



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)

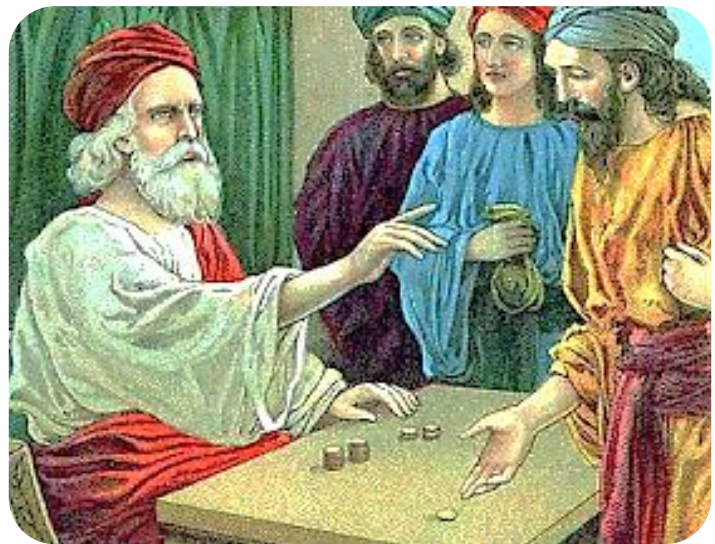
& by request or appointment.

Religious Education/Catechesis (All at St. Joeseeph)

➤ **Sundays 12:30 pm – 2:00 pm for kids ages 5 to 17**

➤ **Thursdays 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm for adults**

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, September 20, 2026



*What if I wish to give this last one the same as you?
Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money?
Are you envious because I am generous?'
Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last."
- Matthew 20:14-16*

Parish Offertory for 9/13/2026

➤ **St. Joseph \$2,508.51**
➤ **OLG \$41.10**

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: OPEN

Hispanic Ministry Leader: Jose Jesus

St Joseph's Brothers Chair: John Anspach

Parish Life Chair: Naomi Lowman

Respect Life Coordinator: Nancy Thomason

Music Ministry Chair: Carol Tucker

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>)

Dear friends, today, Jesus tells the parable of the workers in the vineyard. Some worked all day, others only an hour, yet all received the same wage. Naturally, those who bore the burden of the day grumbled. But the landowner asked an interesting question: “*Are you envious because I am generous?*” This parable unsettles us because it confronts our sense of fairness. We often measure life by effort and reward, but God measures by mercy and generosity. His kingdom is not about strict calculations as we most often do as humans. For God, it is all about grace. Whether our journey of faith has been long or just begun, God’s love is poured out equally on all, and it is a reminder for the late comers not to be discouraged.

In otherwards, Jesus invites us to let go of envy and comparison. Instead of asking, “*Why did they get the same as me?*” we are called to rejoice that God’s mercy is abundant enough for all, not because God is unjust, but because His generosity overturns human logic.

Hence, in the first reading, Isaiah invites us to “*Seek the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while he is near.*” St. Paul in the second reading from Philippians assures us that to live is Christ, and to die is gain. Therefore, our whole existence should be centered on God’s will. God bless You.

Vigil (Saturday) at OLG Cherokee 9/19/26	4:30 pm <i>English</i> 6:00 pm <i>Spanish</i>	Mass (OLG): Our Parish Family Mass (OLG):
Sunday, 9/20/26 at St. Joseph Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A	9:30 am 11:00 am	Mass: Dawn Matthews – for healing Mass: The Reynolds Family – for healing
Monday 9/21/26 Feast of St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist	12:00 pm	Mass: The Hadley-Granger family – for conversion of heart
Tuesday, 9/22/26 Tues. of the Twenty-Fifth Week in Ordinary Time	No Mass	
Wednesday, 9/23/26 Memorial of Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest	12:00 pm	Mass: Robert and Gary Akel Russell – for conversion of heart
Thursday, 9/24/26 Thurs. of the Twenty-Fifth Week in Ordinary Time	12:00 pm	Mass: In honor of Kent
Friday, 9/25/26 Friday of the Twenty-Fifth Week in Ordinary Time	12:00 pm	Mass: For Naomi Lowman (birthday)



Please pray for those on our parish prayer list:

Jenny Bonnette, Gary Conkol, Ted & Kay Gillrup, Suzy Goldberg, 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, Ginny Redwine



Second Collection	From Fr. Victor Ameh, MSP	Parish Picnic
Please, there will be a second collection next weekend (September 26-27) for the Catholic University of America, Belmont Abbey College. It is a Diocesan collection.	Dear Parishioners, I have returned safely to Nigeria from Mexico and I am doing well. My case remains under review by the United States Immigration Service, as is the situation for many other foreign priests, but no cause for panic. Let us continue to keep one another in prayer. I deeply appreciate all you do during my absence, and please be assured of my constant prayers for you.	Reserve October 4, 2026 on your calendars for the Parish Picnic ! It will be held at the Morgan Pavillion in Bryson City following the 11:00 am Mass . - Potluck sign up at St. Joseph's. - Volunteers are needed to help with the kids' games. Contact Naomi Lowman to offer your assistance.