

Good Shepherd Catholic Mission / Misión Católica del Buen Pastor



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August 17th, 2025

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Readings

Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10

Psalms 40:2,3,4,18

Hebrews 12:1-4

Luke 12:49-53

Lectura para la misa

Jeremías 38:4-6, 8-10

Salmo 40:2,3,4,18

Hebreos 12:1-4

Lucas 12:49-53

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MISSION STATEMENT

**Loving God through serving others and
making disciples.**

*Amar a Dios sirviendo a los demás y
haciendo discípulos.*

WEEKLY SCHEDULE / HORARIO SEMANAL

Saturday/Sábado

Confession/Confesión: 4.30pm or by appointment

Vigil Mass/ Misa de vigilia: 5.00pm (Bilingual)

Sunday/Domingo

Mass/Misa: 11.00am (English)

Monday/Lunes

Bible Study: 7.00pm

Tuesday/Martes

Choir practice: 6.00pm

Shepherd's Flock Prayer Group: 7.00pm

Wednesday/Miércoles

Adoration/Adoración: 5.30pm—6.15pm

Confession/Confesión: 5.45pm

Mass/Misa: 6.30pm

Wednesday/Miércoles

Youth Group: Second Wed, from 7.00pm—8.00pm

MASS INTENTIONS / INTENCIONES DE LA MASA

**Aug/Agosto 16th : 1) For the repose of the soul of
Richard Pannutti
Requested by Stoehr Family**

**Aug/Agosto 17th : 1) For the repose of the soul of
Norman Hoffman
Requested by Josephine Hoffman**

MONTHLY SCHEDULE / HORARIO MENSUAL

1st Friday : 6.30pm Mass &
24 Hour Adoration (Fri & Sat)

1st Sunday : Potluck

2nd Saturday : Youth Mass @ 5pm

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LECTORS & COMMUNION MINISTER / LECTORES Y MINISTRO DE COMUNIÓN

Saturday, August 16th:	Dori Marquez (L) Joe & Jordan Youngblood (EM) Linda Flores (EM)
Sunday, August 17th:	Charles Saucier (L) Rick Stoehr (EM) Sharon Stoehr (EM)
Saturday, August 23rd:	Kathie Boczon (L) Joe & Jordan Youngblood (EM) Linda Flores (EM)
Sunday, August 24th:	Diane Kamer (L) Nazario Landeverde (EM) Hortencia Landeverde (EM)

OFFERTORY / OFERTORIO

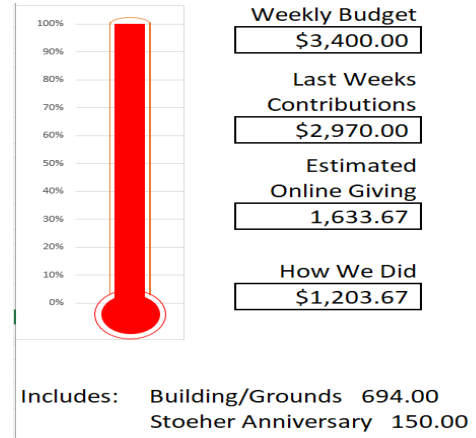
August 9th & 10th

Saturday : \$1263.00

Sunday : \$803.00

Candles and poor box : \$60.00

Stoehr's 50th Anniversary: \$150.00



Please give online through our Good Shepherd website:

<https://www.goodshepherdcatholicmission.com>

2025 DSA

Activity	Goal	Pledge	Paid	Over (under)
DSA	\$21,876.00	\$2,780.00	\$4,079.00	(\$15,017.00)

WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER / RECORDAMOS EN LA ORACIÓN

David Boissey Jr	Ted & June Smith
Teresa Hopkins	Cindy Martin
Pedro Manuel Cisneros	Colleen Murray
Margarito Flores	Barbara Jones
Ronny Flores	Peter Mellor
Brad King	Junior Swift
Blanca Ojeda	Crystal Stroupe
Shirley Fernandez	Terry & Joe Ribaud
Desmond Fernandez	John Tester
Angline Kingham	Alex Tester
Karen Luzzi	Michelle Moore
Jan Hoffman	Nancy Fitzgerald
Gerald Gracia	Juan Serrello
Cecilia Rodriguez	Gerardo Sanchez
Sebastian Alonso	Jamie Velez
Isabel Reyes	Inez deVelez
Joey Carmine LaGrega	Jose Rodriguez Jr.
Ron LaGrega	
Bob & Deanna Erdman	

Pray also for all the lonely and homeless and all our loved ones who have gone before us.

Please inform the church office of parishioner illnesses or hospitalization or if you need visitation by a priest or deacon.

Oremos también por todos los solitarios y desamparados y por todos nuestros seres queridos que nos han precedido.

