



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

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### August 31, 2025: Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

**Saturdays/Sabados:** 4:30 PM English  
6:00 PM Español  
**Sundays/Domingos:** 8:00 AM Español  
10:00 AM English  
12:00 PM Español  
**Tuesdays/Martes:** 6:00 PM English  
5:30 PM Liturgy of the Hours  
**Wednesday/Miercoles:** 6:30 PM Liturgia de las horas  
7:00 PM Español  
**Fridays/Viernes:** 6:00 PM Español

#### \*Adoration/Adoracion\*

**Fridays/Viernes:** 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM  
Holy Day Masses will be announced/ Misas de dias festivos se anunciara

#### \*Reconciliation Schedule\*

**Saturdays/Sabados:** 4:00pm– 4:30pm  
In English and Spanish  
Or call the church office for an appointment

#### \*Parish Staff/Pesonal Parroquial\*

Rev. Gabriel Carvajal-Salazar, Pastor/Parroco  
Rev. Mr. Martin Sheehan, Deacon/Diacono  
Rev. Mr. Wayne Adams, Deacon (Retired)/Diacono (Retirado)  
Rosa Guzman & Delfina Paniagua, Secretary/Secretaria  
Kathy Laskis, Faith Formation Coordinator/  
Cordinadora de Formacion de Fe

#### \*Sacraments/Sacramentos\*

**Baptism:** Contact Deacon Martin Sheehan  
**Bautismo:** Llamar a la oficina parroquial  
**Marriage:** Contact Parish Office secretary six months in advance  
**Matrimonio:** Contactar a Juan Pablo y Carolina at 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

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

**Mondays/Lunes -Fridays/Viernes** 2:00PM - 5:00PM  
Office is located at Case de Stahl (former rectory)

#### 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.

## Prayer List

**Our Sick and Homebound:** Deacon Wayne & Ursula Adams, Flor Aguilar, Jose' Angel Aleman Macias, Mosheer Amir & family, Ralph Berger, Jeremy Brown Sr., Bernabe' Carvajal-Salazar, Luigi DiPuorto, Charles Estes, Janice Evans, Damiana Garay, Maria Louisa Gomez, Marta Gutierrez, Rafael Juarez Salmeron, Barbara Johnson, Maryann Jones, Kambria Justin, Jeffrey Karkey, Andee Laskis, Dan Little, Theresa Longo, Griselda Martínez, Rosario Martinez, Sandy McCormick, Eva Miranda, Noelia Montes, Noreen Morin, Mary Beth Oxendine, Fagny Palma, Rick Price, Adriana Ramirez, Ted Rampp, Jose Angel Robles, Betty Scanlan, Mario Scarpati, Holly Schroeher, Javier Serrato, Arden Sheehan, Juanita Sherman, Carla Smith, Lloyd "Smokey" Stover, Bill Tagliaferri, and Dottie Whitehouse. Please pray for the Annunciation Catholic Church family in Minneapolis, MN.

### Friends & Family Serving in the Military:

**Please let us know if these people are still in the military and need our prayers. Thank you:** Ryan Fisher, Christopher Hackney, Michael Harris, Everett Henry, Christian Juarez Solis, Jasmine Leahy, Caleb Littleton, James Michaels, Joshua Ramsey, Nathaniel Ramsey, David Reid, Rebecca Schweigart, Ryan Smithling, Angela Monserrath Solis, and John Wagner.

**Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of/ Por favor oren por el descanso del alma de:**

Kathy Lilly Chairez

**CHARLOTTE EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS**  
Friday-Saturday, Sept. 5-6 | Charlotte Convention Center | FREE

# You Belong Here

Mobilize for mission and unleash the power of the Gospel.

**Father John Riccardo & ACTS XXIX**  
Most people have never been overwhelmed by the power of the Gospel, let alone surrendered their lives to Jesus. Yet there is no hope apart from Him, because no one else has done or can do what He has done. Don't miss a powerful message of hope from Father John Riccardo, executive director of ACTS XXIX and nationally known radio host, author and speaker.

