Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 11, 2026



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:oo 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)

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 presents us with one of the most beautiful and, at the same time, most challenging parables of Jesus: the Parable of the Wedding Feast. Jesus tells us about a king who prepares a wedding feast for his son. The meal is ready. The invitations have gone out. Everything has been prepared. The king sends his servants to call the invited guests, but they refuse to come.

The king sends other servants, saying, in effect, "Everything is ready. Come to the feast." But the invited guests ignore the invitation. Some go about their business. Others mistreat and even kill the servants. The king is angry, and eventually he opens the feast to others. He sends his servants into the streets and gathers everyone they can find—both good and bad—until the wedding hall is filled with guests.

Then comes the surprising part. The king enters and sees a man who is not wearing a wedding garment. He asks him how he came into the feast without the proper garment. The man has nothing to say. He is thrown out. And Jesus concludes with those words: "Many are invited, but few are chosen." This parable speaks about an invitation. It speaks about God's generosity.

It speaks about our freedom to accept or reject God's grace. And it reminds us that receiving an invitation is not the same thing as responding to it.

The kingdom of God is compared to a wedding banquet. A wedding is normally a celebration of love, communion, joy, family, friendship, and new life. Jesus is telling us something profound about God. God does not ultimately desire that we live in fear of Him. God desires communion with us. He wants us at His table. He wants us to share His joy. He wants us to enter into a relationship with Him. The Christian life is therefore not merely about following a list of rules.

It is about being invited into a relationship with God. God is not simply saying, "Here are some commandments. Follow them." He is saying: "Come. Come into my presence. Come to my table. Come and share my life." That is the heart of the Gospel. The kingdom is described as a feast because salvation is communion with God.

The king says to his servants: "Behold, I have prepared my banquet." Notice the words: I have prepared. God takes the initiative. Before we ever begin searching for God, God is already searching for us. Before we ever think about prayer, God is already calling us. Before we ever decide to return to Him, He is already waiting for us. Before we can earn anything, God has already given us grace. Christianity begins not with our achievement but with God's initiative. We sometimes imagine that we must somehow make ourselves worthy before approaching God. We tell ourselves: "I need to get my life together first."

"I need to become a better person first." "Then I will pray." "Then I will come back to church."

"Then I will return to God." But the Gospel gives us the opposite message. Come now. God has already prepared the feast. God knows our weaknesses. God knows our failures. God knows our sins. And still He says: Come.

Let God's grace change the way you think, the way you speak, the way you treat your family, the way you treat strangers, the way you handle money, the way you respond to suffering, and the way you forgive those who have hurt you.

And when the King looks upon us, may He see people who have not merely heard His invitation but have answered it with their whole lives.

October 11, 2026
Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 10, 2026
Vigilia del Vigesimoctavo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
5:30p.m. † Jesus Ceja

Sunday, October 11, 2026
Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30a.m. SNDA Parishioners

9:30a.m. † Maria Elena Garza
† Isaias Castillo
† Tomasa Castillo

11:30a.m † Paula San Miguel
† Acencion (Chon) Rivera (B-day Rem.)
† David Lopez, Jr. (2nd Ann.)
For Healing for Derek Galindo
For Healing for Rudy Ramirez

Monday, October 12, 2026
6:00p.m Communion Service
† Isaias & Tomasa Castillo

Tuesday, October 13, 2026
6:00p.m. Communion Service
† Lupe G. Garza (B-day Rem.)
† Isaias & Tomasa Castillo

Wednesday, October 14, 2026
12:05p.m. Communion Service
† Isaias & Tomasa Castillo

Thursday, October 15, 2026
12:05p.m. Rolando Hernandez
† Isaias & Tomasa Castillo

Friday, October 16, 2026
12:05p.m. † Isaias & Tomasa Castillo

Saturday, October 17, 2026
Vigilia del Vigésimo Noveno Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
5:30p.m. † Victoria M. Bentancourt (32nd Ann.)
† Luisa P. Sandoval (81st Ann.)
† Isaias & Tomasa Castillo
† Servando "Shorty" Garza (B-day Rem.)

