



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*

August 16, 2026
Time

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary

*The Pastor's Letter this week is from
JohnMark Cayer, Director of Faith Formation*

Peace and Blessings,

As Director of Faith Formation, one of my great joys is to oversee our *Introduction to Catholicism* course. This is offered for anyone who is interested in Catholicism, has questions, or would like a refresher course on the basic truths of the Faith. We begin on September 9, at 7 pm in Guadalupe Hall.

We are greatly blessed to be in a time and place where many are searching for the Truth and finding the Church through their own efforts. However, we should not forget that it is our obligation as Catholics to bring the Gospel to the Ends of the Earth. *"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey all that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."* Mt 28:19-20 I should be able to love my coworkers enough to desire Christ for them. I should be able to love my friends enough to desire Christ for them. I should be able to love my family enough to desire Christ for them.

Make the effort, and go out of your way to bring Christ to your neighbors. They are in dire need of his loving grace. They need the Cross. They need the Eucharist. They need the Church. They need our most Blessed Mother.

I am here to help if anyone has questions or would like to learn more. They can contact me at the parish office or by email jcayer@charlestandioocese.org.

PAX,

JohnMark A Cayer

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Parish Operating Financials

Collection for the week ending Aug. 9, 2026

Needed: \$ 25,500.

Received: \$ 23,235.

Deficit: \$ 2,265.

Year-to-Date Collections through Week #7
in the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2026.

Needed: \$ 178,500.

Received: \$ 184,954.

Surplus: \$ 6,454.

MOTHER TERESA HOUSE

"It is plain that the Most Blessed Mother of God has been assumed in body and soul beyond the choirs of Angels. And this in every way we believe to be true."

St. Albert the Great (teacher of St. Thomas Aquinas)

On Saturday, we celebrated the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, our mother. Although not defined as infallible dogma until 1950 by Pope Pius XII, it had been celebrated in the Western Church since the middle of the 7th century and much earlier in the Eastern Church. St. Thomas Aquinas referred to Psalm 132:8 "*Arise, LORD, come to your resting place, you and your mighty ark.*" when talking about Mary's assumption, as she was the Ark which held the True Word of God, Jesus. We ask for her intercession with her Son, as no one was closer to Him than her. I ask for her protection and prayers for my family daily and for those we serve here at MTH. Pray the rosary and ask for her intercession with her Son. Proverbs 15:29 says "*The LORD is far from the wicked, but hears the prayer of the just.*" Ask your Holy Mother for help as she was given to us by her Son to help us to Him.

Chris Loewer, Director of Outreach
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OLR School News

Season tickets are on sale now through September 17, for the Rose Theatre 2026-2027 season. A season ticket holder will receive 2 tickets to each show and be able to select their seats one week in advance to the tickets available to the general public.



The shows for this season are *Romeo and Juliet*, *the Mousetrap*, *12 Angry Jurors*, *Antigone*, and *Annie*. Tickets may be purchased [HERE](#) or through the school website.

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 Culkin, Christy Dias, Marian Eleazer, Sarah & Teresa Fuller, Larry & Cynthia Good, Bridget Gracon, Phillip Greene, Ed Harden, Donald Hargis, Theresa Hargreaves, Kathy Hess, Kathy Illingworth, Bethe 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, Cheryl Wallace, Luigina Warga, Mary Lou Whelan, Kayla Wiegand, Steve Wiltberger, Jim Wood, Guesler Zesir, and all who are sick.

Middle and Upper School YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS

will resume on Sunday, September 13, from 6-8pm.

Get the latest info at these QR codes.

MIDDLE SCHOOL

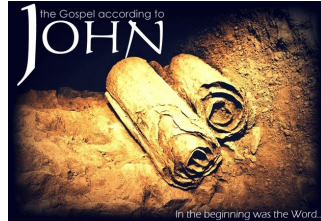
UPPER SCHOOL



Coming soon . . .

*Adult Catechesis will
begin on Sunday,
September 20, at 9:00am
in Guadalupe Hall.*

*The class will be a study of
the Gospel of John.*



Registrations for Faith Formation K4-6th Grade are open for the 2026-2027 academic year.

Please register by August 30, by delivering the registration form to the parish office or by emailing JohnMark Cayer at jcayer@charlestandiocese.org.

Registration forms are found [HERE](#).

ATTENTION all parents of 8th grade students who are planning to be confirmed this year! We have an exciting 3 session retreat tied into preparation for this Sacrament on Aug. 20, 26, and Sept. 2. This is Family Honor's "Real Love & Real Life" program and is a required part of OLR's Confirmation preparation, so please register you and your teen on Family Honor's website [HERE](http://familyhonor.org) (familyhonor.org). Please see Vincent Weaver for questions or further details.

