

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.**

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 19, 2026

“Those who are just must be kind.”

— *Wisdom 12:19*

GOOD SEEDS

Today Jesus continues to speak to his followers using parables. What a rich treasure we are given today in three parables about the kingdom of heaven! The kingdom is likened to a man sowing good seed in his field, a mustard seed, and yeast mixed with flour. As they did last week, today the disciples press Jesus for an interpretation of one of the parables—the parable of the man sowing good seed. Lest we think that these parables are simply amusing little anecdotes, Jesus’ interpretation should be seen for what it is—a warning. Wailing and grinding of teeth in a fiery furnace await those who are children of the evil one. This parable points to the struggle for today’s believer. Sometimes, through sin, we sow weeds and prevent the love of Christ from blossoming. Let today’s Gospel help put us back on track. Let us recommit ourselves to preparing for the last days, the harvest, by blossoming as the good seeds we were created in love to be.

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TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — You taught your people that those who are just must likewise be kind (**Wisdom 12:13, 16-19**).

Psalms — Lord, you are good and forgiving (Psalm 86).

Second Reading — The Spirit comes to aid us in our weakness (**Romans 8:26-27**).

Gospel — Jesus proposes parables to the crowds, teaching them of the reign of God (**Matthew 13:24-43 [24-30]**).

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Apollinaris

Tuesday: St. Lawrence of Brindisi

Wednesday: St. Mary Magdalene

Thursday: St. Bridget

Friday: St. Sharbel Makhluf

Saturday: St. James

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

FOR OUR FAMILY

We beseech You, God of mercy and love, to watch over this family of ours. Through the intercession of blessed Mary, ever virgin, protect us from all adversity. May every member of our family be wholly devoted to You. In Your kindness guard us all from every evil. In Christ’s name we ask this of You. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday: Parishioners of St. Edward’s Parish

Monday: *No Mass*

Tuesday: Amalorpava Nathan †
Kaiser & Nanny 27th Anniversary †
Cracker’s Mike †

Wednesday: Amalorpava Nathan †
In honor of St. Carlos Acutis for a special intention

Thursday: Sutton Birthday
John Damon Birthday
Knox Birthday
Big Ed & Ann Theresa

Friday: Pat L.’s Ann Marie 10th Anniversary †
In honor of St. Anne and St. Joachim on their Feast Day for a special intention

WHAT TRULY MATTERS ?

It is not Important in life Who is “Ahead” of us.

Or Who is “Behind” us

What truly matters in life is Who is “With” 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 **A husband and his wife were driving home one night and ran into a bridge abutment, and both were killed. They arrived in heaven and found it was a beautiful golf course with a lovely clubhouse and fabulous greens.**

It was free and only for them, and the husband said, “You want to play a round?”

She said, “Sure.” They teed off on the first hole, and she said, “What’s wrong?”

He said, “You know, if it hadn’t been for your stupid oat bran, we could have been here years ago.”

OUR GIFTS RECORD

Last Week's Collection	\$2,309.00	\$1,400.00
Number Families Contributing	44	29
Total Pledge for 2026	\$101,660.00	\$109,520.00
Pledged to Date (25 Weeks)	\$54,740.00	\$58,968.00
Received to Date	\$66,117.00	\$48,081.00
Envelopes Outstanding	(\$11,377.00)	\$10,887.00

LADIES OFFERTORY RECORD

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2026
\$276.00	\$10,019.00

11 Ladies contributed last week.

PARISH LIFE CENTER HALL FUND WEEKLY REPORT

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2026
\$2,500.00	\$13,710.00

3 people 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 \$42.00

0 CHILDREN contributed \$0.00.

FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE OFFERED BY:

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

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

Farrah & Throne

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

SPECIAL COLLECTION The second collection this weekend will be for *Retired & Infirm Priests of the Diocese*.

HELP ME SEARCH

*Help me search my heart, O God,
To see if there might be
Any unclean thing within
That hinders love in me.*

*Help me God to conquer my fear-
To trust when I question why;
To release the selfish pride I hold
And know that I must try...*

*To find the best in everyone
Though different we may be,
And show all mankind Your love-
The love you give to me.*

STRAY THOUGHTS

EVERYTHING IS VALUABLE ONLY AT 2 TIMES:

1. BEFORE GETTING IT.
2. AFTER LOSING IT.

TWO THINGS THAT BRING HAPPINESS AND SUCCESS IN LIFE:

1. THE WAY YOU MANAGE WHEN YOU HAVE NOTHING.
2. THE WAY YOU BEHAVE WHEN YOU HAVE EVERYTHING.

TWO PLACES THAT ARE MOST VALUABLE IN THE WORLD:

1. THE NICEST PLACE IS TO BE IN SOMEONE'S THOUGHTS.
2. THE SAFEST PLACE IS TO BE IN SOMEONE'S PRAYERS.

F-E-A-R HAS TWO MEANINGS:

1. FORGET EVERYTHING AND RUN...
2. FACE EVERYTHING AND REJOICE..!

CHOICE IS OURS..!!

THANK YOU to a parish member for a \$200 donation in thanks to St. Expedite and to a parish member for a donation in thanks to St. Anthony for something found.

READERS

Sat. July 18th, 4:00 P.M.
Montela & Macy

Sun. July 19th, 10:00 A.M.
Lauren Ashley & Josie

Sat. July 25th, 4:00 P.M.
Christina & Natalie

Sun. July 26th, 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 18 th
Right	Theresa Hun
Left	Cathy Carroll

Sunday 10:00 A.M

July 19th
Ned's Rose Marie

July 26th
Ned's Rose Marie