



# ST. JOSEPH ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH &

**Our Lady of Guadalupe Mission**  
**Catholic Diocese of Charlotte**

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## Mass Times

**Saturday Vigil at Our Lady of Guadalupe**

4:30 pm (English) & 6:00 pm (Spanish)

**Sunday at St. Joseph**

9:30 am (English) & 11:00 am (English)

## Daily Masses at St. Joseph

*(Daily Masses are offered in English unless otherwise posted)*

**Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday: 12:00 pm**

## Eucharist Adoration

**Thursday: 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (OLG-Spanish)**

**Friday: 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (St. Joseph-English)**

## Confession Times

**Thursday: 7:10 PM - 8:00 PM (OLG-English/Spanish)**

**Friday: 11:15 AM - 11:50 AM (St. Joseph)**

**& by request or appointment.**

## Religious Education/Catechesis (All at St. Joseph)

- **Sundays 12:30 pm – 2:00 pm for kids ages 5 to 17**
- **Thursdays 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm for adults**

## PARISH LEADERS

**Parish Council Chair: Ken Paulus**

**Parish Council Vice Chair: Tom Wilmot**

**Parish Council Secretary: Glenda Jarrett**

**Finance Chair: William Knopf**

**Director of Religious Education: Sussette Webster**

**Hispanic Ministry Leader: Jose Jesus**

**St Joseph's Brothers Chair: John Anspach**

**Parish Life Chair: Naomi Loman**

**Respect Life Coordinator: Nancy Thomason**

**Music Ministry Chair: Carol Tucker**

*Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time,  
Year A, August 2, 2026*



*"Taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, who in turn gave them to the crowds. They all ate and were satisfied...." - Matthew 19-20*

## Parish Offertory 7/26/2026

- **St. Joseph \$ 1,435.72**
- **OLG \$ 290.00**

QR Code for Parish On-line Giving  
May the good Lord bless you as you think of us



# Pastor's Ink

(For Sunday and Weekday Readings visit: <https://bible.usccb.org/daily-bible-readings>)

Matthew 14:13-21

Jesus was experiencing a rough patch. At the end of Chapter 13, Matthew recounts how the people of Nazareth basically told Jesus to get off his high horse since he was only “a carpenter’s son.” Rejected by His hometown folks and dejected by their lack of faith, Jesus moved on without performing mighty deeds.

Then, Jesus learned of the death of John the Baptist. The loss of his cousin hit him hard but also reminded Jesus that His time was running short. Herod already had Jesus on his radar as he suspected Jesus’ mighty works stemmed from him being John the Baptist reincarnated.

Jesus sought out a deserted place to collect His thoughts, but solitude eluded Him as a vast crowd caught up with Him. As low as Jesus was feeling, He was moved with pity and got to work curing their sick. What happened next is familiar to us all: Jesus took a meager offering, blessed it, broke it, and distributed it to the faithful, who all ate and were satisfied. Sounds familiar, doesn’t it?

Jesus foreshadowed this miracle in His previous parables. God can take small measures (e.g., yeast, mustard seeds, etc.) and our faith and magnify them beyond measure. We serve a mighty God!

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| <b>Vigil (Saturday) at OLG Cherokee 8/1/26</b><br>Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A | <b>4:30 pm English</b><br><b>6:00 pm Spanish</b> | Mass (OLG):<br>Mass (OLGJ): For the Sick and Homebound                       |
| <b>Sunday, 8/2/26 at St. Joseph</b>                                                          | <b>9:30 am</b><br><b>11:00 am</b>                | Mass: For Our Parish Family<br>Mass: For the Safe Journey of the Ameh Family |
| <b>Monday 8/3/26</b><br>Monday of the Eighteenth Week of Ordinary Time                       | <b>12:00 pm</b>                                  | Mass: For the Missionaries of St. Paul                                       |
| <b>Tuesday, 8/4/26</b><br>Memorial of Saint John Vianney, Priest                             | <b>No Mass</b>                                   |                                                                              |
| <b>Wednesday, 8/5/26</b><br>Wed. of the Eighteenth Week of Ordinary Time                     | <b>12:00 pm</b>                                  | Mass:                                                                        |
| <b>Thursday, 8/6/26</b><br>Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord                          | <b>12:00 pm</b>                                  | Mass:                                                                        |
| <b>Friday, 8/7/26</b><br>Friday of the Eighteenth Week of Ordinary Time                      | <b>12:00 pm</b>                                  | Mass: For Father Victor                                                      |



## Please pray for those on our parish prayer list:

Jenny Bonnette, Ted & Kay Gillrup, Suzy Goldberg, Kenneth Hawes, Doris Kearns, Mary Herr, Nancy Thomason, Dianne Ellis, Rita Turner, Bill Hadley, Jan Johnston, Julie Wilmont, Bill Jones, Abby Jones, Harmer & Maggie Weichel, Lynn Graczyk, Ruzica Cuk



## Choir Members Needed

St. Joseph's Choir has great need for cantors and musicians.  
**ALL ARE WELCOME** – amateurs and experts!



Please join us for practices at  
9 AM on Sundays and/or  
5 PM Fridays at St. Joseph.



## Farewell to the Ameh Family

There will be a Farewell Party and card shower for Mary Ameh and family **this Sunday (August 2) after the 11:00 AM Mass at St. Joseph's**. The Amehs are returning to Nigeria next week and will be greatly missed. Their family has made numerous and significant contributions to our parish. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.