

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.
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.**

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 5, 2026

“Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest.”

— Matthew 11:28

SHARE THE BURDEN

“Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest” (Matthew 11:28). These words of our Savior seem to be in stark contrast to the previous chapter from the same Gospel, when we were told that if we do not take up our crosses, we are not worthy of Christ. Connecting these two messages might help us on our faith journeys. Being a follower of Christ surely means that we must embrace the cross, in its mystery of both suffering and triumph. This is something that we need not do alone, for the burden is often too heavy for us to carry by ourselves. Who, then, do we turn to? We can turn to the Body of Christ—the community of disciples gathered for worship. When we find the burden too heavy, let us remember that we can share that burden with our Christian sisters and brothers, who can help bring us rest.

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TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Rejoice heartily, O Jerusalem! For see, your savior comes (Zechariah 9:9-10).

Psalm — I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God (Psalm 145).

Second Reading — The one who raised Christ from death will give life to your mortal bodies also (Romans 8:9, 11-13).

Gospel — Come, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest (Matthew 11:25-30).

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Maria Goretti

Thursday: St. Augustine Zhao Rong and Companions

Saturday: St. Benedict

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

PRAYER FOR A JOURNEY

Almighty and merciful God, You have commissioned Your angels to guide and protect us. Command them to be our careful companions, from our setting out until our return; to clothe us with their invisible protection; to keep us from all danger of collision, of fire, of explosion, of falls and bruises; and finally having preserved us from all evil, and especially from sin, to guide us to our heavenly home. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday: Parishioners of St. Edward’s Parish

Monday: No Mass

Tuesday: Pat L.’s Ann Marie Birthday †
Buddyman & Betty Ann †
Poor Souls †

Wednesday: Tom & Birdie Carroll †
Cracker †
Keystone & Rosie †

Thursday: Amalorpava Nathan
Jack D

Friday: Tommy Rabbit †
Willie Costello †
Amalorpava Nathan

TAKE ONE STEP TO GOD

**If we walk one step toward God,
God will run ten steps toward us.**

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

Three friends from the local congregation were asked, “When you’re in your casket, and friends and congregation members are mourning over you, what would you like them to say?”

Bill said, “I would like them to say I was a wonderful husband, a fine spiritual leader and a great family man.”

Tom said, “I would like them to say I was a wonderful teacher and servant of God who made a huge difference in people’s lives.”

And Frank said, “I’d like them to say, “Hey, look. He’s moving!”

OUR GIFTS RECORD

Last Week's Collection	\$2,061.00	\$1,631.00
Number Families Contributing	51	40
Total Pledge for 2026	\$101,660.00	\$109,520.00
Pledged to Date (24 Weeks)	\$50,830.00	\$54,756.00
Received to Date	\$62,309.00	\$45,443.00
Envelopes Outstanding	(\$11,479.00)	\$9,313.00

LADIES OFFERTORY RECORD

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2026
\$328.00	\$9,544.00

17 Ladies contributed last week.

PARISH LIFE CENTER HALL FUND WEEKLY REPORT

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2026
0.00	\$8,210.00

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

CATHOLIC APPEAL OF SOUTH CAROLINA (BAA)

Amount given to date	2026 GOAL
\$3,006.00	\$17,737.00

POOR BOX totaled \$60.00

0 CHILD contributed \$0.00.

FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE OFFERED BY:

1. Tommy Cat and Sons in loving memory of Tom Cat Gorman on his Birthday;
2. and a Parish Member in thanks to St. Expedite.

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

Patricia Johnson

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

MONDAY MASS Beginning this Monday, July 6th, Mass will not be celebrated on Monday until further notice.

BEYOND THE LOSSES IN LIFE

*Beyond, the losses in life,
New hope will always survive.
For the heart that trusts in God,
New hope will be found alive!*

*In the early morning light,
Yes, at the coming of dawn.
Hope shall ever be renewed,
As another day is born.*

*And God will strengthen the heart,
For the day that lies ahead.
Beyond the losses in life,*

There are better things instead.

CHURCH OFFICED CLOSED The Church Office will be closed this Monday, July 6th, in observance of the Independence Day Holiday.

THANK YOU to a parish member for a \$600 donation in thanks to St. Expedite; a parish member for \$100 donation in thanks to God, Blessed Mother, St. Joseph, St. Matthew, and all saints for prayers answered; a parish member for a \$100 donation in thanks to St. Anthony; and to a parish member in thanks to St. Expedite.

THOUGHTS TO PONDER

Life is a constant conflict between ***LOVE*** and ***EGO***. Love always wants to say sorry. Ego always wants to hear it.

Someone asked life: Why are you so difficult...???!!! Life smiled and said, "***YOU PEOPLE NEVR APPRECIATE EASY THINGS.***"

Forgive others, not because they deserve ***FORGIVENESS***, but because you deserve ***PEACE***.....

Our ***BODY*** is full of water but wherever it hurts, blood comes out.

Our ***HEART*** is full of blood but whenever it hurts, tears come out.

READERS

Sat. July 4th, 4:00 P.M.
Marlo & Natalie

Sun. July 5th, 10:00 A.M.
Lauren Ashley & Josie

Sat. July 11th, 4:00 P.M.
Macy & Christina

Sun. July 12th, 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.	July 4 th
Right	Theresa Hun
Left	Cathy Carroll

Sunday 10:00 A.M

July 5 th	July 12 th
Ned's Rose Marie	Ned's Rose Marie