

St. Mary Our Lady of Ransom Catholic Church

August 9, 2026

317 Broad Street (Corner of Broad & Highmarket, Georgetown, SC 20440 * Established 1899* Dedicated 1902



Mass Schedule

Sunday: 8:00 AM / 10:00 AM (English)
1:00 PM (Spanish)
Monday: No Mass
Tuesday: No Mass
Wednesday: 5:30 PM
Thursday: No Mass
Friday: No Mass
Saturday: 5:00 PM
Confessions: Saturday 4:15 - 4:45 PM
Sunday 12:15 - 12:45 PM (or by appt.)

Parish Organizations

Pastoral Council:

Bob McMahan

Hispanic Ministry Council:

Max Angeles

Finance Council:

Mary Lee

Buildings and Grounds Task Force:

Mike Macedo

Organist/Choir Director:

Edwin Hopkins

Choir Practice: Sunday 9:15 AM

Altar Society:

Mary Jo Clark, President
Suzanne Frazier, Vice-President

Lazarus Committee:

Diane Macedo
Neena McMahan

Knights of Columbus:

Dwight Frazier

Jos M Ros Columbiettes:

Amy Wagner

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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VIA FIDELIS Year 2

2026

Catechesis - Understand the faith

*Grow deeper in the knowledge of our
Church's teachings to discover how we can
be more like Christ.*

For more information:

<https://charlestondiocese.org/via-fidelis-home/>



19th Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

"When the disciples saw him walking on the sea they were terrified. 'It is a ghost,' they said, and they cried out in fear. At once Jesus spoke to them, 'Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid.'" Matthew 14:26-27

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 8, 5:00 PM
Adam Weiss
By Eileen Weiss

Sunday, August 9, 8:00 AM
Alanya Duncan
By The Humphries Family

Sunday, August 9, 10:00 AM
†Joseph Isaac, III
By Joe Isaac, Jr. & Family

Sunday, August 9, 1:00 PM
People of the Parish

Monday, August 10
No Mass

Tuesday, August 11
No Mass

Wednesday, August 12, 5:30 PM
Prayer Service

Thursday, August 13
No Mass

Friday, August 14
No Mass

Saturday, August 15, 5:00 PM
Eileen Weiss
By Eileen Weiss

Sunday, August 16, 8:00 AM
†Christopher Montana
By Mike & Donna Saguto

Sunday, August 16, 10:00 AM
Jackson Duncan
By Robbie and Courtney Humphries

Sunday, August 16, 1:00 PM
People of the Parish

Parish Support

The combined offertory collection for August 1st and 2nd was \$8,043.00. **This includes \$1,833.00 from online giving.** This is \$1,343.00 over our weekly goal of \$6,700.00.

To protect the health of our parishioners during a recent increase in public illnesses, we will not be offering the Blood of Christ at Communion.

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



Pray for the homebound, those in healthcare centers, and those who need your continuous thoughts and prayers:

Betty Barr, James A. Harrelson Sr, Louise Ullman and Janie Williams.



Pray for the speedy, or continued, recovery of:

Ed Wozniak, Jim Lauro, Fred Fisher, Tom Lusby, Sigrid Smith, London Gomez, Cheyanne Gomez, Maria Handy, Diane Maslowski, Ann Boone, Mandy Moore, Barbara Natoli, Sharon Jordan, Jill Saparito, Stephanie Marsh Johnston, Brandi Gunter, Betty Chrismon, Helena Blackowitz, Bill Fowler, Brian L. Brodzik, Mary Cavalieri, Andy Crocker, Chet Maslowski, Sandy Peterson, Fr. Dan Carson, Jeff Johnson, Maura Duggan, Carlos Carrasco and Rose Mellor.



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.

