

# Our Lady of the Highways Catholic Church Parroquia Nuestra Señora de los Caminos

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## January 1st: Happy New Year

### \*Parish Staff/ Personal Parroquial\*

Rev. Gabriel Carvajal-Salazar, Pastor/Parroco

Rev. Mr. Martin Sheehan, Deacon/Diacono

Rev. Mr. Wayne Adams, Deacon (Retired)/Diacono (Retirado)

Rosa Guzman, Secretary/Secretaria

Kathy Laskis, Faith Formation Coordinator/

Cordinadora de Formacion de Fe

### \*Office Hours/Horario de Oficina\*

Mondays/Lunes 12:00PM—4:00PM

Tuesdays/Martes 1:00PM—5:00PM

Wednesdays/Miercoles 2:00PM—5:00PM

Thursdays/Jueves 2:00PM—5:00PM

Fridays/Viernes 1:00PM—6:00PM

### \*Reconciliation Schedule\*

**Saturdays/Sabados:** 4:00pm— 5:00pm

In English and Spanish

Or call the church office for an appointment



### \* Mass Schedule/Horario de Misas\*

**Saturdays/Sabados:** 5:00 PM English

6:30 PM Español

**Sundays/Domingos:** 10:00 AM English

12:00 PM Español

2:00 PM Español

**Tuesdays/Martes:** 7:00 PM English

6:30 PM Liturgia de las horas

**Fridays/Viernes:** 6:00 PM Español

### \*Adoration/Adoracion\*

**Fridays/Viernes:** 10:00 AM - 5:45 PM

**Holy Day Masses will be announced/ Misas de dias festivos se anunciara**

### \*Sacraments/Sacramentos\*

#### **Baptism:**

Contact Deacon Martin Sheehan

#### **Bautismo:**

Llamar a la oficina parroquial

#### **Marriage:**

Contact Parish office secretary six month in advance

#### **Matrimonio:**

Contactar a Juan Pablo y Carolina al 336-653-0828 con seis meses de anticipacion

#### **Anointing of the sick/Uncion de los enfermos:**

Call the parish office/ Llamar a la oficina parroquial

### Interested In Becoming a New Parishioner...

Registration Forms are available at the doors  
Or you are welcome to contact the church office  
for more information.

### **Bienvenidos Nuevos Miembros a Nuestra Parroquia...**

Los formularios de registro están disponibles en las puertas. O puede ponerse en contacto con la oficina de la iglesia para más información.

### Our Mission Statement

Our Lady of the Highways, a Parish grounded in faith and service, seeks to be a people unified as a Catholic community that embraces and enjoys a wide cultural diversity. We rely on the Holy Spirit to guide us in our growth and in our Christian witness to the community. We are especially committed to promoting vocations both to the priesthood and religious life and sacred married life.

### Pastor's Message

Dear Parishioners:

January 1st marks the end of one calendar year and the beginning of another. So, too, the birth of Jesus marks the end of the reign of sin and the beginning of a new era of

God's grace. As St. Paul explains to the Galatians in today's second reading, Jesus

was born of a woman just as we were.

By adoption, we

are children of God and children of our Blessed Mother.

In the Gospel today, we see how Mary and Joseph honored God the Father and God

the Son in fulfilling all the duties of their religion in taking Jesus to be circumcised

and giving him his name, literally translating as "God helps."

When the shepherds adored and praised God at the Christ Child's manger, Mary

pondered these things in her heart, marveling at the favor God had shone in choosing

her above all others to be the mother of his son. As we begin this new year and we

contemplate our resolution, let us strive to imitate Mary our mother in devotion to

God the Father and God the Son. In that way, the Lord will bless us.



### **Digital Bulletin**

If you receive an email with the digital bulletin and your email has changed please submit your new email or if you would like to receive the digital bulletin email:

**olhcommunications@gmail.com**

### **Are you moving?**

Please remember to notify the parish office as soon as possible. If you are moving to a different parish, also notify the parish office so we can remove you from our list.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### ♦ **Support for Parish Families -**

Thank you for your support and generosity. We were able to assist 17 families to brighten their Christmas.

#### ♦ **Regular Mass**

Regular mass scheduled for the weekends Dec 31, 2022-Jan 1, 2023.

#### ♦ **Parish Office Closed**

The parish office will be closed on Monday January 2nd, for the observation of the New Year.

#### ♦ **Offertory envelopes and Tax Letter**

Offertory envelopes for 2023 are available for pickup at the hall. The tax letter for those who made their donation during the year is also available to pick up in the hall.

### **Parish Membership and benefits**

To be considered an active, participating member of the parish, and thus eligible for tuition assistance in any catholic school and sacramental sponsor eligibility, Our Lady of the Highways takes into account a family or individual's ministry involvement and Mass attendance.

To be considered an active, participating member, envelopes are the primary way we determine if parishioners are regularly attending Mass.

We ask that if you can't make a contribution on a given Sunday, still place your envelope in the collection basket so we can record your attendance.

Attendance at Mass is the most important thing we do as Catholics and the most meaningful way we model and live our Catholic faith.

