

Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 21, 2025



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

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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's Gospel is one of the more challenging and puzzling parables of Jesus. At first glance, it may seem as if Jesus is praising dishonesty, which can be shocking. But as always, our Lord uses the unexpected to shake us from our assumptions and lead us to a deeper truth. Let's walk slowly through this passage and open our hearts to what God is truly saying.

Jesus tells the story of a rich man who discovers that his steward, his manager, is squandering his property. In the ancient world, a steward didn't own anything but managed the master's estate, accounts, and servants. He had a trusted position. But this manager is caught mismanaging funds, and so he is told, "You can no longer be my steward."

Facing dismissal, the manager begins to think fast. "I'm not strong enough to dig," he says, "and I'm ashamed to beg." So, what does he do? He calls in his master's debtors and reduces their debts, essentially cutting deals so that they'll owe him a favor once he's out of work.

Now, when the master hears of this plan, surprisingly, he commends the dishonest manager, not for his dishonesty, but for his shrewdness. Jesus then adds a stunning statement: "The children of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light."

Let's be clear: Jesus is not praising dishonesty. In fact, the steward was fired for it. But Jesus is holding up this man's creativity, urgency, and strategic thinking as a lesson for His followers.

The dishonest manager used the little time he had left to secure his future. And he acted decisively, with purpose and clarity. Jesus is asking: Do we, as children of light—disciples of Christ, act with the same clarity and commitment when it comes to our eternal future?

Many people in the world work hard and plan ahead for their careers, for their retirement, for their children's education. They consult advisors, save money, network, invest, and strategize. But how often do we plan ahead for the only future that truly lasts: eternal life?

If this dishonest man used worldly wealth to secure his worldly future, how much more should we use the gifts God has given us to serve His Kingdom?

One of the biggest truths hidden in this parable is the concept of stewardship.

The dishonest manager didn't own the money he was managing. And neither do we. Everything we have our time, our talents, our possessions, our relationships is entrusted to us by God. We are stewards, not owners.

This flies in the face of what the world tells us. The world says, "This is *my* money, *my* house, *my* life. I can do with it what I please." But Jesus reminds us: You will be held accountable. One day, the Master will ask, "How have you managed what I gave you?"

The question is not *how much* we have, but *how* we use it. Are we generous with our time, using it for prayer, service, and love? Are we generous with our money, supporting the poor, the Church, and those in need? Are we generous with our talents, offering them for the good of others?

Jesus says something else that may surprise us: "Make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth, so that when it fails, they may welcome you into eternal dwellings."

"Dishonest wealth" here doesn't mean *stolen money* but rather worldly wealth, which is often tied to systems of injustice or simply carries the danger of corruption. Jesus is telling us: Use your worldly wealth wisely. Use it in a way that will bear eternal fruit.

September 21, 2025
Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 20, 2025
Vigilia del Vigésimo Quinto Domingo del
Tiempo Ordinario

8:00a.m. † Eucharistic Adoration with Healing
 Prayers
 5:30p.m. † Connie Cantu
 † Orlando Sendejo, Sr.
 † Enrique Higareda (13th Ann.)
 † All Souls in Purgatory

Sunday, September 21, 2025
Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30a.m. † All SNDA Parishioners
 9:30a.m. † Lydia Rodriguez
 † Joe Rodriguez, Sr.
 † Simon Anguiano, Sr.
 † Elia Mendoza
 † Frank Everett
 † Guadalupe G. Gonzalez
 † Andres Aaron Canas
 † Henry Hill, Sr.
 † Michael Higgins
 11:30a.m. † All Souls in Purgatory
 † Ramiro B. Villarreal
 † Juanita Silva-Perez
 † David Jimenez
 † Saul Castillo
 † William Joslin

Monday, September 22, 2025

6:00p.m. † All Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, September 23, 2025

6:00p.m. † All Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, September 24, 2025

12:05p.m. † All Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, September 25, 2025

12:05p.m. † All Souls in Purgatory

Friday, September 26, 2025

12:05p.m. † All Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, September 27, 2025

Vigilia del Vigésimo Sexto Domingo del
Tiempo Ordinario

5:30p.m. † Hector Sandoval, Sr. (1st Ann.)
 † Donato M. Rios (55th Ann.)
 † Jose Moscot (13th Ann.)
 † All Souls in Purgatory
 † Heraclio Gonzalez
 † Norberto Gonzalez
 In Thanksgiving of 25th Wedding Ann.
 For Jose & Maria Ceja

