

St. Mary Our Lady of Ransom Catholic Church

August 30, 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: 8:00 AM
Tuesday: No Mass
Wednesday: 5:30 PM
Thursday: 8:00 AM
Friday: 8:00 AM
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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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/>



22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**"For the Son of Man will come with his angels in
his Father's glory, and then he will repay all according
to his conduct." - Mt 16:26-27**

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 29, 5:00 PM
†Joseph Amann
By Jim Dumm

Sunday, August 30, 8:00 AM
Robby Humphries
By Courtney Humphries &
Jackson Duncan

Sunday, August 30, 10:00 AM
†Bill Saparito
By Barbara Mathis

Sunday, August 30, 1:00 PM
People of the Parish

Monday, August 31, 8:00 AM

Tuesday, September 1
No Mass

Wednesday, September 2, 5:30 PM
†Tracey McEever
by Wayne & Dyonia Browder

Thursday, September 3, 8:00 AM

Friday, September 4, 8:00 AM

Saturday, September 5, 5:00 PM
†Curran O'Connor
By Gina Henry

Sunday, September 6, 8:00 AM
†Mary Jo Karre
By Erin, Julia & Kate

Sunday, September 6, 10:00 AM
†Assunta Mathis
By Barbara Mathis

Sunday, September 6, 1:00 PM
People of the Parish

Parish Support

The combined offertory collection for August 22nd and 23rd was \$6,960.00 **This includes \$838.00 from online giving.** This is \$260.00 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, Janie Williams and James Harrelson, III



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 Johnstone, 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, Rose Mellor and Joe Strenk



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 30
Sunday, September 6
Monday, September 7
Tuesday, September 8
Wednesday, September 9
Sunday, September 13
Sunday, September 13
Monday, September 14
Tuesday, September 15
Thursday, September 17
Sunday, September 20
Saturday, September 26

Food Sales in the Courtyard until 3:00PM
Welcome Home Pot Luck Dinner for Fr. Anthony
Office Closed, Labor Day Holiday
Knights of Columbus - COR meeting
Gospel Study Group Resumes
Knights of Columbus Breakfast
2026-2027 Religious Education Classes Begin
Pastoral Council Meeting, 6:00PM
Altar Society Meeting, 10:00AM
Columbiettes Meeting, 6:00PM Parish Hall
Church Picnic immediately after 1:00 Mass
Confirmation Retreat 9:00AM to 4:00 PM



Knights Corner

"Holy Family Light Our Way in Love and Charity"

A big "Welcome Back" to our Chaplain, Father Anthony!

Our next Cor meeting is planned for Tuesday, September 8th from 6:00 - 7:00PM. We will meet in a classroom of the Parish Life Center. We have invited some of the youth of our parish who made a pilgrimage to Lourdes, France; Fatima, Portugal; attended World Youth Day in Lisbon, Portugal in 2025; and those attending World Youth Day 2027 in Seoul, South Korea to talk about their Catholic faith and what it means to them.

Cor (Latin for "heart"), a Knights of Columbus initiative, is a Catholic men's program designed to strengthen faith, virtue and brotherhood through prayer, formation and fellowship. It is open to all men of the parish.

Congratulations to our August Family of the Month and Knight of the Month.

Family of the Month: Evanna Teller - Evanna is a lector, member of the choir and member of the Columbiettes. She regularly volunteers for many activities, including our Columbus Hope fund raising drives. Thanks for all you do.

Knight of the Month: Richard Swiech - Rich has been an active member since becoming a Knight. He has helped with clean-up projects, Columbus Hope, seminarian breakfasts and many other events.

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).

Our council will be holding the Seminarian Breakfast on Sunday, September 13th in the Parish Life Center from 9:00 - 11:45AM. All proceeds from donations are used to support two Seminarians in the Diocese as they journey towards priesthood.

The Benefits of Membership

We warmly welcome new members to our parish community! Active membership is determined by regular attendance at Mass, regular use of your envelope to support the parish and having a registration form on file for at least 6 months. Various facilities and services are available to active members. Please register with our parish to participate in our programs, ministries and activities. Registration forms are available in the Narthex, in the church office and on our website at www.stmaryourladyofransom.org under the tab "Newcomers". We are glad you are here!

The Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Weekly Readings

Sunday:	Jer 20:7-9 Ps 63:2-6 8-9 Rom 12:1-2 Mt 16:21-17
Monday:	1Cor 2:1-5 Ps 119:97-102 Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday:	1Cor 2:10b-16 Ps 145:8-14 Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday:	1Cor 3:1-9 Ps 33:12-15 Lk 4:38-44
Thursday:	1Cor 3:18-23 Ps 24:1b-6 Lk 5:1-11
Friday:	1Cor 4:1-5 Ps 37:3-6 27 28 39 40 Lk 5:33-39
Saturday:	1Cor 4:6b-15 Ps 145:17-21 Lk 6:1-5
Next Sunday:	Ez 33:7-9 Ps 95:1 2 6-9 Rom 13:8-10 Mt 18:15-20

Liturgical Roles

September 5 Saturday	September 6 Sunday	September 6 Sunday
5:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM
Lector:		
J Strenk	N McMahan	M Duggan
Ushers:		
C Lindner J Cavanaugh	T Clarke N Giesler T/D Corvelli	M/S Edwards G Martinez J Martinez
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:		
M Lee K Macedo	B/MJ Clark D Stamm	T Howard J Pizzi D Wright
Altar Servers:		
F Hernandez	C Humphries	Y Perez A Angeles
Altar Care:		
M Roberts	D Stamm	Assigned Extraordinary Ministers
<u>If you are unable to serve when you are scheduled, please remember to find a substitute.</u>		

Welcome Father Anthony

We are very happy to welcome Father Anthony back to St Mary Our Lady of Ransom! The parish will be holding a welcome back luncheon on Sunday, September 6th after the 1:00 PM Mass at the Parish Hall. All parishioners are invited.

This will be a covered dish (or potluck), so if you could bring one of your favorite dishes to the luncheon, that would be great. If you can't bring a dish, please come and help us welcome Father back!

A Promise to Protect, A Pledge to Heal

Our goal at St Mary remains that the parish be aware of and support the Safe Environment we seek to foster.

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 meets on Wednesday mornings at 10:00am in the CCD classroom. All are welcome to join in a discussion of the readings for the coming Sunday. Bring your Lector Workbook, Bible or Word Among Us to follow along.

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, but time is running out! Kindergarten and First Communion classes for grades 4 and up are now full. Sunday, September 13th is the last day to register. A parent meeting will also be held at 11:00 AM on that Sunday. Please do not wait until the last minute. We look forward to welcoming our students for another wonderful year of Religious Education!

New Adult Bible Study - Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom

The Acts of the Apostles is the story of how a few Christians empowered by the Holy Spirit were chosen to bring Christ and the Good News to the ends of the Earth. **Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom** is a Bible study that traces how the gospel witness spread outward in waves from Jerusalem and reveals how the seeds of Church structure and authority took root. It shows how the joys and struggles of the early Christians in living the life of Christ apply to us today. St Mary's will begin a twenty-week Bible study, Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom on September 21st at 5:30 PM. Participants will meet every week to view an engaging video presentation followed by a time of lively group discussion and fellowship. For more information or to register, contact Cecilia Carlton in the Parish office.

Devotions, Explained!

Imago Divina, Explained!

Imago divina (Latin for "divine image") is an extension of the ancient practice of *lectio divina* ("divine reading"). *Imago divina* is, in a sense, praying with one's eyes or using the medium of artwork to assist in lifting the mind to God.

Believers have always connected with the divine through visual representations of faith. This can be seen in the frescoes that adorn the walls of the catacombs, in the glory of Rococo architecture, and in the stained glass windows of a simple country church. "Art is capable of making visible our need to go beyond what we see and it reveals our thirst for infinite beauty, for God," said Pope Benedict in 2011.

In practicing *imago divina*, just like with *lectio divina*, the faithful "read" (or view), reflect, respond and rest with the image, inviting the Holy Spirit to move them accordingly.

Sign Up For Online Giving

Visit our parish website www.stmaryourladyofransom.org, scroll down to find the box that says "Give Now" or the one that says "Online Giving". Click on the Online Giving Give Your Gift Today box to set up your account.