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.

ORGANIST & DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

Paul Hennessy

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

September – May
Wednesday
4:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M

CONFESSION

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

ADORATION

Tuesday & Wednesday
11:00 A.M – 3:30 P.M.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

By appointment only

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-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 18, 2026
"***Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar, and to God what belongs to God."***
— Matthew 22:21

IN GOD ALONE

Isaiah speaks to us today of Cyrus, King of Persia, anointed by the Lord. God calls Cyrus by name and leads him in service to the Israelites. In this passage we hear that it is the Lord who gives Cyrus his title, who arms him against his enemies, and who opens doors and unbars gates before him. And God does all of this so that the people will know that "I am the LORD," and that "there is none besides me" (Isaiah 45:6).

Paul opens his letter with essentially the same notion—that in God alone we find our grace and peace. Paul also gives thanks to God on our behalf, calling to mind our work of faith, hope, and love. And in the familiar Gospel reading, Jesus tells the Pharisees to give to Caesar what is Caesar's and to God what is God's.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The LORD said to Cyrus, his anointed, "I am the LORD, there is no other" (Isaiah 45:1, 4-6).
Psalm — Give the Lord glory and honor (Psalm 96).
Second Reading — Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy to the church of the Thessalonians: We thank God always for all of you (1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b).
Gospel — Give to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's (Matthew 22:15-21).

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	Sts. John de Brébeuf, Isaac Jogues, and Companions
Tuesday:	St. Paul of the Cross
Thursday:	St. John Paul II
Friday:	St. John of Capistrano
Saturday:	St. Anthony Mary Claret

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

PRAYER TO FIND THINGS LOST OR STOLEN

O holy St. Anthony, special heavenly patron of those who pray to find things lost or stolen, guide me in the recovery of lost items that are precious and dear, especially…(Here mention.) Assist me in this urgent need. Restore my peace of mind when I am forgetful, confused, or careless. Pray for me, that lost things, needful and helpful, may be returned safely to my keeping. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday:	Parishioners of St. Edward's Parish
Monday:	No Mass
Tuesday:	† Eddie Boy Carroll In honor of St. Theresa, St. Padre Pio, and St. Expedite for a special intention
Wednesday:	† D.R.'s Patrick Jude Birthday In honor of St. Charbel and St. Joseph for a special intention
Thursday:	Merci 15th Birthday Society 5th Birthday
Friday:	† Ollie Michael 2nd Anniversary & Birthday In honor of the Infant Jesus of Prague and St. Joseph for all the sick and for all the holy souls in purgatory

THANK YOU, LORD

The greatest test of faith is when you don't get what you want, but still, you are able to say "Thank You, Lord."

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

During one generation gap quarrel with his parents, a young man cried, "I want excitement, adventure, money, romance. I'll never find it here at home, so I'm leaving. Don't try to stop me!"

With that he headed toward the door, his parents close behind him.

"Didn't you hear what I said? I don't want you to stop me!"

"Who's stopping you?" replied his parents. "We're going with you!"

OUR GIFTS RECORD

Last Week's Collection	$2,193.00	$1,507.00
Number Families Contributing	57	39
Total Pledge for 2026	$101,660.00	$109,520.00
Pledged to Date (36 Weeks)	$76,875.00	$84,240.00
Received to Date	$97,408.00	$71,772.00
Envelopes Outstanding	($20,533.00)	$12,468.00

LADIES OFFERTORY RECORD

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2026
$127.00	$13,699.00

9 Ladies contributed last week.

PARISH LIFE CENTER HALL FUND WEEKLY REPORT

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2026
$0.00	$14,900.00

No Family made a P.L.C. contribution last week**.**

CATHOLIC APPEAL OF SOUTH CAROLINA (BAA)

Amount given to date	2026 GOAL
$4,494.00	$17,737.00

POOR BOX totaled $109.00.
0 **CHILDREN** contributed $0.00.

FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE OFFERED BY:

1. A, Bridget Ann, Tommy and Crystal wishing a Happy 51st Birthday to A's Johnny with a never-ending love;
2. the Family of D.R.'s Patrick Jude in loving memory of him on his 44th Birthday;
3. Jack Tyler and Lace; Acea and Celia wishing a Happy 51st Birthday to A's Johnny;
4. and a Parish Member in thanks to St. Expedite.

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

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

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

PROBLEM SOLVING

Often we think we stand all alone,
With our problems too many to bear,
But God has not left us on our own –
We must believe that He does care.

So many times, we think our cries are not heard,
But God is patient with us anyway;
If we would just believe in His Word,
Our problems would all go away.

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

TRUST YOURSELF

Luck is not in your hands…but ***decision*** is in your hands.
Your ***decision*** can make ***luck***, but ***luck*** can never make your ***decision***.
So always trust yourself.

REMEMBER THIS

- **God won't ask what kind of car you drove; but He'll ask how many people you helped get where they needed to go.**
- **God won't ask the square footage of your house; but He'll ask how many people you welcomed into your home.**
- **God won't ask about the clothes you had in your closet; but He'll ask how many you helped to clothe.**
- **God won't ask how many friends you had; but He'll ask how many people to whom you were a friend.**
- **God won't ask in what neighborhood you lived; but He'll ask how you treated your neighbors.**
- **God won't ask about the color of your skin; but He'll ask about the content of your character.**

READERS

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

Sat. Oct. 24th, 4:00 P.M. Macy & Montela
Sun. Oct. 25th, 10:00 A.M. Lauren Ashley & Josie

READERS – WEEKDAYS

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

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKDAYS

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

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKEND

4:00 P.M.	**October 17th**
Right	Theresa Hun
Left	Cathy Carroll

Sunday 10:00 A.M

October 18th	**October 25th**
Ned's Rose Marie	Ned's Rose Marie