

DIOCESE OF CHARLESTON
ST. EDWARD THE CONFESSOR CATHOLIC CHURCH
SHRINE OF BLESSED CEFERINO



MISSION STATEMENT

As a Family of faith and love, we the members of St. Edward parish follow Jesus, Christ, by being united with Him in Prayer and Sacraments, and by strengthening this union through study and reflection of the Word of God, and by reaching out to our fellow human beings with the commitment to spread the Gospel message to us all. We thus contribute our share in the building up of the Kingdom of God.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 P.M.
Sunday: 10:00 A.M.
Monday: 6:00 P.M.
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday:
10:30 A.M.
Saturday 9:00 A.M.
(for Saturday devotion)

CONFESSION

After Weekday Mass on request
Friday 11:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.
Saturday: 3:00 P.M. – 3:45 P.M

BAPTISM PREPARATION

By appointment only

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday
10:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Monday 4:00 P.M.- 5:00 P.M
September – May

ADORATION

Tuesday & Wednesday
11:00 A.M – 3:30 P.M.

WEDDINGS

Arrangements should be made
four months in advance

**Rev. Chidi is available in the Church at the end of Weekly and Sunday Masses to arrange
Baptism Preparation, Marriage Preparation and for any Blessings or other non-emergency
matters.**

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

JANUARY 11, 2026

He saved us through the bath of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit.

— Titus 3:5

CALLED TO SERVE

For many weeks now, we have been celebrating the appearance of the divine presence in human form. As a child, he came to Mary and Joseph, was seen by the shepherds, and then by some wandering magi from the East. Today we celebrate another showing, later in time, to a group gathered at the Jordan River.

John hesitated to baptize Jesus, whom he recognized as “one mightier than I.” But he did as Jesus asked, and the “Holy Spirit descended” and heaven’s voice spoke to Jesus, “You are my beloved Son.” Jesus was beginning his public life of teaching and service. Soon he would start calling others to join him.

Peter was one of the first to be called by Jesus. In today’s second reading, he announces the heart of the message, “peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all.” Peter was called, and you and I are called to spread that message and to serve God’s word.

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TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Isaiah speaks of the Servant whom the Lord upholds; he shall bring forth justice to the nations (Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7).

Psalm — The Lord will bless his people with peace (Psalm 29).

Second Reading — Jesus was anointed by God with the Holy Spirit; he went out healing and doing good (Acts 10:34-38).

Gospel — Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptized by John. (Matthew 3:13-17).

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord

Monday: First Week in Ordinary time

Tuesday: St. Hilary

Saturday: St. Anthony

PRAYER CORNER

PRAYER FOR HEALTH

Lord, I thank You for the blessings of good health that I and those dear to me have enjoyed. May we continue to experience health in every aspect of our lives. Restore physical health to those of us weakened with illness, peace to those troubled with worry and comfort to those discouraged with problems. We offer this prayer to God our loving Father through Christ our Lord. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday: Parishioners of St. Edward’s Parish

Monday: Eddie Vincent Burke 44th Birthday †
In honor of the Infant Jesus of Prague and St. Joseph for all the sick and for all the holy souls in purgatory

Tuesday: TK †
Patsy Butts †

Wednesday: Barney Pole Birthday †
Tom Buck & Nora Sherlock †

Thursday: Scully’s Pat Anniversary †
Bonnie Anniversary †

Friday: In honor of the Holy Souls and Precious Blood
Barney Shot †

Saturday: Tommy Jude O’Hara †
Ollie Michael Harrison †

CHURCH ENVELOPES

Offertory and Development Fund, Ladies’ and Children’s Envelopes for 2026 are in the Atrium of the Church. If you don’t find your envelopes, please contact the Church office immediately.

CATHOLIC APPEAL OF SOUTH CAROLINA

The Catholic Appeal of South Carolina (CASC) is the primary source of funding for many critical ministries. We are impacting the lives of our brothers and sisters both spiritually and physically – but there is still much to do. We must continue to fund programs focused on charitable works, outreach, education, and evangelization. Your participation is highly appreciated and let us reach our goal by fulfilling the pledge and generous contribution. Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

JOKE OF THE WEEK

The owner of a large factory was making a surprise check-up on his staff. Then he noticed a young man standing lazily there. “How much are you paid a week?” asked the owner angrily. “Three hundred bucks,” replied the young man. Taking out \$300 from his wallet, the owner slapped the money into the boy’s hands, and said, “Here’s a week’s pay – now get out and don’t come back!”

