

St. Mary Our Lady of Ransom Catholic Church

April 13, 2025

317 Broad Street (Corner Broad & Highmarket), Georgetown, SC 29440 * Established 1899 * Dedicated 1902



A Church of the Diocese of Charleston

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Parish Organizations

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Organist/Choir Director:

Edwin Hopkins

Choir Practice: Sunday 9:15 AM

Altar Society:

Amy Wagner, President

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Lazarus Committee:

Diane Macedo

Neena McMahan

Knights of Columbus:

Mike Macedo

Office Hours:

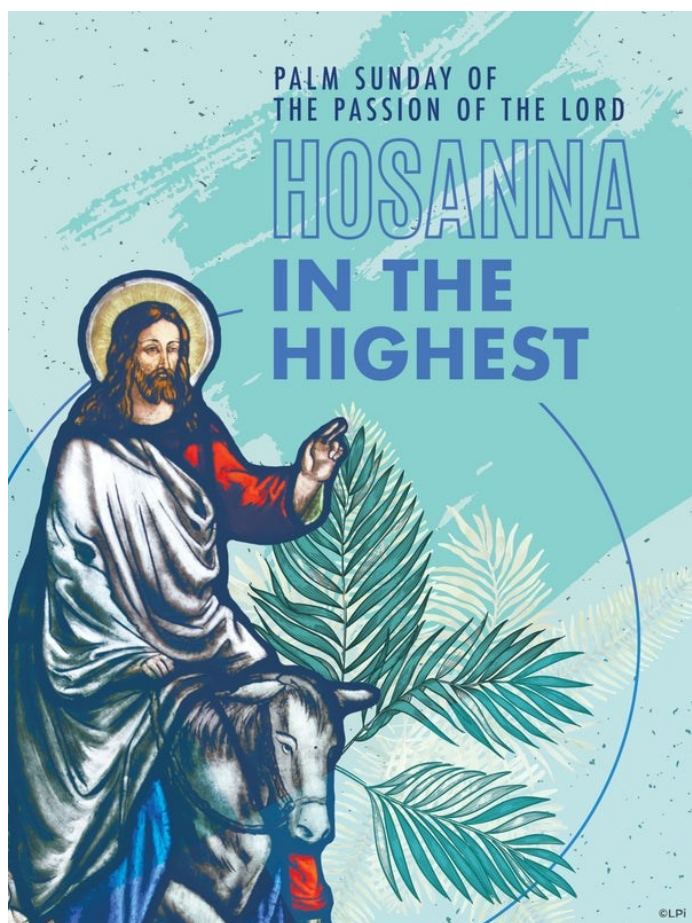
Monday 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Tuesday - Thursday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Friday 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

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Worship Schedule

Sunday	8:00 AM / 10:00 AM / 1:00 PM (Spanish)
Monday	8:00 AM
Tuesday	No Mass
Wednesday	5:30 PM and Adoration 6:00 - 8:00 PM
Thursday & Friday	8:00 AM
Saturday	5:00 PM

Confessions: Saturday 4:15 - 4:45 PM and Sunday 12:15 - 12:45 PM

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 12, 5:00 PM
† Barbara Luducko
by Suzanne and Frank Brecka

Sunday, April 13, 8:00 AM
† James M. Bassett
by Jeanette and Paul Duncan

Sunday, April 13, 10:00 AM
† George Hanson
† Mary Wesel
by Mary and Win Wesel

Sunday, April 13, 1:00 PM
People of the Parish

Monday, April 14, 8:00 AM
† Larry Rowland
by John Bagnell

Tuesday, April 15
No Mass

Wednesday, April 16, 5:30 PM
† Victor Ortiz
by Barbara Mathis

Holy Thursday, April 17, 7:00 PM

Good Friday, April 18, 3:00 AM
Good Friday, April 18, 7:00 PM

Holy Saturday, April 19, 8:30 PM
† John DeRiggs, Sr.
by Cecilia Carlton

Easter Sunday, April 20, 8:00 AM
† Colin Peterson
by Neena and Bob McMahan

Easter Sunday, April 20, 10:00 AM
Terry Karatas
by the Parisi Family

Easter Sunday, April 20, 1:00 PM
People of the Parish

Parish Support

The offertory collection for April 5th and 6th was \$8,729.00. **This includes \$2,018.00 from online giving.** This is \$2,029.00 over our weekly goal of \$6,700.00.

*Thank you for worshipping with us!
If we can help you in your walk with Christ
in any way, please call the church office.*

A Promise to Protect,

A Pledge to Heal

*Our goal at St Mary remains that the Parish
be aware of and support the Safe Environ-
ment we seek to foster.*

Attention All Volunteers!

