



# Welcome to our Parish Community!

## OUR PASTORAL TEAM

- ❖ Fr. Steve Rosera, Pastor;
- ❖ Fr. Robert Bustamante, Parochial Vicar;
- ❖ Fr. Stephen Gaertner, O.Praem., Parochial Vicar;
- ❖ Fr. Evaristus Chukwu, Hospital Chaplain;
- ❖ Deacon Stephen Sais;
- ❖ Deacon George Sandoval, Ph.D., Emeritus;
- ❖ Mrs. Rebecca Maestas-Sanchez, Principal, St. Mary's School;
- ❖ Sr. Teresa Aparicio, OLVM, and Debbie Garcia, Co-Coordinators of Faith Formation; and
- ❖ Ms. Michelle Rusk, Social Media Director;
- ❖ Dianne Dragoo, Web Administrator.

THE PARISH OFFICE is open:  
 Monday—Friday: 10am-3:30pm;  
 Saturday: 9am -4pm

619 Copper Street NW, Albuquerque, NM 87102

Parish Office: (505) 247-4271

~ Website: [ICCABQ.org](http://ICCABQ.org) ~

Office Administrator: Karime Ramirez

## 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).

## CONFESIONS:

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

## NEXT SECOND COLLECTIONS:

- ❖ January 31 & February 1 ~ St. Mary's School

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



- +Edwin Buck: On Thursday January 29, Mass of Christian Burial at 10a.m.
- +Juan Jose Baca: On Friday January 30, Rosary will be prayed at 9am followed by the Mass of Christian Burial at 10a.m.

Catholic Daughters of the America's is having their annual **SHARE THE WARMTH BLANKET DRIVE**. Help share the love of Christ one blanket at a time. The drive will last for 3 weeks and begin Saturday, January 10, and end this Sunday, January 25. Please bring your new or gently used blankets to the donation box located in the vestibule of the church either after each Mass or you can drop them off during the week at the Parish Office. Money donations are also welcomed. Thank you in advance for your generosity and support.



## Sanctity of Life Awareness Mass and Rally

Wednesday, January 28, 2026, 12 Noon at

**Cathedral Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi, Santa Fe**  
**Prayer rally at the Roundhouse at 2pm.**

As Catholics, our foundational values call us to be resolute defenders of Christ's most innocent. The Lord is calling each of us to pause, reflect and recognize the grave evil unfolding in our state. He is summoning us to be bold and courageously unite with fellow parishioners in peaceful, prayerful witness to Show Up, Stand Up, and Speak Up for those who have no voice- the precious children of God taken from the womb- We can no longer remain silent.

"The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing" - Edmund Burke

## Seasons of Hope: Journal Two

We invite persons experiencing loss through the death of a loved one, physical change, job loss, major transitions to share this Catholic Bereavement Resource, through Scripture, faith sharing and ritual, we find solace for our spirits.

**Date:** Mondays February 9, 16, 24

from 1 – 3 PM

**Place:** TBA

**Facilitator:** Sr. Paula Gallagher IHM

**To register:** Contact Sr. Paula at 505-670-0240 or [musicwrit7@gmail.com](mailto:musicwrit7@gmail.com)

## 40 Cans for Lent –

Lent is just around the corner, and our annual **40 Cans for Lent** food drive will begin on **Ash Wednesday, February 18th**. This year, we are introducing a new and simpler way to participate. **Specially labeled "KofC 40 Cans for Lent" bags** will be available in the back of the church each Sunday during Lent. We invite you to take a bag home, fill it with canned goods, and return it once completed. Filled bags may be brought back to the church or handed to any Knight wearing a **Blue Knights of Columbus vest** during weekday or Sunday Masses. **Sunday drop-off is preferred.**

We are excited to launch this improved approach and look forward to another generous and grace-filled Lenten season of giving. Thank you for helping us support those in need through this meaningful tradition.

