# Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ July 20, 2025



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, UNMH Chaplain;
- ♦ Deacon Stephen Sais,
- Deacon Don Roseborough, Emeritus;
- ♦ 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.

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:** ✤ July 26 & 27 ~ Renovation

# ~May They Rest in Peace~

✤ Jose Leo Trujillo . Rosary, Tuesday, July 22, 6:30PM. At Gabaldon Funeral Home Mass of Christian Burial, Wednesday, July 23, 10:00AM. Burial to follow, in Santa Fe, 1:00PM.



### Adult Bible Study Starting Soon!

A new bible study group, led by Mr. Luke Wyatt, is starting up here at Immaculate Conception. We expect this group to meet weekly, on Wednesdays, at a time amenable to the group. If you are interested in this opportunity to study the Sacred Scriptures with your fellow parishioners, please try to attend the introductory meeting on Wednesday, July 23, at 6:00 PM

in the Parish Hall. The theme of the first bible study sessions, and the date and time will be established at this introductory meeting.



#### **All High School Students YOU ARE INVITED**

Deanery C Parishes (which includes Immaculate Conception) will be starting a High School Youth Group based on fellowship, service, worship and FUN. (It does NOT replace Religious Education.) Come to our barbeque, where we will pray, play some games, eat, and learn what this new ministry is all about.

Where: Immaculate Conception Parish Hall When: Friday, July 25th at 5:30pm

Click here to RSVP: <a href="https://evite.me/G5qtkpEpmF">https://evite.me/G5qtkpEpmF</a> Join us...bring a friend... and see what this new ministry is all about.



You are invited to the Sunday morning fellowship **conversation** on July 20th at 9:15 near the coffee (between the 8:00 and 10:00 masses). This Sunday's discussion starter: an interview with feminist theologian **Elizabeth A. Johnson** 



Help Keep Our Parish Beautiful!



Our parish grounds are a space of peace, reflection, and community—and we need your help to keep it that way! We're seeking just a few volunteers to assist with

Tree trimming and yard maintenance

General outdoor cleanup

You don't need landscaping skills, just a willingness to lend a hand, your time and some branch clippers.

Together, we can grow a more welcoming space one branch, one broom, one smile at a time.



Text Joan at 612-396-9238 for more information.

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# <u>Next Sunday's Readings\_from</u> LOYOLAPRE



Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle C July 27, 2025 <u>Next Sunday's Readings</u>

#### First Reading: Genesis 18:20-32

Abraham pleads with God to save the innocent people of Sodom and Gomorrah.

### Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 138:1-3,6-8

Lord, on the day I cried for help, you answered me.

#### Second Reading: Colossians 2:12-14

You were buried with Christ in Baptism and also raised with him.

#### Gospel Reading: Luke 11:1-13

Jesus teaches the disciples about prayer.

#### **Background on the Gospel Reading**

Luke gives more attention to Jesus' teachings on prayer than any other Gospel writer. He also mentions Jesus at prayer more than the others. In today's reading, from the beginning of Chapter 11 of his Gospel, Luke presents the core of Jesus' teaching on prayer. It consists of Jesus teaching a prayer to his disciples, a parable on the persistent neighbor, and assurances that God hears our prayers.

The disciples notice Jesus praying "in a certain place." They ask him to teach them to pray just as John the Baptist had taught his disciples. Jesus teaches them a simple version of the most famous Christian prayer, the Our Father, or the Lord's Prayer. Matthew's version shows signs of being shaped by public prayer. Luke's version is probably closer to the original form that Jesus taught. Stripped of much of the language we are used to, Luke's version seems simple and direct. We pray that God's name will be recognized as holy and that his rule over all will be established. This is followed by petitions for our needs for bread, for forgiveness, and for deliverance. Luke uses the more theological language of "sins" rather than "debts," which is used in Matthew's version.

Having taught his disciples a simple, daily prayer, Jesus goes on to reassure them that God answers prayers. First he tells a parable about a persistent neighbor who asks a friend for bread at midnight. The friend is already in bed and has no desire to disturb his family by opening the door. But because the neighbor is persistent, the sleeping man gets up and gives him all that he needs. If a neighbor is willing to help us if we are persistent enough, how could God not respond to our requests?

