

# OUR LADY OF LOURDES CATHOLIC CHURCH



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**Religious Education:** September to May for K5 through Grade 8.

**Youth Groups:** Sundays, 6:00-7:30, September-April for Middle School Youth.

**RCIA:** Sept. through May - Meets on First and Third Thursdays of each month at 6:30 p.m.

**The Greenwood Catholic Women's Club** meets the second Wednesday of each month, September through May, with a "social" at 6:30 and meeting beginning at 7:00. It is open to all women of the Church.

**Baptism:** Parents must be registered in the parish for 3 months and attend a baptism preparation class. Call the church office to sign up.\*

**Marriage Preparation:** Call Father Tebalt at least 6 months prior to your wedding date to schedule an appointment.

**Pastoral Care:** Holy Communion may be received at home, in a nursing home or in the hospital. If you find you are unable to attend Mass and want to receive Communion, you or an immediate family member may call the office to make the necessary arrangements.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Those who may be in danger of death should receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick promptly by contacting the parish or Father Tebalt at church after the weekend Masses.

**Facilities:** The facilities and services of Our Lady of Lourdes are available to active members who fulfill the requirements. This includes the use of the church for all Sacramental Events.

**Diocesan Office of Child Protection:** Our Lady of Lourdes and the Diocese of Charleston are committed to ensuring a safe environment for children. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Fr. Tebalt, the Diocesan Office of Child Protection Services (843-261-0430) or Louisa Storey with Diocesan Victim Assistance at 800-921-8122.

**An Active Parishioner at Our Lady of Lourdes is:**

- Registered in the parish.
- A faithful attendant at Mass on Sundays (includes Vigil) and Holy Days.
- A supporter of the parish via tithing envelopes, personal checks or the parish on-line giving system
- A participant in at least one parish program, ministry or organization.

\*Please note: Those asked to serve as Baptismal Godparents and Confirmation Sponsors must meet the requirements of being an active parishioners.

MAY 28, 2017

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

**MEMORIAL DAY: A CATHOLIC UNDERSTANDING OF FREEDOM AND ITS COSTS**

Why are human beings willing to fight and die for freedom? As Americans, this Memorial Day we will remember those who died in the service of our country. But as Catholic Americans, we should also reflect on the meaning of true freedom and thank God for the Church which proclaims the way to the fullness of that freedom. I honor those in my family and yours who paid the ultimate price for the freedom that I have enjoyed as an American. However, I believe that some today have trivialized the meaning of freedom or distorted it beyond recognition. True freedom is much deeper than being able to do what we want. Freedom directs us toward truth and choosing the truth perfects our exercise of freedom....

*"The more one does what is good, the freer one becomes. There is no true freedom except in the service of what is good and just. The choice to disobey and do evil is an abuse of freedom and leads to "the slavery of sin." Freedom makes man responsible for his acts to the extent that they are voluntary. Progress in virtue, knowledge of the good, and asceticism enhance the mastery of the will over its acts."* (See, CCC #1731-1734) The Church teaches us that to understand freedom we need to consider both our nature and the very purpose of our humanity. "Through our physical bodies, we sum up the elements of the material world and bring them to their highest perfection and freely raise their voice in praise to the creator" (cf. *Gaudium et spes* 14). Thus, we know that we are more than the material world, for which we have the capacity to appreciate and give thanks.

Once we understand that we are a unity of body and soul, created in the image of God and endowed with reason and free will, we are ready to taste of the Church's teaching on freedom. Paragraph 1730 found in the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* is short, but its breadth is enormous. It states that "God created man a rational being, conferring on him the dignity of a person who can initiate and control his own actions. God willed that man should be 'left in his own counsel,' so that he might of his own accord seek his Creator and freely attain his full and blessed perfection by cleaving to him." ...

Human beings, by virtue of their reason and free will, are unique among all other created things in that they can freely choose to act in ways that are not in accord with their nature, that is, they can turn away from God and reject their own perfection, which is to become fully human and fully alive. However, turning away from God is not true freedom, it is an abuse of freedom. Instead of freeing us; it enslaves us. We need to understand this point because it is critical. ...