Yours In Christ,  
 Worthy Grand Knight,  
 Sir Kenneth Anthony Pruitt- KofC #15788 ICC Life Director  
 NM State Council

## Next Sunday's Readings from LOYOLAPRESS.



Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
February 01, 2026  
[Next Sunday's Readings](#)

### 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.

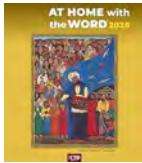
The Beatitudes can be understood as a framework for Christian living. Our vocation as Christians is not to be first in this world, but rather to be first in the eyes of God. By referring to the good things that the faithful will experience, Matthew reminds us that those who act in the manner described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

Mass Intentions	
Saturday, January 24, Vigil of <a href="#">Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</a>	
4pm	For the Recovery of Maria Hernandez + John Fitzpatrick
Sunday, January 25, <a href="#">Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</a>	
8am	Souls in Purgatory
10am	For the People of the Parish
12:30pm Spanish	Por la salud de Bernarda Medina Diaz + Clara Diaz ~ Aniversario
Monday, January 26, <a href="#">Memorial of Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops</a>	
12:10pm	+ Rosalita Silva ~ Birthday + Alex, Emiliano & Sam Sanchez
Tues., January 27, <a href="#">Tuesday of the Third Week in Ordinary Time</a> ; Saint Angela Merici, Virgin	
7am	+ Donna Bruzzese
Wed., January 28, <a href="#">Memorial of Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church</a>	
12:10pm	Anthony Martinez + Robert "Bob" Jordan
Thursday, January 29, <a href="#">Thursday of the Third Week in Ordinary Time</a>	
7am	+ Donna Bruzzese
Friday, January 30, <a href="#">Friday of the Third Week of Ordinary Time</a>	
12:10pm	For the Intention of Betty Sanchez Danielle Valdez ~ Birthday
Sat., January 31, <a href="#">Memorial of Saint John Bosco, Priest</a>	
7am	+ Mario Baldonado & the well being of his Family
Saturday, January 31, Vigil of <a href="#">Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</a>	
4pm	+ John Fitzpatrick + Francisco Hernandez ~ Anniversary
Sunday, February 01, <a href="#">Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</a>	
8am	Barbara Candelaria ~ Birthday
10am	For the Intention of Noah Jacob Chavez + Kristi Hartless + Alison Vigil
12:30pm Spanish	Por la Gente de Nuestra Parroquia

## Ongoing Activities

### 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. We use LTP's *At Home with the Word*, 2026.



### Evening Bible Study

In addition to our Wednesday afternoon Bible Study (at 2:30 pm in the rectory), Mr. Luke Wyatt, leads an evening bible study group at Immaculate Conception. If you are interested in this opportunity to study the Sacred Scriptures with your fellow parishioners, please come by! The group also meets on Wednesdays, at 6:00 PM, in the Campion Room (near the Parish Hall)



The ICC Parish Book Group meets on Wednesdays at 6pm in the Parish Hall. The group has begun to read Alvin Levi's "Theo of Golden". This is a 2023 novel which explores themes of kindness, wonder, and connection, and is described as a heartfelt, allegorical story about the power of small acts of generosity. The book is available for purchase or download on Amazon as well as other book sellers.

### THE ICC PARISH BOOK GROUP



### Important Dates for RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

- ✧ January 25 ~ Regular Classes
- ✧ February 01 ~ Regular Classes

For more information call Debbie Garcia at (505) 385-8303 or Sr. Teresa at (505) 366-3878

Francis House needs your support

- Our guest' most requested items are **socks and underwear**: If you are hosting a gathering please consider organizing a new sock and underwear drive to benefit Francis House

Other Wishlist Items:

- Your donations of gently used blankets
- Athletic shoes
- Men's winter coats
- Unisex sweatpants and men's jeans sizes 32, 34 and 36
- Tampons and pads are also greatly appreciated.



### Substitute Soup and Sandwich Makers Needed

We are looking for substitute soup and sandwich makers. If you are interested in helping to be a soup or sandwich substitute text Secretary Stella Lavis at (505) 448-5748.

