

DIOCESE OF CHARLESTON
ST. EDWARD THE CONFESSOR CATHOLIC CHURCH
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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. & 4:00 P.M.
Monday: 6:00 P.M.
Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday: 10:30 A.M.
Friday: 6:00 P.M.
Saturday: 9:00 A.M. (for Saturday devotion)

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

After Friday 6:00 P.M. Mass

CONFESSION

After Weekday Mass on request
Friday: 10:30 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.
Saturday: 3:00 P.M. – 3:30 P.M.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

By appointment only

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

ORGANIST & DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

Paul Hennessy

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

September – May
4:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.

ADORATION

Tuesday & Wednesday
11:00 A.M. – 3:30 P.M.
Friday
10:30 A.M. – 11:30 A.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 FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 15, 2026

“Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her.

Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.”

Isaiah 66:10-11

SEEING THE LIGHT

Our Lenten journey continues this Sunday as we hear of Jesus healing a blind man in the Gospel of John. Jesus proclaims himself the light of the world, a light that overcomes darkness and enables a new capacity to see. The man, blind from birth, was able to begin his path to sight by first acknowledging his blindness. We are reminded of God’s ongoing invitation to us to journey from blindness to sight. We begin by acknowledging our own capacity for “blind spots,” and so open ourselves to uncomfortable truths and to God’s healing. We are invited to see beyond appearances, as the reading from Samuel indicates, and to look into the heart of things. We are invited to “live as children of light” as the letter to the Ephesians teaches. Like the man healed from blindness, we may gradually learn to see fully and to follow Jesus.

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TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — As the prophet Samuel anointed David with oil, the spirit of the LORD rushed upon David (31 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a).

Psalm — My shepherd is the Lord; I shall not want (Psalm 23).

Second Reading — You who were once darkness are now light in the Lord. Live as children of light (Ephesians 5:8-14).

Gospel — The man who was blind from birth proclaimed: The one called Jesus made clay with his saliva, anointed my eyes with it, and told me to wash. When I washed, I was able to see! (John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38])

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Fourth Sunday of Lent

Tuesday: St. Patrick; St. Patrick’s Day

Wednesday: St. Cyril of Jerusalem

Thursday: St. Joseph

Friday: Abstinence

~~~~~PRAYER CORNER~~~~~

PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

O St. Joseph, foster father of Jesus and faithful husband of Mary, we humbly come before you seeking your intercession and guidance. Help us to emulate your virtues of humility, obedience, and unwavering faith in God. Protect our families, guide us in our work, and lead us closer to Jesus, our Savior. May we follow your example of quiet strength and steadfast devotion to God’s will. St. Joseph, pray for us. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday: Parishioners of St. Edward’s Parish

Monday: Patsy Butts Anniversary †
Ann Shirley Carroll Birthday †

Tuesday: Pete Man O’Hara †
Barbara Jean Carroll †

Wednesday: Rev. Cherian Thalukulam Birthday
In honor of St. Jude and St. Anthony

Thursday: Eddie Michael Sherlock Birthday
Eddie Gerard Riley Birthday

Friday: In honor of the Holy Souls & Precious Blood

Bubby Ed Anniversary †

Saturday: Tommy McGuire Birthday
Pete Gerard Riley Birthday

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.

EASTER LILIES It is asked that each family donate \$10 for the Easter lilies. Please give your donation to Duggan’s Mary Rita, Bridget Rita, or the Church Office.

JOKE OF THE WEEK **Howard dies and waits in line for judgement. He notices that some souls go right into heaven, while Satan throws others into a burning pit. But every so often, instead of hurling a man into the fire, the devil tosses it aside.**

Curious, Howard asks Satan, “Excuse me, but why are you tossing them aside instead of flinging them into hell with the others?”

“They’re from Seattle,” Satan replies. “They’re too wet to burn.”

OUR GIFTS RECORD

Last Week's Collection	\$2,499.00	\$1,615.00
Number Families Contributing	86	57
Total Pledge for 2026	\$101,140.00	\$108,740.00
Pledged to Date (8 Weeks)	\$19,450.00	\$20,968.00
Received to Date	\$22,490.00	\$16,128.00
Envelopes Outstanding	(\$3,040.00)	\$4,840.000

LADIES OFFERTORY RECORD

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2026
\$1,528.00	\$4,449.00

31 Ladies contributed last week.

PARISH LIFE CENTER HALL FUND WEEKLY REPORT

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2026
\$0.00	\$7,390.00

No Families made a P.L.C. contribution last week.

CATHOLIC APPEAL OF SOUTH CAROLINA (BAA)

Amount given to date	2026 GOAL
\$573.00	\$17,737.00

POOR BOX totaled \$118.00.

4 **CHILDREN** contributed \$16.00.

FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE OFFERED BY:

1. Paris in thanks for Creed on his 14th Birthday;
2. Tommy Duggan and Taneil in thanks for Lavish Sherlock;
3. and a Parish Member in thanks to St. Expedite.

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

Bibbie's Betty Jean

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

FEAST OF ST. PATRICK will be celebrated this Tuesday, March 17th at 10:30 A.M. Mass. The Bible Study Group will organize the Feast.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY REV. CHERIAN THALAKULAM Wednesday, March 18th is Rev. Cherian's Birthday. Mass will be celebrated at 12:00 P.M.

FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH will be celebrated on Thursday, March 19th. The Rosary will begin at 10:00 A.M. followed by Litany and Consecration. Mass will be at 10:30 A.M. The Youth Group will organize the Feast.

ADORATION ON FRIDAY during lent will be from 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

MASS ON FRIDAYS during Lent will be at 6:00 P.M.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS during Lent, will be held every Friday after 6:00 P.M. Mass. The Stations of the Cross will be led on Friday:

- Mar. 20:** Youth Group & Young Girls Org.
Mar. 27: Society of Mary Immaculate
Apr. 3: Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

IRISH BLESSING

*May the road rise to meet you,
 May the wind always be at your back,
 May the sun shine warm upon your face,
 The rains fall soft upon your fields.
 And until we meet again,
 May God hold you in the palm of his hand.*

THANK YOU to a parish member for a \$100 donation to the Church; a parish member for a \$100 donation in thanks to St. Expedite and to a parish member for a donation in thanks to St. Expedite.

READERS

- Sat. Mar. 14th, 4:00 P.M.** Montela & Macy
Sun. Mar. 15th, 10:00 A.M. Josie & Lauren Ashley
Sun. Mar. 15th, 4:00 P.M. Macy & Christina
Sat. Mar. 21st, 4:00 P.M. Paris & Mary Martha
Sun. Mar. 22nd, 10:00 A.M. Josie & Lauren Ashley
Sun. Mar. 22nd, 4:00 P.M. Christina & Natalie

READERS – WEEKDAYS

- Monday** - Natalie
Tuesday - Elegance
Wednesday - Graclynn
Thursday - Marlo
Friday - Paris

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKDAYS

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

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKEND

- 4:00 P.M.**
Right Theresa Hun
Left Cathy Carroll
- Sunday 10:00 A.M**
- March 15th**
 Ned's Rose Marie
March 22nd
 Ned's Rose Marie
- Sunday 4:00 P.M**
- March 15th**
 Jack's Mary Rita
March 22nd
 Cathy Carroll