



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-ordinators 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 ~

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).

CONFESSIONS:

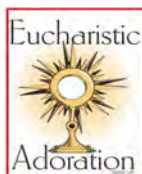
- ❖ Fridays and Saturdays from 11am to 12noon; and
- ❖ By appointment. Call (505) 247-4271 to make an appointment.

NEXT SECOND COLLECTIONS:

- ❖ May 2nd & 3rd ~ Saint Mary's School
- ❖ May 9th & 10th ~ Black and Indian Missions

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS ~~

Jesus is waiting for you. Consider giving him one hour on First Friday, May 1, after the 7am Mass until 11:45am Benediction. He is truly present in the Eucharist. The regularly scheduled 12:10pm Mass follows. Confessions are scheduled from 11am to 12 noon.



Thank you to Fr. Steve who traveled with St. Mary's middle school students (on a yellow school bus) as they made a pilgrimage both to St. Francis Cathedral and Chimayo. A beautiful Mass was celebrated at the Santo Nino de Atocha Chapel in Chimayo. Your message of hope was very inspirational. Thank you!



The Immaculate Conception Parish community is happy to announce and looks forward to the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation which will be conferred by Monsignor Lambert J. on Monday, April 27th at 6:00pm! All are invited to attend! Please pray for ICC's 15 Confirmandi, their catechists, sponsors, parents & families. Come Holy Spirit! ~ Debbie Garcia Co-Coordinator of Faith Formation



Knights of Columbus and Catholic Daughters - Birthright Program

The Knights of Columbus Council #15788 and Catholic Daughters are honored to support the **Birthright Program**, a ministry dedicated to offering compassion, hope, and practical assistance to women facing unplanned or difficult pregnancies. Through your generosity, Birthright provides life-affirming support, counseling, and essential resources that help mothers choose life with dignity and confidence.

During the coming weeks, the Knights will be collecting **new baby items**, including diapers, wipes, formula, baby clothing, and other essentials. All donations will go directly to Birthright to assist mothers and families in need within our community.

Your kindness makes a real difference. Together, we uphold the sacred dignity of every mother and every child.

Thank you for standing with us in this mission of love, mercy, and life.

The Table will be set up this weekend April 25th and 26th we will accept donations through May 2nd

Vivat Jesus!



Next Sunday's Readings from **LOYOLAPRESS.**



Fifth Sunday of Easter, Cycle A,
May 03, 2026
[Next Sunday's Readings](#)

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7

The early Christian community chooses seven people to serve at table so that the Twelve can devote themselves to prayer and the ministry of the word.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 33:1-2,4-5,18-19

The Lord is merciful toward those who trust in him.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:4-9

Those who have faith are chosen in Christ to be a holy priesthood.

Gospel Reading: John 14:1-12

Jesus tells his disciples, "I am the way and the truth and the life."

Background on the Gospel Reading

The readings for the last few Sundays have been about the Resurrection, but today's Gospel takes us back in time to an event in Jesus' life before his Passion. Jesus tells his disciples that he is going to prepare a place for them in his Father's house. He promises that where he is going, his disciples will be able to follow. Thomas, who will later doubt the disciples' reports that they have seen the Risen Lord, contradicts Jesus by saying that the disciples don't know where Jesus is going or how to get there. Jesus explains that he himself is the way, the truth, and the life. In knowing and loving Jesus, the disciples now love God the Father.

Philip then makes a request that challenges Jesus' words. Philip wants Jesus to show the Father to the disciples. Recall that Jesus has just told his disciples, "If you know me, then you will also know my Father. From now on you do know him and have seen him." As a good teacher, Jesus responds to Philip by repeating and elaborating on what he has just told the disciples: they have seen and known Jesus, so they have seen and known the Father. Then Jesus offers another reassurance about his departure: because of faith in God and in Jesus, the disciples will do the work that Jesus has done and more.

The connection between Jesus and his Father, between Jesus' work and the work of the Father, is made clear in today's Gospel. Jesus is in the Father, and God the Father is in Jesus. As God spoke his name to Moses, "I am," so too Jesus speaks his name to his disciples: "I am the way and the truth and the life."