Francis House is located at: 8016 A Zuni Road SE, Albuquerque, NM 87108

You can contact them at (505) 489-8100

### INCOME AND EXPENSES REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2025

#### PARISH SUPPORT ~ INCLUDES ON-LINE DONATIONS

Weekly Collections	\$ 40,521.00
Rental Income	3,300.00
All Souls Day	74.00
Candles	2,852.90
Casa de las Comunidades	516.00
Donations - Miscellaneous	32,010.63
Fees - Sacramental	1,295.00
Fee- Religious Ed	0.00
Francis House	7,910.00
Flowers and Mass Stipends	1,767.00
Pipe Organ Donation	25.00
Donation for Giving Tree	50.00
Donation for Sound System	13,416.83
Donation for new altar supplies	2,000.00
Bread & Blessings	848.00
St. Vincent de Paul	1,594.00
Rejuvenation	2,158.00
St. Mary's School	3,888.00
CRS, Rice Bowl, Good Friday, Good Shepherd Center, Human Development	1,883.00
Coffee Ministry	101.00
ACA Rebate	2,512.50
Articles for sale	21.00
ACA	305.50
Total Income	\$ 119,049.86

#### DECEMBER 2025 EXPENSES

Liturgy and Worship	3,743.76
Religious Education	3,844.28
School Support	11,522.14
Clergy Administration	5,214.09
Parish Administration	16,005.07
Mass Stipends paid	2,132.56
HVAC Loan to the Archdiocese	2,236.74
Building and Land Operations	14,196.95
New Sound System	12,724.70
Utilities- Gas, Water, Electric, Internet	1,904.02
Ministries-Includes Designated Donations	2,323.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES:</b>	<b>\$ 75,847.31</b>

### We Welcome Your Family to Experience St. Mary's Catholic School!

#### Shadow Day

Date: Monday, February 16, 2026

Time: 7:50am-3:00pm

Lunch included!

We invite students in Junior Kindergarten through 8th grade to join us for a special Shadow Day at Saint Mary's Catholic School!

This is the perfect opportunity for your child to experience firsthand the St. Mary's culture—a welcoming environment where faith, academic excellence, and character development come together. Discover how our school can provide a **safe, well-structured, and academically challenging option for your family.**

**Spaces are limited, so RSVP today!**

**Contact us at 505-242-6271**

**Email: [rsanchez@stmarys.me](mailto:rsanchez@stmarys.me)**

**Or Schedule a tour at [StMarys.me](http://StMarys.me)**

Registration for the 2026/2027 school

year is now open.

We look forward to meeting you and your child!



### Volunteer Opportunities at Mass

Here are the volunteers who serve during Mass. If you are interested in any of these ministries, talk to the Sacristan after Mass or call the Parish Office for more information.

- ❖ Altar Servers: Deacon Stephen Sais, [ssais@iccabq.org](mailto:ssais@iccabq.org) or leave a message at the Parish Office.
- ❖ Gift Bearers; see ushers before Mass
- ❖ Communion to the Home Bound Ministry;
- ❖ Eucharistic Ministers;
- ❖ Lectors;
- ❖ Ushers (Hospitality Ministry): Anthoney Carrillo [anthoneycarrillo@hotmail.com](mailto:anthoneycarrillo@hotmail.com): 505-350-9707

#### 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](http://www.cabq.gov/albuquerque-family-advocacy-center). It lists many more resources.

### **Now Hiring at Saint Mary's Catholic School**

Saint Mary's Catholic School is growing, and we are excited to announce two job openings for the 2026-2027 school year:

#### **Dual Language Upper Elementary Teacher**

We are looking for a passionate bilingual educator who believes in academic excellence, language immersion, and nurturing confident, compassionate learners.

If you or someone you know feels called to serve in a joyful, faith-filled school community, we would love to hear from you!

**Apply by emailing your resume to:**

[rsanchez@stmarys.me](mailto:rsanchez@stmarys.me)

**For more information, please contact our school office. 505-242-6271**

Come be part of a mission-driven team that enriches the world through Catholic teachings, academic excellence, and service.

*~ by Kristen Dickey - ICC parishioner and St. Mary's Advancement Director*

### Volunteer Opportunities

- ☒ *Bread & Blessing* ministry ~ contact Coordinator Roberta Montoya at [robertacmontoya@gmail.com](mailto:robertacmontoya@gmail.com) or call the Parish Office.
- ☒ *ESL Tutors* ~ contact Sr. Teresa at (505) 366-3878.
- ☒ *St. Benedict Joseph Labre Ministry* Ann Weiss (972) 653-2616
- ☒ *St. Vincent de Paul* ~ email Ben, president, at [bsnow44box@gmail.com](mailto:bsnow44box@gmail.com).
- ☒ *Francis House* asks for women's & men's underwear; men's pants, unisex sweatpants, shoes, warm beanies, gloves, jackets and blankets (not sheets). We also need soup and sandwich makers (call Stella (505) 448-5748)

If you are or know of any person living within our parish boundaries who needs rent or utility assistance, please have them contact our parish *Society of St. Vincent de Paul* at (505) 346-1500. *SSVDP*



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

SUPPORTING OUR UNHOUSED PARISHIONERS

Our Parish has multiple ministries that support the homeless or unhoused members of our downtown community. In addition to Bread & Blessing, and St. Benedict Labre Ministries, and the St. Vincent de Paul group, and the Parish Office staff daily feeds a number of unhoused individuals.