Por favor, informe a la oficina de la iglesia sobre las enfermedades de los feligreses o hospitalización o si necesita la visita de un sacerdote o diácono.

September Adoration and Mass Information

Please note that 24-hour Adoration on September 5th and 6th has been cancelled due to the Eucharistic Congress in Charlotte. The regular Saturday Mass on September 6th is also cancelled. We encourage everyone to attend the Congress—details can be found in the parish bulletin. Sunday Mass on September 7th will take place as usual.

Por favor, tómese en cuenta que la Adoración de 24 horas del 5 y 6 de septiembre ha sido cancelada debido al Congreso Eucarístico en Charlotte. La misa regular del sábado 6 de septiembre también está cancelada. Animamos a todos a asistir al Congreso; los detalles se pueden encontrar en el boletín de la parroquia. La misa del domingo 7 de septiembre se llevará a cabo como de costumbre.

EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS

Encounter Jesus! Join us for the 21st annual Diocese of Charlotte Eucharistic Congress, when tens of thousands of people from across the Carolinas gather at the Charlotte Convention Center to celebrate the Holy Eucharist and feel Jesus' Presence among us.

The two-day event includes a Eucharistic Procession through Uptown Charlotte, a Holy Hour and Mass with the Bishop of Charlotte, Eucharistic Adoration, engaging and incredible speakers (English, Spanish and Vietnamese), sacred art and music, the opportunity for confession, fellowship, food, Catholic merchandise for sale, and more! Details at www.YouBelong2025.com.

Friday, September 5, 2025—Saturday, September 6, 2025.
At Charlotte Convention Center, 501 S. College St., Charlotte, NC 28202



Church Etiquette tip for this week:

While in the Church, a good way to prepare for Mass is by prayerfully setting our mind to God. If we were in Heaven, our focus would be completely on the will of Our Lord. So why not practice that here, where we are in His presence. We can use the prayer that Jesus taught his Apostles and us to do this, the Our Father.

Consejo de etiqueta de la iglesia para esta semana:

Mientras estamos en la Iglesia, una buena manera de prepararnos para la Misa es dedicar nuestro pensamiento a Dios con oración. Si estuviéramos en el Cielo, nuestro enfoque estaría completamente en la voluntad de Nuestro Señor. Entonces, ¿por qué no practicar eso aquí, donde estamos en Su presencia? Podemos usar la oración que Jesús enseñó a sus Apóstoles y a nosotros para hacer esto, el Padre Nuestro.



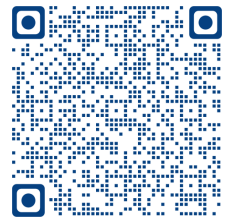
We are starting to prepare for Religious Ed in September! Please scan the below QR code to sign up:



We will start collecting money on Sunday August 10th after 11am mass. The link for registration was already sent out to those who are signed up in the Remind app. Class will start on September 7th at 9:15am. All students receiving a sacrament in 2026 MUST turn in the requested documentation when signing up as it should have been turned in by May 2025. All those receiving a sacrament in 2026 must be in Religious Ed for 2 years.

25TH AND 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION -

If you were married during 1975 or 2000, you are invited to the annual Diocesan Anniversary Mass on Sunday, October 26, 2025 at The Cathedral of Saint Patrick. Mass begins at 3:00 p.m. and will be followed by a reception. **Limit of 2 guests per couple.** Please register by scanning the QR code or visiting this link <https://charlottediocese.org/form-wedding-anniversary-mass/>



Good Shepherd
Catholic Church
Kirby Road, King, NC

Saturday, SEPT 13, 2025
11am - SOLD OUT

"Port A Pit Chicken Dinner"

*½ chicken, Mashed Potatoes,
green beans, dessert, dinner
roll, drink.....\$14*

SUNDAY REFLECTION / REFLEXIÓN DOMINICAL

Today's readings seem low-key, unrelated and even confusing. Despite that, there is a common thread that leads to a central truth about our life of faith. The First Reading reminds us that Jeremiah's prophesying almost led to his death; his proclamation of the word of God brought him rejection and suffering. The Second Reading is from Hebrews; it is really the conclusion of a long list of Old Testament heroes of our faith; it is a roll call of witnesses of the faith who endured against every temptation. All these heroes of the faith lead us to conclude that the Old Testament way of faith includes suffering as a common lot. In our reading today, we are asked to envision these heroes as a host of "clouds" of witnesses standing at the side of the racecourse, cheering us on, so that we will persevere, in our race and reach the goal of our faith-life. To help us persevere, we are urged to keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, who is called the "leader" and "perfecter" of this way of faith. He is the leader or pioneer because he initiated this way of living our Christian faith—through suffering to glory. He is the perfecter because he completed the course. In Luke, today, Jesus tells us that his work and life is leading to suffering and death; he speaks of his suffering as a divine destiny. Luke makes this his central theme of redemption: God willed that Jesus should come to glory only through the cross.