Mass Intentions				
Saturday, July 19, Vigil of <u>Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary</u> <u>Time</u>				
4pm	Jasmine & Marissa Valdez ~ Birthday + John Fitpatrick			
Sunday, July 20, <u>Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</u>				
8am	+ Jim Pierson			
10am	+ Doris Zamora Nunez + Richard Herrera ~ Birthday + Noah Jacob Chavez			
12:30pm Spanish	Por la Gente de Nuestra Parroquia			
Monday, July 21, <u>Monday of the Sixteenth Week in Ordinary</u> <u>Time</u> ; Saint Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest, Doctor of the Church				
12:10pm	+ Lilly Manzanares + Logan & Roger Montoya			
Tues., July	22, <u>Feast of Saint Mary Magdalene</u>			
7am	Souls in Purgatory			
Wed., July 23, <u>Wednesday of the Sixteenth Week in Ordinary</u> <u>Time</u> ; Saint Bridget, Religious				
12:10pm	John Amador ~ Healing			
Thursday, July 24, <u>Thursday of the Sixteenth Week in Ordinary</u> <u>Time</u> ; Saint Sharbel Makhluf, Priest				
7am	For the Safety of all Immigrants			
Friday, July 25, <u>Feast of Saint James, Apostle</u>				
12:10pm	Sarah Kaiman ~ Health + Jim Pierson			
Sat., July 26, <u>Memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of</u> the Blessed Virgin Mary				
7am	+ Alex & Virginia Sullivan			
Saturday, July 26, Vigil of <u>Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary</u> <u>Time</u>				
4pm	+ John Fitzpatrick + Angela Tafoya			
Sunday, Ju	ly 27, <u>Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</u>			
8am	+ Jim Pierson			
10am	For the People of the Parish			
12:30pm Spanish	Por las Almas en el Purgatorio			

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# ngoing 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. You are welcome to join us at any time.



We use LTP's At Home with the Word, 2025.



#### THE ICC PARISH BOOK GROUP

The ICC Parish Book Group meets on Wednesdays at 6pm in the Parish Hall. The group starting Elizabeth A.

Johnson's Come, Have Breakfast: Meditations on God and the Earth. This book is available on Amazon and through other booksellers. and your local library.

#### Kneeling for Communion

In the United States the normative posture for receiving Communion is standing. But those who kneel are not to be denied Communion (General Instruction of the Roman Missal, 160). The traditional meaning behind standing for prayer is to express one's faith in the Resurrection. Our bodily posture indicates our belief that we will rise again. To stand for Communion is to express not only our belief in the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist, but also our belief in the Resurrection. Some people prefer to receive Communion while kneeling. The bishops of the United States do not promote this practice, but they permit it. That people receive is more important than how they receive. The permission logically extends to Communion under the form of bread; kneeling to receive Communion from the cup would increase the danger of spillage.

The motivation for kneeling for Communion may vary from one person to the next. Some may see it as a time of adoration; others as a time for repentance; still others as a respectful extension of the words "Lord, I am not worthy" (Order of Mass, 132).

The church permits this posture; however, it sees Communion not as a time for adoration, but for responding to the invitation from Jesus, "Take and eat, take and drink"; not as an occasion for repentance, but for expressing one's faith; not as the moment to dwell on unworthiness, but on the generosity of God, who offers us this incomparable gift.

There are practical problems with kneeling: the possibility of tripping communicants in the procession, the difficulty of ministers' shifting procedures, and the disturbance of the assembly's unity, which should be expressed in a common posture. But Christ was generous in offering his Body and Blood, and the church strives to imitate his example.

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Income and Expenses Report For June 2025				
PARISH SUPPORT ~ INCLUDES ON-LINE DONATIONS				
Weekly Collections	\$	36,41400		
Rental Income		2,800.00		
Certificates		10.00		
Candles		2,428.00		
Articles for Sale		3.00		
Donations - Miscellaneous		310.70		
Donations - Sacramental (Baptisms,		1,970.00		
Weddings, Funerals)				
Francis House		2,860.00		
Flowers, Mass Stipends & Hymn		2,191.00		
Boards				
Pipe Organ Installation Donation		6,473.00		
Bread & Blessings		678.00		
Raffle Tickets,		2,532.00		
Fiesta		5,443.00		
Silent Auction		382.00		
St. Vincent de Paul		1,237.00		
Rejuvenation		3,006.00		
St. Mary's School		1,715.00		
CRS, Rice Bowl, Good Friday, Good				
Shepherd Center, Human Develop-		591.00		
ment				
Casa de las Comunidades		40.00		
ACA		365.50		
Total Income	\$	71,449.20		

