



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

943 Ball Park Road
Thomasville, North Carolina 27360

October 15th: Twenty Eight 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.

Cherished: A Retreat for Those in a Season of Infertility

When: October 21, 8:30 am – 4:15 pm

Where: St. Gabriel Catholic Church, Charlotte

St. Gabriel Catholic Church (3016 Providence Rd, Charlotte, NC) and Springs in the Desert are partnering to offer Cherished, a day-long retreat, for those carrying the cross of infertility. You are not alone. Wherever you are on the path of infertility, we invite you to join the Springs in the Desert team as they reflect on the emotional, relational and spiritual aspects of the infertility experience, and offer practical suggestions for strengthening your relationship with God and your spouse. Come with your spouse or on your own for a time of prayer, healing, and friendship with others on this same path. The day includes Mass, time for prayer in Adoration, and the opportunity to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation.

Information and Registration by October

Parish Survey

Please take a moment to complete the parish survey, in November Fr. Gabriel will meet with Bishop Jugis to discuss our pastoral plan and his vision for Our Lady of the Highways.

Your feedback is very important for the pastoral plan and helping to plan the future of Our Lady of the Highways!

Scan the QR code to complete the survey. English version



ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ *Mark your calendars to attend our next Greensboro Area Ultreya Reunion at St. Paul the Apostle in Greensboro, **Sunday afternoon, October 15th**. We will gather at **3:00 pm** for some **social time**, followed by our **Ultreya Reunion** to begin around **3:45 pm**. Please bring an appetizer/dessert/beverage to share. We will gather in Fellowship Hall, which is the 2nd door on your left as you drive into St. Paul's parking lot.*

Also, we are asking each person to bring a non-perishable food item for the Blessing Box located outside Fellowship Hall – what a blessing to share with those in need! We hope to see many of you as we gather for an afternoon of fellowship with your brothers and sisters in Christ! If you should have any questions, please contact Bill/Mary Wells at: greensboroultreya@outlook.com.

Mass Time Change

Beginning Tuesday, November 7th, the Tuesday Mass will be celebrated at 6 p.m.

Pastor's Message

Dear Parishioners:

Everyone loves a feast, and that was as true in ancient times as it is now. It is not surprising, then, that biblical writers use feasting imagery to give us a sense of God's overabundant generosity: a feast of rich food and choice wines; you spread the table before me; a weeing feast for a son. The prophet Isaiah sets God's feast of rich food and pure, choice wines on Mount Zion, the location of Jerusalem and the temple, and the audience would know that offerings to God at the temple were conceived as a banquet with God. But Isaiah quickly moves on from the material imagery of food and drink to the even greater riches that God will provide: unity among all people, eternal life, joy salvation, and most importantly, God's very presence. The hand of the Lord will rest on this mountain. In a homily in 2021, Pope Francis assured us: "The Eucharist is not the reward of saints; no, it is the bread of sinners." May we now come together to this greatest of feasts at Christ's table, accepting the invitation to share in God's lavish abundance so we may go out and lavishly share it with all.



Scripture Readings

First Reading: The Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from every face. (Is 25, 8)

Psalms: I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life. (Ps 23)

Second Reading: I have learned the secret of being well fed and of going hungry, of living in abundance and of being in need. I can do all things in him who strengthens me. (Phil 4:12-13)

Gospel: Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find." (Mt 22:9)

PRAYER LIST

Our Sick and Homebound:

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

- ◆ Sandy Green thanks everyone who kept her husband in their prayers.

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.

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

James Whitehouse

Funeral Arrangements:

Monday, October 23rd
12:30PM—Visitation
1:00PM - Funeral Mass

Cycle Prep for Mothers With Their Daughters

When: October 28; 2 – 5 pm

Where: St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church

Mothers, this course will assist you to prepare your daughters for the start of her first period, together! Give your daughter all the tools she needs to navigate puberty positively, while building a foundation that will help YOU continue these conversations with her! *Recommended for girls ages 9-12*

Registration is FREE but is REQUIRED. Facilitated by the Charlotte Diocese Office of Family Life!

Contact: Batrice Adcock, FamilyLife@rcdoc.org.

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.

Catholic Mothers Day Retreat



Saturday, November 4th
8:00 am - 1:00 pm

Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church
2203 West Market Street
Greensboro, NC 27403

Take some time away...from the noise, busyness, & distractions in your life. Come and receive...encouragement, inspiration, & grace for your body and soul. 8:00 am morning Mass ~ fellowship with mothers ~ brunch Adoration ~ Confession ~ Mom-themed reflections Q&A panel of experienced moms. Mothers of all walks of life are welcome. Nursing babies are welcome too! Spread the word! Suggested donation: \$20

Please RSVP at: CherishMothersRetreat@gmail.com

***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.

Encuesta Parroquial

Tómese un momento para completar la encuesta parroquial, en noviembre el P. Gabriel se reunirá con el obispo Jugis para discutir nuestro plan pastoral y su visión para Nuestra Señora de las Carreteras. ¡Sus comentarios son muy importantes para el plan pastoral y ayudan a planificar el futuro de Nuestra Señora de las Carreteras! Escanee el código QR para completar la encuesta. versión Español.



<https://forms.office.com/r/DDAgtU9DaE>



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.

Mensaje del parroco

Estimados feligreses:

A todo el mundo le encantan las fiestas, y eso era tan cierto en la antigüedad como lo es ahora. Es sorprendente, entonces, que los escritores bíblicos utilicen imágenes de banquetes para darnos una idea de la presencia de Dios. generosidad sobreabundante: un festín de rica comida y vinos selectos; serviste la mesa delante de mí; un banquete para un hijo. El profeta Isaías establece el banquete de Dios de rica comida y vinos puros y selectos en el monte Sión, la ubicación de Jerusalén y el templo, y la audiencia sabría que las ofrendas a Dios en el templo fueron concebidas como un banquete con Dios. Pero Isaías rápidamente pasa de las imágenes materiales de comida y bebida a riquezas aún mayores que Dios proporcionará: unidad entre todos los pueblos, vida eterna, alegría, salvación y, lo más importante, la presencia misma de Dios. La mano del Señor descansará sobre este monte. En una homilía de 2021, el Papa Francisco nos aseguró: "La Eucaristía no es la recompensa de los santos, no, es el pan de los pecadores". Que ahora nos reunamos en la más grande de las fiestas en la mesa de Cristo, aceptando la invitación de compartir la abundancia de Dios para que podamos salir y compartirla generosamente con todos.