



Knights of Columbus ICC Council will be hosting the Five First Saturdays Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Pamphlets will be available to learn of



the promises and graces of this devotion. Knights will lead the prayer before the 7am Mass on the first Saturday of the month. The first devotional prayer will be at 6:55am at Immaculate Conception Church on Saturday, January 7th, 2023.

God bless us and Mary keep us. Any questions call Abraham at 505-730-1838.



OUR PASTORAL TEAM

- ✧ Fr. Steve Rosera, Parish Administrator;
- ✧ Fr. Robert Bustamante, Parochial Vicar;
- ✧ Deacon Don Roseborough, Baptisms, Bereavement, Funerals, and Homebound Ministry;
- ✧ Deacon George Sandoval, Ph.D., Retired;
- ✧ Mrs. Rebecca Maestas-Sanchez, Principal of St. Mary's School;
- ✧ Sr. Teresa Aparicio, OLVN, and Debbie Garcia, Co-Coordination of Faith Formation;
- ✧ Ms. Michelle Rusk, Social Media Director; and
- ✧ Ms. Dianne Dragoo, Jesuit Volunteers Liaison.

THE PARISH OFFICE is open:

Monday—Friday: 9am to 4pm.

Parish Office: (505) 247-4271 ~ Website: iccabq.org



CATHEDRAL MORTGAGE STATUS

Some have asked why the Archdiocese has not mortgaged the cathedral when it was stated a few months ago that such was the plan for raising money for the bankruptcy settlement. That remained the plan until recently, but many parishes raised sufficient funds to make that mortgage loan unnecessary. Also, most parishes moved their savings into the *Archdiocesan Deposit & Loan Fund* allowing the diocese to borrow sufficient money from *that* fund for the settlement rather than from a 3rd party institution. That loan must be repaid, but to the *Archdiocesan Deposit & Loan* program rather than to a commercial lender as was the initial plan. Those parishes which have yet to pay off their previously-communicated "mortgage obligation" still owe that debt.

Immaculate Conception Parish did not incur a mortgage obligation. It was the decision of our Finance Council to pay 100% of our obligation upfront, thereby saving the parish thousands of dollars on finance charges.

~~ Fr. Steve Rosera



MASS SCHEDULE:

- ✧ Monday, Wednesday, & Friday—12:10pm
- ✧ Tuesday, Thursday, & Saturday —7am
- ✧ First Friday of each month—7am and 12:10pm
- ✧ SUNDAY LITURGIES:
 - ❖ Saturday—4pm;
 - ❖ Sunday—8am, 10am, and 12:30pm (SPANISH).

CONFESSIONS:

- ❖ Fridays and Saturdays from 11am to 12noon; and
- ❖ By appointment. Call (505) 247-4271 to make an appointment.

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTION:

- ✧ January 7 & 8, St. Mary's School
- ✧ January 28 & 29: Renovation
- ✧ February 4 & 5: St. Mary's School

Online Giving
is available at
iccabq.org



May They Rest in Peace ~ Let us keep our recently deceased brothers and sisters in our prayers.

- ✧ Stephen F. Griego (age 69). Rosary/Vigil: Thursday, January 19, 6pm. Funeral: Friday, January 20, 9:30am. Both events will be at Immaculate Conception. Dates and Times are tentative.

Next Sunday's Readings



The Second Sunday in
Ordinary Time
Sunday, January 15,
2023

[This Sunday's Readings](#)

FIRST READING: *Isaiah 49: 3, 5-6*

God's servant, Israel, will be made a light to the nations.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: *Psalm 40: 2, 4, 7-10*

God desires obedience.

SECOND READING: *1 Corinthians 1: 1-3*

Paul greets the Church in Corinth.

GOSPEL READING: *John 1: 29-34*; John testifies that Jesus is the Lamb of God, God's own Son.

BACKGROUND ON THE GOSPEL READING: This Sunday we break from our reading of Matthew's Gospel (the primary Gospel for our current liturgical cycle, Cycle A) to read from John's Gospel. Today, we hear John the Baptist's testimony about Jesus as found in John's Gospel. John's Gospel differs from the other Gospels because John does not describe Jesus' baptism by John the Baptist. Instead, John the Baptist announces that he knows that Jesus is the Son of God.

In today's reading, John the Baptist sees Jesus approaching and cries out, giving witness about who Jesus is. In John's testimony he says that he saw the Spirit descend upon Jesus. By this sign, John the Baptist knew that Jesus was the one who is to come after him.

John the Baptist uses two titles for Jesus that are familiar to us. John calls Jesus the "Lamb of God" and the "Son of God." By using these titles, John the Baptist identifies Jesus' ultimate purpose: to redeem sinful humanity.

