the deacons make sure that the vessels used during the mass have been purified and that everything has been stored in its proper place.

Appropriate preparation helps to create the sense of the sacred that is important to the celebration of each Mass. Even more important is the care that deacons take in preparing the homilies that they offer each month.

The homily is an integral part of the Mass that should reflect on the scripture readings of the day. The intent of the homily is to "break open the scriptures" to help focus on the message offered in each day's readings and to encourage listeners to apply principles of their faith in their daily lives.

If we listen carefully, we can hear the voice of St. Justin Martyr, who referenced early versions of the homily in his explanation of Christian practices around the year 155. At their gatherings, St. Justin wrote, after "the memoirs of the apostles and the writings of the prophets" had been read, the presider would then challenge the congregation to "imitate these beautiful things" (CCC 1345).

We deacons are mindful of the need for adequate preparation to make the homily meaningful to those attending mass at OLR. Preparation begins with reading and re-reading the passages of Scripture, supported by prayer, to identify the main theme(s) of the readings – the message that will prove useful to all of us.

Biblical commentaries and references in the Catechism can assist in identifying themes of the readings in the preparation of the homily. Then comes the challenge of putting thoughts on paper in a way that will reveal the important message of that day's readings, including ways we can apply that message in our lives as followers of Jesus.

In the homily and in the celebration of the Mass, adequate preparation is key to the presentation of the Eucharist as the source and summit of our faith. We, as deacons at OLR, want to do all that we can to accomplish that goal and are gratified to be able to assist the parish in these ways.

In Christ,
Deacon Jerry

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Parish Operating Financials

Collection for the week ending Jun. 14, 2026

Needed: \$ 25,500.

Received: \$ 25,889.

Surplus \$ 389.

Year-to-Date Collections through Week #51
in the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2025.

Needed: \$ 1,300,500.

Received: \$ 1,412,195.

Surplus: \$ 111,695.

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

MOTHER TERESA HOUSE

“Daily we see men kept from evildoing by the fear of the law’s punishments. How much greater care should they not take on account of the punishment of hell—greater in its duration, in its bitterness, and in its variety.”

St. Thomas Aquinas

In our work here at MTH, we deal with many people who do not fear law’s punishment, let alone eternal punishment. Whether through addiction or mental health, they have chosen to reject help when it is offered. We, with the community of homeless case managers, do not push solutions, but offer paths forward. We do it daily, we visit them where they are, but we cannot do it for them - we can only walk with them. They may start and stumble and fall many times, but we continue to be available for them.

We are there not just for comfort in this world, but for comfort in the next. *“And do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather, be afraid of the one who can destroy both soul and body in Gehenna.”*

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

The Food Pantry will be closed for the month of June due to ongoing construction. We apologize for any inconvenience and appreciate your patience as this work is completed. We hope to reopen as soon as construction is finished.

Please contact Stephanie Lopez
at slopez91084@gmail.com with any questions.

**Due to this temporary closing,
please do NOT donate any food items
for the Food Pantry until further notice.**

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, 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.

When we are able to reopen our **Food Pantry** ministry we will need additional volunteers to help serve our neighbors in need. We are especially looking for assistance with financial aid requests, packing food bags, picking up food donations, stocking pantry shelves, and other pantry-related tasks.

Whether you can help weekly, monthly, or occasionally, your time and talents can make a meaningful difference. If you are interested in volunteering or would like more information, please contact Stephanie Lopez at slopez91084@gmail.com.

First Saturday Pro-Life Mass for July has been rescheduled, and will be held on **JULY 11**, at 9:30am in Upper Church.

PARISH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

Daily 9am-1pm

Closed June 29-July 3

Daily Masses will be celebrated as usual.



Join St. Martha's Book Club at Augusta Road Library on Monday **July 6**, from 11am-12pm as we discuss "*Long Way Gone*" by Charles Martin. Lunch to follow. Call 864-360-2406 for details.

Our Introduction to Catholicism class (OCIA) begins **September 9**, at 7pm in Guadalupe Hall. If you are interested in becoming Catholic, or just interested in learning more, please contact JohnMark Cayer at jcayer@charlestdiocese.org.



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.divinemeracy@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, August 1**.

