



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

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### January 14th: BEHOLD THE LAMB OF GOD

#### \* Mass Schedule/Horario de Misas\*

**Saturdays/Sabados:** 4:30 PM English  
6:00 PM Español  
**Sundays/Domingos:** 8:00 AM Español  
10:00 AM English  
12:00 PM Español  
**Tuesdays/Martes:** 6:00 PM Bilingual  
5:30 PM Liturgia de las horas  
**Fridays/Viernes:** 6:00 PM Español

#### \*Adoration/Adoracion\*

**Fridays/Viernes:** 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM  
**Holy Day Masses will be announced/ Misas de dias festivos se anunciara**

#### \*Reconciliation Schedule\*

**Saturdays/Sabados:** 4:00pm– 4:30pm  
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.

## Catholic Health Care Ethics Conference

– Health care professionals are invited to the seventh annual **Converging Roads** health care ethics conference on **March 16, 2024 from 8:00 am - 6:45 pm at the Cathedral of Saint Patrick in Charlotte, NC**. This one-day conference will explore the theme of **Compassion for the Sick & Dying** and offers continuing education for health care professionals rooted in the Hippocratic and Catholic ethical tradition. Registration: \$75-\$159 based on CME/CNE inclusion. This conference is presented by the St. John Paul II Foundation, the Diocese of Charlotte, and Belmont Abbey College. For more info, please visit [convergingroads.com](http://convergingroads.com) or email [heather@forlifeandfamily.org](mailto:heather@forlifeandfamily.org).



### COMPASSION FOR THE SICK & DYING

MARCH 16, 2024 | 8:00 AM - 6:45 PM | IN PERSON AND ONLINE

THE CATHEDRAL OF ST. PATRICK | 1621 DILWORTH ROAD EAST, CHARLOTTE, NC 28203

#### CONTINUING EDUCATION AVAILABLE FOR:

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## ANNOUNCEMENT

### ◆ 18th Annual MARCH FOR LIFE Charlotte! Friday, Jan. 12, 2024

The following Masses will be offered for The Unborn on Jan. 12, 2024. St. Ann Catholic Church at 7:00am Traditional Latin Mass and at the Cathedral of St. Patrick at 10:00am Novus Ordo Mass. At 11:00am we will start to gather at the parking lot across the street from the Catholic Diocese at 1123 S. Church St. Charlotte, NC. There may be some parking available at the parking lot but please expect to find parking on your own uptown if necessary. At 12:00pm we will march to Trade and Tryon to be a witness for The Unborn. Fr. Raymond Ekosse will be the guest preacher and Deanna Tyler Glenn “Miss Huntersville 2023” will be the prolife speaker followed by the recitation of the Most Holy Rosary and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Please join us to march and pray for an end to abortion and save babies lives! See schedule details at [www.marchforlifecharlotte.com](http://www.marchforlifecharlotte.com)

## Second Sunday Food Collection

Second Sunday Food Collection this weekend at all Masses. Thank you for your generosity in December as we were able to help twenty parish families over the Christmas holiday.

## Pastor's Message

Dear Parishioners:

In today's first reading, we learn of the prophet Samuel's first encounter with the Lord God. As we heard, Samuel slept in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. You think that spending time in the place where the Lord God abided among his people would mean Samuel might be somewhat familiar with God. But that was not the case because the Lord had not revealed anything to him as yet.

Everything in God's time, right? Some of us might have this in common with Samuel: either we do not quite understand what God is saying to us, or the Lord has not yet revealed to us what he intends to reveal. Like Samuel, the Lord is calling us, but we struggle to discern what, if anything, God is saying to us. We're just regular people with jobs and families, just trying to live a good life. What could the Lord God possibly call ordinary people like us to do? Maybe it is true that God is not calling us to be another Samuel. But perhaps God is calling all of us to be one of the means through which he extends his offer of salvation to others. Let us ask for the grace to respond as Samuel did: Speak, for your servant is listening, and to trust that God will take it from there.



## Scripture Readings

**First Reading:** The LORD came and revealed his presence, calling out as before, "Samuel, Samuel!" Samuel answered, "Speak, for your servant is listening." (1 Sm 3,10)

**Psalm:** Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will. (Ps 40)

**Second Reading:** Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? But whoever is joined to the Lord becomes one Spirit with him. (1 Cor 6: 15, 17)

**Gospel:** So they went and saw where Jesus was staying, and they stayed with him that day. (Jn 1,39)

## PRAYER LIST

Our Sick and Homebound:

Flor Aguilar, 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 Ramp, Dottie Whitehouse, Silvano Salazar, Juanita Sherman, Jerry and Sally Sturgis, Bill Tagliaferri, Maryann Jones, Luisa Ciardi, Rafael Juarez Salmeron, Christi Thibodeau, and Bo Paschal

### Friends & Family Serving in the Military:

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

**Ellie Brown**

No service planned

## Mass Intentions

Sunday Jan 14 at 12 p.m Mass  
For the soul of Teodoro Romero

## The Retrouvaille Program

This program is for Married Couples Facing Difficult Challenges and has helped tens of thousands of couples at ALL stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. We save marriages! **Next Charlotte-area Weekend is Jan 19-21st**, and is halfway filled. More Information at: [www.helpourmarriage.org](http://www.helpourmarriage.org). Phone: **800-470-2230** or email: [3062ac@helpourmarriage.org](mailto:3062ac@helpourmarriage.org). All contacts and names held in strictest confidence.