John the Baptist's testimony about Jesus clearly distinguishes John's baptism from the Baptism that Jesus will inaugurate. John baptizes with water; Jesus will baptize with the Holy Spirit. John also puts his practice of baptism in the context of Jesus' ministry. The purpose of John's baptism was to make Jesus known to Israel.

John the Baptist's sense of purpose is clearly identified in this reading: he baptized in order to prepare for and make known the ministry of the One who was to follow. John's witness is an excellent example of what it means to be a disciple. By our Baptism, we are called to make Jesus known to all the world by our words and by the witness of our lives.

Mass Intentions	
Saturday, January 7, Vigil of The Epiphany of the Lord	
4pm	+ John Gallegos
Sunday, January 8, The Epiphany of the Lord	
8am	+ Marie S. & Louis G. Romero
10am	+ Michael Salata
12:30pm Spanish	People of the Parish
Monday, January 9, The Baptism of the Lord	
12:10pm	Angelique Thompson ~ Family Dominic Silva ~ Healing
Tuesday, January 10, Tuesday of the First Week in Ordinary Time	
7am	In Honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary In Honor of St. Jude In Honor of St. Christopher
Wednesday, January 11, Wednesday of the First Week in Ordinary Time	
12:10pm	Geralyn McNaughton ~ Birthday Raymundo & Antonio Ochoa Daniel Trujillo
Thursday, January 12, Thursday of the First Week in Ordinary Time	
7am	+ Holy Souls in Purgatory
Friday, January 13, Friday of the First Week in Ordinary Time , St. Hilary, Bishop, Doctor of the Church	
12:10pm	Intention of Jacques Gauvin
Saturday, January 14, Saturday of the First Week in Ordinary Time , Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday	
7am	+ For the Souls in Purgatory
Saturday, January 14, Vigil of Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	
4pm	Intentions of the Julianne Rivera Family and Dominic Valdez + John Gallego
Sunday, January 15, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	
8am	+ Marie S. & Louis G. Romero
10am	Helen Gonzales - Health + Michael Salata
12:30pm Spanish	People of the Parish



VOCATIONS TO RELIGIOUS LIFE
Keep all young people discerning
religious life and priesthood
in your prayers!

Upcoming Events

LECTORS:

There will be a meeting of

All Lectors

on Saturday, February 4, at 11am in the Church, ending promptly at Noon.

Please email Fr. Steve at srosera@iccabq.org if you cannot be at this meeting. Mark your calendars.



MARRIAGE PREPARATION: If you are interested in being married at Immaculate Conception Church, contact Fr. Steve Rosera through the Parish Office or via his email:

srosera@iccabq.org.

We have experienced married couples who will help engaged couples prepare for their wedding and marriage.



BASKETBALL FREE THROW COMPETITION

Kids come and shoot some free throws!!!



Sponsored by Knights of Columbus, Immaculate Conception Council #15788.

- Who: Boys and Girls, ages 9 to 14;
- Where: Holy Family Catholic Church basketball court, 562 Atrisco Drive SW;
- When: **Sunday, January 29** ~ Shoot anytime between 8am and 2pm.

You can download the Applicant Forms & Parental Consent on St. Mary's website, or you can complete the forms in person at event.

Kids will shoot 25 shots and compete with others in their age group and winners move on to a district competition in March.

Please contact Pedro Aranda, 505-818-1190, or Steve Budenski, 505-489-1218, with any questions.



FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS ~ On the 1st Friday of each month, we celebrate the 7am Mass, followed by *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Adoration* from 7:30 until 11:45am Benediction. The regularly scheduled 12:10pm Mass follows. Confessions are as usual from 11am to 12noon.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION



MONTHLY SOCIAL LUNCH Thursday, January 19

Members of the parish meet for lunch once a month ~ that's Thursday, January 19, this month. We meet at the Sawmill Market (1909 Bellamah Ave NW). We try to meet in the center of the building around 11:30am. Come join us. All are welcome. It's fun and the food is good -- you can choose from many restaurants.

BAPTISMS are celebrated on the third Sunday of each month.

Please call the Parish Office, 505-247-4271 and ask for Deacon Don for more information.



**SUNDAY, JANUARY 22nd
2:30 TO 4:00 pm
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
619 COPPER AVE. NW**



Nuclear disarmament is an especially urgent issue these days with the war in Ukraine & other nations, such as China, North Korea & Iran, developing further nuclear capabilities. It is important for us to reinvigorate a conversation toward nuclear disarmament. We can ill afford to hide from this urgent, pro-life issue.