Upcoming Events

Sunday, August 9
Monday, August 10
Wednesday, August 12
Wednesday, August 12
Sunday, August 16
Tuesday, August 18
Friday, August 21
Monday, September 7
Tuesday, September 8
Sunday, September 13
Monday, September 14
Tuesday, September 15
Thursday, September 17

Cross Catholic Outreach, Fr. Chidiebere Ogbuagu
No OCIA Class Today
Prayer Service with Deacon Mike Brescia, 5:30PM
NO OCIA Class Today
Food For the Poor, Fr. Christopher C. Steinle
Knights of Columbus Blood Drive
Movie Night, Students 6th Grade and under
Office Closed, Labor Day Holiday
Knights of Columbus - COR meeting
Knights of Columbus Breakfast
Pastoral Council Meeting, 6:00PM
Altar Society Meeting, 10:00AM
Columbiettes Meeting, 6:00PM Parish Hall



Knights Corner

"Holy Family Light Our Way in Love and Charity"

The next **Columbus Hope Fund Drive** at Wal Mart will be on August 14th & 15th. We need to cover 2-hour shifts at three different doors from 8 am – 6 pm on both days so we need plenty of volunteers. If you can sign up for a shift or two, please contact Tom Macedo (401-640-7112). All proceeds go to three charities in the area (JOY School, Special Olympics, and Georgetown County Board of Disabilities).

The Fourth-Degree Assembly will be hosting an Italian Dinner at PBOC on the evening of September 12th. Tickets are \$25 per person with kids under 10 free. There is a flyer posted in the Knights bulletin board in the Narthex. If you would like tickets, please contact Doug Wagner (843-461-7672) or Mike Macedo (843-325-7191).

The Council monthly business meeting will be held on Thursday, 8/13/26 at the Maryville Social hall. This month's meeting will include the exemplification of a new Knight. Dinner will be served at 6:00 pm, followed by the exemplification, then followed by the business meeting.

As always, Mike Allen who is our District Field Agent, is available to answer any questions a brother Knight may have concerning the Knights of Columbus insurance and financial products. You can contact Mike Allen at 803-397-7803 or mallen1072@aol.com

Blood Donors Needed

At this time of year, there is a critical need for blood donors of all types. Please take one hour to donate at the Knights of Columbus sponsored blood drive on August 18th from 1:00 to 6:00PM in the parish hall. Register at www.redcrossblood.org or contact Jim Lauro at 610-513-2869. Thank you for your consideration.

Miss Ruby's Kids - Free ParentChild+ Program

Miss Ruby's Kids is now accepting applications for their Free ParentChild+ Program for families with children ages 2-3. Through twice weekly home visits, families receive a free book or educational toy each week while learning fun, practical ways to support their child's early learning and school readiness. Families with children younger than 2 are also encouraged to join the waitlist. To learn or apply, contact Miss Ruby's Kids at **843-436-7031** or **visit this website:** www.missrubyskids.net.

FOOD FOR THE POOR

Next weekend, we will welcome Father Chris Steinle who will be visiting us on behalf of **Food For The Poor**. Please refer to the flyer in this week's bulletin or go online to www.FoodForThePoor.org for more information regarding this worthwhile humanitarian effort.

The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Weekly Readings

Sunday:	1Kgs 19:9a 11-13a Ps 85:9-14 Rom 9:1-5 Mt 14:22-33
Monday:	2Cor 9:6-10 Ps 112:1 2 5-9 Jn 12:24-26
Tuesday:	Ez 2:8-3:4 Ps 119:14 24 72 103 111 131 Mt 18:1-5 10 12-14
Wednesday:	Ez 9:1-7 10:18-22 Ps 113:1-6 Mt 18:15-20
Thursday:	Ez 12:1-12 Ps 78:56-59 61 62 Mt 18:21-19:1
Friday:	Ez 16:59-63 Is 12:2-6 Mt 19:1-12
Saturday:	Rv 11:19 12:1-6 10 Ps 45:10-12 16 1Cor 15:20-27 Lk 1:39-56
Next Sunday:	Ez 24 15-23 Dt 32:18-21 Mt 16-22

Liturgical Roles

August 15 Saturday	August 16 Sunday	August 16 Sunday
5:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM
Lector:		
A Predieri	J Dumm	C Howard
Ushers:		
P Medved	T Clarke N Giesler T/D Corvelli	M/S Edwards G Martinez J Martinez
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:		
M Lee K Macedo	B/N McMahan B Pittman	M/L Walsh G Swierk
Altar Servers:		
B Mathis	R Arreaga I Arreaga	A Mezquite M Mezquite
Altar Care:		
P Lareau	D Kimbrough	Assigned Extraordinary Ministers
<u>If you are unable to serve when you are scheduled, please remember to find a substitute.</u>		

ST. MARY OUR LADY OF RANSOM ALTAR SOCIETY

St. Mary's Altar Society is a group of women volunteers who attend to the Table of our Lord. As sacristans, we have two main functions: The clearing and cleaning of sacred vessels to set up for each Mass and the reverend washing and ironing of the altar linens. Other activities are maintaining candles on the altar, replenishing votives at each prayer station and the cleaning and refilling of Holy Water Fonts.

