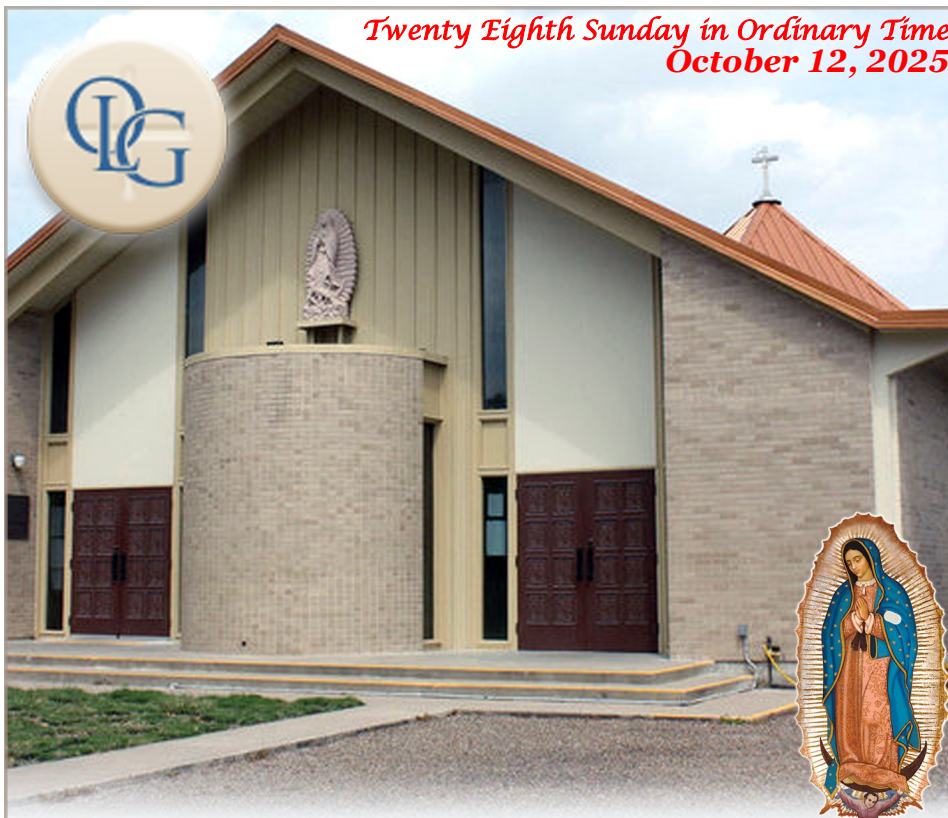


Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 12, 2025



Our Lady of Guadalupe

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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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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

This Gospel is not just about a miracle, it's about a response. Ten are healed, but only one returns. Ten are cleansed, but only one is made whole. Ten receive a gift, but only one gives thanks. We live in a time when gratitude is easily overlooked. In our fast-paced world, we often expect blessings without acknowledging the Giver. Today, Jesus calls us to deeper reflection, not just on what He can do for us, but how we respond to His grace.

The Gospel begins with Jesus traveling **between Samaria and Galilee**, a borderland, both geographically and spiritually. Borderlands are places of tension, uncertainty, and encounter. And it is there that **ten lepers** meet Him.

Leprosy in biblical times was not just a physical illness—it was social and spiritual exile. Lepers were outcasts, forced to live apart, cut off from worship, community, and even family. They had to cry out "Unclean!" to warn others to stay away.

But these ten cry out something different: "**Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!**" They don't ask for healing directly. They ask for mercy. That cry, "Have mercy!" is one of the most powerful prayers in all of Scripture. It is the cry of the poor, the broken, the sinner, the desperate. And it is always heard by Jesus. Even though they remain at a distance, **Jesus sees them. Jesus sees those the world forgets.** You may feel invisible in your suffering, but Jesus sees you.

Jesus gives them a curious command: "*Go, show yourselves to the priests.*" In Jewish law, only a priest could certify someone as clean and allow them to re-enter society. But notice: **they are not healed immediately.** The miracle happens *as they go*. This is the essence of faith, **trusting and obeying before the answer comes.** How often do we wait to believe until we see results? But real faith moves forward even in uncertainty. The ten lepers begin walking still wounded, still marked, still outcast. But as they obey, they are cleansed. Healing begins when faith starts walking. Perhaps you're still in that "in-between" stage still waiting for healing, still walking with your pain. Don't stop. Jesus is working *as you go*.

Then comes the turning point in the Gospel: "*One of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice.*" Only **one** returns. And he was a **Samaritan**, a foreigner, despised by Jews, an outsider.

Why is it the outsider who shows gratitude? Perhaps because **he knew more deeply what it meant to be excluded.** He understood what had been restored to him, not just health, but hope.

He comes back not just with polite thanks, but with **praise and worship.** He falls at Jesus' feet, a gesture of love, reverence, and surrender.

Gratitude is not just a nice feeling. It is an act of worship. To give thanks is to say: "*This healing didn't come from me. I am not the center. God is.*" Jesus asks a haunting question: "*Were not ten made clean? Where are the other nine?*" It's not that Jesus needs our thanks, but He desires our hearts.

The other nine got the blessing, but missed the relationship. They were healed in body, but they didn't return to the Healer. They received the gift, but ignored the Giver. This is the tragedy of so many souls: we pray desperately when we need help, but forget God when things go well. We cry out in suffering, but grow silent in comfort.

Ingratitude is spiritual amnesia. It forgets who saved us. It forgets we are not self-made. And it slowly hardens the heart.