When people panhandle (come up to you asking for money), while it might seem a charitable thing to do, it can also be a way of enabling inappropriate behavior. For those who use the money they collect for alcohol or other drugs, It is actually contributing to their ill health. The best thing to do is to let the person know that you cannot give them money. On Sundays, just direct them to the Basement Parish Hall where they can receive a satisfying lunch at no charge from 8:30am-11:30am. On weekdays, direct them to the Parish Office during our office hours.

Catholic Charities is seeking caring and safety-conscious volunteer drivers for our Senior Transportation Program, which provides free, reliable rides to adults 60+ in the Albuquerque and Rio Rancho metro areas.

Many seniors lack transportation to medical appointments, grocery stores, banking and other essential errands. Our program bridges this gap, allowing older adults to remain independent and confident while getting where they need to go. By volunteering or helping us spread the word, you'll be empowering seniors to maintain their independence and quality of life.

Together, we can make a meaningful difference in the lives of seniors who need us most. Thank you for considering this important service and for all you do to strengthen our community.

If you are interested in signing up, please contact:

Anna Griffith  
Program Coordinator  
Senior Transportation Services  
505-724-4659 (direct line)  
505-402-0753 (cell) [griffitha@ccasfnm.org](mailto:griffitha@ccasfnm.org)

Our Parish Mission Statement:

United by the love of Christ,  
Immaculate Conception Parish Community,  
a Jesuit-founded parish  
rooted in Ignatian Spirituality,  
commits itself to: live the Gospel values;  
celebrate the liturgy with joy;  
welcome without prejudice; seek God in everyone;  
serve our community  
with special care for the poor and marginalized;  
and be a place of prayer and spiritual strength  
for everyone.

**Eucharistic Prayer III**

The heart of the Mass is the Eucharistic Prayer. We have a variety of prayers to choose from, but they all begin with the Preface dialogue ("The Lord be with you. . . Lift up your hearts") and end with the Great Amen. The assembly sings several acclamations: the Holy, the Memorial Acclamation, and the Great Amen. But the rest of the prayer is verbalized by the priest. Even though the priest alone speaks the words out loud, all in the assembly join their hearts together in prayer with him.

For many centuries, the Roman Church used only one such prayer, which we now call Eucharistic Prayer I. Immediately after the Second Vatican Council, we added three more prayers to the repertoire. More have followed since. Of those first three new prayers, II and IV were based on texts from the first few centuries after Christ. However, Eucharistic Prayer III was a new composition based on the old forms.

Eucharistic Prayer III has no Preface of its own between the opening dialogue and the Holy. Nearly one hundred different Prefaces may be used to open the prayer. After the Holy is sung, Prayer III starts with the words "You are indeed holy, O Lord, and all you have created rightly gives you praise." The entire opening of the prayer—the Preface, the Holy, and these first lines—all give praise to God. The rest of the prayer follows a traditional outline. We pray for the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the bread and wine. We remember the mighty deeds of God, especially the events of the Last Supper. We sing the mystery of our faith. We offer our gift to God. We pray for the coming of the Holy Spirit over the assembly. We pray intercessions for the Church's ministers, for the living and the dead. We conclude the prayer with a doxology and Amen. We often use Eucharistic Prayer III on Sundays and on feasts, especially because the interchangeable Prefaces can identify the significance of the day of celebration.

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If you have CELIAC DISEASE and are unable to consume a whole-wheat host at Communion, go to the Sacristy before Mass to meet the priest presider and the sacristan. We have low-gluten hosts if desired. Or you can receive from the cup only. If receiving from the cup only, don't come to the Sacristy, just receive at the usual time.