***Living in The Light of Christ's Peace:
A Conversation Toward
Nuclear Disarmament.***

This event is presented
by the Dominican Ecclesial Institute (D+E+I).

✠ **KNOW CHRIST** ✠
✠ **GROW IN CHRIST** ✠

Ongoing Activities

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Religious Classes resume today, Sunday, January 8. Classes run from 11:15am to 12:15pm each Sunday following the 10am Mass. Remember that attendance at Mass is an important part of the catechism.

Weekend conversation starter --

NAMETAGS. Look for the nametag tables as you enter the church for your weekend Mass. As a way of inviting a conversation with a stranger, put your first name on a nametag.



After the 10am mass, we will use a TED talk to help start conversations once you've grabbed your coffee or tea. Each week a TED talk will be chosen by parishioners for the following Sunday. You will receive an email about the selection if you currently are receiving the parish bulletin by email. Watch the TED talk ahead of time, or watch it with your coffee after Mass. Then join in the conversation.



The class meets each Monday from 6pm to 7:30pm in the basement Parish Hall. (Use the Parish Office door on Copper Avenue)

For more information contact Sr. Teresa through the Parish Office.

GET HELP IN VIOLENT SITUATIONS

The ALBUQUERQUE FAMILY ADVOCACY CENTER provides victims of domestic violence, child abuse, sexual assault and their families with a safe setting to assist in addressing and overcoming the trauma of their experience and break the cycle of violence that destroys families.

The Center is open 8am to 5pm weekdays.

Staff can be reached 24 hours a day at 505-243-3333.

The website is www.cabq.gov/albuquerque-family-advocacy-center and it lists many more resources.



Dial 988: Help & Hope in New Mexico
The 24/7 Lifeline for Emotional, Mental, or Substance Misuse Support

AT HOME WITH THE WORD ~ BIBLE STUDY

Our weekly bible study group, in which we discuss the upcoming Sunday Readings, meets every Wednesday from 2:30 to 3:30pm in the Rectory.

You are welcome to join us at any time.

We are using LTP's At Home with the Word, 2023.

Copies of the book are available in the Parish Office for \$15 each. All are welcome.

BOOK READING GROUP

The Book Reading Group meets Wednesdays, 6pm to 7pm. On January 4, we will begin to read **Thomas Merton's *The Seven Storey Mountain***.

The Seven Storey Mountain tells of the growing restlessness of a brilliant and passionate young man, who at the age of twenty-six, takes vows in one of the most demanding Catholic orders—the Trappist monks.

At the Abbey of Gethsemani, "the four walls of my new freedom," Thomas Merton struggles to withdraw from the world, but only after he has fully immersed himself in it.

At the abbey, he wrote this extraordinary testament, a unique spiritual autobiography that has been recognized as one of the most influential religious works of our time. Translated into more than twenty languages, it has touched millions of lives." (Amazon.com).

The book can be purchased from booksellers or borrowed from your local library. It is available in hardcover, paper, and in electronic format (Kindle, Audible, etc.).

If you are or know of any person living within our parish boundaries who needs any rent or utility assistance, please have them contact our parish *Society of St. Vincent de Paul* through the Parish Office or email iccabqsvdp@gmail.com.

SSVDP assistance is available to everyone in need. They do not need to be registered parishioners or Catholic to qualify.



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WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 26, 2022 — JANUARY 1, 2023:

INCOME INCLUDING ONLINE GIVING

Weekly Collection	\$	9,911.50
St. Mary's School		266.00
St. Vincent de Paul Society		167.50
Rejuvenation Fund		496.00
Bread & Blessings		35.00
Francis House and Trinity House		1,020.00
Christmas, Religious Retirement		871.00
Office, Masses, Candles, Flowers,		
Religious Education, & ACA Rebate		2,067.37
TOTAL INCOME	\$	12,834.37

EXPENSES

Liturgy and Worship	\$	1,251.63
Religious Education		1,918.61
School Support		00.00
Clergy Administration		3,765.17
Parish Administration		2,205.93
Building and Land Operations:		2,477.07
<u>Church Building</u>		<u>00.00</u>
Total Expenses:	\$	11,618.41



ATTENTION ALL ST. MARY'S ALUMNI....SAVE THE DATE

All St. Mary's School alumni are invited to join us at our school mass on Wednesday, February 1, 2023, at 8:30am. We will have a reception following the Mass and a school tour.

All alumni are welcome!

WELCOME

If you are interested in St. Mary's School for your child/grandchild NOW is the time to act. Early acceptance is going on right now. Call 505.242.6271 for more information or to request a tour of our school. St. Mary's is proud to address the development of the whole child. The cornerstone of our school IS the Gospel message.