#### **JUNE 2025 EXPENSES**

Liturgy and Worship		3,354.80
Religious Education		3,198.79
School Support		4,107.16
Clergy Administration		3,812.35
Parish Administration		12,127.69
Mass Stipends paid		100.00
HVAC Loan to the Archdiocese		1,118.37
Building and Land Operations		8,178.19
Utilities– Gas, Water, Electric, Internet		1,103.20
Ministries - Includes Designated Do-		3,539.00
nations		
Total Expenses:	\$	40,639.55

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# DISCOVER ST. MARY'S! SERVING PRE-K THROUGH 8TH GRADE

Saint Mary's Catholic School Is Hiring a Dual Language Teacher!	Apply today! Visit stmarys.me or email <u>rsanchez@stmarys.me</u> for more information. Dual language option through 4 <sup>th</sup> grade. Looking for the right school for your child? Saint Mary's Catholic School is now enrolling for the 2025-2026 school year! A few spots remain in select grades—don't miss your chance to join our vibrant, faith-filled learning community.		
Why Join Us?			
<ul> <li>Faith-Centered Environment: Teach in a mission- driven school that nurtures spiritual and academic growth.</li> <li>Small Class Sizes: Build meaningful relationships and provide personalized instruction.</li> </ul>			
•A Place to Make an Impact: Help shape the future of our students and community.			
Qualifications:	why Saint Mary's is the perfect place for your child to grow in faith and knowledge.		
<ul> <li>Fluency in Spanish and English</li> <li>Teaching certification or bilingual education experience</li> <li>Passion for Catholic education and language learning</li> </ul>	Schedule a visit today! Call 505-242-6271 or visit stmarys.me		

 $\sim$  by Kristen Dickey - ICC parishioner and St. Mary's 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: Carol Johansen, <u>jofamily21@gmail.com</u> or leave a message at the  $\blacksquare$  St. Benedict Joseph Labre Ministry 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: 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 at 505-249-2781.
- *I St. Vincent de Paul* ∼ email Ben, president, at bsnow44box@gmail.com.
- □ *Francis House* asks for women's underwear; warm beanies, gloves, jackets and blankets (not sheets). We also need soup and sandwich makers (call Linda at 505-515-6241)

#### Archdiocese of Santa Fe Virtus Training Class Saturday, August 23rd from 9:00a.m.-12:00p.m. The Shrine of St. Bernadette Catholic Church 11509 Indian School Rd. NE 87112

Attendance at the Workshop is mandatory for all clergy, employees and volunteers in the Archdiocese of Santa Fe, regardless of where you work or in what capacity you volunteer.

Also please keep in mind, if you haven't taken this class in the past 5 years or if you have never attended, you will not be able to serve within our diocese until you have taken this class.

Pre-Registration is necessary. Please call Annette at the Archdiocese to register at (505) 831-8144 Refreshments will be provided

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Contact the Parish Office, 505-247-4271, and ask for Fr. Steve, to make plans for a baptism, a wedding, or a funeral.





The Norbertine Community is looking for a full-time Facilities Manager and a part-time Housekeeper. For more information, please contact Ms. Norma Vivian at (505) 873-4399 or Email your resume to norma@norbertinecommunity.org

## Be a (Pipe) Organ Donor!



The pipe organ console in the choir loft here at Immaculate Conception Parish is no longer functional, and is beyond repair. Age has taken its toll on this roughly 100 year old instrument. We have been fortunate to find a beautiful modern pipe organ console and have purchased it (it's sitting in the back of the church awaiting installation.) In order to remove the old organ and install the new one, we are looking for donors to contribute to the installation and tuning costs of the new console, estimated to run approximately \$40,000. Please watch the bulletin in the weeks ahead

for further information on this project.