Please make sure to complete all Safe Environment requirements in order to be in compliance with the Diocese. If you have any interactions with children or vulnerable adults which include any person over the age of 18 whose ability to perform normal activities of daily living is impaired due to a mental, emotional, long-term physical or developmental disability or dysfunction, brain damage, or the infirmities of aging.



Pray for the homebound, those in healthcare centers, and those who need your continuous thoughts and prayers: Barbara Mahaffey, Betty Barr, and James A. Harrelson Sr.

Pray for the speedy, or continued, recovery of:

Ed Wozniak, Jim Lauro, Fred Fisher, Tom Lusby, Sigrid Smith, London Gomez, Diane Maslowski, Ann Boone, Mandy Moore, Barbara Natoli, Sharon Jordan, Jill Saparito, Stephanie Marsh Johnston, Brandi Gunter, Betty Chrismon, Helena Blackowitz, Bill Fowler, Bob Roberts, Brian L. Brodzik, Mary Cavalieri, Andy Crock-er, Chet Maslowski, and Cecilia McGee.

Pray for those in our Military:

Nathan Greene, Brandon Parker, Joseph Fairfield, J. Thomas Joseph, Jason A. Schroeder, Tirik Drayton, Jay Rivers, Brian Eduardo Vazquez, Matthew Mathis, Alexis Martinez Bermudez, Paloma Martinez Bermudez, Ricky Rogerson, Myles Starnes, Julio Madrigal Martinez and Ivan Morales.

Pontifical Good Friday Collection

The Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the work of the Universal Church, including the work of the Holy See and the charitable works of Pope Francis, will take place on Good Friday. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis to be a sign of mercy to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous today. For more information, visit www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html.

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land, where they are now less than 2% of the population. Your support is essential to help the Church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines of Christianity, including in Jerusalem, Nazareth, and Bethlehem, to name only a few. The pandemic had hit Christians in the Holy Land particularly hard. Most of them depend on pilgrimages for work. The war made their situation even more dire. In these times of crisis, this collection is necessary to meet the basic needs of the People of God still living in this Land and to maintain a Christian presence where the Church was born. When you contribute, you join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. PLEASE BE GENEROUS! For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org or www.custodia.org.

Easter Flowers

You are still able to contribute towards our Easter flowers in memory or honor of your loved ones. You can use the envelopes in your packet or the ones in the pews for this purpose. You may also donate online and an envelope will be prepared for you. The envelopes will be on the altar for the Easter Vigil Mass and will be remembered in our prayers then. Thanks so much for your generosity!

HOLY WEEK MASSES

Monday, April 14, 8:00 AM English

Tuesday, April 15 - No Mass or Communion
Chrism Mass, 11:00 AM
Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, Charleston

Wednesday, April 16, 5:30 PM English

Holy Thursday, April 17, 7:00 PM Bilingual

Good Friday Service, April 18th
3:00 PM English and 7:00 PM Spanish
Fasting and Abstinence

Easter Vigil, April 19, 8:30 PM Bilingual

Easter Sunday, April 20
8:00 AM and 10:00 AM English
1:00 PM Spanish

Lenten Penance Services

Lent is a wonderful time to come to our Lord in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. There will be Penance Services at St. Michael on Tuesday, April 15 at 6:00 PM.

Office Closed

The parish office will be closed April 18 and April 21 for Good Friday and Easter Monday. It will reopen on Tuesday, April 22 at 9:00 AM.



Knights Corner

"Holy Family Light Our Way in Love and Charity"

Thanks to those Knights who helped with our Council's recruiting drive last weekend. We received positive responses from some men. We will work to complete the process of them becoming Knights.

Thanks to all those that helped to repair windows, gutters and paint at the rectory on Thursday, April 10th.

The monthly food drive will be held on Saturday, April 19 and Sunday, April 20. Parishioners are encouraged to drop off non-perishable food in the church narthex.

The fourth Degree Assembly monthly meeting will be held on Thursday, April 24th at PBOC at 6 PM.

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord



Weekly Readings

Sunday:	Lk 19:28-40 Is 50:4-7 Ps 22:8-9, 17-18a, 19-20, 23-24 Phil 2:6-11 Lk 22:14-23:56
Monday:	Is 42:1-7 Ps 27:1-3, 13-14 Jn 12:1-11
Tuesday:	Is 49:1-6 Ps 71:1-4a, 5-6ab, 15, 17 Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday:	Is 50:4-9a Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34 Mt 26:14-25
Thursday:	Ex 12:1-8, 11-14 Ps 116:12-13, 15-16c, 17-18 1 Cor 11:23-26 Jn 13:1-15
Friday:	Is 52:13-53:12 Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25 Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9 Jn 18:1-19:42
Saturday:	(1) Gn 1:1, 26-31a Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12-14, 24, 35c (2) Ex 14:15-15:1 Ex 15:1-6, 17-18 (3) Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-12a, 13b (4) Rom 6:3-11 Ps 118:1-2, 16ab-17, 22-23
Next Sunday:	Acts 10:34a, 37-43 Ps 118:1-2, 16ab-17, 22-23 Col 3:1-4 Jn 20:1-9

