

St. Mary Our Lady of Ransom Catholic Church

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



Pastoral Council:
Anneva White

Hispanic Ministries Council:
Max Angeles

Finance Council:

Buildings and Grounds Task Force:

Organist/Choir Director:
Edwin Hopkins
Choir Practice: Sunday 9:15 AM

Organist/Hispanic Choir Director:
Susan Williams
Choir Practice: Friday 5:30 PM

Altar Society:
Mary Roberts, President
Ann Boone, Vice-President
Meets monthly September - May

Lazarus Committee:
Diane Macedo
Neena McMahan
Bereavement Assistance

Office Hours:
Monday – Thursday
9:00 AM to 5:00 PM
Friday
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM
Phone: 843-546-7416



A Church of the Diocese of Charleston

Rev. James Touzeau
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SACRAMENTS

Mass:	Saturday	5:00 PM	
	Sunday	8:00 AM and 10:00 AM	
	Sunday	1:00 PM (Spanish)	
	Monday	No Mass	
	Tuesday	8:00 AM	
	Wednesday	5:30 PM	
	Thursday	8:00 AM	
Confession:	Friday	8:00 AM	
	Saturday	4:15 PM - 4:45 PM	
	or by appointment	Sunday	12:15 PM - 12:45 PM

Religious Education: 11:30 AM -12:45 PM Sunday, Grades 1-12
September-May

July 3, 2022

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 2, 5:00 PM
† Kristin Melfi Fournier
by Pat Fancher

Sunday, July 3, 8:00 AM
† Ellen Williams
By Barbara Mathis

Sunday, July, 3 10:00 AM
† Teresa Porco
by The Vallier Family

Sunday, July, 3, 1:00 PM
People of the Parish

**Monday, July 4
No Mass**

Tuesday, July 5, 8:00 AM
No Mass

Wednesday, July 6, 5:30 PM
No Mass

Thursday, July 7, 8:00 AM
No Mass

Friday, July 8, 8:00 AM
No Mass

Saturday, July 9, 5:00 PM
† George Mathis, Jr.
by Barbara Mathis

Sunday, July 10, 8:00 AM
† James and Rosa Bassett
by Paul and Jeanette Duncan

Sunday, July 10, 10:00 AM
† Deanne Vallier
by The Vallier Family

Sunday, July 10, 1:00 PM
People of the Parish

Parish Support

The offertory collection for June 25th and 26th was \$5038.00
This includes \$935.00 from online giving. This is \$1662.00 under our weekly goal of \$6,700.00.

**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.

Safe Environment Program

All volunteers who serve at Masses or teach and all parish office volunteers must undergo a background screening and complete Safe Haven online training.



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, III.



Pray for the speedy, or continued, recovery of:
Natalie Wozniak, Ed Wozniak, Jim Lauro, Fred Fisher, Tom Lusby, Carol Lusby John Yaniga, and Sigrid Smith.



Pray for those in our Military:
Jonathan Greene, Brandon Parker, Joseph Fairfield, Sheena McGee, J. Thomas Joseph, Jason A. Schroeder, Tirik Drayton, Jay Rivers, Brian Eduardo Vazquez and Matthew Mathis.



Please Welcome Father Alan Bower who will speak at all the Masses on behalf of Cross Catholic Outreach which was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priest and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Central and South America. Please be generous in your response to Father's appeal. Brochures will be provided if you wish to support this worthy Catholic ministry. Since Cross Catholic Outreach empowers existing Catholic missions, its programs are extremely cost-effective, and the majority of the resources it collects goes into program services that help the poorest of the poor around the world. To learn more about Cross Catholic Outreach, please go to CrossCatholic.org/outreach, text Blessings to 474747. Thank you.



Church Office Closed
The church office will be closed Monday, July 4, for Independence Day



St. Mary's Rosary Group
St. Mary Rosary group will meet each Tuesday. We will meet at 1:15 to pray together. All are invited and welcome to attend.



