

*Palm Sunday*  
*March 29, 2026*



# Our Lady of Guadalupe

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

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### MASS SCHEDULE

<b>Saturday</b>	5:30 pm	OLG, Spanish
<b>Sunday</b>	7:25 am	SNDA
	9:30 am	OLG, English
	11:30 am	OLG, English
<b>Monday &amp; Tuesday</b>	6:00 pm	
<b>Wed., Thurs., &amp; Fri.</b>	12:05 pm	
<b>ADORATION</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	after 6:00 pm Mass
<b>CONFESSION</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	4:00-5:00 pm, or by appointment

**PARISH OFFICE** 1300 Guerra St., Phone: 361-664-2953  
Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 9:00 am-12:00 noon and 2:00-5:00 pm (Closed every Tuesday)

### OUR MISSION STATEMENT

To honor the Lord as Servants of Christ and Stewards of the mysteries of God by spreading his message of Love, Hope, Faith and Respect. In trusting his message, our diverse community will always remain united and be guided by the Holy Spirit, to encourage and support the development of the Sacramental Life and by being a community open to others that are coming in search of Christ's love and teachings.

### GOSPEL REFLECTION

Today the Church gathers with palm branches in our hands and joy on our lips. We begin the liturgy outside or at the entrance of the church recalling Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. The people welcomed Him as a king. They laid their cloaks on the road, waved palm branches, and shouted with excitement: "**Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!**" Yet only moments later in the liturgy we hear a very different cry in the Passion narrative: "**Crucify Him!**" Palm Sunday confronts us with one of the most dramatic contrasts in the entire Gospel story. The same city that welcomed Jesus with praise will soon reject Him with violence. The same crowd that sang "Hosanna" will cry "Crucify." And the uncomfortable question the Gospel places before us today is this: **Where do we stand in that crowd?**

The shift from "Hosanna" to "Crucify Him" reveals something very human. Crowds are easily swayed. Public opinion changes quickly. The enthusiasm of the moment fades. But Palm Sunday is not just about a crowd long ago. It is also about **our own hearts**. Because we, too, can move between devotion and betrayal.

Think of the characters in the Passion: **Peter**, who promised loyalty but denied Jesus three times. **Judas**, who had walked with Jesus but betrayed Him for silver. **Pilate**, who knew Jesus was innocent but gave in to pressure. **The disciples**, who fled when things became dangerous.

In different moments of our lives, we may recognize ourselves in each of them. There are times we are courageous in faith. And there are times we are silent when we should speak. Times we stand with Christ. And times we distance ourselves when it becomes inconvenient. Yet the message of Holy Week is not condemnation. It is **mercy**.

Because even after betrayal, denial, and abandonment, Jesus continues to love. When Jesus entered Jerusalem, He did not come as earthly kings do. He did not ride a war horse. He came riding a **donkey**, a humble animal.

This was not accidental. It fulfilled the prophecy of Zechariah: "Behold, your king comes to you; humble and riding on a donkey." Jesus reveals the kind of king He is. Not a king who conquers by force. Not a king who dominates by power.

But a king who conquers **through love and sacrifice**. The crowd expected a political savior. They hoped Jesus would overthrow Roman rule and restore Israel's power. But Jesus came to do something far greater: **He came to conquer sin, suffering, and death itself.**

The tragedy is that many people welcomed Him only as long as He fit their expectations. And the same temptation exists for us today. Sometimes we welcome Jesus when He blesses our plans.

But we struggle to follow Him when His path leads to sacrifice, forgiveness, humility, and the cross. Palm Sunday asks us: **Do we follow the real Christ, or the version of Christ we prefer?**

*March 29, 2026  
Mass Intentions*

*Saturday, March 28, 2026*

*Vigilia del Domingo de Ramos*

5:30p.m. † Eulalia Chapa (40th Ann.)  
† Julia M. Elizardo (13th Ann.)

*Sunday, March 29, 2026*

*Palm Sunday*

7:30a.m. † Kayla D. Peña (30th Ann.)  
† Esperanza Cuevas  
† Antonio Cuevas, Sr.  
† Antonio Cuevas, Jr.

9:30a.m. † Jesse Gonzalez  
† Santos Hernandez  
† Jason Trevino  
† Oscar Garcia  
† Cecilio & Cleotilde Saenz

11:30a.m. † Gilberto Escobar  
† Isaiah James Joslin (5th Ann.)  
† Santiago G. Chapa (1st Ann.)  
† Diana Chapa (40th Ann.)

*Monday, March 30, 2026*

6:00p.m. All OLG Parishioners

*Tuesday, March 31, 2026*

6:00p.m. All OLG Parishioners

*Wednesday, April 01, 2026*

12:05p.m. † Cyndi Rangel Coburn (1st Ann.)

