

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.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

After Friday 6:00 P.M. Mass
during Lent

CONFESSION

After Weekday Mass on request
Saturday: 3:00 P.M. – 3:30 P.M.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

By appointment only

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.

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.**

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JUNE 21, 2026

Sing to the LORD, praise the LORD, for he has rescued the life of the poor.

— *Jeremiah 20:13*

ENTHUSIASM AND GRAMMAR

There is a good reason that the writings of St. Paul don't show up as examples in grammar textbooks. Today's reading is a case in point. It begins with one of those long Pauline run on sentences that leave lectors gasping for breath. So what? Take a closer look at how Paul's fervor for his subject matter derails the grammar. There is something admirable about being so caught up in his convictions that the words cannot come fast enough to express them, much less in an orderly fashion. Scripture scholars usually take this grammatical ineptness as a sign of a passage's early importance in the Christian community, something they were so ardent about that their language never got refined.

What leaves us in this condition? Re-telling the plot line of an action movie or the play-by-play of a sporting event? When was the last time any of us was so excited by our faith in Christ that we were left grasping for words, stumbling over our own errors in speech? It may be bad grammar, but it is an excellent way to inspire others with the message of Christ!

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The LORD has rescued the poor from the clutches of the wicked (Jeremiah 20:10-13).

Psalm — Lord, in your great love, answer me (Psalm 69).

Second Reading — The grace of God overflows for all (Romans 5:12-15).

Gospel — All who acknowledge Jesus before others will likewise be acknowledged by Jesus before the Father (Matthew 10:26-33).

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Father's Day

Monday: St. Paulinus of Nola; Sts. John Fisher and Thomas More

Wednesday: The Nativity of John the Baptist

Saturday: St. Cyril of Alexandria

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

FATHER'S DAY BLESSING

Heavenly Father, You entrusted Your Son Jesus, the child of Mary, to the care of Joseph, an earthly father.

Bless all fathers as they care for their families. Give them strength and wisdom, tenderness and patience; support them in the work they have to do, protecting those who look to them, as we look to You for love and salvation, through Jesus Christ our rock and defender.

Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday: Fathers of St. Edward's Parish

Monday: Hughie Gabe Sherlock Anniversary †
Suffering souls †

Tuesday: In honor of St. Michael, St. Gabriel, and St. Raphael for a special intention
Jack & Betty Costello †

Wednesday: Pat L. 5th Anniversary †
Pete Sherlock 60th Anniversary †

Thursday: Eddie Joe 67th Birthday †
Souls in Purgatory †

Friday: Allie Birthday
Eddie Birthday and Patricia

THE BEST

- **TIME is still the best answer.**
- **FORGIVENESS is still the best painkiller.**
- **GOD is still the best healer.**

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

One day a man spotted a lamp by the roadside. He picked it up, rubbed it vigorously and a genie appeared.

"I'll grant you your fondest wish," the genie said.

The man thought for a moment, then said, "I want a spectacular job – a job no man has ever succeeded at or has ever attempted to do?"

"Poof!" said the genie. "You're a housewife."

OUR GIFTS RECORD

Last Week's Collection	\$2,223.00	\$999.00
Number Families Contributing	51	35
Total Pledge for 2026	\$101,660.00	\$109,520.00
Pledged to Date (22 Weeks)	\$46,920.00	\$50,544.00
Received to Date	\$59,110.00	\$43,132.00
Envelopes Outstanding	(\$12,190.00)	\$7,412.00

LADIES OFFERTORY RECORD

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2026
\$156.00	\$8,906.00

11 Ladies contributed last week.

PARISH LIFE CENTER HALL FUND WEEKLY REPORT

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2026
\$160.00	\$8,210.00

One person made a P.L.C. contribution last week.

CATHOLIC APPEAL OF SOUTH CAROLINA (BAA)

Amount given to date	2026 GOAL
\$2,956.00	\$17,737.00

POOR BOX totaled \$100.00

2 CHILDREN contributed \$6.00.

FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE OFFERED BY:

1. The Family of Jack Costello in loving memory of him on Father's Day;
2. the Family of Apple in loving memory of him on Father's Day;
3. the Family of Pat L. in loving memory of him on his 76th Birthday, 5th Anniversary of his death, and Father's Day;
4. the Family of Eddie O. in loving memory of him on Father's Day;
5. Pat Butts and Susan in loving memory of Jim Carroll, Tom Butts, and Johnny Mumbo on Father's Day;
6. the Family of Mikey Joe in loving memory of him on the 15th Anniversary of his death and Father's Day;
7. the Family of Penn in loving memory of him on Father's Day;
8. the Family of Underdog in loving memory of him on Father's Day;
9. the Family of Ringo in loving memory of him on Father's Day;
10. the Family of Jack D., Cracker's Mike, Johnny Mumbo, and Jack Dempsey in loving memory of them on Father's Day;
11. and a Parish Member in thanks to St. Expedite.

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

Middleton & Valerie

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

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

Fr. Chidi and Fr. Cosmas wish all Fathers of St. Edward Family a Happy Father's Day!!!

DAD

*A dad is a mender of toys, a leader of boys.
He's a changer of fuses, a healer of bruises.
He's a mover of couches, a healer of ouches.
He's a hanger of screens, a counselor of teens.
He's a pounder of nails, a teller of tales.
He's a dryer of dishes, a fulfiller of wishes.
Bless him, O Lord.*

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

DON'T COPY

Life is the most difficult exam.

Many people will fail because they try to copy others not realizing that everyone has a different question paper.

READERS

Sat. June 20th, 4:00 P.M. Christina & Natalie
Sun. June 21st, 10:00 A.M. Lauren Ashley & Josie

Sat. June 27th, 4:00 P.M. Macy & Montela
Sun. June 28th, 10:00 A.M. Lauren Ashley & Josie

READERS – WEEKDAYS

Monday - Christina
Tuesday - Macy
Wednesday - Marlo
Thursday - Natalie
Friday - Julie Ann

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKDAYS

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

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKEND

4:00 P.M. June 20th
Right Theresa Hun
Left Cathy Carroll

Sunday 10:00 A.M

June 21st Ned's Rose Marie
June 28th Ned's Rose Marie