Plus! Free screening of: **CARLO ACUTIS**  
ROADMAP TO HEAVEN

**ALSO FEATURING**

- The Vigil Project
- Bishop Michael Martin
- Matt Maher
- Paula Umata
- Chris Stefanick
- Fr. Pedro Mancheno Munoz

• Mass • Youth Programs • Eucharistic Procession & Adoration  
• Confession • Young Adult Meet & Greet • Catholic Merchandise

**ALGIRMS OF HOPE**  
EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS 2025

### Pastor's Message

Dear Parishioners:

Today's readings emphasize the importance of humility. The Book of Sirach says to humble yourself the more, the greater you are, and you will find favor with God. This message is echoed in the parable about a wedding banquet that Jesus tells in today's Gospel reading. Invited guests should not sit in the place of honor. Otherwise, when a more distinguished guest arrives, they will be asked to move down to the lowest place, causing embarrassment. Instead, they should choose to sit at the lowest place. Then, when the host invites them to sit at a higher place, they will be esteemed. Every Sunday, we are invited to a wedding banquet, a feast at which we renew our covenant with our Bridegroom. Christ invites us to approach Mount Zion, and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem. We cannot hope to repay Christ for the gift he has given us. Instead, we are called to imitate his humility and loving service. We are called to pour ourselves out to our brothers and sisters in the same way he has poured himself out for us.



### Mensaje del parroco

Estimados feligreses:

Las lecturas de hoy enfatizan la importancia de la humildad. El libro del Sirácida dice que cuanto más te humilles, más grande serás y hallarás favor ante Dios. Este mensaje se refleja en la parábola sobre el banquete de bodas que Jesús relata en el Evangelio de hoy. Los invitados no deben sentarse en el lugar de honor. De lo contrario, cuando llegue un invitado más distinguido, se le pedirá que se siente en el último lugar, causando vergüenza. En cambio, deben elegir sentarse en el último lugar. Así, cuando el anfitrión los invite a sentarse en un lugar más alto, serán estimados. Cada domingo, estamos invitados a un banquete de bodas, una fiesta en la que renovamos nuestra alianza con nuestro Esposo. Cristo nos invita a acercarnos al Monte Sión y a la ciudad del Dios vivo, la Jerusalén celestial. No podemos esperar corresponder a Cristo por el don que nos ha dado. En cambio, estamos llamados a imitar su humildad y servicio amoroso. Estamos llamados a entregarnos a nuestros hermanos y hermanas de la misma manera que él se entregó por nosotros.

## Scripture Readings

**First Reading:** My child, conduct your affairs with humility, and you will be loved more than a giver of gifts. Humble yourself the more, the greater you are, and you will find favor with God. What is too sublime for you, seek not, into things beyond your strength search not. The mind of a sage appreciates proverbs, and an attentive ear is the joy of the wise. Water quenches a flaming fire, and alms atone for sins. ([Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29](#))

**God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.**  
([Psalm 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11](#))

**Second:** Brothers and sisters: You have not approached that which could be touched and a blazing fire and gloomy darkness and storm and a trumpet blast and a voice speaking words such that those who heard begged that no message be further addressed to them. No, you have approached Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and countless angels in festal gathering, and the assembly of the firstborn enrolled in heaven, and God the judge of all, and the spirits of the just made perfect, and Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and the sprinkled blood that speaks more eloquently than that of Abel. ([Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a](#))

**Gospel:** On a sabbath Jesus went to dine at the home of one of the leading Pharisees, and the people there were observing him carefully. He told a parable to those who had been invited, noticing how they were choosing the places of honor at the table. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not recline at table in the place of honor. A more distinguished guest than you may have been invited by him, and the host who invited both of you may approach you and say, 'Give your place to this man,' and then you would proceed with embarrassment to take the lowest place. Rather, when you are invited, go and take the lowest place so that when the host comes to you he may say, 'My friend, move up to a higher position.' Then you will enjoy the esteem of your companions at the table. For every one who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted." Then he said to the host who invited him, "When you hold a lunch or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or your wealthy neighbors, in case they may invite you back and you have repayment. Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous." ([Luke 14:1, 7-14](#))

## Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Are you looking to rediscover the spark that was there on your wedding day? Do you want to rediscover the best friend you had when you were first married? A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will give you all the tools you need or a better, stronger, more loving marriage. Sign up for an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on Oct 24-26, 2025 in EMERALD ISLE, NC and Aug 29-31, 2025 in WHEATON, MD. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: <https://NCMarriageDiscovery.org> or contact us at [applications@NCMarriageDiscovery.org](mailto:applications@NCMarriageDiscovery.org) or 704-315-2144.

## Weekly Events Calendar

- Every Monday:** the Alliance of the two Hearts, 6:30 p.m. in the social hall.
- Every :** The Apostles of the Word 7 p.m in the social hall.
- Every Wednesday:** Prayer Assembly with the Missionaries of Mary Immaculate at 8 p.m. in the Church.
- Every Friday:** Eucharistic adoration from 9 am. to 6 p.m.
- Every Second Thursday of the month** at 7:00 pm the Parish Council meets in the Social Hall.  
(Next meeting, September 11, 2025)
- Every Third Tuesday of the month** at 7:00pm the Knight of Columbus meet.
- Every Second Friday of the month** at 10:30am OLH Senior Club meeting in the Social Hall.
- Every Third Saturday of the month:**  
Nocturnal adoration from 7:00pm until 5:00am on Sunday.
- Every 1st and 3rd Saturday of the Month:**  
Youth Group Meeting from 11:00am—1:00pm.

## Calendario de eventos semanales

- Todos los lunes:** La Alianza de los dos Corazones, 6:30 p.m. en el salón social.
- Todos los martes:** Los Apóstoles de la Palabra 7 p.m. en el salón social.
- Todos los Miercoles:** Asamblea de Oración con los Misioneros de Maria Inmaculada a las 8 p.m. en la Iglesia.
- Todos los viernes:** Adoración Eucarística de 9 a.m. a 6 p.m.
- Todos los segundos jueves del mes** a las 7:00 p.m. el Consejo Parroquial se reúne en el Salón Social.  
(Próxima reunión el, Agosto 14 de 2025)
- Cada tercer martes del mes** a las 7:00 p. m. se reúnen los Caballeros de Colón.
- Todos los segundos viernes del mes** a las 10:30 a.m. Reunión del Club de Mayores de OLH en el Salón Social.
- Todos los terceros sábados del mes:**  
Adoración nocturna de 7:00 p.m. hasta las 5:00 a.m. del domingo.
- Cada primer y tercer sábado del mes:** Reunión del grupo de jóvenes de 11:00 a 1:00 horas

## Faith Formation Registration

Registration for the 2025-26 school year will be held after all Masses the **weekends of August 30 & 31 and on Sunday, September 7 & September 13 & 14.**

**No new students will be accepted after September 14th!!!**

Please come by the Parish Hall and get your children registered. Classes are available for ages 5 years through 18 years.

Cost is \$60 per student and \$35 fee for the final year of preparation for 1st Communion and for the final year of preparation for Confirmation.

**Classes will begin on Sunday, October 5th.** Class times will be 9:15am-10:30am, 11:15am—12:30pm and 1:15pm—2:30pm for grades K–5th. Classes for 6th and 7th grades will be from 3:15-4:30pm. The class for 8th grade, Confirmation final year will be 9:15am-11:15am.

## Inscripción para la Formación en la Fe

**Las inscripciones para el año escolar 2025-26 se realizarán después de todas las misas los fines de semana del 30 y 31 de agosto, y los domingos 7, 13 y 14 de septiembre.**

**¡No se aceptarán nuevos alumnos después del 14 de septiembre!**

Por favor, pasen por el Salón Parroquial y registren a sus hijos/as. Hay clases disponibles para niños de 5 a 18 años.

El costo es de \$60 por estudiante y \$35 para el último año de preparación para la Primera Comunión y el último año de preparación para la Confirmación.