*Thursday, April 02, 2026*

NO NOON MASS

6:00p.m. Last Supper & Washing of Feet  
*Eucharistic Adoration in Hall til 12:00 am*

*Friday, April 03, 2026*

NO NOON MASS

5:30pm Stations of the Cross - Procession from Luna  
Veneration of Cross

*Saturday, April 04, 2026*

*Vigilia del Domingo de Pascua de la Resurrección del Señor*

NO 5:30 MASS

8:00p.m. Easter Vigil - English

*Sunday, April 05, 2026*

*Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord*

7:30a.m. All SNDA Parishioners

9:30a.m. All SNDA Parishioners

11:30a.m. All SNDA Parishioners

March 15, 2026

**OLG**

Envelope Collections	2,168.70
Loose Collections	1,372.62
Flowers for all occasions	00.00
Childrens' Collections	79.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,620.32</b>

Second Collections:

Easter Flowers	115.00
Catholic Relief Services	839.85
Faith Formation	20.00
<b>Total 2nd Collections</b>	<b>\$ 974.85</b>

**SNDA**

Envelope Collections	70.00
Loose Collections	286.00
<b>Total Deposit</b>	<b>\$ 356.00</b>

II Collections

April 3rd - Holy Land/Good Friday

April 5th - Mother's Day Novenas

April 12th - Faith Formation

April 19th - Mother's Day Flowers

April 26th - Catholic Missions Appeal

May 3rd - Retired & Infirm Priests

May 10th - HGN

May 17th - Catholic Communications

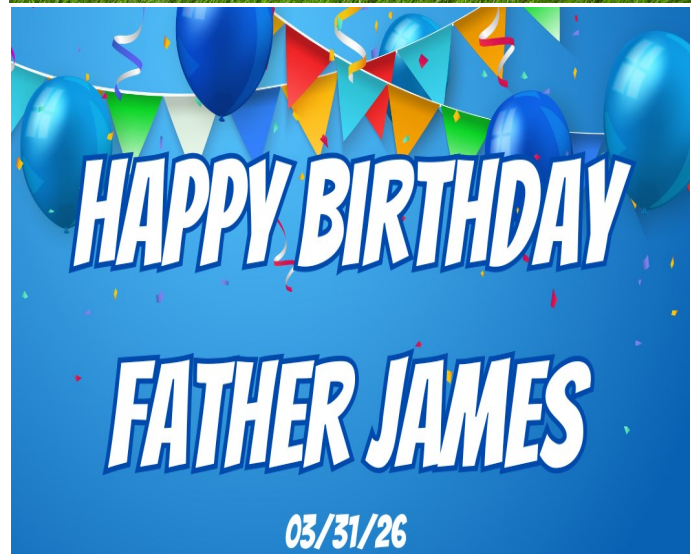
Parish Office will be closed on


\*Good Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>

\*Easter Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup>

Regular hours will resume on

Wednesday, April 8th





# OLG Corner

NO OCIA/OCIC CLASSES  
NO BIBLE STUDY  
NO FAITH FORMATION

*Have a Blessed Holy Week!*

## Holy Week Schedule

March 31<sup>st</sup> Chrism Mass 6:30pm at  
Most Precious Blood Church in Corpus Christi

April 2<sup>nd</sup> Holy Thursday 6:00pm (No noon mass)  
Last Supper & Washing of Feet

April 3<sup>rd</sup> Good Friday 5:30pm (No noon mass)

April 4<sup>th</sup> Easter Vigil 8:00pm (No 5:30 mass)

April 5<sup>th</sup> Easter Sunday  
7:25am SNDA  
9:30am OLG  
11:30am OLG



*Holy Thursday Candles and The Seven Churches Visitations' prayer Booklet will be available at the Parish office*

### Rules and Guidelines for the Seven Churches Visitation:

**When:** The visitations occur on Holy Thursday, specifically after the Mass of the Lord's Supper and before midnight.

**The Goal:** To enter into the passion of Christ by accompanying him through his final steps.

**Actions at Each Church:**

- \* Kneel and Adore: Kneel before the temporary "altar of repose" where the Eucharist is reserved.
- \* Prayers: No mandatory set of prayers exists, but it is customary to pray the Apostles' Creed, Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be, often while reflecting on the specific station of the Passion for that church.
- \* Focus: Offer prayers and adoration for Christ's sacrifice.
- \* Number of Churches: While seven is traditional, if seven are not available, visiting one or two is still meaningful, or even visiting seven distinct spots in one church.



*First Holy Communion*  
*May 02, 2026*  
*10:00 am*

## Confirmation

Sunday, May 17, 2026  
during 11:30AM mass  
with Bishop Aviles



*Luncheon to follow in Parish Hall*

*Our Lady of Guadalupe Church*  
**MEN'S F.L.A.M.E.**

# BINGO

**JUNE 7, 2026**

Time: 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
Location: KC Hall, Alice, TX  
Donation.....\$20.00 per Ticket  
Specials will be sold for \$1.00  
Food and drinks will be sold during Bingo



## RESTORE MY SOUL

*(Psalm 23)*  
Lay down your burdens.  
Let Him restore your soul.



Our Lady Of Guadalupe Catholic Church | Alice, Texas  
**OLG Women's F.L.A.M.E. Retreat**  
*A time of renewal, healing, and encounter with the Lord*

**June 18 - June 21, 2026**  
*All women are welcome*

Step into a sacred four-day journey of prayer, reflection, and sisterhood. This retreat is an invitation to lay down your burdens, open your heart, and allow the Good Shepherd to heal your wounds, renew your strength, and restore your soul through Christ.

Whether you are weary, searching, or longing for deeper intimacy with God this retreat is for you.

**Registration & Information**  
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