Liturgical Roles

April 17 Holy Thursday 7:00 PM (Bilingual)

Lector:
C Humphries

**Eucharistic Ministers
of Holy Communion:**
J Pizzi

Altar Care:
C Humphries
M Roberts

Altar Servers:
M Carlton
D Angeles
D Martinez
J Servin
A Angeles
R Angeles

April 18 Good Friday 3:00 PM

Lector:
M Roberts

Ushers:
B Roberts
H Moore

Altar Servers:
B Mathis
D Macedo

Altar Care:
M Roberts

April 19 Holy Saturday 8:30 PM (Bilingual)

Lector:
D Wagner

Ushers:
J Blevins

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:
A Wagner

Altar Servers:

M Carlton
C Chaj
Y Perez
C Hernandez
D Ramos
A Santos

Altar Care:
P Hughes

April 20 Easter Sunday 8:00 AM

J Dumm

T Clarke
J Joseph
D/T Corvelli

N/B McMahan
B Pittman

C Humphries
B McMahan

D Kimbrough

April 20 Easter Sunday 10:00 AM

J Pizzi

T Macmanus
E Kimbrough
B Yacavino
H Moore

T Howard
J Pizzi
D Wright

P Lux
L Lux
M Mezquite

L Ortiz
L Hernandez
M Huerta

**If you are unable to serve when you are scheduled,
please remember to find a substitute.**

PARISH EVENTS



Mass Intentions may be arranged by calling the Parish Office at 843-546-7416.



To Dedicate Flowers for the Altar for 2025 please contact the Parish Office to confirm names and dates.

Gospel Study Group

We look forward to seeing you on Wednesdays at 10:00 AM in the Parish Life Center classroom. All are welcome. If you have questions or know someone interested in joining our group, please contact Mary Roberts 843-997-4800.

St. Mary's Altar Society

St Mary's Altar Society meets the third Tuesday of the month at 10:00 AM in the Parish Hall. All ladies of the parish are invited to become active members. Please join us for a meeting to see if you would like to help with Altar care or linen laundry.

St. Mary's Rosary Group

St. Mary's Rosary group meets each Tuesday at 1:15 PM in the church to pray for special intentions and needs of family and friends. All are welcome (men and women) to come and pray the rosary together.

Fasting and Abstinence

Fasting on Good Friday means we can have only one full, meatless meal. Some food can be taken at the other regular meal times if necessary, but combined they should be less than a full meal. Liquids are allowed at any time, but no solid food should be consumed between meals. Catholics in good health ages 18 to 59 are required to fast and abstain from meat.

Those that are excused from fast and abstinence outside the age limits include the physically or mentally ill including individuals suffering from chronic illnesses such as diabetes. Also excluded are pregnant or nursing women. In all cases, common sense should prevail, and ill persons should not further jeopardize their health by fasting.

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Plating Grace

Please mark your calendars for our next Plating Grace Luncheon to be held on Wednesday, May 7 from noon to 2 PM. We look forward to sharing this special time with you. More details to follow.

Religious Education

There will be no religious education classes on Easter Sunday, April 20 and Monday, April 21. Classes will resume on Sunday, April 27.

Sign Up For Online Giving

Visit our parish website www.stmaryourladyofransom.org, select "Parish Life," and then "Online Giving". Click on the Online Giving Give Your Gift Today box to set up your account.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

A God Who Knows How It Feels

Christ could have spoken anything from the cross, so why did he choose to recite Psalm 22? And why is it so important that we recite that same Psalm at today's Mass?

"My God, my God, why have You abandoned me?"

We've never known the Jesus of the Gospels to doubt the will of God. We've never known him to be a defeatist or to give into feelings of despair. He's the hero who walks on water, the Savior who is welcomed to Jerusalem with a pathway of palms. And he knows how this story ends; he knows full well that his Father has absolutely not abandoned him.

So why does he say this? Jesus doesn't make offhanded comments, especially in his last hour. Today, when we repeat the words that he calls out in his darkest moment, we must remember that he wants us, very particularly, to consider them.

With his crucifixion, Jesus reminds us of his humanity. He is a man of flesh that can be torn and blood that can be shed. Somehow, in tandem with his divinity, he still possesses a heart that knows fear and pain and longing. And with this seemingly hopeless cry, he reminds us of that.

Let us never doubt that Jesus can relate to us in our brokenness. This is the week, friends. This is the week that reminds us that our God is a God who knows every pang, every trembling, and every uncertainty of human life. Our God knows what abandonment feels like. He knows what rejection feels like. He knows what it is to keep going when the strength and the will has disappeared.

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