

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

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
- ✧ February 25 & 26: Renovation

Online Giving
is available at
ICCABQ.org

The National Catholic Office of the Deaf (NCOD) Pastoral Week runs from January 26-30, 2023. On Sunday, January 29, Archbishop John C. Wester will preside at their Community Mass at Cathedral Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi at 11am. For those who are not able to attend in person, the Mass will be live-streamed at <https://youtu.be/D5mz-mCjgSE>. Join us!



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



ARCHBISHOP
JOHN C WESTER



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).

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



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 28, and February 4, before the 7am Mass.



God bless us and Mary keep us.

Any questions call Abraham at 505-730-1838.



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

- ✧ Joan Ellison (age 93). Funeral Mass, Wednesday, January 25, 10:00AM, 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 4th Sunday in
Ordinary Time
Sunday, January 29,
2023

FIRST READING: [Zephaniah 2:3, 3:12-13](#)

There will be a people who remain sheltered from God's anger.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: [Psalm 146:6-10](#)

The Lord is faithful forever.

SECOND READING: [1 Corinthians 1:26-31](#)

God chooses the weak to show his power.

GOSPEL READING: [Matthew 5:1-12a](#)

Jesus teaches what it means to be happy.

BACKGROUND ON THE GOSPEL READING: Today's reading is the beginning of Jesus' Sermon on the Mount, which is found in Matthew's Gospel. The form of the Beatitudes found here is not unique to Jesus. Beatitudes are found in the Old Testament, in the psalms, and in wisdom literature, for example. They are a way to teach about who will find favor with God.

We quickly note in this reading that the people whom Jesus calls "blessed" and "happy" are not people we think of as blessed or happy . . . the poor in spirit, the meek, the persecuted. This Gospel is one of reversals. Jesus' blueprint for happiness reflects little of what the world might call happiness.

"Blessed" is sometimes translated as *happy*, *fortunate*, or *favored*. In other words, Jesus is saying that divine favor is upon those who are poor, those who mourn, those who are persecuted. This news might have been welcome—and surprising—to the crowds who heard Jesus that day.

The Beatitudes can be understood as a framework for Christian living. Our vocation as Christians is not to be first in this world, but rather to be first in the eyes of God. By referring to the good things that the faithful will experience, Matthew reminds us that those who act in the manner described in the Beatitudes will find their reward with God.



Pray
for Vocations

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

Mass Intentions	
Saturday, January 21, Vigil of Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	
4pm	+ John Gallegos
Sunday, January 22, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	
8am	+ Marie S. & Louis G. Romero
10am	+ Michael Salata Saint Rita
12:30pm Spanish	For the People of the Parish
Monday, January 23, Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children , St. Vincent, Deacon, Martyr	
12:10pm	+ Robert Winans
Tuesday, January 24, Memorial of Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church	
7am	Holy Souls in Purgatory + Jennifer Ann Sandoval ~ Anniversary
Wednesday, January 25, Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul, Apostle	
12:10pm	+ Rose L. Torres
Thursday, January 26, Memorial of Saints Timothy and Titus, bishops	
7am	Thanksgiving to Saint Joseph
Friday, January 27, Friday of the Third Week of Ordinary Time , Saint Angela Merici, Virgin	
12:10pm	Kimberly Jarnagin ~ Health James Turberville - Health
Saturday, January 28, Memorial of Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church	
7am	For Those Recovering from Addiction of Any Kind
Saturday, January 28, Vigil of the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
4pm	+ Anthony R. Martinez + John Gallegos
Sunday, January 29, Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
8am	+ Marie S. & Louis G. Romero
10am	+ Michael Salata
12:30pm Spanish	For the Parish

✠ **SHARE CHRIST** ✠
✠ **SERVE CHRIST** ✠

Upcoming Events

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.

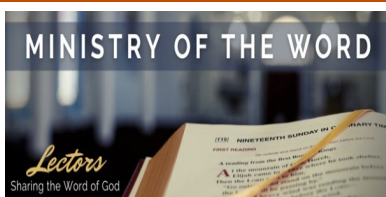
Kids will shoot 25 shots and compete with others in their age group and winners move on to a district competition in March.

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.



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.



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.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



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.

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>



MONTHLY SOCIAL LUNCH

THIRD Thursday of Each Month

Members of the parish meet for lunch once a month ~ that's Thursday, February 16, next 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.

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Confessions will be heard as usual from 11am to 12noon.



The 2023 FIESTA PLANNING COMMITTEE meets regularly.

Please join us, if you would like to be a participant in this committee.

Contact Chairperson Kathleen Sandoval through the Parish Office.

The Fiesta will be on Saturday, June 10.