Today, He waits for you to return. Not because He needs thanks, but because **He wants relationship.** Let us be that one. Let us return to Jesus not just when we need something, but every day, in gratitude and faith. Because when we return, we don't just find healing, we find **salvation.**

October 12, 2025

Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 11, 2025

*Vigilia del Octavo Domingo del
Tiempo Ordinario*

5:30p.m. † Isaias & Tomasa Castillo
9:00pm Rosary - Live Streamed on Facebook

Sunday, October 12, 2025

Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30a.m. † Arnulfo Gonzalez (Wedding Ann. Rem.)
9:30a.m. † Noel Omar Cantu (7th Ann.)
† Narciso T. Sanchez
† Isaias & Tomasa Castillo
11:30a.m. † Esther Villegas (B-day Rem.)
† Juanita Silva-Perez
† Estella Nava (B-day Rem.)
† Carolina Ruiz
† Ramiro B. Villarreal
† Isaiah James Joslin (4th Ann.)
9:00pm Rosary - Live Streamed on Facebook

Monday, October 13, 2025

6:00p.m. † † Isaias & Tomasa Castillo
† Lupe G. Garza (B-day Rem.)
9:00pm Rosary - Live Streamed on Facebook

Tuesday, October 14, 2025

6:00p.m. Communion Service
† Isaias & Tomasa Castillo
9:00pm Rosary - Live Streamed on Facebook

Wednesday, October 15, 2025

12:05p.m. Communion Service
† Isaias & Tomasa Castillo
9:00pm Rosary - Live Streamed on Facebook

Thursday, October 16, 2025

12:05p.m. † Isaias & Tomasa Castillo
9:00pm Rosary - Live Streamed on Facebook

Friday, October 17, 2025

12:05p.m. † Isaias & Tomasa Castillo
† Isaiah James Joslin (4th Ann.)
9:00pm Rosary - Live Streamed on Facebook

Saturday, October 18, 2025

*Vigilia del Octavo Domingo del
Tiempo Ordinario*

5:30p.m. † Victoria M. Bentancourt (31st Ann.)
† Bianca Maribel Rocha
† Isaias & Tomasa Castillo
† Julio Garcia (B-day Rem.)
† Reyes Cruz Cardona (5th Ann.)
† James John Cruz Cardona (4th Ann.)
9:00pm Rosary - Live Streamed on Facebook

Sunday, October 19, 2025

Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30a.m. All SNDA Parishioners
9:30a.m. † Juan Javier Salinas
† Esperanza S. Saenz
† Michael Higgins
† Isaias & Tomasa Castillo
† Francisco Dominguez, Sr. (B-day Rem.)
11:30a.m. † Laura V. Vera
† Juanita Silva-Perez
† Isaiah James Joslin (4th Ann.)
† Francisco Dominguez, Sr. (B-day Rem.)
9:00pm Rosary - Live Streamed on Facebook

September 28, 2025

OLG

Envelope Collections	\$2,520.00
Loose Collections	1,315.51
Flowers for all occasions	00.00
Childrens' Collections	134.30
Total	\$ 3,969.81

Second Collections:	
Disaster Relief Fund	12.00
Faith Formation	757.96
Total 2nd Collections	\$ 769.96

SNDA

Envelope Collections	\$ 110.00
Loose Collections	298.00
Total Deposit	\$ 408.00

II Collections

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

10/12/25	10:45AM	Faith Formation
	2:00PM	Conquistando
10/13/25	6:30PM	OCIA/OCIC
10/14/25	8:30AM	Food Bank
	7:00PM	Bible Study
10/15/25	5:30PM/7:00PM	Faith Formation
10/16/25	7:00PM	Baptismal Class & Ultreya in CCD Building
10/17/25	6:30PM	Trunk or Treat

Call the parish office with any questions

Have a Blessed Week!

Our Lady of Guadalupe

will be hosting our
Monthly Food Bank

October 14, 2025

Time: 8:00a.m.

OLG Church parking lot



Baptisms

Baptism Class- October 16, 2025 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.

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, Alice

**PRAYERS AND BLESSINGS
FOR ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

Tomb Blessing Sunday, November 2 (All Souls Day)

Deacon Emede

8:00 AM – 10:00 AM	Alice Cemetery
10:15 AM – 01:00 PM	Old and New Collins
01:00 PM – 02:30 PM	Lunch Break & Homebound
2:30 PM – 4:00 PM	Roberson Collins
4:00 PM – 6:00 PM	Old and New Collins

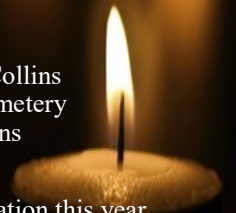
Father James

01:15 PM – 03:30 PM	Old and New Collins
03:45 PM – 4:45 PM	Rose Lawn Cemetery
05:00 PM – 6:00 PM	Roberson Collins

All Saints Day 2025

All Saints Day is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year.
Therefore, we will celebrate the All Saints Day Mass on Saturday at 8:30 AM. The Mass will be bilingual.

You are invited to bring pictures of your departed loved ones to place in the church and pray for them.



OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE CHURCH

INVITES YOU TO JOIN US AT OUR



& 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

STATE OF THE DIOCESE

NEW DATE:
Thursday, October 30, 2025
6:00 - 8:30 pm
Richard M. Borchard
Fairgrounds

Buy your tickets now at diocesecc.org/stateof
\$15/\$7 for children (meal included)
Richard M. Borchard Fairgrounds, Robstown, TX

