



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

943 Ball Park Road
Thomasville, North Carolina 27360

September 17th: Twenty Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time

* Mass Schedule/Horario de Misas*

Saturdays/Sabados: 5:00 PM English
6:30 PM Español
Sundays/Domingos: 8:00 AM Español
10:00 AM English
12:00 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

Reconciliation Schedule

Saturdays/Sabados: 4:00pm– 5:00pm
In English and Spanish
Or call the church office for an appointment

Parish Staff/Pesonal 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

Sacraments/Sacramentos

Baptism: Contact Deacon Martin Sheehan
Bautismo: Llamar a la oficina parroquial
Marriage: Contact Parish Office secretary six months in advance
Matrimonia: Contactar a Juan Pablo y Carolina at 336-653-0828 con seis meses de anticipacion
Anointing of the sick/Uncion de los enfermos: Call the parish office/Llamar a la oficina

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

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.

Día de Nuestra Señora de los

Domingo 23 de septiembre - Misa bilingüe a las 11:00 a. m.
(solo 1 misa hoy) Por favor traiga un plato cubierto para compartir en un agradable almuerzo después de la Misa. Los Caballeros de Colón nuevamente servirán hamburguesas y perritos calientes. Nos encantaría la comida de tu familia. ¡¡país de origen!! ¡Ven y celebra nuestra Parroquia y Nuestra Señora!

Second Mass Collection

- ◆ The weekend of Sep 23 & 24 we have a Second collection for the Priest's Retirement. Every year the diocese gives us a goal to meet and this year's goal is \$ 7,261. We appreciate your generosity in completing this goal as soon as possible

Segunda Colecta de la Misa

- ◆ El fin de semana del 23 y 24 de septiembre tenemos una Segunda colecta para la Jubilación de los Sacerdotes. Cada año la diócesis nos da una meta a cumplir y la meta de este año es \$7,261. Agradecemos su generosidad al completar este objetivo

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. 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ Women's Spiritual Exercises Retreat St. Francis Springs Prayer Center, Stoneville, NC October 13-15, 2023

Step away from the noise of the everyday and spend time with Our Lord, receiving all He has prepared for you! Open to all women, this silent retreat will offer daily Mass, Eucharistic adoration, confession, spiritual direction, quiet time for personal prayer and meaningful reflections led by Fr. Stephen Ellis, LC. Single or double room accommodations with private baths, linens and meals included. Payment plan option available. Please visit www.rcnorthcarolina.org/women for registration details.

◆ Food Collection

The food collection will be held September weekend 16 & 17. Thank you for your support and we will see you there!

◆ Together in Holiness Marriage Conference

Married and engaged couples are invited to the fifth annual Together in Holiness marriage conference on **November 18, 2023 from 8:30 am - 3:45 pm at St. Barnabas Catholic Church in Arden, NC and St. Ann Catholic Church in Charlotte, NC.** This one-day conference will help you strengthen your relationship with your spouse and discover God's plan for your family. Registration: \$64/couple and \$5/child for on-site childcare. An Early Bird discount is available through October 2 as well as scholarships upon request. This conference is presented by the St. John Paul II Foundation and the Diocese of Charlotte. For more info, visit togetherinholiness.org or email TH@forlifeandfamily.org.

Pastor's Message

Dear Parishioners:

There are two ways to play dominoes. One is to divide the tiles and start with one in the middle. Players take turns matching up tiles, adding to the growing configuration. Another way is to stand the dominoes up in a row, then tip the first to cause them to fall, one by one, in a chain reaction. It is captivating to watch them fall in a wave, especially when there are curves and loops. However, if they are not lined up just right or if there are gaps, the chain reaction stops, and the rest will not fall. Stopping a chain reaction of mercy is what the debtor does in today's Gospel. Jesus' parable illustrates the Old Testament wisdom of Sirach. How can we expect pardon and healing for ourselves, yet nourish vengeance and refuse mercy to others? In the community of God's covenant, mercy is shared. Like the intricate configuration of a domino game, God's mercy touches and connects us all. No one lives or dies for oneself; we are the Lord's, redeemer together in his mercy and love. We celebrate this in his live presence in the Eucharist, the memorial of his great love and mercy.



Scripture Readings

First Reading: Forgive your neighbor's injustice; then when you pray, your own sins will be forgiven. (Sir 28,2)

Psalm: The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion. (Ps 103)

Second Reading: None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself. For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's. (Rom 14,7-8)

Gospel: Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times." (Mt 18,21-22)

PRAYER LIST

Our Sick and Homebound:

Flor Aguilar, Ellie Brown, Jeremy Brown, Kim Brown, Elmer Corron, Luigi DiPuorto, Damiana Garay, Steve Green, Marta Gutierrez, Betsy Ann & Craig O'Hara, Jeffrey Karkey, Theresa Longo, Griselda Martínez, Noreen Morin, Rick Price, Ted Rampp, Silvano Salazar, Juanita Sherman, Jerry and Sally Sturgis, Bill Tagliaferri, Jim and Dottie Whitehouse, Maryann Jones, Kermit Johnson, Luisa Ciardi, Rafael Juarez Salmeron, and Christi Thibodeau.