There is one other reason for such Christian living. Hebrews mentions Jesus' own motivation: "For the sake of the joy that lay before him he endured the cross." Jesus' motivation included this realization: no cross, no crown. This same motivation is found in the beatitudes he taught us: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven . . . Blessed are they who are persecuted . . . for theirs is the kingdom of heaven" (Matthew 5:3 and 10). He assures us that we are all blessed who follow him in his way, because of the great reward that will be ours; that great joy which lies before us is why we are blessed.

One more teaching of Jesus that is found again and again in the Gospels—Jesus teaches: "whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will save it" (Luke 9:24). Scripture scholars have various ways of explaining this saying. One way is — only those who lose their self-centered independence and selfishness can learn concern for others and gain human maturity, Christian holiness—and life everlasting. On the other hand, those who live their own, self-centered way, who depend only on their own strength and ability for everything, who have no need of God, they will lose their best self and their life in Christ.

To sum up then. 1. The central mystery of Christianity is that of the redemption of Christ—through his suffering and death to resurrection and glory. 2. The constant way of all heroes of our faith shows that faith includes suffering. 2. The way of Christ is the way for us all: no cross, no crown. Our whole spirituality is Christological. "Let us . . . preserve in running the race . . . while keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus, the leader and perfecter of faith.

Las lecturas de hoy parecen discretas, inconexas e incluso confusas. A pesar de ello, hay un hilo conductor que nos lleva a una verdad central sobre nuestra vida de fe. La primera lectura nos recuerda que la profecía de Jeremías casi lo llevó a la muerte; su proclamación de la palabra de Dios le acarreó rechazo y sufrimiento. La segunda lectura, tomada de Hebreos, es en realidad la conclusión de una larga lista de héroes de nuestra fe en el Antiguo Testamento; es una lista de testigos de la fe que resistieron ante toda tentación. Todos estos héroes de la fe nos llevan a concluir que el camino de fe del Antiguo Testamento incluye el sufrimiento como parte de la vida común. En nuestra lectura de hoy, se nos pide que visualicemos a estos héroes como una multitud de testigos que se mantienen al margen de la carrera, animándonos para que perseveremos en nuestra carrera y alcancemos la meta de nuestra vida de fe. Para ayudarnos a perseverar, se nos insta a mantener la mirada fija en Jesús, llamado el "líder" y "perfeccionador" de este camino de fe. Él es el líder o pionero porque inició esta forma de vivir nuestra fe cristiana: a través del sufrimiento para alcanzar la gloria. Él es el consumidor porque completó el curso. En Lucas, hoy, Jesús nos dice que su obra y su vida conducen al sufrimiento y a la muerte; habla de su sufrimiento como un destino divino. Lucas hace de esto el tema central de la redención: Dios quiso que Jesús alcanzara la gloria solo a través de la cruz.

Hay otra razón para esta vida cristiana. Hebreos menciona la propia motivación de Jesús: «Por el gozo que le esperaba, soportó la cruz». La motivación de Jesús incluía esta comprensión: sin cruz, no hay corona. Esta misma motivación se encuentra en las bienaventuranzas que nos enseñó: «Bienaventurados los pobres en espíritu, porque de ellos es el reino de los cielos... Bienaventurados los que padecen persecución... porque de ellos es el reino de los cielos» (Mateo 5:3 y 10). Nos asegura que todos los que lo seguimos en su camino somos bienaventurados, por la gran recompensa que nos espera; ese gran gozo que nos espera es la razón por la que somos bienaventurados.

Otra enseñanza de Jesús que se encuentra una y otra vez en los Evangelios: «Quien quiera salvar su vida, la perderá; pero quien la pierda por causa de mí, la salvará» (Lucas 9:24). Los estudiosos de las Escrituras tienen diversas maneras de explicar este dicho. Una es que solo quienes pierden su independencia egocéntrica y su egoísmo pueden aprender a preocuparse por los demás y alcanzar la madurez humana, la santidad cristiana y la vida eterna. Por otro lado, quienes viven a su manera, centrados en sí mismos, que dependen solo de sus propias fuerzas y capacidades para todo, que no necesitan a Dios, perderán su mejor versión y su vida en Cristo.

En resumen: 1. El misterio central del cristianismo es la redención de Cristo: a través de su sufrimiento y muerte, llega a la resurrección y la gloria. 2. El camino constante de todos los héroes de nuestra fe demuestra que la fe incluye el sufrimiento. 2. El camino de Cristo es el camino para todos nosotros: sin cruz ni corona. Toda nuestra espiritualidad es cristológica. «Perseveremos en la carrera, con la mirada puesta en Jesús, el autor y consumidor de la fe».