



**ST. JOSEPH ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
&
Our Lady of Guadalupe Mission
Catholic Diocese of Charlotte**

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Mass Times

Sunday at St. Joseph	Vigil at OLG (Saturday)
9:30 am (English)	4:30 pm (English)
11:00 am (English)	6:00 pm (Spanish)

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

Finance & Administration: Dan Von Behren

Director of Religious Education: Sussette Webster

Hispanic Ministry Leader: Fabricio Sanchez

St Joseph's Brothers Chair: John Anspach

Parish Life Chair: Naomi Loman

Respect Life Coordinator: Nancy Thomason

Music Ministry Chair: Carol Tucker

***Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time,
Year A, June 14, 2026***



"The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest."

Matthew 9:37

Parish Offertory 6/7/2026

➤ **St. Joseph \$1,608.00**

➤ **OLG \$1,016.00**

Second Collection today is towards the upgrade of our communication system

**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>)

The heart of today's readings is simple but theologically profound: the Kingdom of God grows not because of our power, but because of God's initiative, God's mercy, and God's mysterious grace. In the first reading, God reminds Israel that they were *not* chosen because they were great or numerous, but because God loved them and desired to make them His own. The Church, too, is not a community of the perfect; it is a people formed by God's free choice and covenant love. Our mission begins not with what we do for God, but with what God has already done for us.

In the Gospel, Jesus looks upon the crowds and His heart is moved with pity. The Greek word used *splagchnizomai* means a deep compassion. This is not distant sympathy; it is the very heartbeat of God made visible in Christ. And from that compassion flows mission: "The harvest is abundant... pray to the Lord of the harvest." Before sending workers, Jesus commands prayer. Mission is born from contemplation and deep reliance of God who sends. Then Jesus sends the Twelve, not as powerful rulers, but as humble servants who heal, cleanse, and proclaim. Their authority is derivative; it comes from Him. Their mission is relational; it flows from His compassion. Their work is sacramental; it makes visible the nearness of God's reign. Put differently, we learn that compassion is the engine of mission.

So today, as disciples, we stand where the Twelve once stood, sent into a world hungry for mercy, healing, and hope. Our task is not to build the Kingdom by our own strength, but to cooperate with the quiet, powerful work God is already doing. May we be workers in His harvest, instruments of His compassion, and witnesses of His grace, amen.

God bless you.

Vigil (Saturday) at OLG Cherokee 6/13/26 Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A	4:30 pm English 6:00 pm Spanish	Mass (OLG): +For the peaceful repose of Ogochi Olivia Agu Mass (OLG): For Henry Amaefule and his beloved wife
Sunday, 6/14/26 at St. Joseph Bryson City	9:30 am 11:00 am	Mass: For Our Parish Family Mass: For Bradley and Paula Shafer's intention
Monday 6/15/26 Mon. of the Eleventh Week of Ordinary Time	12:00 pm	Mass: For Stephen Simeone's private intentions
Tuesday, 6/16/26 Tues. of the Eleventh Week of Ordinary Time	No Mass	
Wednesday, 6/17/26 Wed. of the Eleventh Week of Ordinary Time	12:00 pm	Mass: +For the peaceful repose of Donald Graczyk
Thursday, 6/18/26 Thurs. of the Eleventh Week of Ordinary Time	12:00 pm	Mass: For Bradley and Paula Shafer's intention
Friday, 6/19/26 Fri. of the Eleventh Week of Ordinary Time	12:00 pm	Mass: For Bradley and Paula Shafer's intention

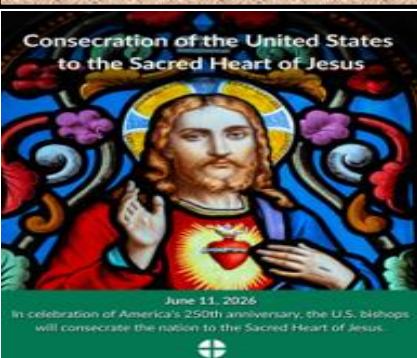


Please pray for those on our parish prayer list:

Jenny Bonnette, Ted & Kay Gillrup, Suzy Goldberg, Kenneth Hewes, Doris Kearns, Mary Herr, Nancy Thomason, Dianne Ellis, Rita Turner, Bill Hadley, Charlotte Rowe, Julie Wilmont, Carol Redwine, Bill Jones, Abby Jones, Jan Johnston.



O Heart of Jesus



A Call for personal devotion

The consecration of the United States to the Sacred Heart of Jesus was done on June 11, 2026 to mark the celebration of America's 250th anniversary.

As a parish family we continue to share in this blessing and we are encouraged to improve on our personal devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

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Announcements

-Parish Finance Council Meeting is on Monday 6/15 by 1:00pm at St. Joseph.

-Men's Meeting is this Wednesday 6/17 by 12:00pm at St. Joseph.

-First Communion will be on the Sunday 6/28 at 11am Mass.