Protecting God's Children Class

When: September 23rd 1:00pm—4:00pm

Where: Our Lady of the Highways Parish

Designed to help adults recognize and prevent the sexual abuse of children. Mandatory for all employees and for all volunteers who have contact with children.

To register online: <https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/>

Diseñado para ayudar a los adultos a reconocer y prevenir el abuso sexual de niños. Obligatorio para todos los empleados y para todos los voluntarios que tengan contacto con niños.

Para registrarse en línea: <https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/>

Friends & Family Serving in the Military:

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

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.

DIOCESAN ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

If you are celebrating your Silver or Golden Wedding Anniversary this year and wish to be included in the celebration, please register at

<https://charlottediocese.org/bishops-yearly-anniversary-mass-for-couples/>.

The Mass will be held on **Sunday, October 22, 2023** at St. Patrick Catholic Church. Mass begins at 3:00 p.m. and will be followed by a reception.

Annual Family Life Conference

When: September 30, 9 am – 4 pm

Where: Holy Cross Catholic Church,
Kernersville

The Charlotte Diocese Office of Family Life invites you to an engaging conference featuring national and local speakers. Topics include hope in family life, a child's right to their mother and father, healing the culture, and the impact of current pro-life legislation on women's care.

Information and registration: FamilyLife@rcdoc.org

Conferencia Anual de Vida Familiar

Cuándo: 30 de septiembre, de 9 a. m. a 4 p. m.

Dónde: Iglesia Católica de la Santa Cruz, Kernersville

La Oficina de Vida Familiar de la Diócesis de Charlotte lo invita a una interesante conferencia con oradores nacionales y locales. Los temas incluyen la esperanza en la vida familiar, el derecho de un niño a su madre y padre, la curación de la cultura y el impacto de la legislación pro-vida actual en el cuidado de las mujeres.

Información e inscripciones: FamilyLife@rcdoc.org

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SCAN TO REGISTER

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TOGETHERINHOLINESS.ORG

Our Lady of the Highways Day

Sunday, September 23 - Bilingual Mass 11:00AM (only 1 Mass today) Please bring a covered dish to share for a nice lunch after Mass. The Knights of Columbus will again be serving Hamburgers and Hotdogs. We would love food from your family's country of origin!! Come and celebrate our Parish and Our Lady!

Marriage Announcement

- ◆ Oscar Garcia Guzman & Maribel Vazquez Garcia will be getting married at Nuestra Señora del Rosario in Moroleón, Guanajuato, Mexico, on December 23, 2023

Anuncio de Matrimonio

- ◆ Oscar García Guzmán y Maribel Vázquez García se casarán en Nuestra Señora del Rosario en Moroleón, Guanajuato, México, el 23 de diciem-

Pláticas de Bautismo

Empezando octubre las pláticas de bautismo para niños hasta los 8 años, en español, serán el primer sábado de cada mes a las 9 a.m. en la iglesia. Los bautismos serán el segundo, tercero y cuarto sábado del mes a las 9 a.m.

**Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of/
Por favor oren por el descanso del alma de:**

Kermit Johnson

Boletín digital

Si desea recibir el correo electrónico del boletín digital o si su correo electrónico ha cambiado, envíe su nuevo correo electrónico a:

olhcommunications@gmail.com

Mensaje del parroco

Estimados feligreses:

Hay dos formas de jugar al dominó. Una es dividir las fichas y comenzar con una en la mitad. Los jugadores se turnan para unir fichas, lo que aumenta la configuración en crecimiento. Otra forma es colocar las fichas de dominó en fila y luego inclinar la primera para que caigan, una por una, en una reacción en cadena. Es fascinante verlos caer en una ola, especialmente si hay curvas y vueltas. Pero si no se viven adecuadamente, o si hay lagunas, la reacción en cadena se detiene y el resto no caerá. Detener una reacción en cadena de misericordia es lo que hace el deudor en la parábola del Evangelio de hoy. La parábola de Jesús ilustra la sabiduría de Sirac en el Antiguo Testamento. ¿Cómo podemos esperar perdón y curación para nosotros mismos y, al mismo tiempo, alimentar la venganza y negarnos la misericordia a los demás? En la comunidad de la alianza de Dios, la misericordia se comparte. como lo intrincado para la Configuración de un juego de dominó. La misericordia de Dios nos toca y nos conecta a todos. Nadie vive ni muere para sí mismo; somos del Señor, redentores juntos en su misericordia y amor. Lo celebramos en su presencia viva en la Eucaristía, memorial de su gran amor y misericordia.