

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 12, 2026

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

In today's Gospel, Jesus leaves the house, goes to the shore, and begins teaching the crowds. So many people gather around Him that He climbs into a boat and teaches from there. Then He tells one of the most famous parables in all of Scripture:

"A sower went out to sow." A farmer scatters seed. Some falls on the path, some on rocky ground, some among thorns, and some on rich soil. Yet Jesus later explains that this parable is really about the human heart and how we receive the Word of God. The seed is the same in every case. The sower is generous and abundant. The difference lies not in the seed but in the soil. This parable invites us to ask a deeply personal question: **What kind of soil am I today?**

The first thing we notice is the extravagance of the sower. He scatters seed everywhere. Some of it falls in places where it seems unlikely to grow. This tells us something important about God.

God does not ration His grace. He does not offer His Word only to the perfect, the educated, the holy, or the successful. He casts His Word widely. He speaks to saints and sinners, believers and doubters, the young and the old. Every day God is sowing seeds into our lives. He sows through Scripture. He sows through prayer. He sows through the sacraments. He sows through the wisdom of others. He sows through suffering, blessings, relationships, and even ordinary daily events. The question is never whether God is speaking. The question is whether we are listening.

Jesus says that some seed falls on the path. Before it can take root, the birds come and eat it. He explains that this represents those who hear the Word but do not understand it. The evil one snatches away what has been sown in their hearts.

The second seed falls on rocky ground. It springs up quickly but withers under the heat because it has no deep roots. Jesus says this refers to those who receive the Word with joy but fall away when difficulties arise.

The third seed falls among thorns. Jesus explains that these thorns represent worldly anxieties and the lure of wealth that choke the Word.

Finally, some seed falls on rich soil and produces a harvest, thirty, sixty, or one hundredfold. This is the heart that hears the Word, understands it, welcomes it, and allows it to bear fruit.

Good soil still faces weather, drought, storms, and challenges. But it remains receptive. A fruitful Christian is not someone who never struggles. A fruitful Christian is someone who continually returns to God.

Good soil is humble. Good soil is teachable. Good soil is willing to be changed. The Word of God is not meant merely to inform us. It is meant to transform us.

The purpose of hearing the Gospel is not simply to gain knowledge. It is to become different people. When God's Word takes root, it produces visible fruit: Greater love for God. Greater compassion for others. Deeper forgiveness. Increased patience. Stronger faith. Greater generosity. More courage in witnessing to Christ. The harvest becomes evident in the way we live.

Our Lady of Guadalupe CATHOLIC CHURCH

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	5:30 pm	OLG, Spanish
Sunday	7:25 am	SNDA
	9:30 am	OLG, English
	11:30 am	OLG, English
Monday & Tuesday	6:00 pm	
Wed., Thurs., & Fri.	12:05 pm	
ADORATION	Tuesday	after 6:00 pm Mass
CONFESSION	Saturday	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)

July 12, 2026
Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 11, 2026

*Vigilia del Decimoquinto Domingo del
Tiempo Ordinario*

5:30p.m. † Baldemar & Feliciano Campos
(Wedding Ann. Rem.)
† Elena Corona
† Julian R. Rodriguez

Sunday, July 12, 2026

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30a.m. † Antonio Cuevas, Sr. (B-day Rem.)
† Esperanza Cuevas
† Kayla D. Peña
† Antonio Cuevas, Jr.

9:30a.m. † Jesse Gonzalez
† John Rennard
† Virginia Reyna
† Antonio "Tony" Balboa
† Patty Balboa
† Alex Balboa
† Panfila Salinas
† Rosa Salinas
† Guadalupe Garza, Sr. (1st Ann.)
† Adelaida H. Garza (10th Ann.)

11:30a.m. † Nelda Marquez Garcia

Monday, July 13, 2026

6:00p.m. † Maria Elena Garza

Tuesday, July 14, 2026

6:00p.m. OLG Parishioners

Wednesday, July 15, 2026

12:05p.m. OLG Parishioners

Thursday, July 16, 2026

12:05p.m. OLG Parishioners

Friday, July 17, 2026

12:05p.m. Anna Schaefer

Saturday, July 18, 2026

*Vigilia del Decimosexto Domingo del
Tiempo Ordinario*

5:30p.m. † Miguel Ramirez, Sr. (B-day Rem.)
† Virginia Reyna

Sunday, July 19, 2026

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30a.m. All SNDA Parishioners

9:30a.m. † Troy Hargis
† Ruben R. Gonzalez
† Sarita C. Gonzalez (B-day Rem.)
† Maria Elena Garza
† Sylvia Buentello

11:30a.m. † Juan Moscote
† Virginia Reyna
† Isaiah James Joslin (4th Ann.)
† Santiago G. Chapa (1st Ann.)