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. We are reading **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
ASSISTANCE • SHELTER • HOPE

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WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 8—14, 2023:

INCOME INCLUDING ONLINE GIVING

Weekly Collection	\$ 6,748.50
St. Mary's School	168.00
St. Vincent de Paul Society	62.50
Rejuvenation Fund	608.00
Bread & Blessings	35.00
Francis House and Trinity House	70.00
Solemnity of Mary. Ash Wednesday, Christmas, Religious Retirement	123.00
Office, Masses, Candles, Flowers, Religious Education, CRS & ACA Rebate	1,092.31
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 8,907.31

EXPENSES

Liturgy and Worship	\$ 1,076.18
Religious Education	1,705.54
School Support	00.00
Clergy Administration	00.00
Parish Administration	1,774.85
Building and Land Operations:	7,474.71
<u>Church Building</u>	<u>00.00</u>
Total Expenses:	\$ 12,031.28



Pastabilities

Join us for dinner, dancing and fun! **Pastabilities** is St. Mary's School annual gala/fundraiser and will take place on Friday, February 3, at The Sandia Golf Event Center. All monies earned will go toward security for our school. Individual tickets are \$100 and table sponsorships are also available... each with a variety of

"extras."

There will be a live auction and a silent auction that includes trips to Amalfi Coast, Iceland, Costa Rica, Tuscany, Africa, The Galapagos, Greece and Scotland. For more information and to purchase tickets go to: <https://muradbid.com/bidapp/index.php?slug=stmarysalbq>

~~Carol Johansen, Teacher & Parishioner



Office Depot contributes 5% of your purchase to a local school of your choice whenever you shop with them.

St. Mary's' School ID with Office Depot is 70068725.

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Attention all St. Mary's Alumni... ...Save the NEW 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 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.



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.



STEWARDSHIP

Managing God's Gifts To Us

ALTAR SERVERS

If you are in the 4th grade or older and have made your First Holy Communion and you would like to be an altar server then,
WE NEED YOU!



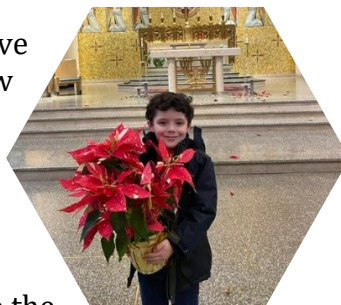
We especially need altar servers at the Saturday 4:00pm Mass and the Sunday 8:00am Mass

Please contact Fr. Steve through the Parish Office or at srosera@iccabq.org. Thank you.



The theme of the gathering for the month of January was the celebration of the Epiphany. The revelation of the child god to all humanity. Thanks to the mothers of the children who helped with the costumes for the dramatization of the Gospel and to the catechists

Thanks to Father Steve for the new way to recycle Christmas flowers. They were donated to the families who will care for them.



Thanks to *the Families in Action* for the commitment to organize the gathering each month. Our goal is to create community and grow in the Synodal Church

The bread symbolizes the world in which we live. The doll hidden in the bread represents the presence of Jesus in the world. The colors and decorations of the bread symbolize the different races and cultures. Whoever gets the doll symbolizes the joy of finding Jesus and sharing him with others, which is why on February 2 *the Candlelight Festival* is organized.

A special thanks to Maria and Gabriel who donated the Rosca de Reyes.

WE STREAM MASS ON FACEBOOK AND YOUTUBE.



To follow us on Facebook, find us at <https://www.facebook.com/iccabq/>



on YouTube, find us at https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpsBXhOrta8CPn_hjXEwcw



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

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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.



A Message from Fr. James J. Martin, SJ: If you'd like to receive weekly meditations on the Sunday Gospel (for free!) written by yours truly, just sign up on the link below. You'll receive them every Saturday morning to help you prepare for the next day. Also, past reflections are also on this page: <https://outreach.faith/weekly-reflections/>



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



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.

PREPARACION MATRIMONIAL

Para parejas interesadas en recibir el sacramento de matrimonio en la Iglesia de la Inmaculada Concepción, favor de comunicarse con el Padre Steve Rosera en la Oficina de la Parroquia o por correo electrónico a srosera@iccabg.org. La parroquia ofrece cursos de preparación matrimonial con consejeros experimentados en esta área a todos aquellos que buscan preparación matrimonial.



El Comité de Planificación de la Fiesta 2023 se reúne regularmente.

Por favor, únase a nosotros, si desea ser un participante en este comité.

Póngase en contacto con la Presidenta Kathleen Sandoval a través de la Oficina Parroquial.

La Fiesta será el sábado 10 de junio.

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.

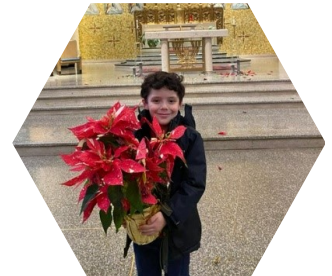
Lineas de Crisis en Nuevo México

1-855-NMCRISIS (1-855-662-7474) nmcrisisline.com



El tema del convivio del mes de enero fue la celebración de la epifanía. La revelación del niño dios a toda la humanidad. Gracias a las mamás de los niños que ayudaron con el vestuario para la dramatización del Evangelio y a las catequistas Teresa Pena, María Elena Esparza y Laura Pool, Paulo Torres

Gracias a Padre Steve por la nueva forma de reciclar las flores de navidad. Fueron donadas a las familias quienes cuidaran de ellas.



El pan simboliza el mundo en que vivimos. El muñequito escondido en el pan representa la presencia de Jesús en el mundo. Los colores y decoraciones del pan simbolizan las diferentes razas y culturas. A quien le toque el muñequito simboliza la alegría de encontrar a Jesús y compartirlo con los demás por eso el 2 de febrero se organiza la fiesta de las candelas