Turning to one of the supervisors, he said, “How long has that lazy bum been working here anyway?” “He doesn’t work here,” said the supervisor. “He was just here to deliver a pizza.”

OUR GIFTS RECORD

Last Week's Collection	\$3,804.00	\$1,996.00
Number Families Contributing	43	23
Total Pledge for 2025	\$155,539.00	\$154,344.00
Pledged to Date (1 Week)	\$4,273.00	\$2,976.00
Received to Date	\$2,143.00	\$1,996.00
Envelopes Outstanding	\$2,130.00	\$980.00

LADIES OFFERTORY RECORD

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2026
\$285.00	\$285.00

14 Ladies contributed last week.

PARISH LIFE CENTER HALL FUND WEEKLY REPORT

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2026
\$50.00	\$50.00

1 Family made a P.L.C. contribution last week.

CATHOLIC APPEAL OF SOUTH CAROLINA (BAA)

Amount given to date	2026 GOAL
\$3.00	

POOR BOX totaled \$136.00.

2 **CHILDREN** contributed \$12.00.

FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE OFFERED BY:

1. a Parish Member in thanks to St. Expedite.

FLOWERS IN THE ATRIUM IN FRONT OF THE BLESSED MOTHER STATUE ARE OFFERED BY:

Pamela & Juliet

If anyone would like to get flowers in front of the Blessed Mother Statue contact Winnie Ann.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE The Banns of Marriage are announced for the first time for Thomas Andrew Sherlock and Ivana Carroll.

THANK YOU to a parish member for a \$100 donation in thanks to St. Michael for a special intention and to a parish member for a donation in thanks to St. Expedite.

REMEMBERING TO PRAY

*“Ask and it shall be given,” so the Lord would have you pray,
“Seek and you will surely find,” for He will show the way.*

*“Knock and it shall be opened.” Do you think God is about
To turn His back upon you, knowing all you are without?*

*We are as little children in this valley full of tears;
We need His love to guide us,
giving meaning through the years.*

*For to cross life's troubled waters, there is no better way,
Than clinging tightly to His arm and remembering to pray!*



I LOVE THIS

- ❖ *It's not important to hold all the good cards in life, but it's important how well you play the cards you hold.*
- ❖ *Often when we lose all hope and think this is the end, remember God and pray, it's just a bend, not the end.*
- ❖ *Have faith and have a successful life. One of the basic differences between God and man is, God gives and forgives, but the man gets and forgets. Be thankful in life.*

READERS

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| Sat. Jan. 10th, 4:00 P.M.
Macy & Montela | Sat. Jan. 10th, 7:00 P.M.
Natalie & Julie Ann |
| Sun. Jan. 11th, 10:00 A.M. | Sutton & Lauren Ashley |
| Sat. Jan. 17th, 4:00 P.M.
Mary Martha & Paris | Sat. Jan. 17th, 7:00 P.M.
Natalie & Julie Ann |
| Sun. Jan. 18th, 10:00 A.M. | Sutton & Lauren Ashley |

READERS – WEEKDAYS

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| Monday | - | Christina |
| Tuesday | - | Elegance |
| Wednesday | - | Kinley |
| Thursday | - | Bibbie's Liz |
| Friday | - | Julie Ann |

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKDAYS

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| Monday | - | Julie Ann |
| Tuesday | - | Willie's Michelle |
| Wednesday | - | Julie Ann |
| Thursday | - | Lauren Ashley |
| Friday | - | Rosie Marie |

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKEND

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| <u>4:00 P.M.</u> | <u>January 10th</u> |
| Right | Theresa Hun |
| Left | Cathy Carroll |

Saturday 7:00 P.M.

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| <u>January 10th</u>
Willie's Michelle | <u>January 17th</u>
Julie Ann |
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Sunday 10:00 A.M.

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| <u>January 11th</u>
Ned's Rose Marie | <u>January 18th</u>
Ned's Rose Marie |
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