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OUR PASTORAL TEAM

- ♦ Fr. Steve Rosera, Parish Administrator;
- Fr. Robert Bustamante, Parochial Vicar;
- Deacon Don Roseborough, Baptisms, Bereavement, Funerals, and Homebound Ministry;
- ♦ <u>Deacon George Sandoval</u>, Ph.D., Retired;
- Mrs. Rebecca Maestas-Sanchez, Principal of St. Mary's School;
- <u>Sr. Teresa Aparicio, OLVM</u>, and <u>Debbie Garcia</u>,
 Co-Coordinators 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



The Parish Office
will be closed on
Monday, January 16, in honor of
Martin Luther King, Jr., Holiday.

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 28 & 29: Renovation
- ♦ February 4 & 5: St. Mary's School
- ♦ February 18 & 19: Black and Indian Missions

Online Giving is available at ICCABQ.org

The Knights of Columbus, ICC Council, continue to host the Five First Saturdays Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Five First Saturdays Devotion

Pamphlets are available to

learn of the promises and graces of this devotion.

The devotional prayers led by the Knights will begin at 6:55am on Saturdays, January 21 and 28, and February 4, before the 7am Mass.



God bless us and Mary keep us.

Any questions call Abraham at 505-730-1838.

A Message from Our Parish Administrator

THANK YOU, ICC!

Two years ago (on January 20, 2021) I was assigned to Immaculate Conception Parish as the new Parochial Vicar, and 6 months later became the Parish Administrator.

Since then, you have all shown me the love and respect that ICC has always been known for, and I am grateful. It was a difficult time for many people, continuing to say goodbye to the Jesuit priests who had built this parish and served it faithfully since its beginning, and many people didn't quite know what to think about the parish being

administered by diocesan clergy.

But here we are, continuing to grow and to minister to each other, all for the greater honor and glory of God.

~~ Fr. Steve



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.
- ▶ Dorothy Marie Howard (age 92). Omega Omega Sorority Vigil Service, Saturday, January 28, 9:30am. Funeral Mass, Saturday, January 28, 12:30pm. Both events will be at Immaculate Conception.

Next Sunday's Readings



The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, January 22, 2023

This Sunday's Readings

FIRST READING: Isaiah 8: 23-9: 3

The people in darkness have seen a great light.

 $\frac{\text{RESPONSORIAL PSALM}}{\text{The Lord is our refuge, our light, our salvation.}}$

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1: 10-13, 17

Paul urges the community at Corinth to be united as

people baptized in Christ's name.
GOSPEL READING: *Matthew 4: 12-23*

Jesus begins to preach in Galilee and calls his first

disciples.

BACKGROUND ON THE GOSPEL READING: Today's Gospel describes the beginning of Jesus' public ministry. In the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke (called the Synoptic Gospels), Jesus' public ministry begins after his baptism by John the Baptist and after his retreat to the desert where he was tempted by the devil. When Jesus returns from the desert, he hears that John has been arrested.

The first part of today's Gospel places Jesus' ministry in the context of the writings of the prophet, Isaiah. Matthew wants to show that Jesus is the fulfillment of the prophecies given to the people of Israel, and he refers to Isaiah to do so. Isaiah says that the Messiah will begin his ministry in Galilee, the land of the Gentiles. When Jesus begins to preach in Galilee, Matthew points to his ministry as a fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecy, proof that Jesus is the Messiah.

When Jesus called his first disciples, the Gospel tells us that the fishermen (Peter and Andrew, James and John) dropped everything to follow Jesus immediately. Yet this Gospel tells us little about the prior experience that the fishermen had of Jesus. Did they know him? Had they heard him preach? What kind of person must Jesus have been to invoke such a response? We can imagine that Jesus was a powerful presence to elicit a response as immediate and complete as these first disciples gave.

The Gospel concludes with a description of the ministry that Jesus begins in Galilee. Jesus inaugurates the Kingdom of God with his work. He teaches in the synagogue and preaches the kingdom. His ability to cure people's diseases and illness is a sign of the kingdom. In Jesus' ministry, we already begin to see the Kingdom of God among us.

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Mass Intentions				
Saturday, January 14, Vigil of <u>Second Sunday in</u> <u>Ordinary Time</u>				
4pm	For the Intentions of Julianne Rivera Family & Dominic Valdez + John Gallego			
Sunday, January 15, <u>Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</u>				
8am	+ Marie S. & Louis G. Romero			
10am	Helen Gonzales ~ Health + Michael Salata			
12:30pm Spanish	People of the Parish			
Monday, January 16, <u>Monday of the Second Week in</u> <u>Ordinary Time</u>				
12:10pm	For the Intentions of Robert Lopez & Margaret Castillo + Reuben Baca			
Tuesday, January 17, Memorial of St. Anthony, Abbott				
7am	+ Kenny Wisse			
Wednesday, January 18, <u>Wednesday of the Second</u> <u>Week in Ordinary Time</u>				
12:10pm	+ Tom Jaramillo + Lupe Herrera			
Thursday, January 19, <u>Thursday of the Second Week in Ordinary Time</u>				
7am	For the Health of Kathy Drum			
Friday, January 20, <u>Friday of the Second Week in</u> <u>Ordinary Time</u> , St. Fabian, Pope, Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr				
12:10pm	+ Poor Souls in Purgatory			
Saturday, January 21, <u>Memorial of Saint Agnes, Virgin & Martyr</u>				
7am	For the Health of Kathy Drum			
Saturday, January 21, Vigil of <u>Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</u>				
4pm	+ John Gallegos			
Sunday, January 22, <u>Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</u>				
8am	+ Marie S. & Louis G. Romero			
10am	+ Michael Salata Saint Rita			
12:30pm Spanish	For the People of the Parish			

Upcoming Events



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).