## Cycle Prep for Mothers With Their Daughters

Recommended for girls ages 9-12\*

When: February 3; 1 – 4:30 pm

Where: St. Matthew Catholic Church, Charlotte

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 **Registration is FREE but is REQUIRED.** Offered by the Charlotte Diocese Office of Family Life! Contact: [Batrice Adcock](mailto:BatriceAdcock), [FamilyLife@rcdoc.org](mailto:FamilyLife@rcdoc.org).

### Anonymous note from a family that was helped this Christmas

"To the organizers of the Angel Tree, I need to express my gratitude for a job well done. To the parishioners who understood the need and went out of their way to help make another family's Christmas exceptionally great during this season, thanks is not enough, but it is all I can do. My family understands that the reason for Christmas is Jesus and his birth! If you could have seen the faces of angels you helped on Christmas, you would understand the gratitude I feel toward each of you who were able to and took the time to make another child smile like that. From the bottom of my heart." - Thanks from an OLH parishioner.

## Conferencia Católica sobre Ética en la Atención Médica

- ◆ Los profesionales de la salud están invitados a la séptima conferencia anual de ética de la atención médica de Converging Roads el 16 de marzo de 2024 de 8:00 a. m. a 6:45 p. m. en la Catedral de San Patricio en Charlotte, Carolina del Norte. Esta conferencia de un día explorará el tema de la compasión por los enfermos y moribundos y ofrece educación continua para profesionales de la salud arraigada en la tradición ética hipocrática y católica. Inscripción: \$75 -\$159 según la inclusión de CME/CNE. Esta conferencia es presentada por la Fundación St. John Paul II, la Diócesis de Charlotte y Belmont Abbey College. Para obtener más información, visite [convergingroads.com](http://convergingroads.com) o envíe un correo electrónico a [heather@forlifeandfamily.org](mailto:heather@forlifeandfamily.org).



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## ◆ MARCHA POR LA VIDA ¡Charlotte!

Viernes, 12 de enero de 2024

Las siguientes Misas se ofrecerán por Los No Nacidos el 12 de enero de 2024. Iglesia Católica St. Ann a las 7:00 am Misa tradicional en latín y en la Catedral de San Patricio a las 10:00 am Misa Novus Ordo. A las 11:00 am comenzaremos a reunirnos en el estacionamiento frente a la Diócesis Católica en 1123 S. Church St. Charlotte, Carolina del Norte. Es posible que haya algo de estacionamiento disponible en el estacionamiento, pero espere encontrar estacionamiento en su propia zona alta si es necesario. A las 12:00 pm marcharemos hacia Trade y Tryon para ser testigos de The Unborn. P. Raymond Ekosse será el predicador invitado y Deanna Tyler Glenn "Miss Huntersville 2023" será la oradora provida seguida de la recitación del Santísimo Rosario y la Coronilla de la Divina Misericordia. ¡Únase a nosotros para marchar y orar por el fin del aborto y salvar vidas de bebés! Consulte los detalles del calendario en [www.marchforlifecharlotte.com](http://www.marchforlifecharlotte.com)

## ◆ Colecciones de alimentos del Segundo domingo

Estaremos recolectando alimentos y donaciones el próximo fin de semana en todas las misas. Gracias por su generosidad en diciembre, ya que pudimos ayudar a veinte familias parroquiales durante la Navidad.

## Intenciones de misa

Domingo 14 de enero misa de 12 p.m  
Por el alma de Teodoro Romero

## Mensaje del parroco

### Estimados feligreses:

En la primera lectura de hoy, aprendemos sobre el primer encuentro del profeta Samuel con el Señor. Dios. Según escuchamos, Samuel durmió en el templo del Señor donde estaba el arca de Dios. ¿Crees que pasar tiempo en el lugar donde el Señor Dios moró entre La gente querría decir que Samuel podría estar algo familiarizado con Dios. Pero eso no fue el caso, porque el Señor aún no le había revelado nada. Todo en el tiempo de Dios, ¿no? Algunos de nosotros podríamos tener esto en común con Samuel: O no entendemos muy bien lo que Dios nos está diciendo, o el Señor aún no nos ha revelado lo que pretende revelar. Como Samuel el Señor nos está llamando pero nosotros Luchamos por discernir qué es lo que Dios nos está diciendo, si es que hay algo. Solo somos gente normal con trabajos y familias, simplemente tratando de vivir una buena vida. ¿Qué podría el Señor Dios ¿Es posible que llamemos a la gente corriente como nosotros? Quizás sea cierto que Dios no nos está llamando a ser otro Samuel. Pero tal vez Dios nos esté llamando a todos a ser uno de los medios a través del cual extiende su oferta de salvación a los demás. Pidamos la gracia de responder como lo hizo Samuel: Habla, que tu siervo es escuchar y confiar en que Dios tomará la iniciativa a partir de ahí.