



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

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December 8: The Second Sunday of Advent

* 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 English
5:30 PM **Liturg of the Hours**
Wednesday/Miercoles: 6:30 PM **Liturgia de las horas**
7:00PM Español
Fridays/Viernes: 6:00 PM Español

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

***Office Hours/
Horario de Oficina***
**Mondays/Lunes -Fridays/
Viernes** 2:00PM - 5:00PM

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

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

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.

Scripture Readings

First Reading: Jerusalem, take off your robe of mourning and misery; put on the splendor of glory from God forever: wrapped in the cloak of justice from God, bear on your head the mitre that displays the glory of the eternal name. For God will show all the earth your splendor: you will be named by God forever the peace of justice, the glory of God's worship..... ([Bar 5:1-9](#))

Psalm: **The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.** ([Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6.](#))

Second: Brothers and sisters: I pray always with joy in my every prayer for all of you, because of your partnership for the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the day of Christ Jesus. God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the affection of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer: that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, to discern what is of value, so that you may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God. ([Phil 1:4-6, 8-11](#))

Gospel: In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias was tetrarch of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John the son of Zechariah in the desert. John went throughout the whole region of the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah:

A voice of one crying out in the desert:

*"Prepare the way of the Lord,
make straight his paths.*

Every valley shall be filled

and every mountain and hill shall be made low.

The winding roads shall be made straight,

and the rough ways made smooth,

and all flesh shall see the salvation of God." ([Lk 3:1-6](#))

Two holy days, two Masses

Catholics should plan to attend two Masses over two days Dec. 8-9:



Sunday, Dec. 8

Second Sunday of Advent

*Please attend Mass sometime after 4 p.m. Saturday and before 4 p.m. Sunday.

Monday, Dec. 9

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

*Please attend Mass any time after 4 p.m. Sunday or on Monday.

Please plan to attend Mass for each day. One Mass does not fulfill both obligations.

The Immaculate Conception Holy Day of Obligation Mass Schedule Monday, December 9, 2024

5:00pm—English

7:00pm—Spanish

Parish Advent Penance Service will be held on **Tuesday, December 3rd at 6:00pm**. There will be several priests here to hear confessions both in English and Spanish. We will not have the Mass that night.

El servicio de penitencia de Adviento la misa se llevará a cabo el martes 3 de diciembre a las 6:00 p. m. Habrá varios sacerdotes aquí para escuchar confesiones tanto en inglés como en español. No tendremos misa esa noche.

Dos Días Santos, Dos Misas.

Los católicos deben planear asistir a dos Misas en dos días, ya que hay Días Santos de Obligación consecutivos.



**Domingo,
8 de diciembre**

Segundo domingo de Adviento

Por favor, les rogamos que asistan a Misa el sábado después de 4 p.m. y el domingo antes de 4 p.m.

**Lunes,
9 de diciembre**

Solemnidad de la Inmaculada Concepción de la Santísima Virgen María

Por favor, asista a Misa en cualquier momento después de 4 p.m. del domingo o el lunes.

Por favor, prevea asistir a la Misa de cada día. Una Misa no cumple con ambas obligaciones.

Pastor's Message

Dear Parishioners:

In this season of preparation, of waiting in joyful hope, our readings invite us to heed the voice of John the Baptist: Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths. How can we open space for Jesus to draw near to us today? How can we keep hopeful watch for him crossing mountains and valleys to be with us? As we prepare ourselves for the Eucharist, how can we open our hearts to God who is with us at this Mass? This is the work of this holy season. This is our calling as we prepare for the joy of Christmas. May our God who crosses mountain and valley to draw near to us make us pure and blameless...filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.



Prayer List

Our Sick and Homebound:

Deacon Wayne & Ursula Adams, Flor Aguilar, Jose' Angel Aleman Macias, Mosheer Amir & family, Ralph Berger, Jeremy Brown Sr., Kim Brown, Bernabe' Carvajal-Salazar, Luigi DiPuorto, Laura Espitia & baby Belen, Charles Estes, Damiana Garay, Maria Louisa Gomez, Rosa Gomez, Marta Gutierrez, Rafael Juarez Salmeron, Barbara Johnson, Maryann Jones, Jeffrey Karkey, Jean Latucci, Theresa Longo, Griselda Martínez, Rosario Martinez, Sandy McCormick, Noelia Montes, Noreen Morin, Rick Price, Adriana Ramirez, Ted Rampp, Holly Schroeher, Arden Sheehan, Juanita Sherman, Bill Tagliaferri, Christi Thibodeau, and Dottie Whitehouse.

Friends & Family Serving in the Military:

Please let us know if these people are still in the military and need our prayers. Thank you: Ryan Fisher, Christopher Hackney, Michael Harris, Everett Henry, Christian Juarez Solis, Jasmine Leahy, Caleb Littleton, James Michaels, Joshua Ramsey, Nathaniel Ramsey, David Reid, Rebecca Schweigart, Ryan Smithling, Angela Monserrath Solis, and John Wagner.

Pat and Joan White

2nd Sunday Food Collection

December Christmas food collection is for parish families in need of assistance. The collection will be held the weekends of 12/7 & 12/8 and 12/14 & 12/15. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

La colecta de alimentos de Navidad de diciembre es para las familias de la parroquia que necesitan ayuda. La colecta se llevará a cabo los fines de semana del 7 y 8 de diciembre y del 14 y 15 de diciembre. Gracias por su continuo apoyo y generosidad.