June 21, 2026

OLG

Envelope Collections	1,749.00
Loose Collections	1,132.85
Flowers for all occasions	00.00
Childrens' Collections	00.00
Total	2,881.85

Second Collections:	
Charitable Works	5.00
Faith Formation	846.00
The Catholic	00.00
Total 2nd Collections	\$ 851.00

SNDA

Envelope Collections	00.00
Loose Collections	360.00
Total Deposit	\$ 360.00

June 28, 2026

OLG

Envelope Collections	2,531.29
Loose Collections	1,300.00
Childrens' Collections	00.00
Total	3,831.29

Second Collections:	
Faith Formation	28.00
Peter Pence	580.00
Bathroom Renovation	2.00
Catholic School Dev.	5.00
Total 2nd Collections	\$ 615.00

SNDA

Envelope Collections	00.00
Loose Collections	541.00
Total Deposit	\$ 541.00

II COLLECTIONS

July 12th - Church in Africa
July 19th - Charitable Works
July 26th - Teen Ministry
August 2nd - Bishop's Stewardship Appeal
August 9th - Catholic Schools
August 16th - Faith Formation
August 23rd - Teen Ministry

CHANGES TO II COLLECTIONS

FOLLOWING II COLLECTIONS WILL
GO TOWARDS BATHROOM

6/14/26 Faith Formation	9/13/26 Charitable Works
7/19/26 Charitable Works	11/01/26
8/23/26 Teen Ministry	12/20/26 Faith Formation

Please use the envelope you received and
collection will be used for new bathroom

Seeking Door Greeters

Please consider volunteering as a door greeter. To sign up or for more info contact Melba Lara 361-701-6142



OLG Corner

7/13/26 6:30PM

TEEN BIBLE STUDY

7/14/26 7:00PM

BIBLE STUDY

7/16/26 7:00PM

ULTREYA MEETING

Have a Blessed Week!

Our Lady of Guadalupe Church

will be hosting our
Monthly Food Bank

July 14, 2026

Time: 8:00a.m.

OLG Church parking lot

You're Invited!

Getting to know JESUS

— THE GOSPEL OF MARK —

"Come," he said,
"follow me."
(Mark 1:17)



A Bible study to encounter Jesus,
understand His mission,
and follow Him more closely. ♥



EXPLORE
the life and ministry
of Jesus through
the Gospel of Mark.



GROW
in your faith through
Scripture, discussion,
and community.



FOLLOW
Jesus more closely
in your everyday
life.



**STARTING
JUNE 15**

6:30P



at Faith Formation
Building (CCD)

Whether you're new to the Bible
or have studied for years,
there's a place for you here.

★ **TEENS 14+** ★

Come as you are. Let's get to know Jesus—*together.* ♥

MEN'S F.L.A.M.E. RETREAT

AUGUST 20-23, 2026



**ANSWER THE CALL. STRENGTHEN THE MAN.
FOLLOW THE CHRIST.**

Brothers,

In a world full of noise and conflicting identities, there is one question that defines a man's life: Who is Jesus Christ to you? When Peter made his great profession of faith, his entire life changed. He found his purpose, his mission, and his strength. We invite you to step away from the daily grind for a weekend of brotherhood, prayer, and reflection as we dive into what it means to declare Christ as Lord in our own lives today.

**"YOU ARE THE CHRIST. THE SON OF THE LIVING
GOD." MATTHEW 16:16**

Contact OLG
Church Office
361-664-2953



Retreat
cost \$175
deposit
\$75

Our Lady of Guadalupe Church Prize Bingo

Date: Sunday, August 9, 2026

Time: 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Location: KC Hall, Alice, TX

Donation.....\$20.00 per Ticket

Everyone entering must have a ticket!

Specials will be sold for \$1.00

CALL PARISH FOR MORE INFO 361-664-2953

BINGO Donations

We are currently accepting monetary
donations for our Parish Bingo.

Any amount is appreciated.

Please call the office for more info.

REGISTRATION FEST

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE CHURCH

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30, 2026

10:30AM - 1:00PM

OLG PARISH HALL

WHAT TO EXPECT

- MEET YOUR TEACHER
- GRAB SOME TREATS
- LEAVE HAPPY

WE WILL ALSO BE REGISTERING FOR:

- *OCIA
- *OCIC
- *ALTAR SERVERS
- *GIA
- *JCDA

CONTACT US

361-756-3707
DIANA MARTINEZ
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CYNTHIA CASTILLO



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.

*"But the seed
sown on rich soil
is the one who
hears the word
and understands it..."*