Sunday, September 28, 2025
Twenty Six Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30a.m. † All SNDA Parishioners
 9:30a.m. † David Rodriguez, Jr. (B-day Rem.)
 † Frank Everett
 † Esperanza S. Saenz
 † Ruben R. Gonzalez
 † Hortencia "Tencha" Gonzalez
 11:30a.m. † All Souls in Purgatory
 † Juanita Silva-Perez
 † Rex Ramon (B-day Rem.)

September 07, 2025

OLG

Envelope Collections	\$2,804.29
Loose Collections	1,591.00
Flowers for all occasions	00.00
Childrens' Collections	00.00
Total	\$ 4,395.29

Second Collections:

DOCC - Catholic University	1,125.00
VFW Rental Donation	500.00
Total 2nd Collections	\$1,625.00

SNDA

Envelope Collections	\$ 45.00
Loose Collections	364.00
Total Deposit	\$ 409.00

II Collections

September 21st - Disaster Relief Colleccion

September 28th - Faith Formation

October 5th - Respect Life

October 12th - All Souls Novena

October 19th - Mission Sunday

October 26th - All Souls Day Flowers

November 2nd - All Souls/All Saints

**November 9th - DOCC - Archdiocese for
 Military Services**

November 16th - Human Development

November 27th - Teen Ministry

**November 30th - Christmas Flowers
 Christmas Novenas**

December 7th - Teen Ministry

December 14th - Retirement for Religious

December 21st - Faith Formation



OLG CORNER THIS WEEK

09/21/21	10:45AM-11:45AM Faith Formation
	1:00PM Teen Social
09/22/25	6:30PM OCIA/OCIC
09/24/25	5:30PM/7:00PM Faith Formation
09/25/25	6:00PM Pastoral Council Meeting
	7:00PM Ultreya Meeting

Call the parish office with any questions

Have a Blessed Week!

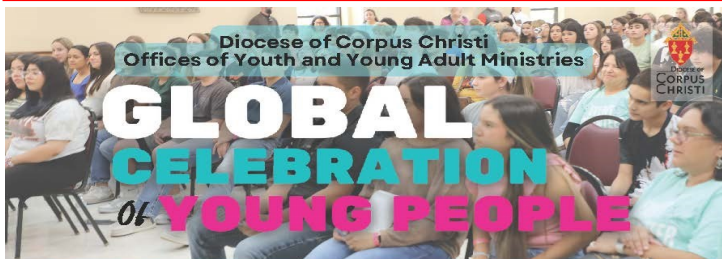


****Mass Intention Deadline****

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.*

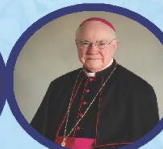




Emcee:
Luis Briseno



Music & Keynote by:
Rolley & Madi Gonzalez



Mass:
Bishop Michael Mulvey

OCTOBER 12TH
SUNDAY **COST \$5**
1 - 6PM Doors open at 12:30pm

Most Precious Blood Catholic Church

Join us for a day of celebration of Youth and Young Adults with: games, music, fellowship, food, Adoration and Mass. *The Church is forever young!*



Dedicate the month of **October**
to our **Blessed Mother**

Join us in praying the **Rosary**
everyday this month

Location: at Church
Time: 9:00pm





OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE CHURCH INVITES YOU TO
PLEASE JOIN US FOR A

FALL FESTIVAL

GORDITAS **SAUSAGE WRAPS** **CAKE WALK** **CORN CUPS** **TAMALES** **pollo asado** **BURGERS** **games** **SWEETS**

bring your lawn chairs!

come out for a great time of
FOOD - FUN - FELLOWSHIP

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2025
5PM - 9PM
OLG CHURCH GROUNDS
1010 BEAM STATION RD, ALICE, TX



OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE CHURCH
INVITES YOU TO JOIN US AT OUR

trunk or treat

& outdoor movie night

featuring:

***bring your family** ***bring your friends**

***bring your lawn chairs**

Friday, October 17 | 6:30PM - 8:30PM
movie starts at 7pm
1010 BEAM STATION RD, ALICE, TX