New Classrooms - join us after all the Masses this weekend for a quick tour of the new modular classrooms, now called "Benedict Hall".

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.divinemercy@gmail.com.

SCHOOL NEWS

Aug. 18 LS - Curriculum Night, 6-8pm, GH

Aug. 25 MS & US - Curriculum Night, 6-8pm, GH

Aug. 28 Picture Day

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



The Choir will sing **Solemn Vespers on Sunday, August 30, at 4:00pm** in the Upper Church. Please join us for this reverent service of psalms, hymns, canticles, and prayer!



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@charlestandiocese.org.

Volunteers Needed at St. Clare's Home

Would you like to support the mission of St. Clare's Home? We provide a home for women experiencing a crisis pregnancy, and through loving direction, help them gain the life skills needed to support themselves and their children. We are looking for volunteers in our Greenville home with the emphasis on drivers for transporting our residents to classes and appointments. We also welcome additional help with our annual Pink & Blue Gala. We need members for our Gala committee to help make our biggest fundraising event of the year a success. Please contact Colleen Chmiel [HERE](#) for information.

Recently baptized was

Helena Violet Byrd

daughter of

Madison & Kathryn Byrd

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



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, September 12.**

Please **RSVP** Meghan at scnaprofnp@gmail.com so we can prepare class materials.

AUGUST

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

Saturday - 15 <i>Solemnity of the Assumption</i>	Sunday - 16 <i>20th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	17 Monday
7:00-9:00a Men's Basketball, GYM 9:30a Baptism, LC 10:00a Assumption Mass , UC 3:30-4:30p Confessions, UC 4:30p Choir Practice, GH 4:30p Rosary, UC 5:00p Anticipated Mass , UC <i>For Annabelle McManus</i> 8:00p Neocatechumenal Way, LC	7:30a Choir Practice, GH 8:00a Mass , UC <i>For Andrew Sullivan+</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> 12:00p 3rd Sunday Brunch, GH 4:30p Rosary, UC 5:00p Mass , UC <i>For The People</i>	7:00a Morning Prayer, UC 8:00a-5:30p School Events, GH 8:30a Mass , LC <i>For Robert & Ellen Moloney+</i> 9:00a-2:00p Adoration, UC <i>Resumes weekly now after summer break.</i> 9:30a Divine Mercy Chaplet, LC 11:00a-1:00p Divine Mercy Cenacle, LC
18 Tuesday	19 Wednesday	20 Thursday
7:00a Morning Prayer, UC 7:00a Cursillo Group, GH 8:00a-5:30p School Events, GH 8:00a-4:15p School Tutoring, JDR 12:00p Mass , LC <i>For Eileen Moore</i> 12:45p Divine Mercy Chaplet, LC 3:10-4:10p Jr. Girls Choir, UC 6:00-8:00p LS Curriculum Night, GH 7:00p N. Way Bible Studies, GH CANCELED	8:00a-5:00p Adoration, LC 8:00a-5:30p School Events, GH 3:10-4:30p Schola Practice, UC 4:15-5:15p Confessions, LC 5:15p Benediction, LC 6:00p Mass , UC <i>For Paul Bever, Jr. +</i> 6:45p Divine Mercy Chaplet, UC 7:00-9:00p Fellowship of St. Joseph, JDR	7:00a Morning Prayer, UC 8:00a-5:30p School Events, GH 8:00a-4:15p School Tutoring, JDR 10:00a Mass , LC <i>For Peter Wolcott+</i> 10:45a Divine Mercy Chaplet, LC 3:10-4:10p Jr. Boys Choir, UC 6:30-9:30p Real Love/Real Life, GH 6:30-7:45p Adult Choir, UC 7:00-8:00p Adoration, LC
21 Friday	22 Saturday	Sunday - 23 <i>21st Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
7:00a Morning Prayer, UC 8:00a-5:30p School Events, GH 10:00a School Mass , UC <i>For Emma Malena</i> (Limited Seating) 11:00a Divine Mercy Chaplet, and Our Lady's Prayer Warriors, LC	7:00-9:00a Men's Basketball, GYM 9:00a-12:00p RLM Deanery Meeting 3:30-4:30p Confessions, UC 4:30p Choir Practice, GH 4:30p Rosary, UC 5:00p Anticipated Mass , UC <i>For Louise & Joseph Bagnato+</i> 8:00p Neocatechumenal Way, LC	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 James Cronican+</i> 4:30p Rosary, UC 5:00p Mass , UC <i>For Tommy Curtin</i>
Please see the OLR websites at olr.church and olr.school for all the most recent news and events.		