

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

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December 18th: Fourth Sunday of Advent

* 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: 7:00 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

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

Dear Parishioners:

As we enter this final week of Advent, the Gospel turns our attention to the role of

Saint Joseph in salvation history. When we ponder the mystery of the Incarnation, our

attention is often focused on Mary, our Blessed Mother, and the way God prepared her

for her central role as Mother to our Lord Jesus Christ, to the Church, and to all of us.

But what about Joseph? He remains a bit more of a mystery, a shadow in the background of these momentous events when the Son of God took on human flesh, became fully human, and united humankind to the divine life forever. But, if we focus on today's readings in which Joseph plays a role, we can glean some insights and lessons about God and our path of discipleship.

As Advent draws to a close, let us spend some time pondering these two questions:

How is God inviting me to cooperate with the slow work of building up his kingdom,

in my own heart, in my family and friendships and in the community? And,

examining my heart, how is fear posing an obstacle to my cooperation? As we ponder

these questions, let us ask Saint Joseph to intercede for us and show us how to respond

with graciousness and humility, with trust and courage, to the Lord's invitation.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ **Support for Parish Families -**

Thank you for your support and generosity. We were able to assist 17 families to brighten their Christmas.

◆ **Eucharistic Adoration**

The Eucharistic Adoration will begin at 12 pm on Friday, December 23rd.

◆ **Parish Office Closed**

The parish office will be closed on December 22, 23, 26, and 27. The office will return to normal schedule on December 28th.

◆ **Regular Mass**

Regular mass scheduled for the weekends of December 24-25 and Dec 31, 2022-Jan 1, 2023.

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.

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

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.

¿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.

Scripture Readings

First Reading: Therefore the Lord himself will give you this sign: the virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall name him Emmanuel. (Is 7, 3-4)

Second Reading: The gospel about his Son, descended from David according to the flesh, but established as Son of God in power. (Rom 1, 15)

Psalm: Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory. (Ps 24)

Gospel: The angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her. (Mt 1, 20)

Friends & Family Serving in the Military:

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

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, Hester Family, Bill Tagliaferri and Betsy Ann and Craig O'Hara.

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:

Maryann Jones, Dee Silverio, Griselda Martínez, Jerry Chamber and Raymond Chamber, Gary Heilman, Angel Simms, Bill Tagliaferri, Betsy Ann, Craig O'Hara, Jaunita Sherman, Ursula Adams, Theresa Longo, Sharon Baldwin, Steve Green, Ted Ramp, Jeremy Brown, Jerry Chambers, Betsy Ann O'Hara, Elmer Corron, Rick Price, Noreen Morin, Gerry and Sally Sturgis, Jim and Dottie Whitehouse, Kim Brown, and Alex Paniagua.



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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

Estimados feligreses:

Al entrar en esta última semana de Adviento, el Evangelio dirige nuestra atención al papel de San José en la historia de la salvación. Cuando meditamos en el misterio de la Encarnación, nuestra atención a menudo se centra en María, nuestra Santísima Madre, y la forma en que Dios la preparó por su papel central como Madre de nuestro Señor Jesucristo, de la Iglesia y de todos nosotros.

Pero, ¿y José? Sigue siendo un poco más un misterio, una sombra en el trasfondo de estos trascendentales acontecimientos cuando el Hijo de Dios tomó carne humana, se hizo plenamente humano y unió a la humanidad a la vida divina para siempre. Pero, si nos enfocamos en las lecturas de hoy en las que José juega un papel, podemos recoger algunas ideas y lecciones sobre Dios y nuestro camino de discipulado.

A medida que el Adviento llega a su fin, dediquemos un tiempo a reflexionar sobre estas dos preguntas:

¿Cómo me invita Dios a cooperar en la lenta obra de la edificación de su reino,

en mi propio corazón, en mi familia y amistades y en la comunidad? Y, examinando mi corazón, ¿cómo es que el miedo se presenta como un obstáculo para mi cooperación? Mientras reflexionamos estas preguntas, pidamos a San José que interceda por nosotros y nos muestre cómo responder con amabilidad y humildad, con confianza y valentía, a la invitación del Señor.

Mass Intentions

- **December 20th:** 7 p.m for the soul of **Linda Conley**
- **Dec 25th:** 10 a.m for the Soul of **Angela Hanna** and for **Adan Hanna**, so he can overcome the death of his wife
- **Dec 30th:** 6 p.m. For the Soul of **Angela Hanna**, who's birthday was today, and for her husband **Adan Hanna** so he can overcome her death



ANUNCIOS

♦ **Apoyo a las Familias Parroquiales**

Gracias por su apoyo y generosidad. Pudimos ayudar a 17 familias a alegrar su Navidad

♦ **Adoración Eucarística**

La Adoración Eucarística comenzará a las 12 pm del viernes 23 de diciembre.

♦ **Oficina Parroquial Cerrada**

La oficina parroquial estará cerrada los días 22, 23, 26 y 27 de diciembre. La oficina volverá al horario normal el 28 de diciembre.

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.