Join our school family and don't forget to spread the word about our school.

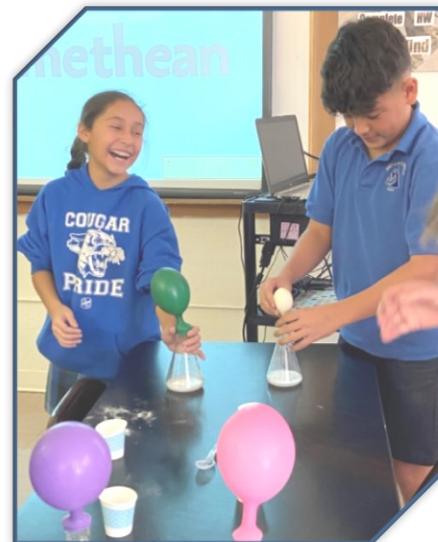
~~ Carol Johansen,
Teacher & Parishioner



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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Volunteers are needed before each week-end mass to encourage those attending mass to make a nametag for themselves so we can get to know each other.

For more information or to volunteer, contact Patrick O'Meara, pomearanm@gmail.com



Inspired by the teachings of Jesus in Matthew 25 ("for I was hungry and you gave me food. . ."), **Francis House Catholic Worker** embraces a two-pronged mission to serve both the unhoused in some of Albuquerque's poorest neighborhoods, and refugees fleeing poverty and violence at our southern doorstep.

Francis House always needs regular volunteers and substitutes to prepare and deliver sandwiches and soups from home. On site, volunteers serve our guests, package bread, crackers, cookies and other tasks. We are open Fridays through Tuesdays.

Call Linda (505-515-6241) or Glenn (505-489-8100) if interested in joining this dynamic ministry. We are located at 8016-A Zuni SE. You can donate to us tax-free through the ICCABQ.org online giving bottom in the lower right hand corner.



St. Benedict Joseph Labre Ministry serves the homeless and others in need with care packages that you and other parishioners can hand out from your vehicle when you encounter a person asking for money. We ask your help to:

- ✧ Create or provide supplies for the care packages;
- ✧ Make the care packages;
- ✧ Take the care packages with you at the end of your Sunday mass so you may hand them out.



Commonly needed items are: Protein bars, Granola, breakfast bars, snack bags of nuts, water cartons, (for environmental purposes), toothpaste, toothbrushes, Personal Cleansing Cloths, Woman's personal hygiene products, Chap stick, Socks (for winter), Gloves (for winter), hand lotion, anything that can be placed in a 1-gallon zip lock bag, so long as it is not bulky; and 1-gallon zip lock bags.

For information, call Phyllis Ortiz at 505-231-5902.

After a long break, we are starting the Communion to the Homebound program again. Volunteers are needed to take communion to those who cannot join us at

Mass. We also need a list of those parishioners who would like to receive Holy Communion at home.

Call the Parish Office and leave a message for Maria Armijo to set up training or to assign you to an homebound communicant.



VOLUNTEER PARISH POSITIONS AVAILABLE ~~

Videographers Needed. If you are interested in helping to stream, the 10am and 12:30pm Sunday Masses, please let Fr. Steve know by calling the Parish Office at 505-247-4271 or by email at srosera@iccabq.org.

Streaming the Mass is fairly easy, and most of the setup is already in place. The work involves redirecting the camera during the Mass so that it focuses on the action taking place. This is a volunteer position.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES has many volunteer opportunities. However, the greatest need is for **Senior Transportation Drivers**.

Help us respond to trip requests from seniors, 60 + years of age and ambulatory, who simply want to maintain their independence. Drivers provide transportation to medical appointments, light grocery shopping, and government offices. Volunteers set their own schedule and zip code destination.

Contact: Linda Seabrooks at (505) 724-4634 or at seabrooksl@ccasnm.org



GIFT BEARERS are needed for weekend Masses. They carry the bread and wine to the Presider during the Preparation of the Gifts.

Gift Bearers can be couples, families, or individuals. If you would like to do this, talk to an usher before Mass to see if you are needed. If you have questions, contact Erne Woodley at 505-340-5292.

America Magazine mined Pope Francis' homilies and speeches from the past year for advice for building stronger relationships—with God, with our neighbors and with the earth.



- ✓ Volunteer for a local charity or non-profit.
- ✓ Stop judging others.
- ✓ Take Scripture to heart.
- ✓ Take one concrete step to become more environmentally conscious. (And start now!).
- ✓ Pray every day. Even when it is hard.
- ✓ Let go of a grudge or two.
- ✓ Get off Twitter.
- ✓ Call your loved ones regularly and truly listen to them.

