

UPCOMING Events

- Daily Mass every Thursday at 9:30am (Rosary @ 9:10)
- Women's' Club Meetings meet regularly each Second Monday of the month /11am . We will resume in September.
- Next opportunity to help with local Food Pantry Sept 28-Oct. 1
- 'Pennies from Heaven' every second weekend collected for the Rock Hill Oratory Seminarians. This will continue every second wknd through December.
- Parish Picnic will follow the 12:30 mass on Sunday November 15 at the Hamilton Farm. More information as time gets closer.



MASS

Jesus perpetuates his Eternal Sacrifice through His Passover meal as the perfect offering to our Father in praise & thanksgiving for man's redemption through His death & resurrection.

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When the world sees you,
they don't have to see a saint,
but at least let them see
a sinner set on sainthood.
We shouldn't need to
tell people we're Catholic.
They should smell it in our sweat.
Matthew Warner

"Judge the Catholic Church not by those who barely live by its spirit, but by the example of those who live closest to it."

-Fulton Sheen-

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Help St. Joseph Church become financially stable.

If you are able, please consider increasing your weekly donation.

Submissions for bulletins must be made by Tuesday to: stjcoordinator@gmail.com

Or to Bob Renaud~ brenaud65@gmail.com

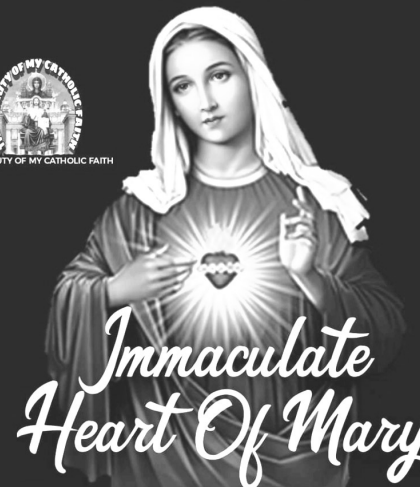


ST. JOSEPH

Catholic Church

MONTH OF AUGUST

is devoted to the



*Immaculate
Heart Of Mary*

MASS SCHEDULE:

Thursday – Weekday Mass 9:30 am (Rosary 9:10am)

Saturday(Anticipated Mass) 4:00pm

Sunday 12:30pm

**Sacrament of Reconciliation 3-3:45pm Saturdays
(or by appointment)**

All other sacraments please call parish office to inquire.

Rev. Agustin L. Guzman, CO, Pastor

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August 16, 2026
20th Sunday of ordinary time

UPCOMING FEASTS

16 St. Stephen of Hungary
17 St. Joan of the Cross
18 St. Louis of Toulouse
19 St. John Eudes
20 St. Bernard of Clairvaux
21 St. Pius X
22 Queenship of Mary

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Saint of the Day
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www.franciscanmedia.org/
saint-of-the-day/](https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/)

MINISTRY (Sat./Sun.) SCHEDULE :

LECTOR: Sat. B. Renaud

E.M: Sat. P. Hamilton

LECTOR: Sun M. Lifsey /R. Whisonant

E.M: Sun. K. Hutto/J. Rodgers

LAST WEEKS OFFERINGS

Envelopes	\$3208.40
Loose	\$143.00
Total: Met Budget	\$3351.40
Other: candle, refurb, special	\$115.00
Weekly Budget:	\$1847.00

St. Joseph online Donation:

<https://www.osvhub.com/stmarysrh/funds/st-joseph-church-chester-donations>

**IF YOU ARE ABLE, PLEASE CONSIDER
INCREASING YOUR WEEKLY GIFT**

ORATORY CENTER FOR SPIRITUALITY

If you would like to have more information about the center or the programs it offers, you may visit the Oratory in Rock Hill.



"GREAT IS YOUR FAITH"

Jesus' statement, "It is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs," is a metaphor that highlights the prevailing sentiment of the time. The children represent the Jews while the dogs are the Gentiles. Jews considered Gentiles to be unclean and called them *kuon* ("wild cur") primarily for religious rather than ethnic reasons. In the text, the woman is not offended by Jesus' words; instead, she acknowledges the way she is viewed by the Jews. It is likely that she was familiar with the statement and the concept of the Messiah as a deliverer of the Jews. We should also note that Jesus calls her *kunarium*, a "pet dog," which subtly deviates from the Jewish sentiment.

Her response demonstrates both humility and faith. While accepting that Jesus came to feed the "children," she asserts that the "dogs" (the Gentiles) need whatever Jesus has to offer, even if it is only in little quantities. Just as dogs eat crumbs from a table, Gentiles can also benefit from Jesus' mission, although His priority at that point was the Jews. The Canaanite woman "did not ask that the 'children' might be deprived of any fragment of their portion; but taking her place, contentedly, among the 'dogs,' she could still claim Him as her Master, and ask for the 'crumbs' of His mercy" (Ellicott, J., *Commentary for English Readers*). The fact that she calls Jesus "Lord" and does not use a more familiar term like "Rabbi" is also significant. Jesus commends her faith and grants her request. "Lord, help me to have faith and trust in You. AMEN"

CATHOLIC VS. PROTESTANT BELIEFS

CATHOLIC	PROTESTANT
Authority Scripture and Sacred Tradition	Scripture alone
Pope Yes – Successor of the apostle Peter	No
Salvation Grace plus faith and works	Grace through faith alone
Transubstantiation Yes – Bread and wine become body and blood of Christ	No – Symbolic presence of Christ
Mary Venerated as sinless, Mother of God	Honored but not sinless
Priests Yes – Mediators	No – Priesthood of all believers

- **Apostolic Fathers** (1st–2nd centuries) such as **Ignatius of Antioch** (d. 107) used the term "*Catholic*" to describe the universal Church

- **Early Christian** communities spread from Jerusalem to the Roman Empire, often under persecution from pagan authorities.

- The **Apostolic Age** saw the Church guided by the apostles and their successors, with the **Holy Spirit** central to its mission.

- By the 2nd century, Christianity was organized into **episcopal polity** with bishops overseeing dioceses.

- The **Pope** emerged as the bishop of Rome, seen as the successor of St. Peter and the leader of the universal Church

- The **Edict of Milan** (313 CE) under Emperor Constantine legalized Christianity, and the **Edict of Thessalonica** (380 CE) made it the state religion



a lil' saintly ADVICE

"Mary, give me your Heart: so beautiful, so pure, so immaculate; your Heart so full of love and humility that I may be able to receive Jesus in the Bread of Life and love Him as you love Him and serve Him in the distressing guise of the poor."

-Blessed Mother Teresa

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Immaculate heart of Mary, Lead us to Jesus!

The souls of our deceased:

Jim Anderson	Damien Whisonant
Judithanne Hare	Mona Paragon
Danny McMurray	Warren Dew
Troy West	Jim McGee
Michelle Munnell	Bobbie Kay Lalli
Jim McMurray	Michael Young
Alfredo Guzman	Brother John
Stephany	

This Month's Remembrances

Brenda Cachetta	Nancy Young
Sadie & Hannah	



Our sick:

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Maggie Wilson	Beth Gaddy
Jay Williams	Tootie Juliano
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Gina McCanless	Maggie Robinson
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