

# OUR LADY QUEEN OF THE UNIVERSE

Catholic Parish



## June 21, 2026 — Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Do not be Afraid, Trust in Jesus”

The heart of the Twelfth Sunday is Jesus' call to courage. In *Matthew 10:28–33*, He urges His disciples not to be afraid—three times. Fear is real, but it is not meant to rule out the life of a believer. Jesus knows the cost of discipleship, yet He reminds us that the Father's love is deeper than any threat we face.

Jesus says, “*Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul.*” This is not a dismissal of suffering but a reorientation of our vision. The world can wound us, misunderstand us, or oppose us, but it cannot touch the deepest truth of who we are: beloved children of the Father.

He then speaks of sparrows—creatures of little value in the ancient world—yet the Father notices each one. If God cares for sparrows, how much more does He care for us, whose names are written on His heart. This is the foundation of Christian courage: not our strength, but God's unwavering attention and love.

This Sunday also coincides with Father's Day, a moment to honor the men who reflect God's fatherly love through their strength, sacrifice, and quiet fidelity. Good fathers—biological, spiritual, or father figures—mirror the God who protects, guides, and delights in His children. Their vocation is not perfect, but it is holy. We pray for fathers living and deceased, for those who long to be fathers, and for those who carry wounds in their relationship with fatherhood.

Alongside this celebration, the Church continues to draw from the deep well of devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The Heart of Christ reveals a love that is patient, wounded, and endlessly faithful—a love that fathers are called to imitate. The Sacred Heart reminds us that God's love is not distant; it is tender, personal, and poured out for each of us.

Jesus also speaks of acknowledging Him before others. This is not merely about words; it is about living a life that reflects His truth, mercy, and compassion. To acknowledge Christ is to let our faith shape our choices, our relationships, and our witness in the world.

This Gospel challenges us to examine our fears: Fear of rejection/ Fear of suffering/ Fear of living our faith openly And it invites us to place those fears in the hands of the Father who counts every hair on our heads. Ultimately, Jesus calls us to a courageous trust—one rooted not in our abilities but in His presence. When we stand with Him, He stands with us.

Prayer: Loving Father, calm our fears and strengthen our hearts. Help us trust in Your care and walk boldly as disciples of Your Son. May we acknowledge Christ in our words and actions and find courage in Your faithful love. Keep us close to You today and always. Amen.

Love and prayers,  
Fr. Charley

## MASS SCHEDULE

### Mass Schedule/Horario de Misas

Saturday/Sábado 5:00pm (Vigil)

Sunday/Domingo—8:00am & 10:00am

Rosary/Santo Rosario—Saturday/Sábado 4:30pm,

Sunday/Domingo 7:30am/9:25am

### Weekday Mass Schedule/Horario Semanal de Misas

Tuesday/Martes; Wednesday/Miércoles; Thursday/Jueves &  
Friday/Viernes—Chapel/La capilla

12 Noon/12Mediodía Rosary;/Santo Rosario—11:30 am

### Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confesiones

Saturday/Sábado - 3:30—4:30pm

### First Friday-Healing Mass/Primera Viernes Sanación Misas

12 pm/12 Mediodía

Exposition of the Holy Eucharist/Exposición del Santísimo

Sacramento 11:00am

### First Saturday morning Mass/Primera Sábado Misas— 8:00 am

Adoration/Adoración Eucarística— 7:30am

## WEEKLY READINGS

Weekly Readings can be found in the USCCB  
bible@usccb.org

### Friday Summer Hours

Fridays the Parish Office will be open from 9 am - 1 pm beginning in June.

**House Blessings** Fr. Charley is blessing homes. If you wish to have your house blessed please fill out the form in the gathering area or call the parish office with your name, address, phone number, and desired day of the week. We will confirm the information with Fr. Charley and contact you to finalize the date and time.

### Chapel Chairs

If you wish to sponsor one of the new Chapel Chairs the last date to do so is June 30th. Each sponsorship is \$500.00. Installment options are available; contact the office for more information.



*The altar flowers are in Honor of  
Father Charley on this  
Father's Day*

### Wedding Anniversary

Robert & Marsha Asquith  
John & Huong Brock  
Tin Tran & Van Dinh



### Let us Pray for the Living and the Deceased

#### **For the living:**

Patricia Thomas, Mary Lou Zurowski, Paul Shea,  
Helen Bill-Cash, Fred & Margaret Dorsey,  
Arthur Nussberger, Lucy Sinopole, Dan Todorowski,  
Betty Lemley, Ferdinand Manglona, Patrick Buckley,  
Norin Manglona, Anthony Byrd  
and for those in our parish community in need of physical or spiritual healing.



## MASS INTENTIONS

If you wish to have a loved one remembered during the liturgy for any special occasion: a birthday, anniversary, get well, deceased etc. Contact the Parish office at 256-852-0788.