**The Knights Corner
Holy Family Light Our Way in Love and Charity"**

Thank you to Father Touzeau for the special Mass last Saturday as part of our Knights of Columbus Silver Rose Ceremony. While the first program started in 1960 with the running of one "live" natural rose to the Basilica of our Lady of Guadalupe in Monterrey, Mexico, by the Columbian Squires- a youth organization of the Knights of Columbus who wanted to give something back to Our Lady- the Silver Rose Program has grown over the years to now an international program of the Supreme Headquarters of the Knights of Columbus! In order for the Knights of Columbus Silver Rose Program to traverse Canada, all 50 states in the United States, Puerto Rico, the District of Columbia and Mexico and arrive back each year to the Basilica of our Lady of Guadalupe in Monterrey, Mexico for the annual celebration of the Feast Day of our Lady of Guadalupe (December 12th), the program was adopted by the Supreme Headquarters of the Knights of Columbus; and has now grown to eight (8) such silver roses! Our silver rose arrived from elsewhere in S.C. earlier that week and was taken to Georgia later that day by our District Deputy John Luse. In 2001 Supreme Knight Carl Anderson called the Silver Rose Program a "perfect program" through which we honor not only Our Lady of Guadalupe and express the Unity of the Order, but we also affirm the Order's dedication to the sanctity of life- "One Life, One Rose." One of our newest Council Knight's wife Amy Wagner (Doug) took great pictures of the Silver Rose following the ceremony and a few of those were sent out Sunday to each member by email!

The Joseph Miguel Ros Sr. Council No. 3067's 75th Anniversary was celebrated last Tuesday June 28, 2022, with a Special Mass offered by our own Pastor, Brother and Sir Knight Father James Touzeau, followed by a catered dinner at St. Mary's Parish Center. On display as well were several pictures, trophies and awards that the Georgetown Council- the 5th K of C Council founded in South Carolina- had achieved since it was chartered on June 28, 1947, by our 1st Grand Knight Greg R. Duffy. That display will remain available for review in the Parish Center through this weekend only! Everyone is welcome to stop by and enjoy.

Time is NOW to register for this year's Georgetown County Veterans Memorial 9-Hole Golf Tournament at Hagley Club Golf Course on Thursday July 14th sponsored by our Georgetown/Pawleys Island K of C Assembly 3272. You can register online at <http://kofc3272.org/golf>; or if you would like to make a donation, please make checks payable to "K of C Assembly 3272"- designating "for GCVF Fund"- and leave them in the K of C mailbox at St. Mary's. The proceeds are given to maintaining this beautiful Veterans Memorial here in Georgetown.

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Weekly Readings

Sunday: Is 66:10-14c Ps 66:1-7, 16, 20 Gal 6:14-18 Lk 10:1-12, 17-20
Monday: Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22 Ps 145:2-9 Mt 9:18-26
Tuesday: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13 Ps 115:3-6, 7ab-8, 9-10 Mt 9:32-38
Wednesday: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12 Ps 105:2-7 Mt 10:1-7
Thursday: Hos 11:1-4, 8c-9 Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16 Mt 10:7-15
Friday: Hos 14:2-10 Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-14, 17 Mt 10:16-23
Saturday: Is 6:1-8 Ps 93:1-2, 5 Mt 10:24-33
Next Sunday: Dt 30:10-14 Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37

PARISH EVENTS



Mass Intentions for 2022 may be arranged by calling the Parish Office at 843-546-7416.

To dedicate Flowers for the Altar for 2022 please contact the Parish Office to confirm names and dates.



Gospel Study Group meets every Wednesday, at 9:30 AM in the parish hall. We will not meet during June, July and August. Our next meeting will be Wednesday, September 7. We look forward to seeing you. All are welcome. If you have any questions or know someone who is interested in joining our group, please call Mary Boelke at (843)543-3537.