One reason why we human beings are willing to fight and die for freedom is because the need for freedom is imprinted onto our very nature. By virtue of our ability to reason and our free will, we are impelled to seek truth, especially religious truth. Our Creator instilled this drive within us, so that we would seek Him, for He is truth. And having found truth, we are obligated to live it to the best of our ability. But we cannot satisfy this obligation unless we are free from coercion. Consequently, it is the obligation of the state to ensure that its citizens are free to exercise their religious freedom. However, if the state fails in its obligation, or is attacked by another state, then, at some point, human beings will rightly and necessarily fight and die for true freedom.

This Memorial Day Catholics rightly honor our fallen brothers and sisters, those who have died so that we may continue to choose freedom. But we should also remember our Church, who has defended the dignity and freedom of the human person for over two thousand years.

**ARTICLE SOURCE:** <http://www.catholic.org/news/national/story.php?id=41601> (Read the complete article on line.)

**MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK**

- Saturday 5/27**  
5:00 p.m. † Roberta Lovaty
- Sunday 5/28**  
9:30 a.m. † Those who have died in defense of our country  
6:00 p.m. (Spanish) Pro Populo
- Monday 5/29** No Mass
- Tuesday 5/30**  
5:30 p.m. † Jose Fernandez
- Wednesday 5/31**  
8:00 a.m. † Josephine Tompkins
- Thursday 6/01**  
5:30 p.m. † Judy & Walter Pezanowski
- Friday 6/02**  
8:00 a.m. † Helen Rugloesky
- Saturday 6/03**  
5:00 p.m. † Ed Marut
- Sunday 6/04**  
9:30 a.m. † Ramón Rosario  
6:00 p.m. (Spanish) Pro Populo

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-INS**

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|---------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Lexi White                | Elaine Huntsberger | Kim Hembre      |
| Tom Mulvihill             | Russell Fleming    | Sophie Kelly    |
| William Sexton            | Margaret Mueller   | Mary Jones      |
| Nancy Rooney              | Jeffery Moorer     | Jeff Bolte      |
| Donna Brown               | Mary Weston        | Betty Pierce    |
| Betty Oenbrink            | Michael Meder      | Chris Langley   |
| Sandy Moffett             | Kay Ahlstrom       | Johnny Hodges   |
| Cheryl Readett            | Deanne Howard      | Debbie Hodges   |
| Tammy Watts               | Edward Normile     | George Bell     |
| Mary Murphy               | Daisy Rodgers      | Kevin Glenn     |
| Gertrude Lovaty           | Abigail Schuster   | Jean Powell     |
| Garson Aburto             | James Carter       | Barbara Catania |
| Andrew Wintercorn         | Rosemary McHugh    | Frances Shea    |
| William McDermott         | Carlito C. Cuentas | Lauryn Scafa    |
| Perfecta Thompson         | Lucille Jeditus    | Berta Cardenas  |
| Karen Krug White          | Ryan Elledge       | Connie Ruiz     |
| Kathryn Krug Galanski     | Andrew Norman      | Edward Hicks    |
| Dee Mountford             | Bob Belmont        | Tim Normile     |
| Glenda Lominick           | Sherry Fowler      | Frank Welch     |
| Sarah Ballentine Madden   | Anne Drummond      | Greg Smith      |
| Griffeth Ames Madden, Jr. | John Dowling       | Janet Cuda      |
| Mackall Somervell Madden  | Baby Trenton       | Pat Reardon     |
| John Nicholas             |                    | Mark Kornet     |



Please pray for all our loved ones, including Adam J. Alex and Jordan Austin, serving with the armed forces, and for Kerry Ludwa, serving in Foreign Service in Afghanistan.

28 de mayo 2017

## La Ascensión del Señor

Horario de oficina para el Ministerio Hispano: domingo y jueves: 4:00 p.m.– 8:00 p.m. Para contrataciones de coro, comunicarse con el Sr. Jesus Avila - 864-561-4859.

Los padres de familia deben de registrar el bautismo en la oficina con 3 meses de anticipación, también deben de participar y colaborar en la misa. La aplicación se llenará en persona con la secretaria Stefanie. Debe de traer el acta de nacimiento ORIGINAL del niño/a.

