

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

## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 25, 2025

*May the peoples praise you, O God; may all the peoples praise you!*

— *Psalm 67:6*

### RETURNING TO ORDINARY LIFE

Six weeks into our Easter rejoicing, the Church gives us readings today that start preparing us for a return to ordinary life. The Acts of the Apostles and the Gospel both dwell on proper daily behavior for followers of Jesus, while the reading from Revelation reminds us why we bother with laws at all. In Acts, leaders of the church meet to discuss which essential elements of the Mosaic Law converts must obey if they wish to be disciples of Jesus Christ. John's Gospel reflects back to the Last Supper discourse when Jesus himself emphasizes the importance of obeying God's commandments. Observing God's law, says Jesus, shows a desire to be intimate with the Lord. We follow rules not for their own sake, but to love God and neighbor better. This more excellent love brings us closer to Revelation's vision of paradise, gleaming with "the splendor of God."

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### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The question of whether circumcision is necessary for salvation (Acts 15:1-2, 22-29).

**Psalm** — O God, let all the nations praise you! (Psalm 67).

**Second Reading** — John envisions the holy city, the new Jerusalem (Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23) *or*

*Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20.*

**Gospel** — The Holy Spirit, sent by the Father in Jesus' name, will teach us everything (John 14:23-29) *or* *John 17:20-26.*

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

**Sunday:** Sixth Sunday of Easter

**Monday:** St. Philip Neri

**Tuesday:** St. Augustine of Canterbury

**Thursday:** St. Paul VI

**Saturday:** The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

### ~~~~~PRAYER CORNER~~~~~

#### LORD, JESUS BE WITH ME

*Lord Jesus, may I be with You in all that I say and do. Draw me close that I may glorify You and bear fruit for Your kingdom. Inflame my heart with Your love and remove from it anything that would make me ineffective or unfruitful in loving and serving you as my All. Amen.*

### MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday:** Parishioners of St. Edward's Parish

**Monday:** In honor of St. Michael for a special intention

**Tuesday:** Johnny Key Sherlock Birthday

**Wednesday:** In honor of the Infant Jesus of Prague and St. Joseph for all the sick and for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory

**Thursday:** In honor of the Holy Spirit

**Friday:** Mary Louise Carroll Birthday †

**Saturday:** In honor of the Sacred Heart

### GOD GIVES US ENOUGH

*God balances our lives by giving us enough blessing to keep us happy, enough burdens to keep us humble, and enough hardships to keep us strong.*

### 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

By the time the morning service was to begin in a church, only one man was present. The minister said to him, "It looks like everyone has slept in. Do you want to go home, or should I preach the sermon?"

The man replied, "When I go to feed the chickens and only one comes, I still feed it."

The minister took that as a yes, mounted the pulpit and delivered an hour-long sermon. At the end, he asked the man what he thought. His answer: "When I go to feed the chickens and only one comes, I don't give it the whole bucket!"

**OUR GIFTS RECORD**

Last Week's Collection	1,362.00	\$836.00
Number Families Contributing	44	30
Total Pledge for 2025	\$155,539.00	\$158,716.00
Pledged to Date (19 Weeks)	\$59,187.00	\$60,788.00
Received to Date	\$51,041.00	\$38,802.00
Envelopes Outstanding	\$8,146.00	\$21,986.00

**LADIES OFFERTORY RECORD**

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2025
\$93.00	\$5,099.00

12 Ladies contributed last week.

**PARISH LIFE CENTER HALL FUND WEEKLY REPORT**

Amount given last wee	Amount given to Date in 2025
\$50.00	\$14,070.00

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

**CATHOLIC APPEAL OF SOUTH CAROLINA (BAA)**

Amount given to date	2025 GOAL
\$1,778.00	\$16,196.00

**POOR BOX** totaled \$50.00.

1 **CHILD** contributed \$12.00.

**FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE OFFERED BY:**

1. The Family of Apple's Mattie in loving memory of him on his Birthday and in loving memory of Katie Riley on her Birthday;
2. the Wife and Daughters of Jim Caroll in loving memory of him on his 85<sup>th</sup> Birthday;
3. and a Parish Member in thanks to St. Expedite.

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

Katsyn & Mary Ashley

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

**CONGRAGULATIONS 8<sup>th</sup> GRADE GRADUATES**

Congratulations to the following children who will be graduating from the 8<sup>th</sup> grade:

<i>Corbin Carroll</i>	<i>Aiden O'Hara</i>
<i>Dayne Thomas Carroll</i>	<i>Patrick Brando Riley</i>
<i>Faro Thomas Carroll</i>	<i>Easton Sherlock</i>
<i>Jim Richmon Carroll</i>	<i>Gunner Sherlock</i>
<i>John Daley Carroll</i>	<i>John Elvis Sherlock</i>
<i>Kade Carroll</i>	<i>Kody Sherlock</i>
<i>Alden Gorman</i>	<i>Rafe Thomas Sherlock</i>
<i>Gryphen Gorman</i>	

**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED** The Church Office will be closed this Monday in observance of Memorial Day.

**MAY 29<sup>TH</sup>: FEAST OF THE ASCENSION** The Feast of the Ascension is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass will be celebrated at 10:30 A.M. and at 6:00 P.M.

**BEAUTIFUL LINES**

- Prayer is not a "SPARE WHEEL" that you pull out when in trouble, but it is a "STEERING WHEEL" that directs the right path throughout life.
- Why is a car's windshield so LARGE and the rearview mirror so SMALL? Because our PAST is not as IMPORTANT as our FUTURE. So, LOOK AHEAD and MOVE ON.
- FRIENDSHIP is like a BOOK. It takes a FEW SECONDS TO BURN, but it takes YEARS TO WRITE.
- All things in life are TEMPORARY. If they are GOING WELL, ENJOY them. They WILL NOT LAST FOREVER. If they are going wrong, DON'T WORRY, they CAN'T LAST LONG EITHER.
- Old FRIENDS are GOLD! New FRIENDS are DIAMONDS. If you get a DIAMOND, DON'T FORGET the GOLD! To HOLD A DIAMOND, you always need a BASE OF GOLD!

**THANK YOU** to a parish member for a donation in thanks to St. Expedite.

**READERS**

Sat. May 24<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 P.M.      Sun. May 25<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 P.M.  
Montela & Macy                      Jimmy Joseph & Lauren Ashley

Sat. May 31<sup>st</sup>, 4:00 P.M.      Sun. June 1<sup>st</sup>, 4:00 P.M.  
Natalie & Julie Ann                      Jimmy Joseph & Lauren Ashley

**READERS – WEEKDAYS**

Monday	-	Cheryl
Tuesday	-	Mary Martha
Wednesday	-	Graclynn
Thursday	-	Josie
Friday	-	Theresa Maria Cat

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKDAYS**

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

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKEND**

<b><u>Saturday 4:00 P.M.</u></b>	<b><u>May 24<sup>th</sup></u></b>
Right	Theresa Hun
Left	Cathy Carroll

**Sunday 10:00 A.M**

<b><u>May 25<sup>th</sup></u></b>	<b><u>June 1<sup>st</sup></u></b>
Ned's Rose Marie	Ned's Rose Marie