



*Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles*  
*June 29, 2025*



# 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

Peter and Paul: two apostles in love with the Lord, two pillars of the faith of the Church. As we reflect on their lives, today's Gospel sets before us the question that Jesus posed to his disciples: "Who do you say that I am?" (*Matthew 16:16*) This is the essential and most important question of all: Who is Jesus for me? Who is Jesus in my life? Let us see how the two apostles answered that question.

Peter's answer can be summed up in one word: *follow*. Peter knew what it was to follow the Lord. On that day in Caesarea Philippi, Peter responded to Jesus' question with a fine profession of faith: "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." (*Matthew 16:16*) Only after the thrilling experience of following the Lord, walking with him and behind him for some time, did Peter arrive at the spiritual maturity that brought him, by grace, by pure grace, to so clear a profession of faith.

The same evangelist, Matthew, tells us that it all began one day when, beside the Sea of Galilee, Jesus walked by, called Peter and his brother Andrew, "and immediately they left their nets and followed him." (4:20) Peter left everything behind to follow the Lord. The Gospel stresses that he did so "immediately." Peter did not tell Jesus that he would think it over; he didn't calculate the pros and cons; he didn't come up with alibis to postpone the decision. Instead, he left his nets and followed Jesus, without demanding any kind of guarantee beforehand. He was to learn everything *day by day*, as a disciple, a follower of Jesus, walking in his footsteps.

Peter tells us that it is not enough to respond to the question – "Who is Jesus for me?". It is only by following the Lord that we come to know him each day, only by becoming his disciples and listening to his words that we become his friends and experience his transforming love. Many other things can be postponed in life, but not following Jesus; where he is concerned, we cannot hesitate or come up with excuses.

We now come to the Apostle of the Gentiles. If the word to describe Peter's answer was *follow*, for Paul it is *proclaim*, to preach the Gospel. For Paul too, everything began with grace, with the Lord's prior initiative. On the road to Damascus, as he led a fierce persecution of Christians, barricaded in his religious convictions, the risen Jesus met him and blinded him by his light. Or better, thanks to that light, Paul came to realize how blind he had been: caught up in the pride of his rigid observance, he discovered in Jesus the fulfilment of the mystery of salvation. If we look at Paul's life, it almost seems that the more he preached the Gospel, the more he grew in the knowledge of Jesus. By preaching the Word to others, he was able to peer more deeply into the depths of God's mystery. Paul could then write: "Woe to me if I do not proclaim the Gospel!" (*1 Corinthians 9:16*) He could then confess: "To me, life is Christ." (*Philippians 1:21*)

Paul tells us that our answer to the question – "Who is Jesus for me?" – is not a privatized piety that leaves us peaceful and unconcerned about bringing the Gospel to others. The Apostle teaches us that we grow in faith and in knowledge of the mystery of Christ when we preach and bear witness to him before others.

Peter and Paul, answered the essential question in life – "Who is Jesus for me?" – by following him as his disciples and by proclaiming the Gospel. It is good for us to grow as a Church in the same way, by following the Lord, constantly and humbly seeking him out. It is good for us to become a Church that is also outgoing, finding joy not in the things of the world, but in preaching the Gospel before the world and opening people's hearts to the presence of God. Bringing the Lord Jesus everywhere, with humility and joy: in our families, in our relationships and our neighborhoods, in civil society, in the Church, and political life, in the entire world, especially in those places where poverty, decay, and marginalization are deeply rooted.

## June 29, 2025 Mass Intentions

**Saturday, June 28, 2025**

**Vigilia de Los Santos Apóstoles Pedro y Pablo**

5:30p.m. † Elena G. Juarez (3rd Ann.) - by Roberto Juarez

**Sunday, June 29, 2025**

**Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles**

7:25a.m. † David Vela - by Vela Family  
† Selena Vela Ramirez - by Vela Family  
† Emilia Vela - by Vela Family

9:30a.m. † Ovidio Escamilla, Sr. (B-day Rem.) - by Jennifer  
& Kadence Escamilla  
† Maria Herminia Rodriguez (B-day Rem.) - by Jennifer  
& Kadence Escamilla  
† Elena G. Juarez (3rd Ann.) - by Roberto Juarez  
† Narciso & San Juana Gonzalez - by Narciso & Barbara Gonzalez  
In Thanksgiving of 48th Wedding Anniversary for  
Deacon Emede & Nora Gonzalez

11:30a.m. † Ronaldo Escobar (17th Ann.) - by Escobar Family  
† Juanita Silva-Perez - by Bruno Perez & Family  
† Isaiah James Joslin - by Ruben & Suzanne Joslin  
† Ramiro Villarreal, Sr. - by CDA