The revelation of the Trinity is completed in the passage that follows today's reading, and it is the Gospel for next Sunday. Because Jesus goes away, the Father will send in Jesus' name the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, who will continue the work of the Father and of Jesus.

Mass Intentions	
Saturday, April 25, Vigil of Fourth Sunday of Easter	
8pm	+ John Fitzpatrick
Sunday, April 26, Fourth Sunday of Easter	
8am	For the People of the Parish
10am	+ Frank Serna ~ Repose of his Soul + Mary Barelás ~ Birthday
12:30pm Spanish	+ Aaron Albarrán Pineda ~ 7anos de Aniversario
Monday, April 27, Monday of the Fourth Week of Easter	
12:10pm	Thanksgiving to Saint Rita Thanksgiving to Saint Jude Thanksgiving to Padre Pio
Tues., April 28, Tuesday of the Fourth Week of Easter	
7am	+ Helen Vigil
Wed., April 29, Memorial of Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church	
12:10pm	+ Ramona Ulibarri ~ Birthday + Eric Nephew ~ Repose of his Soul + Corinne & Donnie Moore
Thursday, April 30, Thursday of the Fourth Week of Easter	
7am	+ Sister Grace Aufderbeck, SC
Friday, May 01, Friday of the Fourth Week of Easter	
7am	+ Rev. Carlos Chavez
12:10pm	Kelsi Montoya ~ Recovery
Sat., May 02, Memorial of Saint Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church	
7am	For Peace in the Middle East
Saturday, May 02, Vigil of Fifth Sunday of Easter	
4pm	+ John Fitzpatrick
Sunday, May 03, Fifth Sunday of Easter	
8am	For the People of the Parish
10am	For the Intention of Nellie Peralta + George Caldwell ~ Birthday + Tony Sigala ~ Birthday
12:30pm Spanish	+ Luis Adan Rascon ~ 9 meses de Aniversario

DISCOVER ST. MARY'S! SERVING PRE-K THROUGH 8TH GRADE**Now Hiring at Saint Mary's Catholic School**

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

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

Visit stmarys.me
Apply by emailing your resume
to: rsanchez@stmarys.me

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

**St. Mary's Annual Golf Tournament!**

Join us for our Annual Golf Tournament on **Monday, May 11th at 12:00 PM** at the beautiful Canyon Club!

This special event is more than just a day on the course—it's an opportunity to come together as a community and support our school. Proceeds from the tournament directly benefit our students, helping us continue to provide a strong foundation in faith, academics, and enrichment opportunities.

Whether you're an avid golfer or simply want to get involved, we invite you to participate, sponsor, or spread the word. Your support makes a lasting impact!

For registration and sponsorship information, please visit Stmarys.me

We look forward to seeing you on the green!

~ by Kristen Dickey ~ ICC parishioner &
SMS Advancement Director

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 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): Anthony Carrillo anthoneycarrillo@hotmail.com: 505-350-9707

Volunteer Opportunities

- ❖ *Bread & Blessing* ministry ~ contact Coordinator Roberta Montoya at 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.
- ❖ *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)

Immaculate Conception Parish Prayers for Peace

At the request of our Holy Father and our Archbishop, we will be dedicating the month of May to asking for Mary's intercession and aid as we pray for peace throughout the world. Throughout the month of May we will recite the rosary before or after the weekend Masses: Saturdays at 5:10 PM, Sundays at 9:10 AM, 11:10 AM, and Noon (in Spanish). All are invited to remain after the English Masses or come 30-minutes early before the 12:30 Mass to join in praying for peace in our world.

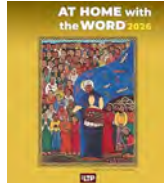
On Wednesday, May 13, the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima, we will offer a bi-lingual Mass at 6:00 PM, as a special prayer for Peace throughout our war-torn world. Please join us in these special prayers. Sponsored by the Immaculate Conception Parish Worship Committee.



