



**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**

***Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time,
Year A, September 6, 2026***



Again, amen, I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father. For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

- Matthew 18:19-20

Parish Offertory 8/29/2026

- **St. Joseph \$ 1,733.23**
- **OLG \$ 524.10**

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>)

Matthew 18:15-20

A couple of weeks ago, Jesus gave the newly christened Apostle Peter the authority to bind and loose things on earth. More importantly, Jesus decreed that heaven would honor Peter's decisions and similarly bind and loose as Peter deemed. (Matthew 16:13-20) In this week's Gospel, Jesus confers these same "binding and loosing" powers on his disciples.

In first-century Jewish tradition, *asar* (binding) referred to prohibiting or permitting specific practices within the community. *Hittir* (loosing) involved revoking a previous restriction. In the Catechism of the Catholic Church, these binding and loosing powers are interpreted as the authority of the Church to use discipline and teaching to bind or prohibit people from attaining communion with God. But recognizing that Jesus preached forgiveness, the Church also exercises its loosing authority by offering means of reconciliation and acceptance back into communion with God.

God desires communion with us. He offers us His grace, His love, and His infinite capacity for forgiveness. It is ours for the taking. All we have to do is accept it.

Vigil (Saturday) at OLG Cherokee 9/5/26	4:30 pm English 6:00 pm Spanish	Mass (OLG): Mass (OLG): For Our Parish Family
Sunday, 9/6/26 at St. Joseph Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A	9:30 am 11:00 am	Mass: Jude Toney Mass:
Monday 9/7/26 Mon. of the Twenty-Third Week in Ordinary Time	12:00 pm	Mass: Mary Graczyk
Tuesday, 9/8/26 Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	No Mass	
Wednesday, 9/9/26 Memorial of Saint Peter Claver, Priest	12:00 pm	Mass: Jim Graczyk
Thursday, 9/10/26 Thursday of the Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	12:00 pm	Mass:
Friday, 9/11/26 Friday of the Twenty-Third Week in Ordinary Time	12:00 pm	Mass: Eleanor Graczyk



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



Mass Intentions	Meeting Notices	Parish Picnic
If you wish to offer a Mass for a special intention, please put the name or intention and the date you would like the Mass to be said in an envelope and place it in the collection basket. Per the diocese, Mass request fees are \$15 per Mass.	Wednesday, September 9: Parish Council Meeting, 6 pm. St. Joseph's Parish Hall. ALL parishioners are welcome to attend. Thursday, September 10: Finance Council: 12 pm training session 1 pm meeting Open to ALL interested parishioners.	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 kid's games. Contact Naomi Lowman to offer your assistance.