Segundo Martes de cada mes después de la misa. Para más información favor de comunicarse con el Sr. Ramiro 864-337-6833.

Hay Hora Santa y Exposición con el Santísimo, el **Segundo Viernes de cada mes, a las 7:00 P.M.** (Siete de la Noche). Cordialmente invitados.

Hay Reunión Pastoral, es decir todos Los Ministerios, el **Primer Martes de cada mes, a las 7:00 P.M.** (Siete de la Noche). Cordialmente invitados.

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### RACHEL'S VINEYARD

Rachel's Vineyard Retreats bring spiritual healing and strengthening of faith to individuals who have had or participated in an abortion. The retreat is a journey to healing, peace and reconciliation. July 7-9, 2017 in Charleston, SC For information and registration call Christy 803 554 6088 or Kathy 803 546 6010 or [grace4healing@gmail.com](mailto:grace4healing@gmail.com), [rachelvineyard.org](http://rachelvineyard.org)

### UPCOMING IN THE DIOCESE

**Family Honor–Summer Semester Registration Open** The Summer Semester of the online course starts June 5 and since the course is not live, you have the flexibility to make it work with your schedule. For details: [familyhonor.org/online-course/](http://familyhonor.org/online-course/) or call or email the Family Honor office: 803.929.0858 or [famhonor@aol.com](mailto:famhonor@aol.com)

**Catholic Engaged Encounter Weekend** on the following dates: Our Lady of the Hills, Columbia on June 3-4, and St. Andrews, Clemson on July 29-30. Please see the web site at: [www.cee-sc.org](http://www.cee-sc.org) for more information and to register.

**Journey of Hope Conference for Divorce Recovery**, Charleston, Aug. 4-6, Charleston Marriott. Great speakers, food and fellowship. Visit [JourneyOfHopeConference.Com](http://JourneyOfHopeConference.Com) for details, to register.

**The Lay Carmelite community of Greenville** invites you to attend one of their upcoming meetings to about Carmelite spirituality. Meetings each first Saturday at St Elizabeth Ann Seton, Simpsonville, beginning with 9 am Mass. For more information, please contact Jan 864-287-5495.



### THE KNIGHTS' CORNER

The next scheduled Fourth Degree Assembly meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 31, at 7:00 pm. There will be an officers meeting at 6:30 pm in St. Bernadette Hall. Election of Fourth Degree Officers for our 2017-2018 fraternal year will be held at this meeting.

Our next scheduled Council meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 7, at 7:00 pm in St. Bernadette Hall. There will be an officers/directors meeting at 6:15 pm prior to our Council meeting.

### HOSPICE CARE

HospiceCare of the Piedmont is seeking volunteers for several areas. Volunteers are trained on site and the only qualification required is your desire to help someone in need. Applications are available at the Hospice House at 408 W. Alexander Ave. or you may call Susan Harris at 227-8641 or visit [hospicepiedmont.org](http://hospicepiedmont.org) on line.

### THE OLOL MUSIC MINISTRY WANTS YOU!

If you sing or play an instrument, please consider joining us. All are welcome!

### PLANNING YOUR CHILD'S BAPTISM?

Here are a few things to keep in mind.

- 1) Parents must participate in a Baptism Preparation Session before the Baptism date is set.
- 2) Please register for a session by calling the parish office.
- 3) One godparent must be a practicing Roman Catholic, verified by the godparent's parish.
- 4) Parents must be registered parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes for at least three months.

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

VBS at OLOL is available to children entering K-5 through Grade 7 this fall. VBS will begin on Monday, June 12 and continue through Friday, June 16 for 3 hours each day: 9 a.m.-12 noon.

### ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Don't miss the opportunity to deepen your faith following Sunday morning Mass - in the Family Room. Contact Robert Rooney for more details.

### WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

May 13 / 14

Attendance: 1014 Collection: \$18,217.00  
Building Fund : \$3,342.50

May 20 / 21

Attendance: 883 Collection: \$10,693.72  
Building Fund : \$287.50

(Totals include on-line giving as well as memorial gifts.)