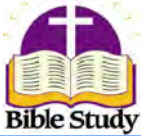
Ongoing Activities

AT HOME WITH THE WORD ~ BIBLE STUDY

Our weekly bible study group, in which we discuss the upcoming Sunday Readings, This group 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



Evening Bible Study to The Wednesday Evening Bible Study Group is taking a break until after Pentecost, May 24. Please refer to the Pentecost bulletin for news about this Bible Study starting up again.

THE ICC PARISH BOOK GROUP



The ICC Parish Book Group meets on Wednesdays at 6pm in the Parish Hall. The group is reading Rain of Gold, by Victor Villasenor (2015). Rain of Gold by Victor Villaseñor is a bestselling, epic

family saga that tells the true story of his Mexican-American parents, Juan and Lupe, and their families, chronicling their lives during the Mexican Revolution and their subsequent immigration to California. The book blends history, romance, and mysticism, detailing their struggles with poverty, prejudice, and the pursuit of the American Dream, and is celebrated for its vivid storytelling and cultural richness.

Important Dates for RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

- ✦ April 26~ Regular Classes
- ✦ May 03 ~ Regular Classes

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



Congratulations to seven St. Mary's School students who received the sacraments at our school Mass. Five of the students were welcomed into our faith through baptism. May you always hold Jesus close in your



**INCOME AND EXPENSES REPORT
FOR MARCH 2026**

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PARISH SUPPORT ~ INCLUDES ON-LINE DONATIONS	
Bequest	\$303,968.15
Weekly Collections	\$ 47,715.00
Rental Income	3,300.00
Candles	2,797.00
Interest on Accounts at NDFCU	38.63
Casa de las Comunidades	101.00
Donations - Miscellaneous	1,179.31
Fees - Sacramental	1,100.00
Francis House	2,274.00
Mass Stipends	1,145.00
Bread & Blessings	2,528.00
St. Vincent de Paul	2,321.00
Rejuvenation	2,936.00
St. Mary's School	2,965.00
Flowers	120.00
CRS, Rice Bowl, Good Friday, Good Shepherd Center, Human Development	1,546.00
Coffee Ministry	0.00
ACA	19050
Total Income	\$376,225.09
MARCH 2026 EXPENSES	
Liturgy and Worship	3,274.31
Religious Education	1,938.76
School Support	2,538.85
Clergy Administration	11,872.78
Parish Administration	26,722.63
HVAC Loan to the Archdiocese	1,118.37
Church floor cleaning	19,103.44
Building and Land Operations	10,218.54
Utilities- Gas, Water, Electric, Internet	3,480.51
Ministries-Includes Designated Donations, Francis House, SVDP and Other Ministries	4,432.00
TOTAL EXPENSES:	\$ 84,700.19

Rosary

The Rosary is a prayer based on the repetition of the Lord's Prayer, the Hail Mary, and the Glory Be. During its recitation, the believer reflects upon the birth, life, death, and glory of Jesus Christ and the role of Mary. (Pastor's note: The 5 Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary (Mysteries of Light), introduced by Pope John Paul II in 2002, focus on Christ's public ministry and are traditionally prayed on Thursdays.)

A chain of beads resembling a garland of roses gave the Rosary its name. The beads are not essential to the prayer, but they help count through fifty Hail Marys (five decades). The recitation of the traditional fifteen decades permitted unlettered Christians to imitate more simply the monastic practice of reciting all 150 psalms in weekly prayer. In addition to meditation, the Rosary leads to petition. It implores Mary's intercession in bringing our prayers to God. As she won the cooperation of Jesus at the wedding feast at Cana, so we ask her to bring our needs to the Holy One of God. The precise origins of the Rosary are obscure, but it probably formed in imitation of meditative practices of Islam and after the Christian desire for prayer in a language more easily understood than the Latin of the Mass. Its popularity increased after the fifteenth century due to the zealous encouragement of the followers of St. Dominic, who believed the Blessed Virgin had miraculously given the Rosary to him. Because believers who attended Mass at that time had less to say, do, or see compared with today, the recitation of the Rosary during Mass became a popular Catholic devotion much encouraged by religious educators. This was an honored custom for many centuries. The popes of the Church have continually cultivated the Rosary as part of the faithful's private devotion and especially in family prayer. Many Catholics recite it privately or in groups before Mass. The liturgy for the dead calls for a vigil service of Scripture readings on the night before the funeral, but many parishes replace it with the Rosary, even though the rubrics make no such provision. Today we are encouraged to participate in the Mass and to pray the Rosary apart from the Eucharist.

