

Our Lady of the Highways Catholic Church Parroquia Nuestra Señora de los Caminos

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September 4th: Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

*** Mass Schedule/Horario de Misas***

Saturdays/Sabados: 5:00 PM English

6:30 PM Español

Sundays/Domingos: 10:00 AM English

12:00 PM Español

2:00 PM Español

Tuesdays/Martes: 12:00 PM English

6:30 PM *Liturgia de las horas*

Fridays/Viernes: 6:00 PM Español

Adoration/Adoracion

Fridays/Viernes: 10:00 AM - 5:45 PM

Holy Day Masses will be announced/ Misas de dias festivos se anunciara

Sacraments/Sacramentos

Baptism:

Contact Deacon Martin Sheehan

Bautismo:

Contactar a Jose y Cecilia al 336-493-8684

Marriage:

Contact Parish office secretary six month in advance

Matrimonio:

Contactar a Juan Pablo y Carolina al 336-653-0828 con seis meses de anticipacion

Anointing of the sick/Uncion de los enfermos:

Call the parish office/ Llamar a la oficina parroquial

Parish Staff/ Personal Parroquial

Rev. Gabriel Carvajal-Salazar, Pastor/Parroco

Rev. Mr. Martin Sheehan, Deacon/Diacono

Rev. Mr. Wayne Adams, Deacon (Retired)/Diacono (Retirado)

Rosa Guzman, Secretary/Secretaria

Kathy Laskis, Faith Formation Coordinator/

Cordinadora de Formacion de Fe

Office Hours/Horario de Oficina

Mondays/Lunes 12:00PM—4:00PM

Tuesdays/Martes 1:00PM—5:00PM

Wednesdays/Miercoles 2:00PM—5:00PM

Thursdays/Jueves 2:00PM—5:00PM

Fridays/Viernes 1:00PM—6:00PM

Reconciliation Schedule

Saturdays/Sabados: 4:00pm— 5:00pm

In English and Spanish

Or call the church office for an appointment



Interested In Becoming a New Parishioner...

Registration Forms are available at the doors
Or you are welcome to contact the church office for more information.

Bienvenidos Nuevos Miembros a Nuestra Parroquia...

Los formularios de registro están disponibles en las puertas. O puede ponerse en contacto con la oficina de la iglesia para más información.

Our Mission Statement

Our Lady of the Highways, a Parish grounded in faith and service, seeks to be a people unified as a Catholic community that embraces and enjoys a wide cultural diversity. We rely on the Holy Spirit to guide us in our growth and in our Christian witness to the community. We are especially committed to promoting vocations both to the priesthood and religious life and sacred married life.

Pastor's Message

Throughout the Gospels, we encounter stories of thousands of people who came out to hear Jesus preach, see a miracle, and catch what all the buzz was about. But when he talked about what it meant to follow him, many left. Today's Gospel would definitely be one of those times. Jesus starts off with that

quote that sounds as jarring now as it did 2000 years ago: If anyone comes to me without hating his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and

even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. That sounds really harsh. Jesus is using hyperbole to grab our attention because he's about to tell us something central to discipleship: To follow Jesus means he has to be the most important thing

in our lives. Nothing can distract us from our role as followers of Jesus. The rest of our lives flow from that primary relationship we have with him. Think of it as the lens through which we ought to see everything, and the filter through which we both receive, and interact with, the things of the world. Following Jesus enables us to see that some of our cultural norms today may actually not be good.

This isn't easy! We are human beings, we make mistakes, we sin, and we make choices that affect our moral freedom. But the Lord provides for us in our lives, through the Church and the sacraments. Let us make that choice to follow him, and give thanks for those whom the Lord continues to call to himself, whether in a public way or in the quiet of their hearts.

Our Lady of the Highways, pray for us.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ **Second Sunday Food Collection:**

It was great seeing all our friends and meeting new people. We are always amazed at your generosity and support. This month our parish donated 349 pounds of food and \$460 to Fairgrove Family Resource Center. In addition we donated \$130 to the Pastor's Pantry. We will be at all masses the weekend of September 10-11 accepting your donations for the Cooperative Community Ministry. Thank you for all you do to support this important parish ministry.

◆ **Together in Holiness Marriage Conference**

Join us for the fourth annual Together in Holiness marriage conference presented by the St. John Paul II Foundation and Diocese of Charlotte. This one-day conference provides an opportunity for quality time with your spouse and includes dynamic presentations, Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation, on-site childcare, and more.

Saturday, November 19, 2022 | 8:30 AM – 3:30 PM

St. Ann Catholic Church | Charlotte, NC

Mass Celebrant: Very Rev. Timothy S. Reid

Speakers: Steve and Becky Greene; Very Rev. Timothy S. Reid; and Charlotte Sacco

Registration: \$64/couple and \$40/individual. Early Bird discount available through October 3.

Scholarships available upon request. On-site childcare (2-12yrs) available with pre-registration.

For more information, please visit togetherinholiness.org or email ellen@forlifeandfamily.org.

Warning

- ◆ Please be aware that someone is contacting parishioners saying that they are Father Gabriel and requesting information or money. This is not Father Gabriel! If you have any doubts please contact the office and let someone know.

Mark Your Calendars!

