

St. Mary Our Lady of Ransom Catholic Church

September 27, 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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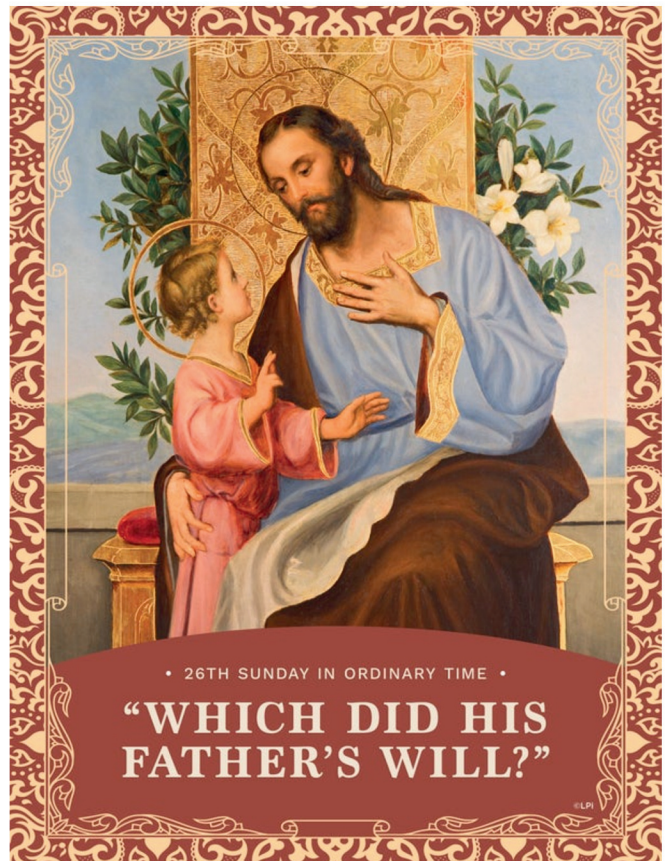
VIA FIDELIS Year 2 2026

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/>



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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 26, 5:00 PM
†Mindy Marsh Harrelson
By Evanna Teller

Sunday, September 27, 8:00 AM
Bob & Mary Roberts 50th Anniversary
By St Mary's Rosary Group

Sunday, September 27, 10:00 AM
†Selva Nathan
By Plating Grace Committee

Sunday, September 27, 1:00 PM
People of the Parish

Monday, September 28, 8:00 AM
†Robert Hanson
By Barbara Mathis

Tuesday, September 29
No Mass

Wednesday, September 30, 5:30 PM
†Barbara Dumm
By Jim Dumm

Thursday, October 1, 8:00 AM
†Colin Peterson
By Barbara Mathis

Friday, October 2, 8:00 AM
†Ray Boelke
By Barbara Mathis

Saturday, October 3, 5:00 PM
†Jackie Smith
By John Bagnell

Sunday, October 4, 8:00 AM
Paul & Jeanette Duncan
56th Anniversary
By The Humphries and Duncan
Families

Sunday, October 4, 10:00 AM
†Bennett Howard
By Frances Howard

Sunday, October 4, 3:00 PM
Confirmation Mass - Bilingual

Parish Support

The combined offertory collection for September 19th and 20th was \$6,360.00. **This includes \$1,221.00 from online giving.** This is \$340.00 under 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.



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, Ivan Morales and Ana Disciplena.

Upcoming Events

Sunday, September 27
Monday, September 28
Sunday, October 4
Sunday, October 11
Thursday, October 15
Saturday, October 17
Tuesday, October 20
Monday, October 26
Wednesday, October 28
Thursday, October 29

Food Sales in Courtyard until 3:00 PM
Building & Grounds Meeting 5:00 PM
Confirmation (Bilingual) 3:00
World Youth Day Food Sales, Courtyard until 3:00 PM
Columbiettes Meeting, 6:00PM Parish Hall
St Mary's Fall Festival
Altar Society Meeting 10:00 AM
Priest Retreat After Morning Mass
Priest Retreat, No Mass
Priest Retreat, No Mass



Knights Corner

"Holy Family Light Our Way in Love and Charity"

Thanks to all who volunteered to help make Our Lady of Ransom Feast Day picnic a success. Special thanks to Bob McMahan for leading the grilling of hot dogs and hamburgers.

The next Columbus Hope fund raising drive at Walmart will be held on October 10-11th. We need Volunteers! Please contact Tom Macedo (401-640-7112) or Mike Macdedo (843-325-7191) if you can volunteer for a two hour shift.

Council 3067 will have a food booth at the St Mary Fall Festival on October 17th. Mark Melnychuk will be leading this project and will need some help to man the booth. Please contact Mark if you can help.

Congratulations to our September Family of the Month and Knight of the Month:

Family of the Month: Doug and Amy Wagner
Knight of the Month: Father Anthony Swamy

CHRISTMAS TOY AND FOOD DRIVE Help Bring Christmas Joy to 60 Families!