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Our Lady of Guadalupe is preparing to have an ACTS retreat on July 30-31 and August 1-2. Right now they are looking for 4 team members to join the planning committee for the retreat. In order to join the planning committee you are required to have at least participated or served as a team member in this retreat for at least a year. Their first meeting will be on Thurs. April 30th from 6:30pm-8:30pm and they will meet every Thursday for about 13 weeks. Please contact Mary Sanchez if you are interested in being apart of this committee please contact Mary at (505) 506-9470 or via email address masanchez1@comcast.net

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.

The Knights of Columbus Council #15788 is overjoyed to announce that, together as a parish family, we collected just under 5,000 pounds of non-perishable food during this Lenten season.

We Knights asked — and **you**, our faithful parishioners, responded with overwhelming generosity. There was not a moment of disappointment. Your kindness, sacrifice, and commitment to serving those in need made this year's drive an extraordinary success. Council #15788 at Immaculate Conception extends our deepest gratitude for your support. Because of you, hundreds of our brothers and sisters in need will receive nourishment and hope.

All items will be donated to:

•Brothers of the Good Shepherd (Shepherd Center)

Your contributions will directly bless individuals and families who rely on these ministries every day.

As a small token of our appreciation, the **first week-end of June**, in place of our usual burrito program, the Knights will host a **free pancake breakfast** for the entire parish. This is our way of saying *thank you* for your unwavering support and for living the Gospel through action.

Vivat Jesus! Viva Cristo Rey!





Faith Formation
LIFELONG AND ONGOING

Fechas importantes para la EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA:

- ✧ 26 de abril ~ Clases Regulares
- ✧ 03 de Mayo ~ Clases Regulares

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

Información importante para los que se van a confirmar

- ✧ **Domingo Abril 26:** Practica en la Iglesia
- ✧ **Lunes Abril 27:** Misa Sacramento de la Confirmación a las 6:00pm.



Los estudiantes deben estar en el gimnasio de la escuela St. Mary's a las 5:30pm

Cualquier pregunta, comuníquese con la Hermana Teresa (505) 366-3878

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.



Si sospecha o tiene conocimiento de abuso por parte de un sacerdote, diácono, religioso, empleado o voluntario de la Iglesia Católica, infórmelo inmediatamente a la policía local y a la Oficina de Protección de Niños y Jóvenes de la Arquidiócesis de Santa Fe (Annette Klimka, Coordinadora de Ambiente Seguro aklimka@asfnm.org | 505.831.8144

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.*

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.

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LOYOLAPRESS.

Oraciones por la paz de la parroquia de la Inmaculada Concepción

A petición de nuestro Santo Padre y de nuestro arzobispo, dedicaremos el mes de mayo a pedir la intercesión y la ayuda de María mientras rezamos por la paz en todo el mundo. Durante todo el mes de mayo rezaremos el rosario antes o después de las misas del fin de semana: los sábados a las 5:10 p. m., los domingos a las 9:10 a. m., 11:10 a. m. y al mediodía (en español). Todos están invitados a quedarse después de las misas en inglés o a llegar 30 minutos antes de la misa de las 12:30 p. m. para unirse a la oración por la paz en nuestro mundo.

El miércoles 13 de mayo, fiesta de Nuestra Señora de Fátima, celebraremos una misa bilingüe a las 6:00 p. m., como oración especial por la paz en nuestro mundo devastado por la guerra.

Únete a nosotros en estas oraciones especiales. Patrocinado por el Comité de Culto de la Parroquia de la Inmaculada Concepción.

