

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
- Starting THIS WEEKEND—'Pennies from Heaven' 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.



EUCHARIST
The real Body, Blood, Soul, & Divinity of Christ is the "source & summit" of Christian life – an extension of the Incarnation & the most intimate way to encounter, adore, & receive the Savior in this life (Jn. 6:54-56).



The Knights of Columbus will once again collect donations for the Rock Hill Oratory Seminarians starting THIS WEEK-END through the second weekend in December. Please be generous to the 'Pennies From Heaven' Campaign.

Blessed Michael Joseph McGivney (1852–1890) was an American Catholic priest and the founder of the **Knights of Columbus**, a lay Catholic fraternal organization that began in 1882 at St. Mary's Church in New Haven, Connecticut Born in Waterbury, Connecticut, to Irish immigrant parents, he left school at 13 to work in a brass mill, later completing his seminary studies in Quebec, New York, and Maryland before being ordained in 1877

McGivney was deeply moved by the plight of immigrant families, especially widows and orphans left after WWI without financial support after a wage earner's death. Inspired by Protestant fraternal groups offering life insurance, he established the Knights of Columbus as a mutual aid society to provide financial assistance, promote charity, and strengthen Catholic brotherhood The organization grew into the world's largest Catholic fraternal body, emphasizing service to Church, community, and family. We celebrate his feast day this week—Thursday August 13.

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



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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Office Hours: Wednesday 10 am to 2 pm (John Rodgers)

110 W End St, Chester SC 29706



August 9, 2026

19th Sunday of ordinary time

UPCOMING FEASTS

09 St. Edith Stein

10 St. Lawrence

11 St. Clare of Assisi

12 Jane Frances de Chantal

13 Bl. Michael McGivney

14 St. Maximilian Kolbe

08 The Assumption of Mary

For a concise daily dose of
Saint of the Day
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MINISTRY (Sat./Sun.) SCHEDULE :

LECTOR: Sat. J. Jones / B. Renaud

E.M: Sat. S. Robinson/J. Schumacher

LECTOR: Sun M. Lifsey /R. Whisonant

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

LAST WEEKS OFFERINGS

Envelopes \$1515.00

Loose \$171.00

Total: Below Budget \$1686.00

Other: candle ,refurb, special \$125.00

Weekly Budget: \$1847.00

St. Joseph online Donation:

[https://www.osvhub.com/stmarysrh/funds/st-](https://www.osvhub.com/stmarysrh/funds/st-joseph-church-chester-donations)

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IF YOU ARE ABLE, PLEASE CONSIDER
INCREASING YOUR WEEKLY GIFT

ORATORY CENTER FOR SPIRITUALTY

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



FIRST JESUS PRAYS

Before walking on water, before rescuing Peter, before calming the storm, Jesus goes up the mountain alone to pray. Matthew notes this detail after a day of intense public ministry, feeding thousands, dealing with crowds, and receiving news of John the Baptist's death. He withdraws to pray. Not to escape, but to draw from the Father strength before he gives to others. He comes to them in the fourth watch of the night, the darkest and coldest hours before dawn. They are miles from shore, battered and exhausted, and he walks out to them.

JESUS MEETS THEM ON THEIR WAY

He does not wait for morning. He does not wait for the storm to pass. He moves toward them in the worst of it. Jesus does not stay on the shore while they drown. He walks to them in the middle of it. Before he reaches the boat, Jesus calls out to them: "Take courage! It is I. Do not be afraid." The phrase "It is I" in the Greek is *ego eimi*, the same construction used in the Greek Old Testament when God identifies himself to Moses at the burning bush. Matthew's first readers would have heard the echo immediately.

*"LORD help us to pray and always rely first
on the Father for strength in all our trails.
Help us to have trust that Jesus will meet us
to provide help during each of these storms.*

DID YOU KNOW?

EVERY CHRISTIAN WHO TRUSTS THE BIBLE ALSO TRUSTS THE CATHOLIC CHURCH—



whether they realize it or not.

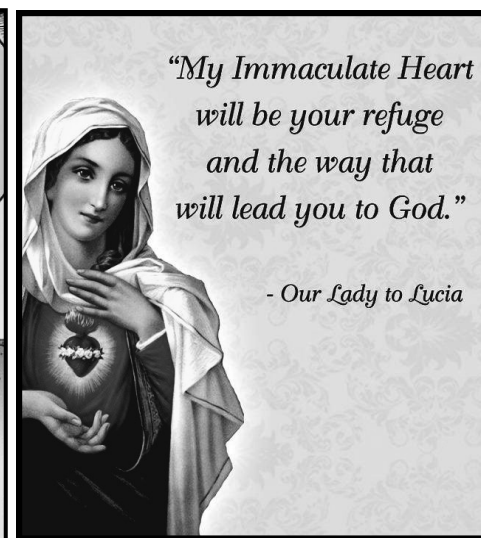
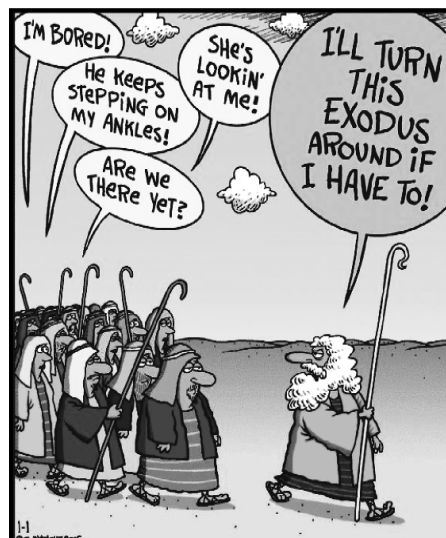
The canon of Scripture was
discerned and confirmed by
the Catholic Church in 382
A.D., and remained unchan-
ged until the 16th century



CATHOLIC
TRUTH

LAUGHTER
IS THE
BEST
MEDICINE

a lil' saintly
ADVICE



*"My Immaculate Heart
will be your refuge
and the way that
will lead you to God."*

- Our Lady to Lucia

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:

Anne McMurray	Josette
Maggie Wilson	Beth Gaddy
Jay Williams	Tootie Juliano
Alex Whisonant	Terry Morris
Gina McCanless	Maggie Robinson
Austin Nunnery	Gabby Rowsam
Willis Johnson	Carol Hayes
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