

**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.  
Monday: 6:00 P.M.  
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday:  
10:30 A.M.  
Saturday 9:00 A.M.  
(for Saturday devotion)

**CONFESSION**

After Weekday Mass on request  
Friday 11:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.  
Saturday: 3:00 P.M. – 3:45 P.M

**BAPTISM PREPARATION**

By appointment only

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Thursday  
10:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES**

Monday 4:00 P.M.- 5:00 P.M  
September – May

**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.**

## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 7, 2025

*The earth shall be filled with knowledge of the LORD, as water covers the sea.*

— *Isaiah 11:9*

### THE LONG-AWAITED ONE

As the Sundays of Advent unfold the scriptures shift focus from the final coming of the Lord to his historical birth. Today's scriptures blend the two. Isaiah's disillusionment with the kings of his own day led him to envision an ideal king who would rule with divine approval and be led by divine wisdom. For centuries the Jewish people anticipated the arrival of that Messiah, who would usher in a blessed age when the whole world would finally dwell in justice and peace.

After centuries of such growing expectation, the preaching of John the Baptist about the imminent arrival of the Messiah could not help but provoke intense interest. The Baptist's message about preparation for "the one who is coming" (Matthew 3:11) makes clear that Jesus is, in fact, the long-awaited one who is ushering in the new age foretold by Isaiah and all the prophets.

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### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — He shall bring justice for the afflicted; the earth shall overflow with the knowledge of the LORD (Isaiah 11:1-10).

**Psalm** — Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever (Psalm 72).

**Second Reading** — Glorify God by living in harmony with one another, welcoming each other as Christ welcomed you (Romans 15:4-9).

**Gospel** — Produce good fruit worthy of your baptism; repent, for the reign of God is near (Matthew 3:1-12).

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

**Sunday:** Second Sunday of Advent

**Monday:** *The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

**Tuesday:** St. Juan Diego

**Wednesday:** Our Lady of Loreto

**Thursday:** St. Damascus I

**Friday:** Our lady of Guadalupe

**Saturday:** St. Lucy

### ~~~~~PRAYER CORNER~~~~~

#### PRAYER TO THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

*O Most Holy Virgin, immaculate in body and spirit, look kindly on me as I implore your powerful intercession. O most Holy Mother, receive my prayers as I present them to God. O Mary, Mother of Jesus and our mother, you intercede for us with your Son. O Mary conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee.*

*Our lady of the Immaculate conception, pray for us.*

*Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.*

*Our Lady Queen of Christendom, pray for us.*

*Amen.*

### MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday:** Parishioners of St. Edward's Parish †

**Monday:**

**10:30 A.M.** Jax Birthday

Bibbie's Catherine Ann Birthday

**6:00 P.M.** John L. McNally Birthday †

Hughie Burke Birthday †

**Tuesday:** Fast Eddie Birthday †

O'Malley Birthday †

**Wednesday:** Tommy Rabbit †

In honor of the Infant Jesus of Prague and St. Joseph for all the sick and for all the holy souls in purgatory

**Thursday:** Cracker's Mike †

D.R.'s Patrick Jude †

**Friday:** In honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe for a special intention

In honor of St. Anthony and St. Jude

**Saturday:** *Funeral*

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED** If anyone would like to become a Eucharistic Minister, please contact Fr. Chidi.

### 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 heavily jeweled lady was consulting a specialist.

"What will the operation of lifting my face cost, doctor?"

"Five thousand dollars, madame."

"That's robbery," she protested. "Isn't there something less expensive I could try?"

"You might try wearing a veil," he answered.

## OUR GIFTS RECORD

Last Week's Collection	\$2,879.00	\$1,634.00
Number Families Contributing	78	59
Total Pledge for 2025	\$155,539.00	\$158,716.00
Pledged to Date (45 Weeks)	\$138,487.00	\$142,472.00
Received to Date	\$121,311.00	\$86,204.00
Envelopes Outstanding	\$17,176.00	\$56,268.00

### LADIES OFFERTORY RECORD

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2025
\$116.00	\$10,095.00

11 Ladies contributed last week.

### PARISH LIFE CENTER HALL FUND WEEKLY REPORT

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2025
\$1,510.00	\$18,540.00

2 Family made a P.L.C. contribution last week.

### CATHOLIC APPEAL OF SOUTH CAROLINA (BAA)

Amount given to date	2025 GOAL
\$4,493.00	\$16,196.00

POOR BOX totaled \$149.00.

5 CHILDREN contributed \$20.00.

### FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE OFFERED BY:

1. the Family of Apple's Mattie in loving memory of him on the 29<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his death and in loving memory of John Keystone on the 37<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his death;
2. the Family of Hughie Burke Carroll in loving memory of him on his Birthday;
3. the Wife and Family of Tommy Suedle in loving memory of him on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of his death;
4. the Family of Maul's Jim in loving memory of him on his Birthday and Maul's Jim's Bridget Ann on the Anniversary of her death;
5. 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.

### DEC. 8<sup>TH</sup>: FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

is a *Holy Day of Obligation*. Mass will be celebrated this Monday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 A.M. and at 6:00 P.M.

SPECIAL THANKS to the men and boys who participated in the Golf Tournament for their donation of \$1,400 to the Church. Congratulations to Adric Thomson and Patrick D. who won the Golf Tournament.

THANK YOU to a to parish member for a \$50 donation in thanks to St. Anthony St. Expedite; a parish member for a donation in honor of St. Padre Pio; and a parish member for a donation in thanks to St. Expedite.

### CHRISTMAS GIFT SUGGESTIONS

- To your enemy: *FORGIVENESS*.
- To an opponent: *TOLERANCE*.
- To a friend: *YOUR HEART*.
- To a customer: *SERVICE*.
- To all: *CHARITY*.
- To every child: *A GOOD EXAMPLE*.
- To yourself: *RESPECT*.

SPECIAL COLLECTION The second collection next weekend will be for the *Retirement Fund for Religious*.

POINSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS It is asked that everyone donate \$10 for poinsettias. Please give your donation to Duggan's Mary Rita or the Church Office.

### READERS

**Sat. Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 P.M.** Christina & Macy

**Sat. Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 P.M.** Mary Martha & Paris

**Sun. Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 A.M.** Sutton & Lauren Ashley

**Sat. Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 P.M.** Christina & Montela

**Sat. Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 P.M.** Macy & Natalie

**Sun. Dec. 14<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 A.M.** Sutton & Lauren Ashley

### READERS – WEEKDAYS

**Monday** - Christina  
**Tuesday** - Ivana  
**Wednesday** - Margo  
**Thursday** - Macy  
**Friday** - Kinley

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKDAYS

**Tuesday** - Willie's Michelle  
**Wednesday** - Julie Ann  
**Thursday** - Lauren Ashley  
**Friday** - Rosie Marie

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKEND

**4:00 P.M.** **December 6<sup>th</sup>**  
**Right** Theresa Hun  
**Left** Cathy Carroll

#### Saturday 7:00 P.M.

**December 6<sup>th</sup>** Mary Regina  
 Kim Gallon

**December 13<sup>th</sup>** Willie's Michelle  
 Julie Ann

#### Sunday 10:00 A.M.

**December 7<sup>th</sup>** Ned's Rose Marie

**December 14<sup>th</sup>** Ned's Rose Marie