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

SCHOOL NEWS

Summer Office Hours
Daily 9:00am – 2:00pm
Closed June 29 – July 10

Go [HERE](#) for the 2026-2027 Calendar

Aug. 13 First Day of School
Thursday NOON Dismissal, No Aftercare
Aug. 28 Picture Day
Friday

During June and July the Friday Daily Masses will be celebrated in Lower Church unless announced otherwise.

The Nativity of St. John the Baptist
Wednesday, June 24

Solemn Vespers will be held in Upper Church at 7:00pm, immediately following the 6:00pm Mass.



School Uniform Sale
Saturday, June 27,
9am-1pm, in the Gym

Recently baptized was
Shepherd Lee Zokan
son of
Jacob & Sabrina Zokan



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



Join us for **Third Sunday Brunch** immediately following the 10:30am Mass on Sunday, June 21, in the Courtyard.

Recently baptized was
Shiloh Benedict Buchholz
son of
Corbin & Hillary Buchholz



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

JUNE

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

20 Saturday	Sunday - 21 <i>12th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	22 Monday
7:00-9:00a Men's Basketball, GYM 9:00a-12:00p Decorate-Reception, GH 12:00-1:00p Wedding Prep, GH 1:00-2:00p Wedding, UC 2:00-5:00p Wedding Reception, GH 3:30-4:30p Confessions, UC 4:30p Choir Practice, GH 4:30p Rosary, UC 5:00p Anticipated Mass, UC <i>For Betty Kerchner+</i> 8:00p Neocatechumenal Way, LC	7:30a Choir Practice, GH 8:00a Mass, UC <i>For Jay & Rachel Hutson</i> 9:00a Choir Practice, UC 9:00-10:00a Confessions, UC 10:00a Rosary, UC 10:30a Mass, UC <i>For Samantha Kluger+</i> 12:00p 3rd Sunday Brunch, GH and Courtyard 4:30p Rosary, UC 5:00p Mass, UC <i>For The People</i>	8:30a Mass, LC <i>For Julia Vavro+</i> 9:15a Divine Mercy Chaplet, LC
23 Tuesday	24 Wednesday	25 Thursday
7:00a Cursillo Group, GH 8:00a-3:00p Summer Tutoring, JDR 9:00a-12:00p Summer Camp, GYM 12:00p Mass, LC <i>For Scott & Kelly Malena</i> 12:45p Divine Mercy Chaplet, LC 7:00p N. Way Bible Studies, GH	8:00a-5:00p Adoration, LC 9:00a-12:00p Summer Camp, GYM 9:00a-2:00p Student Art Workshop, JDR 3:00-6:00p Secular Franciscans, JDR 4:15-5:15p Confessions, LC 5:15p Benediction, LC 6:00p Mass, UC <i>For Sr. Mary St. John of the Lamb of God, OP</i> 6:45p Divine Mercy Chaplet, UC	8:00a-3:00p Summer Tutoring, JDR 9:00a-12:00p Summer Camp, GYM 10:00a Mass, LC <i>For Rose Cusumano+</i> 10:45a Divine Mercy Chaplet, LC 7:00-8:00p Adoration, LC
26 Friday	27 Saturday	Sunday - 28 <i>13th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
9:00a-12:00p Summer Camp, GYM 10:00a Mass, LC <i>For Joseph David Hutson</i> 11:00a Divine Mercy Chaplet, and Our Lady's Prayer Warriors, UC 5:00-7:00p Set Up for School Uniform Sale, GYM	7:00-9:00a Men's Basketball, GYM 9:00a-1:00p School Uniform Sale, GYM 9:00a-4:00p Family Honor Leaders, GH 3:30-4:30p Confessions, UC 4:30p Choir Practice, GH 4:30p Rosary, UC 5:00p Anticipated Mass, UC <i>For The People</i>	7:30a Choir Practice, GH 8:00a Mass, UC <i>For Samantha Kluger+</i> 9:00a Choir Practice, UC 9:00-10:00a Confessions, UC 10:00a Rosary, UC 10:30a Mass, UC <i>For James Cronican+</i> 4:30p Rosary, UC 5:00p Mass, UC <i>For Domenica Baiardi+</i>
<p>Please see the OLR websites at olr.church and olr.school for all the most recent news and events.</p>		