Sat.	June 20	5:00PM	Michael Smith † Willaim Skinner †
Sun.	June 21	8:00AM	Michael Smith †
		10:00AM	Linda Mathis (I) Nikki Gregory (I)
Tues.	June 23	12:00PM	David Kaufer †
Wed.	June 24	12:00PM	Francisco Family (I)
Thurs.	June 25	12:00PM	Amelia Tan (I)
Fri.	June 26	12:00PM	Special Intentions (I)
Sat.	June 27	5:00PM	Vu Family & Peter Tran † John & Marion Smith †
Sun.	June 28	8:00AM	Katrina Alookarant †
		10:00AM	Frank Smith Sr. †

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun. June 21	Father's Day	
Tues. June 23	RE Activity Day	9:00am-12:00 pm
Sun. June 28	Youth Cookout	11:15am-1:15 pm
Fri. July 3	<b>First Friday</b> Adoration/Rosary Mass Healing Service	11:00 am 12:00 pm
Sat. July 4	<b>Independence Day 250 Years</b> <b>First Saturday</b> Adoration/Rosary Mass	7:30 am 8:00 am
Thurs. July 9	Women's Group Botanical Gardens	5:30 pm
Sun. July 19	Regina Singles Ice Cream Social & Bingo	11:00 am

### Parishioners in need

*We have a parishioner who needs someone to edge her yard every week or two.  
Another parishioner has some furniture and dishes she wishes to give to any parishioner who needs them.  
Please contact the parish office at 256-852-0788 if you can use any of these items or help with the yard work.*

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### “DEEP BLUE” ACTIVITY DAY

Tues. June 23rd, 9:00 AM to Noon

WHO: Kids age 5-11 (Older kids needed to help)

WHAT: Fun activities to learn about Baptism

WHERE: Joy Hall

#### SIGN UP IN THE GATHERING AREA



Our subscription gets a summer break, too.  
Look for it when autumn returns.



### Daily Mass Attendance during the Summer

Father Charley invites all children to attend the Noon Mass, Tuesday thru Friday, during the summer before school begins again. He enjoys seeing them practice their faith!

## CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS

### Saint John Paul II High School

Registration for 2026 JP2 Summer Camps is open! Whether your student is looking for athletic development, academic enrichment, or creative fun, there are a variety of camps available throughout June and July this summer. Join the fun, it is open to the community. Visit [www.jp2falcons.org/camps](http://www.jp2falcons.org/camps) today for details or [camps@jp2falcons.org](mailto:camps@jp2falcons.org) for any questions.

### Bella's Girls Camp

This camp is offered to girls (grades 4th—6th) to grow in friendship, confidence & their relationship with Christ all while having an unforgettable amount of fun. They will play games, have fun activities, eat yummy snacks & grow in our faith. This camp is run by Campus Minister at JP2 with other JP2 girls. Contact Ms. Ashley Arominski. [AArominski@jp2falcons.org](mailto:AArominski@jp2falcons.org). Sign Up Now! [jp2falcons.org/camps](http://jp2falcons.org/camps).

## YOUTH MINISTRY \* LITURGY MINISTRY \* MUSIC MINISTRY NEWS

### Youth Ministry

Youth Cookout with games Sunday, June 28th from 11:15am—1:15pm. This is for all current and upcoming 6th—12th graders and their parents.

### Youth Ministry Facilitators

The Youth Ministry is looking for Facilitators for Youth Group activities. The youth group meets once a month on the fourth Sunday after Religious Education. If you are interested in helping to facilitate activities and meetings for our youth, please contact Mark Blackburn at [mark@olqu.org](mailto:mark@olqu.org) or call the office at 256-852-0788 for consideration. Our youth are precious to us as a community and our future. We have the opportunity to provide a rich Catholic environment that guides them throughout their lives. This is our chance to be a part of the future of the Catholic Church

### Music Ministry

Music Ministry is opening auditions vocalists and instrumentalists for the 2026-2027 year. Please contact Mark Blackburn if you are interested in joining the music program to glorify God through music. The Music Ministry will also offer lessons for all parishioners who wish to learn and instrument or to work on singing skills. No prior experience is necessary. Again, contact Mark at [mark@olqu.org](mailto:mark@olqu.org) if you are interested in these opportunities.

## MINISTRIES \* NEWS \* EVENTS

### New Members May 2026

.Please welcome Angelina Machota, Mario, Reyna, Damian and Mia Bustos, Randy Wiegman, Charles (Tony), Keirsady, Anthony and Samuel Rice, Haley Rice, Michael Murdock, and Madison Graham, into our parish family.

### Happy Father's Day

From the OLQU Staff

Deacon Jim, Donna, Mark,  
Susan and Shirley



### Leaving Vehicles in the Parking Lot

If you are a member of OLQU and need to leave your vehicle in the parking lot overnight please contact the parish office. If your vehicle is left for more than a day and we don't know the reason for it being here we check with the police department to make sure it isn't a stolen vehicle, then have it towed to an impound lot.

