

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.
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday:
10:30 A.M.
Friday: 7:00 P.M.
Saturday: 9:00 A.M.

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

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

ADORATION

Tuesday & Wednesday
10:30 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.**

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

APRIL 27, 2025

“There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit.”

— 1 Corinthians 12:4

DIFFICULTY, SURVIVAL, AND GLORY

In Revelation, John the Evangelist tells us what we can expect as followers of the risen Jesus: distress, endurance, and a kingdom. Although we are only eight days into our fifty-day Easter feasting, we cannot ignore the distress weighing down our daily lives. Jesus’ resurrection does not erase individual suffering, but his glorious triumph over death cultivates endurance in our hearts. We remember that Jesus did not spare himself, and we ask for the strength to endure as he did. Imitating Christ helps us grow as members of God’s royal family. As beloved citizens of the Kingdom of God, we recognize our kinship with all people. Peter demonstrates his care for others as he heals multitudes of broken, suffering people. In the Gospel, Thomas accepts his own spiritual healing when Jesus helps him to believe. In times of difficulty, survival, and glory, we borrow Thomas’ declaration of faith: “My Lord and my God!”
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TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — The apostles perform many signs and wonders among the people. Many are added to their numbers (Acts 5:12-16).

Psalm — Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting (Psalm 118).

Second Reading — John, caught up in the spirit, envisions the glorified Lord, the first and the last, the one who lives (Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19).

Gospel — The risen Christ comes to his disciples with peace and the Spirit. The absent Thomas doubts (John 20:19-31).

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Sunday of Divine Mercy

Monday: St. Peter Chanel; St. Louis Grignon de Montfort

Tuesday: St. Catherine of Siena

Thursday: St. Joseph the Worker

Friday: St. Athanasius; First Friday

Saturday: Sts. Philip and James

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

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

“Lord Jesus, open our minds to understand the Scriptures that we may fully comprehend the truth of Your word. Anoint us with Your power and give us joy and boldness to proclaim the Gospel in word and deed.” Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday: Parishioners of St. Edward’s Parish

Monday: No Mass

Tuesday: Eddie Owen Birthday

Wednesday: Matt Thomas Birthday

Thursday: Raid Anniversary †
In honor of the Infant Jesus of Prague and St. Joseph for all the sick and for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory

Friday: Susanne Birthday †

Saturday: For a special intention

OPINIONS

Opinions are like hand watches.

EVERYONE’S watch shows a different time....

But, **EVERYONE** thinks that his/her time is **CORRECT**.

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.

GOD ALWAYS HAS SOMETHING FOR YOU

A KEY FOR EVERY PROBLEM

A LIGHT FOR EVERY SHADOW.

A RELIEF FOR EVERY SORROW.

AND A PLAN FOR EVERY TOMORROW.

JOKE OF THE WEEK A priest and a pastor are standing by the side of a road holding up a sign that reads “The end is near! Turn around before it’s too late!”

A passerby driver yells, “You guys are nuts!” and speeds past them.

From around the curve, they hear screeching tires — then a big splash. The priest turns to the pastor and says, “Do you think we should just put up a sign that says, ‘Bridge Out’ instead?”

OUR GIFTS RECORD

Last Week's Collection	\$4,989.00	\$2,917.00
Number Families Contributing	117	90
Total Pledge for 2025	\$155,539.00	\$158,716.00
Pledged to Date (15 Weeks)	\$44,717.00	\$45,893.00
Received to Date	\$40,495.00	\$30,887.00
Envelopes Outstanding	\$4,222.00	\$15,006.00

LADIES OFFERTORY RECORD

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2025
\$291.00	\$4,071.00

25 Ladies contributed last week.

PARISH LIFE CENTER HALL FUND WEEKLY REPORT

Amount given last wee	Amount given to Date in 2025
\$50.00	\$13,820.00

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

CATHOLIC APPEAL OF SOUTH CAROLINA (BAA)

Amount given to date	2025 GOAL
\$1,653.00	\$16,196.00

POOR BOX totaled \$113.00.

7 **CHILDREN** contributed \$33.00.

FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE OFFERED BY:

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

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

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

FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER will be celebrated this Thursday, May 1st at 10:30 A.M. Please bring tools to be blessed.

FAITH AND DOUBT

Doubt sees the obstacles;

Faith sees the way!

Doubt sees the darkest night;

Faith sees the day!

Doubt dreads to take a step;

Faith soars on high!

Doubt questions, "Who Believes?"

Faith answers, "I."

BANNS OF MARRIAGE The Banns of Marriage are announced for the third time for Tommy Touch Carroll and Richlie Carroll.

SPECIAL COLLECTION The second collection this weekend will be for *Catholic Home Missions Appeal*. Please be generous.

THANK YOU to a parish for a donation in thanks to St. Expedite and to a parish member for a donation in thanks to St. Joseph for the needy.

CHURCH COLLECTION & OFFERINGS

- The way some people give, you would think the church is coin operated.
- It's funny how a dollar can look so big when you take it to church and so small when you take it to the restaurant.
- Anybody who thinks there's a shortage of coins hasn't been to church lately.
- "When I look at this congregation," the pastor told the audience. "I ask myself, "where are the poor?" But, when I look at the collection, I say to myself, "Where, are the rich?"

READERS

Sat. Apr. 26th, 4:00 P.M.
Macy & Montela

Sun. Apr. 27, 10:00 A.M.
Jimmy Joseph & Lauren Ashley

Sat. May 3rd, 4:00 P.M.

Sun. May 4th, 4:00 P.M.
Jimmy Joseph & Lauren Ashley

READERS – WEEKDAYS

Tuesday	-	Montela
Wednesday	-	Theresa Maria Cat
Thursday	-	Audrey
Friday	-	Julie Ann

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKDAYS

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

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKEND

<u>Saturday 8:30 P.M.</u>	<u>April 26th</u>
Right	Theresa Hun
Left	Cathy Carroll
	<u>Sunday 10:00 A.M</u>
<u>April 27th</u>	<u>May 4th</u>
Ned's Rose Marie	Ned's Rose Marie