**Faith Formation**  
LIFELONG AND ONGOING

Fechas importantes para la EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA:

✧ 25 de Enero ~ Clases Regulares

✧ 01 de Febrero ~ Clases Regulares

Para más información, llame a Debbie García al (505) 385-8303 o a la Hermana Teresa al (505) 366-3878

### Catequesis Familiar

Iniciamos el Segundo semestre de la catequesis.

Padres de familia, apoyen a sus hijos en la Educación Religiosa. Les pedimos que participen en las sesiones de adultos.

La catequesis es FAMILIAR

Comuníquese con la Oficina Parroquial al (505) 247-4271 y pregunte por el Padre Steve para hacer planes para un bautizo, una boda o un funeral.



Francis House necesita tu apoyo.

Los artículos más solicitados por nuestros huéspedes son calcetines y ropa interior. Si organizas una reunión, considera organizar una colecta de calcetines y ropa interior nuevos para beneficiar a Francis House.

Otros artículos de la lista de deseos:

- Donaciones de mantas en buen estado.
- Calzado deportivo.
- Abrigos de invierno para hombre.
- Pantalones deportivos unisex y pantalones para hombre tallas 32, 34 y 36.
- También agradecemos enormemente los tampones y las toallas sanitarias.



### Se necesitan personas que准备 sopas y sándwiches.

Buscamos personas que准备 sopas y sándwiches. Si te interesa ayudar como sustituto de sopas o sándwiches, envía un mensaje de texto a la secretaria Stella Lavis al (505) 448-5748.

Francis House está ubicado en: 8016 A Zuni Road SE, Albuquerque, NM 87108  
Comuníquese al (505) 489-8100

Las Hijas Católicas de América celebrarán su segunda colecta anual de mantas Share the Warmth. La campaña tendrá una duración de 3 semanas y comenzará este fin de semana del sábado 10 de enero al domingo 25 de enero. Por favor traiga sus mantas o en buen estado a la caja de donaciones ubicada en el vestíbulo de la iglesia después de cada misa o puede dejarlas durante la semana en la oficina de la iglesia. También se aceptan donaciones de dinero. Gracias de antemano por su generosidad y apoyo.



**Misa del Día de Concientización y Unidad sobre la Santidad de la Vida**

**Miércoles 28 de enero de 2026, 12:00 p. m. en la Catedral Basílica de San Francisco de Asís, Santa Fe**

Patrocinada por la Conferencia de Obispos Católicos de Nuevo México

La misa con los tres obispos de Nuevo México también se transmitirá en vivo.

Nota: Se solicita a los participantes que traigan artículos para bebés como pañales, mantas, biberones y/o calcetines, y artículos de aseo para personas mayores, para que se recojan en la misa y se distribuyan a organizaciones que brindan apoyo a mujeres embarazadas o a residencias de ancianos.

Reunión de oración en la Casa Redonda a las 2:00 p. m.

Para más información, llame a la Oficina de Justicia Social y Respeto a la Vida de la Arquidiócesis de Santa Fe al 505-831-8167.

Evangelización ICA  
Inmaculada Concepción Albuquerque  
AGAPE!

AGAPE: Un encuentro semanal los Jueves de 7:00p.m.- 9:00p.m.

unidos en un proceso de formación católica, fomentando la unidad y la hermandad en el amor cristiano a través de la alabanza, la oración y la caridad, apoyados en el Magisterio de la Iglesia, la tradición Apostólica y la Bendita Palabra de Dios .

Si vives por el área y no tienes comunidad, te invitamos todos los jueves en el templo de la parroquia. Para mas información por favor comuníquese con Ana Araujo (505) 524-7236

Casa de las Comunidades ofrece clases de Ingles básico cada Martes empezando a las 2:00p.m.

Ubicado en 444 Chama St. SE 87108



### Nuestra Misión Parroquial

*Unidos por el amor de Cristo,  
Comunidad Parroquial de la Inmaculada Concepción,  
una parroquia fundada por los Jesuitas y enraizada  
en la Espiritualidad Ignaciana,  
se compromete a: vivir los valores del Evangelio;  
celebrar la liturgia con alegría;  
acoger sin prejuicios; buscar a Dios en todos;  
servir a nuestra comunidad  
con especial atención a los pobres y marginados;  
y ser un lugar de oración y fortaleza espiritual  
para todos.*