Sunday, October 18, 2026
Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30a.m. † Elia Juarez Espinoza (B-day Rem.)

9:30a.m. † Isaias & Tomasa Castillo

11:30a.m † Diana Chapa
† Isaiah James Joslin (5th Ann.)
† Laura V. Vera
† Juan Moscot
† Felix B. Manrique
† Nicolasa G. Manrique
In Honor of 89th B-day for Ramona Alvarado

September 20, 2026

OLG

Envelope Collections	2,080.00
Loose Collections	1,925.92
Childrens' Collections	0.00
Total	**4,005.92**

Second Collections:	
New Restroom	0.00
Catholic University	4.00
Disaster Relief	23.00
Faith Formation	603.00
Total 2nd Collections	**$ 630.00**

SNDA

Collections	296.00
Bishop's Sharing Appeal	00.00
Total Deposit	**$ 296.00**

II COLLECTIONS

October 11th - All Souls Novena
October 18th - World Mission Sunday-DOCC
October 25th - All Souls Day Flowers
November 1st - New Bathrooms
November 8th - Teen Ministry
November 15th - Campaign for Human Dev.
November 22nd - Christmas Flowers

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

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 at 664-2953

OLG Corner

10/12/26	6:00PM	OCIA/OCIC
10/13/26	7:00PM	BIBLE STUDY
10/14/26	5:30PM	FAITH FORMATION
10/16/26	7:00PM	CONQUISTANDO
10/18/26	10:00AM	FAITH FORMATION

Have a Blessed Week!

Knights of Columbus

Please register at parish office for more info. At this time we ask that at least 20 people sign up to start up again.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Church
will be hosting our
Monthly Food Bank
October 13, 2026
Time: 8:00 am
OLG Church Parking Lot

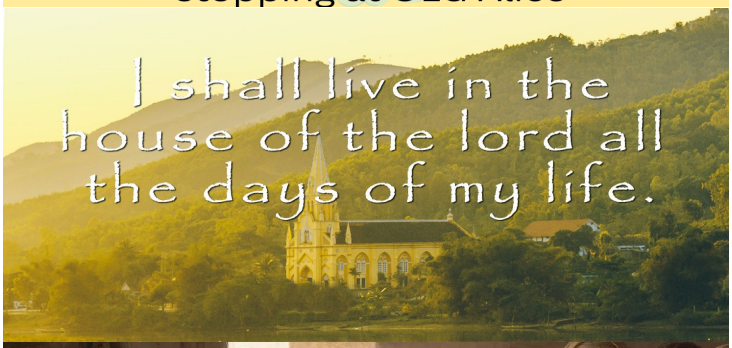
Baptisms

Baptism Classes - *Third Thursday of every month at 7pm in CCD building. Must first complete a registration form & provide necessary paperwork to attend class.*

Baptisms - *Can be scheduled any day after scheduling an appointment with Fr. James & all necessary documents are received & verified at the office.*

Parents & Godparents *are required to complete a baptism class before baptism can be scheduled (class attendance is only valid for the last 12 months). Obtain a registration form and more information at parish office.*

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Alice
Saturday, 10/17/26
1:00 pm Mass
Carrera Antorcha for
Our Lady of Guadalupe from
Mexico City to New York
stopping at OLG Alice





WHITE MASS

A Holy Mass honoring all healthcare professionals.

Thursday, October 29, 2026, 6:00 PM
Corpus Christi Cathedral
505 N Upper Broadway, Corpus Christi, TX 78401

All healthcare professionals and support staff are invited to an evening of prayer and appreciation as we honor all who serve in the field and ask God's grace and strength upon those who continue Christ's healing ministry through their care and service to others.

Immediately following Mass, there will be dinner at El Camino Restaurant (314 Chaparral St.) and a talk on Ethics for Continuing Medical Education (CME) credit presented by Sean Hutzler, M.D., FACEP, FAAEM. No RSVP required.

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