Liturgical Roles

July 9th Saturday 5:00 PM	July 10th Sunday 8:00 AM	July 10th Sunday 10:00 AM
Lector: J Strenk	J Dumm	B Renault
Ushers: P Wolfe P Medved	T Corvelli D Corvelli J Joseph	M Edwards S Edwards
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:		
A Petrino	T Clarke	M Walsh
Altar Servers: B Mathis	G Baker	A Huerta
Altar Care A White	C Humphries	L Ortiz

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

St. Mary's Altar Society

Altar Society does not meet during June, July, and August. Business meetings will resume the third Tuesday of September, September 20th, at 9:00 AM following the 8:00 AM Mass. Coffee, juice and pastry will be served during the meeting. Members continue scheduled linen and altar care during the summer. All ladies of the parish are invited to become active members. For more information contact Ann Boone (843-235-4094) or Mary Roberts (843-546-4800).

Religious Education

We had another successful VBS this year. The children had a great time and learned about St Joseph of Cupertino. Thank you to everyone that made it such an enjoyable time for the children. We had 40 children registered and at least 34 attended each night. The children were asked to donate a non-perishable food item. We collected 101 pounds of canned goods and they were delivered to Georgetown Helping Hands. Thank you to all the children and their families that participated and to Colin Peterson and Dave Smith for delivering them for us.

Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

When God Speaks Like a Polish Grandmother

A friend of mine had a Polish grandmother who was famous for giving her children some blunt advice every time they left the house: "Eyes straight ahead. Mind your own business."

Every mother knows her children best, and this mother knew hers liked to argue and sometimes liked to show off. She knew that could lead to trouble. She could not anticipate every scenario they would encounter each time they departed from her. All she could do was distill what she knew about life, safety, and manners into a few simple words, and hand them over to her children like a set of car keys or a hastily scribbled map. In this way, a woman who rarely said "I love you" expressed her devotion. And long after she was dead and buried, her aging sons and daughters repeated these words to themselves, like a child wrapping himself in a warm blanket.

Jesus does much the same for us, in many portions of the Gospels. "Ask the master to send out laborers for his harvest...Carry no money...Eat what is set before you...Know that the Kingdom of God is at hand... Rejoice because your names are written in Heaven."

He knows us best — knows our strengths, but even more importantly, he knows our weaknesses. He doesn't always have the space to address each of these explicitly in the pages of Scripture, but what he can do is distill the truth of effective evangelization into a few simple words, and hand them over to us as food for our journey of discipleship. In this way, a God who addresses the entire world and every soul who ever lived also speaks intimately to each one of us.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS © LPI

Gospel Meditation

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Freedom properly defined is freedom properly understood. The Cambridge Dictionary tells us that it is, "the condition or right of being able or allowed to do, say, think, etc., whatever you want to, without being controlled or limited." That same dictionary defines liberty as, "the freedom to live, work, and travel as you want to." Both definitions sound very similar. Is there a difference between freedom and liberty? Many are accustomed to believing that freedom and liberty are interchangeable and simply involve possessing rights and privileges. For the Christian, however, there is a big difference between the two.

St. John Chrysostom directs that "the only person who is free is the one who lives for Christ." There are many other inspirational people throughout history who see freedom as something far greater than liberty. True and properly understood freedom has little to do with entitlement or self-promotion. For the believer, it is a matter of the heart and soul. Freedom (and liberty, for that matter), seen only in terms of the world, can quickly be taken away. The freedom spoken of by St. John Chrysostom can only be lost by personal choice. When one lives for Christ, they live in pursuit of virtues that enlighten one's soul (faith, hope, and love) and strengthen one's character (justice, fortitude, temperance, and prudence). Rather than having the ability to acquire or do more things, true freedom asks us to be detached. Privileges, rights, and responsibilities are important, but they do not define us.

The world is not always open to listening to the truth. "I am sending you like lambs among wolves," Jesus tells his disciples. The secular definitions of freedom and liberty are very attractive. They promise us a great deal. It is no wonder Jesus asks his disciples to travel with very little. The Gospel is not dependent upon things or anything those with worldly power or investment can say or do. When one chooses to live for Christ, they choose to live with peace. That's what true freedom will give us. If we do not want what Christ offers, we can close the door, and the messenger will walk away. Distracted by the lure of personal liberties, we risk losing our freedom. We will not have anything truly life-giving to share with others.

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