

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.**

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 26, 2026

“All things work for good for those who love God.”

— *Romans 8:28a*

A SHARE IN GOD’S KINGDOM

Today concludes a three-week series of Gospel texts in which we have listened to a total of seven parables about the Kingdom. The believer is asked to consider the request that God made of Solomon in today’s first reading: “Ask something of me and I will give it to you” (1 Kings 3:5). Today’s parables about the treasure buried in the field and the pearl of great price should prompt us to answer, “A share in your kingdom, O God!” Today we discover that the kingdom of God is beyond value, a priceless treasure. Unfortunately, our culture bombards us with things that it believes are priceless treasures—the bigger and better SUVs, anti-aging and anti-balding creams and salves, miracle diets, and so much more. Having a share in God’s kingdom and helping to bring about that kingdom are the greatest treasures that we can ever hope to gain.

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TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Solomon prays for an understanding heart (*1 Kings 3:5, 7-12*).

Psalms — Lord, I love your commands (*Psalms 119*).

Second Reading — All things work for good for those who love God (*Romans 8:28-30*).

Gospel — The one who knows of the kingdom of heaven brings new and old from the storeroom (*Matthew 13:44-52 [44-46]*).

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wednesday: Sts. Matha, Mary, and Lazarus

Thursday: St. Peter Chrysologus

Friday: St. Ignatius of Loyola

Saturday: St. Alphonsus Liguori; First Saturday

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

PRAYER FOR A HOLY HEART

Lord, grant me a holy heart that sees always what is fine and pure and is not frightened at the sight of sin, but creates order wherever it goes.

Grant me a heart that knows nothing of boredom, weeping and sighing. Let me not be too concerned with the bothersome thing I call “myself.”

Lord, give me a sense of humor and I will find happiness in life and profit for others. Amen

St. Thomas More

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday: Parishioners of St. Edward’s Parish

Monday: *No Mass*

Tuesday: Pete Suedle & Mary Louise 3rd Anniversary †
T.K. 60th Birthday †

Wednesday: Pete Sherlock Birthday †
Jack D. †

Thursday: Amalorpava Nathan †
Sluggar Birthday †

Friday: Raid Anniversary †
Amalorpava Nathan †

TRUTH AND LIE

“**TRUTH**” is like a surgery, it hurts, but it cures!

“**LIE**” is like a pain killer, it gives relief immediately, but it gives side effects later!

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 woman was married to a miserly man. One day, she told him she was going window shopping. He said, “Look, but don’t buy.”

A few hours later, she came home with a new dress. “What is this?” her husband fumed. “I thought I told you look but not buy.”

“Well,” she explained, “I saw this lovely dress and thought I’d try it on, and when I did the devil said, “It sure looks good on you.”

“Right then you should have told him, ‘Get thee behind me Satan.,’” her husband exclaimed.

“I did,” she answered, “but when he got behind me he said, “it sure looks good from the back, too.”

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. The Family of Knox in thanks for him on his Birthday;
2. the Family of Miami in thanks for her on her Birthday;
3. the Family of Pat L.'s Ann Marie in loving memory of her on her 77th Birthday and 10th Anniversary of her death;
4. and a Parish Member in thanks to St. Expedite.

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

Susan Butts & Jim Carroll's Catherine Mary

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

SIMPLICITY

*Give us faith to trust You,
To know that You are there.
Remind us we should come to You
In all our dark despair.*

*Keep us ever near You
When You seem far away.
Hold us in Your loving arms
Each and every day.*

*We beg You for Your mercy
When we've begun to stray.
Accept our humble praise and thanks
This is what we pray.*

10 FANTASTIC WORDS

1. **I:** The most **SELFISH** one letter word. **Avoid it.**
2. **WE:** The most **SATISFYING** two letter word. **Use it.**
3. **EGO:** The most **POISONOUS** three letter word. **Overcome it.**
4. **LOVE:** The most **USED** four letter word. **Value it.**
5. **SMILE:** The most **PLEASING** five letter word. **Keep it.**
6. **RUMOURS:** The fastest **SPREADING** six letter word. **Ignore it.**
7. **SUCCESS:** The **HARDEST WORKING** seven letter word. **Achieve it.**
8. **JEALOUSY:** The most **ENVIABLE** eight letter word. **Distance it.**
9. **KNOWLEDGE:** The most **POWERFUL** nine letter word. **Acquire it.**
10. **FRIENDSHIP:** The most **VALUED** ten letter word. **Maintain it.**

THANK YOU to a parish member for a \$100 donation in thanks to St. Joseph.

READERS

Sat. July 25th, 4:00 P.M. Christina & Natalie	Sun. July 26th, 10:00 A.M. Lauren Ashley & Josie
Sat. Aug. 1st, 4:00 P.M. Montela & Macy	Sun. Aug. 2nd, 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 25th
Right	Theresa Hun
Left	Cathy Carroll

Sunday 10:00 A.M

July 26th Ned's Rose Marie	August 2nd Ned's Rose Marie
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