## *Scripture Readings*

**First Reading:** The shepherds went in haste to Bethlehem and found Mary and Joseph, and the infant lying in the manger.  
(Lk 2, 16)

**Second Reading:** When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman.  
(Gal 4,4)

**Psalm:** May God bless us in his mercy. (Ps 67)

**Gospel:** "So shall they invoke my name upon the Israelites, and I will bless them."

### **Friends & Family Serving in the Military:**

**Please let us know if these people are still in the military and need our prayers. Thank you:**

Matt Gobble, Nicholas Green, Christopher Hackney, Michael Harris, Everett Henry, Jasmine Leahy, James Michaels, Joshua Ramsey, Nathaniel Ramsey, David Reid, Rebecca Schweigart, Ryan Smithling, Angela Monserrath Solis, John Wagner, Caleb Littleton, Ryan Fisher, Hester Family, Bill Tagliaferri and Betsy Ann and Craig O'Hara.

The St. John Paul II Foundation, in collaboration with the Diocese of Charlotte and Belmont Abbey College, invite all health care professionals to the sixth annual

***Converging Roads health care ethics conference***  
**on March 25, 2023 from 9:15 am – 6:45 pm**  
**at The Cathedral of St. Patrick in Charlotte, NC.**

The conference theme is **Catholic Medicine in a Secular Society**, and continuing education credits for healthcare professionals will be offered. **Topics include:** religious liberty in medicine, the vocation of a Catholic health care professional, genetic screening, and more!

For more information, please visit **convergingroads.com** or email **ellen@forlifeandfamily.org**.

## **PRAYER LIST**

Please help us keep our prayer lists up to date. Call 336-475-2732 or email OLHCommunications@gmail.com to update. We have removed several names from the prayer list, please let us know if they are still sick and we can add them back onto the list. Thank you!

### **Our Sick and Homebound:**

Maryann Jones, Dee Silverio, Griselda Martínez, Jerry Chamber and Raymond Chamber, Gary Heilman, Angel Simms, Bill Tagliaferri, Betsy Ann, Craig O'Hara, Jaunita Sherman, Ursula Adams, Theresa Longo, Sharon Baldwin, Steve Green, Ted Rampp, Jeremy Brown, Jerry Chambers, Betsy Ann O'Hara, Elmer Corron, Rick Price, Noreen Morin, Gerry and Sally Sturgis, Jim and Dottie Whitehouse, Kim Brown, and Alex Paniagua.



### **Week 2**

**Matrimony: A calling to forgive! "Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope."**

Retrouvaille offers a welcoming and loving space to couples who have been living with the misery of a failing marriage. Retrouvaille offers hope: hope that it is not too late, hope of a different and better marriage. Retrouvaille helps couples to show each other mercy through the opportunities it provides to listen, to forgive, to be reconciled and to move into their futures believing that God loves them and with His help and their efforts, their marriages can be healed and restored. Retrouvaille provides help for marriage problems/difficulties/crises. For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples on February 10-12, 2023 call (434) 793-0242, email [retrouvaillenc@msn.com](mailto:retrouvaillenc@msn.com) or visit our website: [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com)

### Mensaje del parroco

Estimados feligreses:

El 1 de enero marca el final de un año calendario y el comienzo de otro. Así también, El nacimiento de Jesús marca el fin del reino del pecado y el comienzo de una nueva era de la gracia de Dios. Como explica san Pablo a los gálatas en la segunda lectura de hoy, Jesús nació de una mujer tal como nosotros. Por adopción, somos hijos de Dios e hijos de nuestra Santísima Madre. En el Evangelio de hoy vemos cómo María y José honraron a Dios Padre y a Dios el Hijo en el cumplimiento de todos los deberes de su religión al llevar a Jesús a ser circuncidado y dándole su nombre, que literalmente se traduce como "Dios ayuda". Cuando los pastores adoraban y alababan a Dios en el pesebre del Niño Jesús, María meditaba estas cosas en su corazón, maravillándose del favor que Dios le había hecho resplandecer al elegir ella sobre todas las demás para ser la madre de su hijo. Al comenzar este nuevo año y contemplar nuestra resolución, esforcémonos por imitar a María, nuestra madre, en la devoción a Dios Padre y Dios Hijo. De esa manera, el Señor nos bendecirá.

### **Mass Intentions**

- **Dec 30th:** 6 p.m. For the Soul of **Angela Hanna**, who's birthday was today, and for her husband **Adan Hanna** so he can overcome her death



### ANUNCIOS

#### ♦ **Apoyo a las Familias Parroquiales**

Gracias por su apoyo y generosidad. Pudimos ayudar a 17 familias a alegrar su Navidad.

#### ♦ **Oficina Parroquial Cerrada**

La oficina parroquial permanecerá cerrada el lunes 2 de enero, por la celebración del Año Nuevo.

#### ♦ **Sobres de Ofertorio y Carta de Impuestos**

Los sobres de ofertorio para 2023 están disponibles para recoger en el salón. La carta de impuestos para aquellos que hicieron su donación durante el año también está disponible para recoger en el salón.

### **Membresía parroquial y sus beneficios**

Para ser considerado un miembro activo y participante de la parroquia y, por lo tanto, elegible para la asistencia de matrícula en cualquier escuela católica y elegibilidad de patrocinador sacramental, Our Lady of the Highways toma en cuenta la participación en el ministerio de una familia o individuo y la asistencia a Misa.

Para ser considerado un miembro activo y participante, los sobres son la forma principal en que determinamos si los feligreses asisten regularmente a misa.

Le pedimos que si no puede hacer una contribución un domingo determinado, aún coloque su sobre en la canasta de recolección para que podamos registrar su asistencia.

La asistencia a misa es lo más importante que hacemos como católicos y la forma más significativa en que modelamos y vivimos nuestra fe católica.