We work closely with Father for the dressing and changing of the altar cloths for each season and feast. We buy all items for the altar such as the bread and wine for the consecration as well as many other items as needed. As a member you will learn many aspects of our faith that perhaps you didn't know. Come to a meeting to see if you would be interested in joining us. We meet every third Tuesday at 10:00 AM in the parish hall except in the summer months. Our next meeting is September 15, 2026.

PARISH EVENTS



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



To dedicate flowers for the Altar please contact the Parish Office to confirm names and dates.

Gospel Study Group

The Gospel Study Group does not meet in June, July or August. Meetings will resume on Wednesday, September 9th at 10:00am in the CCD classroom. If you are interested in joining the group for study and discussion of Sunday's Gospels, please come. Bring your Lector Workbook, Bible or Word Among Us to follow along. There is no homework. Happy Summer Everyone!

St Mary's Altar Society

St. Mary's Altar Society meets from September through May on the third Tuesday of the month at 10:00am 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.

Communion to the Homebound

Please let us know if you or your loved one are confined to the home or are recovering from surgery and are now at home and unable to attend Mass. Please call the Parish Office at 843-546-7416 and we will be happy to find someone to bring communion to you.

Religious Education

Registration for the 2026-2027 Religious Education year is still open. Please register your child now and do not wait until the last minute. Early registration allows us to order materials, prepare classrooms and ensure we are ready to welcome all of our students. Thank you for helping us prepare for a successful year!

We have 17 participants from our parish going to **World Youth Day 2027** in Seoul, South Korea. **World Youth Day** is an international gathering of young Catholics from around the world to pray, celebrate the faith and encounter Christ together with the Holy Father. For many young people, it is a life-changing experience that strengthens their faith and inspires them to become active disciples in their families, parish and community. Please continue to support our **World Youth Day Food Sales**. The next Food Sale will be on **Sunday, August 16th from 10:00am -3:00pm**. Every purchase helps reduce the cost of this pilgrimage for our young people.

Due to the success for our last Movie Night, we are excited to host another for children in 6th grade and under on **Friday, August 21 at 6:00pm** in the Parish Hall. We will be showing **Joseph: King of Dreams**. Snacks will be available. Bring a friend and join us for an evening of fun and fellowship!

All current and new Altar Servers are required to attend a mandatory meeting and training on **Saturday, August 22 at 6:00pm**. Fr. Anthony would like all Altar Servers to follow the same practices so that e may serve the Mass with greater reverence and unity. The session will include a review of expectations and proper procedures for all servers, followed by hands-on training for existing and newer servers. Your attendance is important and appreciated.

Cecilia Carlton will be out of the office from August 4 - 12th.

PRAYER FOR EVERYDAY AND EVERYBODY

Prayer in Faith in Trial

Dear God,

In this time of difficulty, be with me.

When I don't feel Your presence or hear Your voice,
sustain me.

When I don't see the path ahead, guide me.

When I don't know the next step, support me.

In every day and in every moment, be my strength.

Amen.

LORD, SEE HOW I AM LIVING. SEE MY LIFE.

A Food For The Poor Clergy Speaker
Will Be Visiting Your Church Next Week



Hear inspiring testimony and stories of faith-filled people living in some of the most impoverished countries in our hemisphere. Our Food For The Poor clergy speakers have witnessed the suffering, and the inspiring faith, of those who sometimes have only their trust in the Lord as their daily bread. Their powerful messages will bring the gospel to life in today's hurting world.

Founded in 1982, Food For The Poor works to end the suffering of impoverished children and families in the Caribbean and Latin America. Food For The Poor is an interdenominational Christian ministry that provides lifesaving food, builds solid houses for those who are destitute, supports vulnerable children, digs water wells for families who thirst, supplies medicine and medical equipment for the sick and elderly, provides the tools for educating children, provides skills training and income-generating opportunities, and much more.

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www.FoodForThePoor.org/churchalliances



"Whatever you did
for one of the least
of these brothers
and sisters of Mine,
you did for Me."
(Matthew 25:40, NIV)