**Monday, June 30, 2025**

6:00p.m. All OLG Parishioners

**Tuesday, July 01, 2025**

6:00p.m. All OLG Parishioners

**Wednesday, July 02, 2025**

12:05p.m. † Isaiah James Joslin - by Ruben & Suzanne Joslin  
† Mary B. Flores (2nd Ann.) - by Family

**Thursday, July 03, 2025**

12:05p.m. † Laura V. Vera - by Parents

**Friday, July 04, 2025**

12:05p.m. All OLG Parishioners

**Saturday, July 05, 2025**

**Vigilia del Decimocarto Domingo del  
Tiempo Ordinario**

5:30p.m. All OLG Parishioners

**Sunday, July 06, 2025**

**Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:25a.m. † Sally Vela Ramirez - by Juana & Alfredo Garcia  
† Emilia H. Vela - by Juana & Alfredo Garcia

9:30a.m. † Anita B. Villanueva - by Family  
† Delma Morantes - by Family  
† Guadalupe Buentello (B-day Rem.) - by Anna Belle Buentello  
& Daughters  
† Narciso T. Sanchez - by Sonia Trevino & Family  
† William Taylor, IV - by Deacon Emede & Nora Gonzalez

11:30a.m. † Juanita Silva-Perez - by Bruno Perez & Family  
† Santiago G. Chapa - by Tony & Jesusa Vera  
† Regino Molina - by Deacon Emede & Nora Gonzalez

**June 15, 2025**

### OLG

Envelope Collections	\$2,650.97
Loose Collections	1,272.00
Flowers for all occasions	00.00
Childrens' Collections	00.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,922.97</b>

Second Collections:

Faith Formations	521.00
Teen Ministry	507.00
Catholic Home Mission	00.00
Charitable Works	00.00
<b>Total 2nd Collections</b>	<b>\$ 1,028.00</b>

### SNDA

Envelope Collections	\$ 75.00
Loose Collections	261.00
<b>Total Deposit</b>	<b>\$ 336.00</b>

### II Collections

**June 29th - Peter's Pence**

**July 6th - Faith Formation**

**July 13th - Charitable Works**

**July 20th - Solidarity for Church in Africa**

**July 27th - Teen Ministry**

**August 3rd - Bishop Stewardship Appeal**

**August 17th - Faith Formation**

**August 24th - Teen Ministry**

**September 7th - Catholic University**



### \*\*\*Mass Intention Deadline\*\*\*

All mass intentions will be celebrated at mass.  
All information to be printed in the bulletin must  
be submitted 14 days prior to the bulletin date.

This includes intentions, anniversaries  
and birthday celebrations.

Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any  
questions please contact the parish office.



### Lectors and EMHC– 2025

September 08, 2024

6:00p.m. Mass

Training to begin after mass

All those who would like to serve as EMHC  
or Lector at OLG, please be present.

**VBS** @ OLG  
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

*\*Mark your calendar\**

(new date)

**July 7-11, 2025**

**8:00 am - 12:00 pm**

\$25 per child / \$50 per family

### *Meditated Rosary of the Immaculate Heart of Mary*

**08/02/2025 at 8:00 AM**

*The Holy Rosary is a powerful prayer that can bring  
blessings and peace into one's life.*

### OCIA Registration

OCIA is a process of conversion that provides  
faith formation, instruction, spiritual enrichment and  
preparation for the sacraments of initiation for adults:  
Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist.

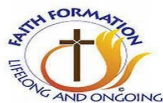
Those who have not received their sacraments are  
encouraged to sign up for our next class. Registration is on  
August 31, 2025 in the Parish Hall from 10:00 am-1:00 pm.

*Please contact the parish office for additional information.*

### **ATTENTION PARENTS**

#### **Faith Formation Registration Kickoff Party**

**In the Parish Hall  
August 31, 2025  
10:30 am—1:30 pm**



### **Men's F.L.A.M.E. Retreat**



**August 21 - 24, 2025**

**For more info contact**

**Director Gap Lopez 361-415-5616**

**Co Director Henry Riojas 361-701-3175**

**Co Director Esteban Contreras 361-389-4366**

### **Diocese of Corpus Christi Youth Ministry**

#### **Youth Ministers Retreat**

**August 2, 2025**

**@ Spirit Center**

### **Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish Bingo**

**Sunday, September 14, 2025**

**Time: 2:00 pm—6:00 pm**

**Location: KC Hall, Alice, Texas**

**Donation.....\$20 per Ticket**

**Specials will be sold for \$1.00**

**\*Doors open at 12:30pm\***

**Food and drinks will be sold during Bingo**

*Come to me all you who are  
weary and burdened, and I  
will give you rest. Mt. 11:28*



**OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE CHURCH, ALICE**  
**Eucharistic Adoration with Healing Prayers (Advent)**

**Saturday, September 20, 2025**

**8:00 AM**

**Celebrated by Fr. James Thoompunkal HGN**