**Las clases comienzan el domingo 5 de octubre.** Los horarios de clases serán de 9:15 a. m. a 10:30 a. m., de 11:15 a. m. a 12:30 p. m. y de 1:15 p. m. a 2:30 p. m. para los grados K-5.º. Las clases para 6.º y 7.º grado serán de 3:15 p. m. a 4:30 p. m. La clase para el octavo grado, último año de Confirmación, será de 9:15 a. m. a 11:15 a. m.

### Rediscover hope. Renew your spirit. Walk with Christ.

Don't miss the 2025 Eucharistic Congress Friday-Saturday, Sept. 5 & 6, at the Charlotte Convention Center as we come together as *Pilgrims of Hope* with fellow Catholics from across the Diocese of Charlotte! Be inspired by dynamic Catholic speakers and uplifting music, experience one of the largest Eucharistic processions in the U.S., and find renewed hope in Christ through the Eucharist. Drop in for an hour or come both days – it's totally free and flexible! Details at [www.YouBelong2025.com](http://www.YouBelong2025.com).

### Redescubre la esperanza. Renueva tu espíritu. Camina con Cristo.

¡No te pierdas el Congreso Eucarístico 2025, que se celebrará el viernes 5 y sábado 6 de septiembre en el Centro de Convenciones de Charlotte, donde nos reuniremos como Peregrinos de la Esperanza con otros católicos de toda la Diócesis de Charlotte! Inspírate con oradores católicos dinámicos y música inspiradora, vive una de las procesiones eucarísticas más grandes de Estados Unidos y renueva tu esperanza en Cristo a través de la Eucaristía. ¡Ven por una hora o los dos días! ¡Es totalmente gratis y flexible! Más información en [www.YouBelong2025.com](http://www.YouBelong2025.com).

### 2025 Eucharistic Congress:

#### Attention, middle and high school students!

The 2025 Eucharistic Congress will feature a special program just for you. Come hear from acclaimed speaker, author and TV host Chris Stefanick on Saturday, Sept. 6. You might know him from his Confirmation prep program, "Chosen," but Chris has also reached millions with his dynamic seminars, bestselling books, and impactful video series. His goal is to help people discover and embrace the lives they were made for in Jesus Christ and His Church. See what he can inspire in you! The MS/HS program will run from 12:30-3:30 p.m. Saturday. Consider staying for the closing Mass of the Eucharistic Congress at 5:30 p.m. as a family to hear Bishop Michael Martin preach. (This vigil Mass fulfills your Sunday obligation.) The Eucharistic Congress will take place Friday-Saturday, Sept. 5 & 6, at the Charlotte Convention Center. The MS/HS program is free, but sign-ups are required. Get more info at [www.YouBelong2025.com](http://www.YouBelong2025.com).

### ¡Atención, estudiantes de secundaria y preparatoria!

El Congreso Eucarístico 2025 contará con un programa especial solo para ustedes. Vengan a escuchar al aclamado orador, autor y presentador de televisión Chris Stefanick el sábado 6 de septiembre. Quizás lo conozcan por su programa de preparación para la Confirmación, "Elegidos", pero Chris también ha llegado a millones con sus dinámicos seminarios, libros superventas y una impactante serie de videos. Su objetivo es ayudar a las personas a descubrir y abrazar la vida para la que fueron creados en Jesucristo y su Iglesia. ¡Vean lo que él puede inspirar en ustedes! El programa de secundaria y preparatoria se llevará a cabo de 12:30 a 3:30 p. m. el sábado. Consideren quedarse en familia para la Misa de clausura del Congreso Eucarístico a las 5:30 p. m. para escuchar la predicación del Obispo Michael Martin. (Esta Misa de vigilia cumple con su obligación dominical). El Congreso Eucarístico se llevará a cabo el viernes 5 y sábado 6 de septiembre en el Centro de Convenciones de Charlotte. El programa de maestría y secundaria es gratuito, pero es necesario inscribirse. Más información en [www.YouBelong2025.com](http://www.YouBelong2025.com)