

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
Wednesday
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.**

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 11, 2026

I can do all things in him who strengthens me.
— *Philippians 4:13*

GOD REVEALED TO THE NATIONS

What wonderful images we have today of the reign of God! Isaiah speaks to us of a great feast—a heavenly feast—a feast of abundance with rich foods and choice wines. It is the Lord's own affair, Isaiah explains, when God will unite all nations, dry every tear, and destroy death forever. Then, too, will the entire earth rejoice in the Lord and bask in God's saving grace.

Jesus speaks of heaven in terms of a feast as well. Here, the kingdom of heaven is likened to a king's wedding feast given for his son. This is a feast of abundance also, with the fattened cattle prepared just so. But many of the people invited don't want to come, so the king invites anyone who would honor his son by their presence there. And Paul tells us that whether we live abundantly or in humble circumstances, we can do all things in the Lord who strengthens us.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — On this mountain the LORD will make for all peoples a feast of rich food and choice wines (Isaiah 25:6-10a).

Psalm — I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life (Psalm 23).

Second Reading — God will supply whatever you need (Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20).

Gospel — I have prepared my banquet, and everything is ready. Come to the feast! (Matthew 22:1-14 [1-10]).

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: Columbus Day
Wednesday: St. Callistus
Thursday: St. Teresa of Jesus
Friday: St. Hedwig; St. Margaret Mary Alacoque
Saturday: St. Ignatius of Antioch

~~~~~**PRAYER CORNER**~~~~~

**PRAYER FOR FEELING AFRAID**

Heavenly Father, I feel afraid, and need Your comfort and guidance. You are the source of strength and courage in my life, and in this moment, I need Your direction. Jesus, I place my trust in You and know that if You are with me, nothing can defeat me. In Christ's most holy name I earnestly offer up this prayer. Amen.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Sunday:** Parishioners of St. Edward's Parish  
**Monday:** No Mass  
**Tuesday:** † Hagee Smith 6<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
† Kaiser Birthday & Kaiser's Nanny  
**Wednesday:** † Maul's Jim & Bridget Ann Birthday  
† Big Coat & Lily  
**Thursday:** † Buddyman & Betty Ann  
† Pete Seudle & Mary Louise  
**Friday:** † In honor of the Holy Souls and Precious Blood  
† A's Margaret 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

**LIVE THIS MOMENT**

*Never think hard about the PAST, it brings tears.*  
*Don't think more about the FUTURE, it brings fears.*  
*Live this MOMENT with a smile, it brings cheers.*

**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 little boy was waiting for his mother to come out of the grocery store. As he waited, he was approached by a man who asked, "Son, can you tell me where the post office is?"**

**"Sure," the little boy replied. "Just go straight down this street a couple of blocks and turn to your right."**

**The man thanked the boy kindly and said, "I'm the new pastor in town. I'd like you to come to church on Sunday. I'll tell you how to get to heaven."**

**"Aww, come on," the little boy replied with a chuckle. "You don't even know the way to the post office."**

### OUR GIFTS RECORD

|                              |               |              |
|------------------------------|---------------|--------------|
| Last Week's Collection       | \$3,564.00    | \$2,762.00   |
| Number Families Contributing | 65            | 53           |
| Total Pledge for 2026        | \$101,660.00  | \$109,520.00 |
| Pledged to Date (35 Weeks)   | \$78,600.00   | \$84,240.00  |
| Received to Date             | \$95,350.00   | \$70,265.00  |
| Envelopes Outstanding        | (\$16,750.00) | \$13,975.00  |

### LADIES OFFERTORY RECORD

| Amount given last week | Amount given to Date in 2026 |
|------------------------|------------------------------|
| \$3017.00              | \$13,572.00                  |

16 Ladies contributed last week.

### PARISH LIFE CENTER HALL FUND WEEKLY REPORT

| Amount given last week | Amount given to Date in 2026 |
|------------------------|------------------------------|
| \$960.00               | \$14,900.00                  |

3 Families made a P.L.C. contribution last week.

### CATHOLIC APPEAL OF SOUTH CAROLINA (BAA)

| Amount given to date | 2026 GOAL   |
|----------------------|-------------|
| \$4,424.00           | \$17,737.00 |

POOR BOX totaled \$100.00.

2 CHILDREN contributed \$7.00.

### FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE OFFERED BY:

1. Pat Butts and Susan in loving memory of Susie Carroll on the 28<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of her death;
2. the Rouks in loving memory of Jimmy Sherlock on his Birthday and in loving memory of Pete Rouk on his Birthday;
3. the Family of Sonny Jim in loving memory of him on the 22<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of his 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:

Princeton & Marlo

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

**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED** The Church Office will be closed this Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup> in observance of Columbus Day.

**THANK YOU** to a parish member for a \$50 donation in thanks to St. Expedite; and to a parish member for a donation in thanks to St. Expedite.

### ENDINGS & BEGINNINGS

A small dot can stop a big sentence,  
but a few more dots can give continuity.  
Amazing but true.  
Every ending can be a new beginning.

### BEAUTIFUL ADVICE

When asked how they managed to stay together for 65 years the woman replied, "We were born in a time where if something was broken, you fixed it. Not throw it away."

**SPECIAL COLLECTION** The second collection next weekend will be for *World Missions*. Please be generous.

### THE 7-UPS

1. **WAKE UP** – *Decide to have a good day.*
2. **DRESS UP** – *The best way to dress up is to put on a smile. A smile is an inexpensive way to improve your looks.*
3. **SHUT UP** – *Say nice things and learn to listen. God gave us 2 ears and 1 mouth so He must have meant for us to do twice as much listening as talking.*
4. **STAND UP** – *For what you believe in. Stand for something or you will fall for anything.*
5. **LOOK UP** – *To the Lord.*
6. **REACH UP** – *For something higher. As Jiminy Cricket sings, "High Hopes". Always try to better yourself.*
7. **LIFT UP** – *Your prayers.*

### READERS

**Sat. Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 P.M.** Montela & Savannah  
**Sun. Oct. 11<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 A.M.** Lauren Ashley & Josie

**Sat. Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 P.M.** Leah & Dayna  
**Sun. Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 A.M.** Lauren Ashley & Josie

### READERS – WEEKDAYS

|           |   |                  |
|-----------|---|------------------|
| Tuesday   | - | Macy             |
| Wednesday | - | Dayna            |
| Thursday  | - | Cathy Lisa Butts |
| Friday    | - | Julie Ann        |

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKDAYS

|           |   |                   |
|-----------|---|-------------------|
| Tuesday   | - | Willie's Michelle |
| Wednesday | - | Julie Ann         |
| Thursday  | - | Cathy Lisa Butts  |
| Friday    | - | Rosie Marie       |

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKEND

|                         |                                       |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <b><u>4:00 P.M.</u></b> | <b><u>October 10<sup>th</sup></u></b> |
| Right                   | Theresa Hun                           |
| Left                    | Cathy Carroll                         |

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|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <b><u>Sunday 10:00 A.M.</u></b>       | <b><u>October 18<sup>th</sup></u></b> |
| <b><u>October 11<sup>th</sup></u></b> | <b><u>October 18<sup>th</sup></u></b> |
| Ned's Rose Marie                      | Ned's Rose Marie                      |