Our Organ Fund is now available on the Online Giving page, with your cellphone you can scan the QR Code below, or click on it, and it will take you directly to the website



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This teaching concludes with the reminder that if we seek, we will get a response. If a human father, with all his faults, knows how to give good gifts to his children, how much more will our heavenly Father give us? Instead of good gifts, however, Luke substitutes the word Holy Spirit. This foreshadows the gift of the Holy Spirit, who is central to Luke's theology and who will play an important role in the growth of the early Church after Pentecost.

The parable and the concluding teaching in this section should not lead us to think of prayer as a series of requests presented to God. Rather, as Jesus teaches in his model prayer, prayer consists in recognizing God's holiness and his rule over all things.

#### The Sacred Path: A Women's Journey of Self-Discovery

**A Special Retreat for All Women** Join us for a day of spiritual renewal, connection, and



reflection at "The Sacred Path: A Women's Journey of Self-Discovery", a retreat hosted by Rev. Stephen A. Gaertner and proudly sponsored by the Catholic Daughters of the Americas. Date: Saturday, August 2

Location: Norbertine Abbey, 5825 Coors Blvd SW Schedule:

• 8:00-9:00 AM - Optional Mass

• 9:00 AM-3:00 PM - Retreat Program

Cost: \$20 (includes lunch)

What to Bring: Comfortable walking shoes, a re illable water bottle, and dress for hot weather.

**Retreat is currently FULL** 

For any questions please call or text Regent Donna Garcia at (505) 900-2516

Let's walk this sacred path—together.

**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.

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Estudiantes de preparatoria ESTÁN INVITADOS

Las parroquias del Decanato C (que incluye la Inmaculada Concepción) comenzarán un grupo juvenil de preparatoria basado en la confraternidad, el servicio, la adoración y la DIVERSIÓN. (NO reemplaza la educación

religiosa). Vengan a nuestra barbacoa, donde rezaremos, jugaremos, comeremos y aprenderemos de qué se

trata este nuevo ministerio.

Dónde: Salón Parroquial de la Inmaculada Concepción Cuándo: Viernes 25 de julio a las 5:30 p.m.

Haga clic aquí para confirmar su asistencia: <u>https://evite.me/G5qtkpEpmF</u>

Acompáñenos... traiga a un amigo... y descubra de qué se trata este nuevo ministerio.



Arquidiócesis de Santa Fe El Señor Arzobispo John C. Wester extiende una cordial invitación a todo el Pueblo de Dios de la Arquidiócesis de Santa Fe a una presentación especial en Español:

"La Trata de Personas y el Rol de la Iglesia Católica"

Sabias que millones de personas en el mundo son victimas de trata cada ano?

La Iglesia Católica nos llama a ser luz en medio de esta oscuridad

La trata de personas es una grave violación a la dignidad humana que afecta a millones en todo el mundo, incluso en nuestras propias comunidades. En esta presentación, abordaremos como identificar sus señales, proteger a los mas vulnerables y responder desde la luz del Evangelio.

La Iglesia Católica tiene un papel fundamental en la defensa de la vida y la Libertad, y esta llamada a ser voz profética y refugio para las victimas. Te invitamos a conocer mas y a ser parte de la solución.

**Fecha:** Jueves 24 de Julio **Hora:** 6:00p.m.

**Lugar:** Salón Sandia del Centro Pastoral 4000 St. Joseph's Pl. NW 87120

**Ponente Invitada:** Felicitas Brugo Onetti, Coordinadora de Educación y Difusión contra la Trata de Personas **Organiza:** Conferencia de Obispos Católicos de los Estados Unidos

Mas Información: Oficina del Ministerio Hispano (505) 831-8147 Se agradece confirmar su participación Entrada Libre: Todos son bienvenidos! Evangelización ICA Inmaculada Concepción Albuquerque <u>AGAPE!</u> Primer encuentro: Jueves 24 de Julio 7:00p.m.-9:00p.m.



La Alegría de la Alabanza

La Alegría De El Alimento De La Palabra De Dios

La Alegría de La Oración

La Alegría Del Kerigma

<u>AGAPE:</u> Un encuentro semanal unidos en un proceso de formación católica, fomentado 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 a partir de este 24 de julio de las 7:00p.m.–9:00p.m. en el templo de la parroquia

Para mas información por favor comuníquese con Claudia Hannigan (505) 203-3302 o con Ana Araujo (505) 524-7236

## 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.

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