## OLQU Office Contact Information

**Reverend Charley Alookaran, Pastor**

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**Deacon James Multeri**

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**Susan Turner, Director of Religious Education**

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**Shirley Bernal, Bookkeeper**

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**Juan Mark Blackburn SDS, Director of Music and Youth Ministry**

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**Donna Pillarella, Parish Secretary**

**OLQU Parish Office Contact:**

office@olqu.org / Telephone 256-852-0788

Mission Statement: We, the Parish Family of Our Lady Queen of the Universe Catholic Church, through spiritual growth and service to others, seek to follow Mary's example of doing God's will by being a loving and open community centering on the Word, the Sacraments, and the Presence of Christ in our lives.

## Councils, Commissions & Ministries

<b>Ministry Coordinator:</b> Eva Andrzejewski	<b>256-430-3486</b>
<b>Finance Council:</b> Fran Spinelli	256-830-4135
<b>Adult Ed/Sacrament/OCIA:</b> Susan Turner	256-852-0788
<b>Agape Joy:</b> Rafael Urrutia	915-227-9509
<b>Altar Linens:</b> Pat Spinelli	256-830-4135
<b>Altar Servers:</b> Jared Ebelhar	256-684-8385
<b>Arts &amp; Environment:</b>	
<b>Baptism Preparation:</b> Deacon Jim Multeri	256-852-0788
<b>Building &amp; Maintenance:</b> Joe Andrzejewski	256-430-3486
<b>Care Ministry:</b> Deacon Jim Multeri	256-852-0788
<b>Chain Rosary:</b> David McClure	502-759-1939
<b>Charismatic Prayer Group:</b> Jeff Anderson	256-852-8734
<b>Communications:</b> Damian Hochmuth	256-890-1621
<b>EMHC:</b> Maria Nolen	334-517-8157
<b>Fund Raising:</b> Fran Spinelli	256-830-4135
<b>Gardening:</b> Marge Mullen	256-683-1663
<b>Greeters:</b> Jay Hammer	256-337-1016
<b>Grief Ministry:</b> Almaretta Brislin	256-603-1213
<b>IT &amp; A/V Care:</b> Jim Chaloupka	256-852-0788
<b>Lawn Care:</b> Orlando Herrera	256-990-7212
<b>Lectors:</b> Sybil Shearburn	256-679-7023
<b>Life in Faith:</b> Claudia McClure	256-337-6986
<b>Marriage Preparation:</b> Deacon Jim Multeri	256-852-0788
<b>Loving Hands:</b> Carol Lee	256-852-4095
<b>Mass Coordinator:</b> Pat Spinelli	256-830-4135
<b>Men's Club:</b> Roberto Ruiz	256-655-2509
<b>Money Counters:</b> Pat Spinelli	256-830-4135
<b>Music Ministry:</b> Mark Blackburn, Director	256-852-0788
<b>Prayer Shawl:</b> Donna Pillarella	256-852-0788
<b>Regina Singles:</b> Chad Bosch	256-698-2197
<b>Religious Education:</b> Susan Turner, Director	256-852-0788
<b>Sacristans:</b>	
<b>Safety &amp; Security:</b> Kent Wieter	256-830-1183
<b>Social:</b> Orlando Herrera	256-990-7212
<b>St. Andrew's Table:</b> Joanna Acker	256-721-6922
<b>St. Vincent de Paul:</b> Luster Ingram	256-852-2899
<b>Ushers:</b> Jay Hammer	256-337-1016
<b>Women's Group:</b> Cindy Williams	256-509-7258
<b>Youth Ministry:</b> Mark Blackburn, Director	256-852-0788

"Our work is to enlarge the tent and let everyone know they are welcome in the Church."

Pope Leo XIV

## SOCIAL CONCERNS & FOOD PANTRY

### St. Vincent de Paul needs:

canned peas, pancake mix, syrup, instant mashed potatoes, cold cereal, flour, sugar, and spaghetti (no glass, please).

Reminder: We cannot accept fresh fruit or vegetables, glass bottles, or homemade food items.

Thank you so much for your continued support! If you would like to help, please email: [help@olqusvdp.org](mailto:help@olqusvdp.org).

### *General Information*



#### **Father James E Coyle Memorial Mass**

Let's Remember a Priest Killed in the Line of Duty

Annual Father James E. Coyle Memorial Mass

Celebrant, Bishop Steven J. Raica

Tuesday, August 11, 2026 at 10:00 A.M./C.T.

Followed by Reception and Reflections on Father Coyle

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Father Coyle was a martyr to duty.

The Rt. Rev. Edward Allen, Bishop of Mobile – 8/12/1921

### **SPECIAL COLLECTIONS**

June 21	Seminarian Education Fund
June 28	Mission Cooperative
	Building Fund

### **FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

Weekly Estimated Expenses	\$	10,595.19
Weekly Collection June 13/14	\$	7,217.00
Religious Education	\$	150.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$	575.00
Building Fund	\$	983.00
Building & Maintenance	\$	647.00
Seminarian Education Fund	\$	130.00
Disaster Relief	\$	60.00
Mission Cooperative	\$	30.00