This Christmas, Catholic Charities is assisting **60 local families** who are in need of help, providing food and gifts for their children. Our parish is partnering with the **Knights of Columbus** and Catholic Charities to make the season brighter for these families. We are asking for donations of:

New, unwrapped toys for children of all ages
Non-perishable food items for Christmas meals
Monetary donations, if you prefer
to help with the purchase of food and gifts

Every donation, large or small, can make a meaningful difference. Together, we can help ensure that these families experience the joy and hope of Christmas.

If you choose to make a monetary donation, please make checks payable to **Catholic Charities and include "Christmas - Georgetown County"** on the memo line. Thank you for helping us share Christ's love and make Christmas a little brighter for families in our community!

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-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Weekly Readings

Sunday: Ez 18:25-28 Ps 25:4-9 Phil 2:1-11
Mt 21:28-32
Monday: Jb 1:6-22 Ps 17:1b-3 6 7 Lk 9:46-50
Tuesday: Dn 7:9 10 13 14 Ps 138:1-5 Jn 1:47-51
Wednesday: Jb 9:1-12 14-16 Ps 88:10b-15 Lk 9:57-62
Thursday: Jb 19:21-27 Ps 7-9 13 14 Lk 10:1-12
Friday: Jb 38:1 12-21 40:3-5 Ps 139:1-3 7-10 13 14
Saturday: Jb 42:1-3 5 6 12-17 Ps 119:66 71 75 91
Ps:119:125 130 Lk 10:17-24
Next Sunday: Is 5:1-7 Ps 80:9 12-16 19 20 Phil 4:6-9
Mt 21:33-43

Liturgical Roles

October 3 Saturday 5:00 PM	October 4 Sunday 8:00 AM	October 4 Sunday 10:00 AM
Lector:		
A Predieri	J Dumm	T Howard
Ushers:		
J Cavanaugh	T Clarke B Roberts C Bryant	J Tupacz H Moore B Kwarteng
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:		
P Lareau A Vega	B/MJ Clark D Stamm	Volunteer J Pizzi D Wright
Altar Servers:		
D Bouchette	M Carlton	C Chaj C Velasquez
Altar Care:		
C Ramsey	D Stamm	Assigned Extraordinary Ministers
<u>If you are unable to serve when you are scheduled, please remember to find a substitute.</u>		

Attention All Volunteers!

Please make sure to complete all Safe Environment requirements in order to be in compliance with the Diocese if you have 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.

A Promise to Protect, A Pledge to Heal

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

Sign up for Online Giving

Visit our parish website, www.stmarygeorgetown.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.

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

IMPORTANT: SAFE ENVIRONMENT COMPLIANCE REQUIRED

Now that Religious Education classes have begun, and more children and youth are regularly on our campus, the safety and protection of our children, youth and vulnerable adults is a top priority. Anyone serving in a ministry or volunteer position that provides access to children, youth or vulnerable adults MUST be in compliance with all the diocesan Safe Environment requirements. This includes completing the required online background screening and Safe Environment training/video series for ushers, Eucharistic Ministers, Catechists, Etc. If you are not in compliance, you may not serve in a position involving access to children, youth or vulnerable adults until all requirements have been completed and your compliance has been verified. If you are unsure of your compliance status, please contact Cecilia Carlton immediately. These requirements are mandatory and are in place to help ensure a safe environment for everyone in our parish community. Thank you for taking this responsibility seriously.

Adult Bible Study - Acts: The spread of the Kingdom has begun and meets at 5:30 PM at St Mary's. This 20-week Bible study explores the Acts of the Apostles and the growth of the early Church through engaging video presentations, discussion and fellowship. The registration fee is \$20. If you are interested in participating, please register as soon as possible so we can order the appropriate number of workbooks. For more information or to register, contact Cecilia Carlton in the parish office.

Next Sunday, October 4th, eight of our students will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at the 3:00 PM bilingual Mass celebrated by Bishop Jacques Fabre-Jeune. Please keep our Confirmation candidates Aline Eudave Santos, Arianna Angeles Reyes, Darwin Angeles Reyes, Francisco Morales, Jonathan Angeles Comunidad, Kimberly Salinas Reyes, Lesly Mezquite-Reyes and Yonatan Perez Godinez in your prayers as they prepare to receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit and strengthen their relationship with Christ.

St Mary's Fall Festival

Will be on Saturday, October 17, 2026. However, due to a lack of volunteers we will not have an Indoor Garage Sale this year.

Month of the Holy Rosary

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. The prayers of the Rosary and Litany are dear to Our Blessed Mother being our powerful intercessor to Her Son, Jesus Christ.

In celebration of the Month of Holy Rosary, the Rosary and the Litany to the Blessed Mother will be prayed every Saturday during the month of October at 4:30 PM before the 5:00 Mass. Members of our parish's rosary group will lead us in prayer.

Whether you already have a Marian devotion or are interested in beginning one, all are welcome and encouraged to join us in prayer.

Grace Swierk will lead us in prayer on Saturday, October 3rd.