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

Bettie Bagley Sharpe Rowe



PRAYER FOR THE NEW CHURCH

A. *Our help is in the Name of the Lord.*
B. He that made heaven and earth.
A. *If the Lord does not build the building,*
B. the workers toil in vain
A. *Lord, let your ears be attentive,*
B. to the voice of our supplication.
A. *Good Father, we, the community of Our Lady of the Highways*
B. we thank you for these seventy years of parish life. A.
Thank you, Father, for the founders of this parish, and for all those who, throughout these years,
B. have worked to build the Catholic Faith in this area of North Carolina.
A. *Especiallly, we entrust you,*
B. those who already rest in peace. Receive them into your kingdom!
A. *As you see, Lord:*
B. Your community has grown, and we need more space.
A. *Therefore, Holy Father,*
B. we ask that you move our hearts and those of others,
A. *so we may generously use the goods you have given us,*
B. to obtain a larger church, not only for ourselves but also for future generations.
A. *Saint Joseph, Patron of the Church,*
B. pray for us.
A. *Our Lady of the Highways,*
B. pray for us.
A. *And may everything be for the greater glory of God, B. and the good of souls.*
A. *Through Jesus Christ, our Lord.*
B. Amen.

ORACIÓN POR EL NUEVO TEMPLO

A. *Nuestro auxilio está en el Nombre del Señor.*
B. Que hizo el cielo y la tierra.
A. *Si el Señor no construye el edificio,*
B. en vano se fatigan los obreros.
A. *Señor, estén atentos tus oídos*
B. a la voz de nuestra súplica.
A. *Padre, nosotros comunidad de Nuestra Señora de los Caminos,*
B. te damos gracias por estos setenta años de vida parroquial. A.
Gracias, Padre, por los fundadores de esta parroquia, y por todos los que, a lo largo de estos años,
B. han trabajado en favor de la Fe Católica, en esta área de Carolina del Norte.
A. *Especialmente, te encomendamos*
B. los que ya duermen el sueño de la paz. ¡Recíbelos en tu reino!
A. *Como ves, Señor:*
B. tu comunidad ha crecido y necesitamos más espacio.
A. *Por consiguiente, Padre Santo,*
B. te pedimos que muevas nuestro corazón y el de los demás A. *para que generosamente*
B. usemos parte de los bienes que nos has dado
A. *y así podamos*
B. obtener un templo más grande,
A. *no solo para nosotros,*
B. sino también para las generaciones futuras.
A. *San José, Patrono de la Iglesia,*
B. ruega por nosotros.
A. *Nuestra Señora de los Caminos,*
B. ruega por nosotros.
A. *Y que todo sea para la mayor gloria de Dios,*
B. y el bien de las almas.
A. *Por Jesucristo, nuestro, Señor.*
B. Amén.

MARCH FOR LIFE

CHARLOTTE MARCH FOR LIFE

JANUARY 10, 2025

Mass 10:00am | Cathedral of St. Patrick
Gather & Pray 11:30am | March 12:00pm
1123 S. Church St. Charlotte, NC



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NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE PILGRIMAGE

WASHINGTON, DC

JANUARY 23-25, 2025

2 busses this year!
Depart & return from Charlotte
Bus fare, lodging, breakfasts included
Tickets: \$200-\$300; student discount available

National Prayer Vigil Mass | Life Fest
Rally & March for Life | Saturday Pilgrimage



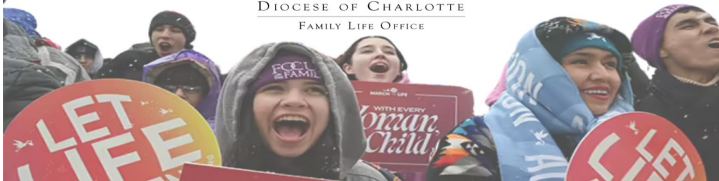
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Weekly Events Calendar

Every Monday: the Alliance of the two Hearts, 6:30 p.m. in the social hall.

Every Thursday: The Apostles of the Word 7 p.m in the social hall.

Every Friday: Eucharistic adoration from 9 am. to 6 p.m.

Every Second Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm the Parish Council meets in the Social Hall. (Next meeting January 9, 2025)

Every Second Friday of the month at 10:30am OLH Senior Club meeting in the Social Hall.

Every Third Saturday of the month: Nocturnal adoration from 7:00pm until 5:00am on Sunday.

Calendario de eventos semanales

Todos los lunes: La Alianza de los dos Corazones, 6:30 p.m. en el salón social.

Todos los jueves: Los Apóstoles de la Palabra 7 p.m. en el salón social.

Todos los viernes: Adoración Eucarística de 9 a.m. a 6 p.m.

Todos los segundos jueves del mes a las 7:00 p.m. el Consejo Parroquial se reúne en el Salón Social. (Próxima reunión el 9 de enero de 2025)

Todos los segundos viernes del mes a las 10:30 a.m. Reunión del Club de Mayores de OLH en el Salón Social.

Mensaje del parroco

Estimados feligreses:

En este tiempo de preparación, de espera con gozosa esperanza, nuestras lecturas nos invitan a escuchar la voz de Juan Bautista: Preparan el camino del Señor, enderecen sus senderos. ¿Cómo podemos abrir espacio para que Jesús se acerque a nosotros hoy? ¿Cómo Podemos esperanzarnos esperando que cruce montañas y valles para estar con nosotros? Mientras nos preparamos para la Eucaristía, ¿cómo podemos abrir nuestros corazones a Dios que está con nosotros en esta Misa?

Esta es la obra de este tiempo santo. Este es nuestro llamado mientras nos preparamos para la alegría de la Navidad. Que nuestro Dios que cruza montañas y valles para acercarse a nosotros nos haga puros e irreprochables... llenos del fruto de la justicia que viene a través de Jesucristo para gloria y Alabanza de Dios.