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AND YOUTUBE.**



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and on Instagram, find us at <https://www.instagram.com/immaculateconceptionabq/>

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About our blue recycling barrels.

- ✧ The two barrels, now, are for *glass only*.
- ✧ For *mixed recycling*, please use the recycling bin on the west (7th Street) side of St. Mary's School.
- ✧ *Plastic bags* can be recycled at some retailers, for example, Smiths.



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It can be difficult to pray during times of suffering. Words simply may not come, and God may seem distant. Join award-winning author and spiritual director Barbara Lee for a webinar that will draw from her book, [*Praying Through Pain*](#), to offer simple and practical ways of communicating with God in difficult times.

PRAYING THROUGH PAIN

A Webinar with Barbara Lee

Wednesday, January 18, 2023

1:00–2:00pm, Mountain Standard Time

All registered participants will receive a link to the recorded webinar.

[Reserve my seat. >](#)

This webinar is hosted by a third party.

*"We may not do great things,
only small things with great love."*

~ St. Mother Theresa

IMMIGRANTS IN EL PASO ~

As you may have seen, read, or heard, El Paso is dealing with a great influx of immigrants. Many receive services at Sacred Heart, the Jesuit Parish in the Segundo Barrio. (You can watch Fr. Rafael's interview with CNN on our Facebook page from our website.)



"We've been ministering to immigrants since the parish was founded," said Rafael García, SJ, pastor. "This is simply the most recent example of that ministry."

If you would like to make a donation to help, go to <https://www.sacredheartelpaso.org/>. Then go to *Donate to our Church* and in the drop down menu you will find *Migrant Fund: Casa del Sagrado Corazón*.

LA CATEQUESIS

Las clases religiosas se reanudarán el domingo 8 de enero de 2023, de las 11:15-12:15 antes de la misa. Recordatorio que la asistencia a la misa es importante y parte del catecismo



LADRILLOS CONMEMORATIVOS

Disponibles en nuestra página web ICCABQ.org. El costo de cada ladrillo es de \$125.00; mide 4+8", y permite grabar 3 líneas con 13

letras por línea incluyendo espacios

y se piden en lote de 10. Los ladrillos conmemoran a familias, miembros de la parroquia, y familiares fallecidos y se agregan al Jardín de Oración como recuerdo.

VOLUNTARIOS ~

Se necesitan voluntarios durante todas las Misas que lleven el pan y el vino al altar para la preparación de los sacramentos. Parejas, familias, individuos pueden participar en este acto y solo necesitan comunicar su intención a los ayudantes en la misa. Esta es una oportunidad para que todas las familias participen trayendo las ofrendas. Favor de comunicarse con Carlos Ramírez o con Erne Woodley (505) 340-5292.



Las Familias que necesitan informacion para recibir los Sacramentos de:

Baptismo, Confirmacion, Primera Comunión.

O, para otra informacion favor de llamar a la oficina de la parroquia de los mananas: O, llamar Sister Teresa Aparicio at 505-249-2781

AYUDA DISPONIBLE, hable con alguien hoy.
No está solo.

CADENA NACIONAL DE PREVENCIÓN DEL SUICIDIO
Abierta por 24 horas al día en español e inglés.

APRENDA MÁS ~ 988

A partir del 16 de julio, los estadounidenses podrán llamar o enviar mensajes de texto a un nuevo número de teléfono, 988, si sienten que están experimentando una crisis de salud mental y/o corren el riesgo de suicidarse.

Casa de las Comunidades necesita voluntarios para la clase de Inglés (clases básicas de ESL) cada semana por 2 horas. También para distribuir comida el viernes de 10-12 o los sábados de 8:30-11:00.

Para mas información favor de llamar a la oficina de casa a (505) 265-2371 o con la Hermana Teresa (505) 249-2781



PREPARACION MATRIMONIAL

Para parejas interesadas en recibir el sacramento de matrimonio en la Iglesia de la Inmaculada Concepcion, favor de comunicarse con el Padre Steve Rosera en la Oficina de la Parroquia o por correo electronico a

srosera@iccabg.org. La parroquia ofrece cursos de preparacion matrimonial con consejeros experimentados en esta area a todos aquellos que buscan preparacion matrimonial.



Acerca de los retiros

3 minutos de retiro te invita a tomar un descanso dedicado a la oración mientras estás enfrente de tu computadora. Toma una breve pausa para reflexionar en silencio sobre un pasaje bíblico.

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