Weekend Retreat for Discernment of Priestly Vocation, sponsored by the Vocation Office of the Archdiocese of Santa Fe

- ❖ From 5pm on Friday, February 3, to 1pm on Sunday, February 5.
- Location: Pecos Benedictine Monastery.
- ❖ For Whom?: For Single Catholic Men aged 18-50 (17-year-olds may attend if they are High School seniors preparing to graduate in the Spring).
- Register here: https://forms.gle/ Q9ciu3Qv6sSG3f3L8

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.

The 2023 FIESTA PLANNING COMMITTEE will meet on SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, at 10am in the Parish Hall. Please join us, if you would like to be a participant in this committee.

Thank you to Kathleen Sandoval for accepting the leadership of this committee and of our 2023 Fiesta!

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.

The district winners at this event will be contacted by Council members Pedro Aranda, 505-818-1190, or Steven Budenski, 505-489-1218, for the State runoffs in March 2023. You may also contact one of them with any questions.

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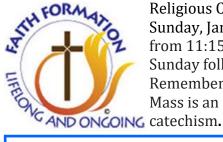
<u>BAPTISMS</u> are celebrated on the third Sunday of each month.

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

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.

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 ioin 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.

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

The website is www.cabq.gov/albuquerque-family-

advocacy-center and it lists many more resources.

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.

St. Vincent de Paul

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WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 2 — JANUARY 8, 2023:

Income Including Online Giving			
Weekly Collection		9,566.50	
St. Mary's School		939.00	
St. Vincent de Paul Society		98.50	
Rejuvenation Fund		603.00	
Bread & Blessings		35.00	
Francis House and Trinity House		1,020.00	
Solemnity of Mary. Ash Wednesday,			
Christmas, Religious Retirement		397.00	
Office, Masses, Candles, Flowers,			
Religious Education, & ACA Rebate		2,604.57	
TOTAL INCOME		\$ 15,263.57	

St. Mary's Catholic School, a dual language community, embraces the Gospel message by enriching through Catholic teachings, academic excellence, Christian leadership, and service.

Spelling Bee

St. Mary's School students in grades 4-8 powered through the practice round without a hitch, all effortlessly rattling off the letters of their assigned words in perfect order.

As the rounds progressed there were fewer and fewer students remaining.

Finally, it was time for the highly anticipated final round. Kai Gachupin (7th grade) and Gloria Guerin (8th grade) dueled words back and forth until finally Gloria was declared the winner.

Congratulations to all of the participants. We are so proud of you!!

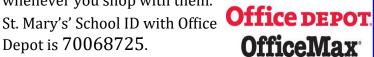
~~Carol Johansen, Teacher & Parishioner



EXPENSES Liturgy and Worship 1,685.42 **Religious Education** 1,918.61 School Support 00.00 Clergy Administration 3,765.17 Parish Administration 11,940.72 **Building and Land Operations:** 2,477.07 **Church Building** 00.00 **Total Expenses:** 21,786.99

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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 Tuesday, January 31, 2023, at 8:30am. We will have a reception following the Mass and a school tour.

All alumni are welcome!





VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Volunteers are needed before each weekend 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..."), *Francís 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.

Francís 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 CATHOLIC WORKER right hand corner.

MOVEMENT

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 <u>Communion to the Homebound</u> 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 <u>volunteer position</u>.

<u>CATHOLIC CHARITIES</u> 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@ccasfnm.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.

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A good source for news about the Church is *VATICAN NEWS*. You can subscribe by completing

the form at this URL: https://www.vaticannews.va/en/newsletter-registration.html and receive the news daily in your inbox.



The Letter: documentary with Pope Francis in the spotlight, carrying the message of Laudato Si Free streaming now on YouTube Originals.

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



Join us on myParish app.

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.



LOYOLAPRESS. A JESUIT MINISTRY



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.



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 <u>Donate</u> to our <u>Church</u> and in the drop down menu you will find <u>Migrant Fund: Casa del Sagrado Corazón</u>.

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 t odas 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 Sacrementos de:

Baptismo, Confirmacion, Primera Comunion.

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 PREVENCION DEL SUICIDIO Abierta por 24 horas al dia en espanol e ingles.

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 Ingles (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.

Como cada uno de nosotros ora a su ritmo, 3 minutos de retiro te permite controlar el ritmo del retiro. Después de cada pantalla aparecerá un botón que dice "Siguiente". Presiónalo cuando quieras pasar a la siguiente imagen. Si este tipo de oración online es nuevo para ti, el ritmo preseleccionado para el retiro te guiará durante esta experiencia de oración. de Prensa Loyola Apple App Store Android Google Play

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