- ◆ **September 16th-18th:** National Conference for Single Catholics
- ◆ **September 25:** Our Lady of the Highways Day
- ◆ **October 2:** Faith Formation Classes Begin

Scripture Readings

First Reading: Who can know God's counsel, or who can conceive what the LORD intends? (Wis 9,13)

Second Reading: Perhaps this is why he was away from you for a while, that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a brother. (Phmn 9, 15-16)

Psalm: 90, 3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17

Gospel: "Anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple." (Lk 14, 33)

PRAYER LIST

Please help us keep our prayer lists up to date. Call 336-475-2732 or email OLHCommunications@gmail.com to update. We have removed several names from the prayer list, please let us know if they are still sick and we can add them back onto the list. Thank you!

Our Sick and Homebound:

Rick Price, Maria Oliva Salazar (Father Gabriel's mother), Robert Todd, Fr. Jim Turner, Fr. Michael Gelfant, Smokey Stover, Brittany Shea, Deacon Wayne Adams, people with Covid, Pat White, Maryann Jones, Dee Silverio, Griselda Martínez, Jerry Chamber and Raymond Chamber

Friends & Family Serving in the Military:

Please let us know if these people are still in the military and need our prayers. Thank you:

Richard Archer, Britt Baxley, Jason Boyd, Josh Duchame, Matt Gobble, Nicholas Green, Christopher Hackney, Michael Harris, Everett Henry, Jasmine Leahy, James Michaels, Joshua Ramsey, Nathaniel Ramsey, David Reid, Rebecca Schweigart, Ryan Smithling, Angela Monserrath Solis, John Wagner, Caleb Littleton, Ryan Fisher

Help protect all of God's children

- ◆ Everyone has a role to play in protecting children. North Carolina law requires all adults to immediately report suspected child abuse by anyone to law enforcement agencies. If you know or suspect that a minor (person under 18) has been abused, please call 9-1-1 or contact local law enforcement. Also, if you have information about possible sexual abuse or misconduct by any clergy, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Charlotte, report concerns securely and **anonymously** 24/7 over the phone or online: **1-888-630-5929** or **www.RedFlagReporting.com/RCDOC**
- ◆ Did you know that every Church worker must go through abuse prevention and education training? Find more information about the Diocese of Charlotte's Safe Environment program, sign up for Protecting God's Children training and more: **<https://charlottediocese.org/human-resources/safe-environment>**

For more information or questions, please contact the diocese's Human Resources Office at **<https://charlottediocese.org/human-resources>** or **704-370-6299**.

Mensaje del parroco

A lo largo de los Evangelios, encontramos historias de miles de personas que salieron a escuchar a Jesús predicar, ver un milagro y captar de qué se trataba todo el alboroto. Pero cuando habló de lo que significaba seguirlo, muchos se fueron. El Evangelio de hoy sería definitivamente uno de esos tiempos. Jesús comienza con esa cita que suena tan discordante ahora como lo hizo hace 2000 años: Si alguien viene a mí sin odiar a su padre y madre, esposa e hijos, hermanos y hermanas, y incluso su propia vida, no puede ser mi discípulo. Eso suena muy duro. Jesús está usando una hipérbole para captar nuestra atención porque está a punto de decirnos algo. Central para el discipulado: Seguir a Jesús significa que él tiene que ser lo más importante en nuestras vidas. Nada puede distraernos de nuestro papel como seguidores de Jesús. El resto de nuestra vida fluye de esa relación primaria que tenemos con él. Piensa en ello como el lente a través del cual deberíamos ver todo, y el filtro a través del cual recibimos e interactuamos con las cosas del mundo. Seguir a Jesús nos permite para ver que algunas de nuestras normas culturales hoy en día pueden no ser buenas. ¡Esto no es fácil! Somos seres humanos, cometemos errores, pecamos y cometemos decisiones que afectan nuestra libertad moral. Pero el Señor nos provee en nuestras vidas, a través de la Iglesia y los sacramentos. Hagamos la elección de seguirlo, y dar gracias por aquellos a quienes el Señor sigue llamando a sí, ya sea en público camino o en la quietud de sus corazones. Nuestra Señora de los Caminos, ruega por nosotros.

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of/

Por favor oren por el descanso del alma de:

Dr. Robert Lee Sprinkle



ANUNCIOS

◆ **Colecta de alimentos del segundo domingo:**

Fue genial ver a todos nuestros amigos y conocer gente nueva. Siempre nos sorprende su generosidad y apoyo. Este mes nuestra parroquia donó **349 libras** de comida y **\$460** al Centro de Recursos Familiares de Fairgrove. Además donamos \$130 a la Despensa del Padre. Estaremos en todas las misas el fin de semana del 10 al 11 de septiembre aceptando sus donaciones para el Ministerio de la Comunidad Cooperativa. Gracias por todo lo que hace para apoyar este importante ministerio parroquial.

◆ **Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos, RICA**

Si eres un adulto y te hace falta el sacramento de bautismo, primera comunión o confirmación, estas clases están diseñadas para que usted obtenga estos sacramentos. Las hojas de inscripción están en las puertas, para más información hablar con el Diacono Martin.

Advertencia

Tengan en cuenta que alguien se está comunicando con los feligreses diciendo que son el Padre Gabriel y solicitando información o dinero. ¡Este no es el Padre Gabriel! Si tiene alguna duda, comuníquese con la oficina y hágaselo saber a alguien.