

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

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## October 23rd: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### \*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



### \* 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:

Llamar a la oficina parroquial

#### 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

### 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

My dear brothers and sisters:

In Jesus' time the tax collectors job was to enforce the tax imposed by the Roman occupiers. Tax collectors



were known to overcharge and pocket the difference. They were perceived as greedy, dishonest, and more loyal to the Romans than to their own community and kin. Of course, we feel sympathy for the lowly and the oppressed; we understand why the Lord attends to the cries of orphans and widows.

But the tax collector? It is not so easy to feel sympathy toward him, or to understand why his prayer is heard. Yet Jesus challenges us with this parable and its conclusion: The tax collector went home justified.

The Lord hears the cry of the poor and the tax collector; but does he hear our prayers? The Lord knows no favorites, but he hears the cry of those who are humble enough to admit their need for him, their need for his mercy and redemption. He waits for you and for me.

God's Son humbled himself to be one with us, to teach us to be humble and to place ourselves in God's hands, as he did when he surrendered himself to the cross.

In the Eucharist, we recall his humility and seek the grace to be humble like him.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### ◆ **Second Sunday Food Collection:**

This month our parish donated 178 pounds of food and \$360 to Fairgrove Family Resource Center, 16 pounds of food to Cooperative Community Ministry, and \$130 to the Pastor's Pantry. In November and December we will not collect, instead the Knights of Columbus will have their annual collections that will benefit parish families. Please remember their very worthwhile collections, and we'll see you in January. Thank you for your very generous contributions!

#### ◆ **Perish Counsel Meeting:**

There will be a Perish Counsel meeting on October 26th at 7pm.

#### **Parish Membership and benefits**

To be considered an active, participating member of the parish, and thus eligible for tuition assistance in any catholic school and sacramental sponsor eligibility, Our Lady of the Highways takes into account a family or individual's ministry involvement and Mass attendance.

To be considered an active, participating member, envelopes are the primary way we determine if parishioners are regularly attending Mass.

We ask that if you can't make a contribution on a given Sunday, still place your envelope in the collection basket so we can record your attendance.

Attendance at Mass is the most important thing we do as Catholics and the most meaningful way we model and live our Catholic faith.

#### **Are you moving?**

Please remember to notify the parish office as soon as possible. If you are moving to a different parish, also notify the parish office so we can remove you from our list.

#### **Digital Bulletin**

If you receive an email with the digital bulletin and your email has changed please submit your new email or if you would like to receive the digital bulletin email: [olhcommunications@gmail.com](mailto:olhcommunications@gmail.com)

#### **Change in the Tuesday daily Mass time:**

Beginning on November 1st the Tuesday noon Mass will be moved to Tuesdays at 7pm.

### Mark Your Calendars!

- ◆ **October 23rd:** Diocesan Anniversary Celebration
- ◆ **October 26th:** Parish Council meeting at 7pm
- ◆ **October 29th:** Youth retreat at our parish
- ◆ **November 1st:** Feast of All Saints
- ◆ **November 2nd:** All Souls day

### Special Masses:

**November 1st:** We will have Mass at 7pm for the Feast of All Saints.

**November 2nd:** We will have Mass at 7pm for All Souls day.

## Scripture Readings

**October 23rd: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**First Reading:** The Lord hears the cry of the poor, the orphan and the widow. They are the three important, and even privileged groups in the Bible. (Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18).

**Second Reading:** Paul uses the symbol of a libation to announce what he believed was his imminent death. He hands on his legacy to his beloved Timothy. He never lets his circumstances preclude his trust in God's vindication. (Timothy 4: 6-8)

**Psalm:** 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23

**Gospel:** "Only Luke presents this famous parable to us. It is Jesus' response to self-righteousness. We admire the despised tax collector for his humility and example of prayer ." (Luke 18:9-14)

### 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:

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, Gary Heilman, Angel Simms

### 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

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*Nuestra Señora de los Caminos, una parroquia basada en la fe y el servicio, busca ser un pueblo unificado como una comunidad católica que abraza y disfruta de una amplia diversidad cultural. Dependemos del Espíritu Santo para que nos guíe en nuestro crecimiento y en nuestro testimonio cristiano a la comunidad. Estamos especialmente comprometidos con la promoción de las vocaciones tanto al sacerdocio como a la vida religiosa y la vida sagrada conyugal.*

### **Mensaje del parroco**

En el tiempo de Jesús, el trabajo de los recaudadores de impuestos era hacer cumplir el impuesto exigido a los ocupantes romanos. Se sabía que los recaudadores de impuestos cobraban de más y se embolsaban la diferencia. Eran percibidos como codiciosos, deshonestos y más leales a los romanos que a su propia comunidad y parientes. Por supuesto, sentimos simpatía por los humildes y los oprimidos; entendemos por qué el Señor atiende los gritos de los huérfanos y las viudas.

¿Pero el recaudador de impuestos? No es tan fácil sentir simpatía hacia él, o entender por qué Su oración fue escuchada.. Sin embargo, Jesús nos desafía con esta parábola y su conclusión: El recaudador de impuestos se fue a casa justificado.

El Señor escucha el clamor de los pobres y de publicano; Pero ¿Escucha nuestras oraciones? El Señor no conoce favoritos, pero escucha el clamor de aquellos que son lo suficientemente humildes como para admitir su necesidad de él, su necesidad de su misericordia y redención. Él te espera a ti y a mí.

El Hijo de Dios se humilló para ser uno con nosotros, para enseñarnos a ser humildes y a ponernos en las manos de Dios, como lo hizo cuando se entregó a la cruz.

En la Eucaristía, recordamos su humildad y buscamos la gracia de ser humildes como él.

### **ANUNCIOS**

#### ♦ **Colecta de alimentos del segundo domingo**

Gracias a su generosidad, este mes donamos 178 lbs. de alimentos y \$360 a nombre de nuestra parroquia para el Ministerio Comunitario Cooperativo, y también pudimos donar \$130 a la Despensa del Pastor.

Les agradecemos a todos por su generoso apoyo y esperamos verlos en Enero.

#### **Cambio de horario de la Misa de Martes**

A partir del 1 de Noviembre, la Misa del mediodía del Martes se trasladará a los Martes a las 7 p.m.

#### **Misas de todo los santos y los difuntos:**

**1 de Noviembre:** Tendremos Misa a las 7pm por el día de Todos los Santos.

**2 de Noviembre:** Tendremos Misa a las 7pm por el día de los Difuntos

### **Membresía parroquial y sus beneficios**

Para ser considerado un miembro activo y participante de la parroquia y, por lo tanto, elegible para la asistencia de matrícula en cualquier escuela católica y elegibilidad de patrocinador sacramental, Our Lady of the Highways toma en cuenta la participación en el ministerio de una familia o individuo y la asistencia a Misa.

Para ser considerado un miembro activo y participante, los sobres son la forma principal en que determinamos si los feligreses asisten regularmente a misa.

Le pedimos que si no puede hacer una contribución un domingo determinado, aún coloque su sobre en la canasta de recolección para que podamos registrar su asistencia.

La asistencia a misa es lo más importante que hacemos como católicos y la forma más significativa en que modelamos y vivimos nuestra fe católica.

#### **¿Te estás moviendo?**

Recuerde notificar a la oficina parroquial lo antes posible. Si se muda a una parroquia diferente, notifique también a la oficina parroquial para que podamos eliminarlo de nuestra lista.