



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;
- ✧ Ms. Renee Gallegos, Principal, St. Mary's School;
- ✧ Sr. Teresa Aparicio, O.L.V.M., and Debbie Garcia, Co-Coordination 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:

- ❖ August 22nd & 23rd ~ Renovation Fund

Is God Calling You to be a Sister?

Join the Daughters of Charity "Come & See" Fall Religious Vocation Discernment Retreat, September 25 – 27, 2026 in the SF Bay Area. Stay with us! Pray with us and Explore God's Dream for YOU.

For More Information: Daughters-Of-Charity.com/retreats/

****For Single Catholic Women**

Ages 18-40**



The Archdiocese of Santa Fe
African American Catholic Community
Invites you to Mass

Sunday, August 30, 2026 at 12 noon

St. Joseph on the Rio Grande Catholic Church
5901 St. Joseph Dr. NW, Albuquerque

Fr. Rollins Lambert Scholarships will be awarded at this Mass



Presider: Rev. Arthur "Art" Anderson, O.F.M.
Spiritual Director of the AACC

Mass will be live-streamed and recorded:

<https://www.facebook.com/Masses-from-St-Joseph-on-the-Rio-Grande-112836890430507>

Donations can be mailed to the AACC at 4000 St. Joseph Pl. NW ABQ, NM 87120 with AACC on memo line

or made securely online at <https://archdiocesasantafeiving.org/AACC>.



For more information, please call 505-401-8983
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Office of Social Justice and Respect Life
505-831-8208



The Teacher's Closet

(formerly AACC School Supply Drive)

The Teacher's Closet needs your donations of school supplies NOW! All donations benefit Archdiocese of Santa Fe Catholic Schools.

Drop off locations:

- **St. Joseph on the Rio Grande** (5901 St. Joseph's Dr. NW)
- **Garson's Catholic Religious Store** (2415 San Pedro Dr. NE)
- **Risen Savior Catholic Church** (7701 Wyoming Blvd. NE)

For information
contact: Mrs. Louise
Davis 505-839-7952



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



Twenty-First Sunday of Ordinary
Time, Cycle A, August 23, 2026
[Next Sunday's Readings](#)

First Reading: *Isaiah 22:19-23*

God will remove Shebna from his office as master of the palace.

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

God's kindness is forever.

Second Reading: *Romans 11:33-36*

Paul sings praise to God.

Gospel Reading: *Matthew 16:13-20*

Simon Peter acknowledges Jesus as the Christ and is given the key to the Kingdom of Heaven.

Background on the Gospel Reading

It is important to read today's Gospel and next week's Gospel as two parts of a single story. These readings are a turning point in Matthew's Gospel. This week we hear Jesus name Simon Peter as the rock upon which he will build his Church. Next week we will hear Jesus call this same Simon Peter "Satan" when he reacts negatively to Jesus' prediction about his passion and death.

In today's Gospel, Jesus asks his disciples what people are saying about his identity. The disciples indicate that most people believe that Jesus is a prophet of Israel. Then Jesus asks his disciples who they believe that he is. Simon Peter answers, identifying Jesus as the Messiah, the Son of God.

Jesus commends Simon Peter for this profession of faith, indicating that this insight has come from God. Because of Simon Peter's response, Jesus calls him the "rock" upon which Jesus will build the Church. This is a word play on the name Peter, which is the Greek word for "rock." Peter is then given special authority by Jesus, a symbolic key to the Kingdom of Heaven. Peter will play an important role in the early Christian community as a spokesperson and a leader.

In today's Gospel, Peter's recognition of Jesus' identity is credited to a revelation by God. This will contrast sharply with Jesus' rebuke of Peter in next week's Gospel. When Peter rejects Jesus' prediction of his passion and death, Peter is said to no longer be thinking as God does but as humans do.

The use of the term *church* in today's Gospel is one of only three such occurrences in Matthew's Gospel. Peter in this Gospel is being credited as the foundation for the Church, a privilege granted to him because of his recognition of Jesus' identity. The Church continues to be grounded in

Mass Intentions	
Saturday, August 15, Vigil of Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
4pm	Mary Barthelemy ~ Health + John Fitzpatrick
Sunday, August 16, Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
8am	For the People of the Parish
10am	+ Helen Pacheco ~ Anniversary + Stephanie Pacheco ~ 25th Anniversary + Lawrence Gonzalez ~ Birthday
12:30pm Spanish	Carmen Aparico-Cervante ~ Salud Arixy Dominguez ~ Cumpleaños + Ronald Schatzman ~ Reposo de su Alma
Monday, August 17, Monday of the Twentieth Week in Ordinary Time	
12:10pm	Souls in Purgatory + Henry Amador + John Amador
Tues., August 18, Tuesday of the Twentieth Week in Ordinary Time	
7am	For the Unhoused Population
Wed., August 19, Wednesday of the Twentieth Week in Ordinary Time	
12:10pm	Mary Barthelemy ~ Health + John B. Smith
Thursday, August 20, Memorial of Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church	
7am	Souls in Purgatory
Friday, August 21, Memorial of Saint Pius X, Pope	
12:10pm	For the Earthquake Victims of Colombia + John B. Smith
Sat., August 22, Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary	
7am	Souls in Purgatory
Saturday, August 22, Vigil of Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time	
4pm	+ John Fitzpatrick
Sunday, August 23, Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time	
8am	Denise Chavez ~ Special Intention Geovanna C'deBaca ~ Birthday
10am	For the People of the Parish
12:30pm Spanish	+ Ronald Schatzman + Luis Adán Rascon ~ Primer Aniversario

DISCOVER ST. MARY'S! SERVING PRE-K THROUGH 8TH GRADE**Help Us Finish Our School Mural!**

Our beautiful new mural is officially underway, and we couldn't be more excited to see this vision come to life! This vibrant work of art will serve as a lasting symbol of faith, learning, and community for our students and everyone who visits St. Mary's Catholic School.

We're almost there—but we need to raise just a little more to bring the project across the finish line.

If you would like to help complete this meaningful addition to our campus, we invite you to donate any amount. Every gift, large or small, brings us one step closer to unveiling a mural that will inspire generations of St. Mary's students.

Thank you for your continued prayers, generosity, and support. Together, we are creating something truly special for our school community!

**Shadow at St. Mary's ☺ ✨**

Thinking about St. Mary's for your child? **Come spend the day with us!** Our Shadow Days are a great way for prospective students to experience our classrooms, meet teachers, make new friends, and see what makes our school special. ♥

We only have a few spots left in some classes! Don't miss the opportunity to see St. Mary's in action.

📅 **Schedule your Shadow Day today!**

✉ Contact the school office for more information.

Come shadow. Come experience. Come see why St.

Mary's feels like home! 🏠 ♥

505-242-6271

~ by Kristen Dickey ~ ICC parishioner & SMS
Advancement Director

<i>Ongoing Activities</i>	Date/s	Time	Location	Contact Person
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction	Every First Friday	7:00am-11:45am	Church	
Hot Dog Social	Every First Saturday	5:00pm-6:30pm	Parish Courtyard	
At Home with the Word ~ Bible Study	Every Wednesday	2:30pm-3:30pm	Office Dining Room	Parish Office
Evening Bible Study	Every Wednesday	6:00pm- 7:00pm	Campion Room	Luke Wyatt
Book Group ~ <i>Mountains Beyond Mountains</i> : (more info on page 5 column 2)	Every Wednesday	6:00pm- 7:00pm	Parish Hall	Fr. Steve Rosera
Monthly Sawmill Social	Every Third Thursday	11:30am-12:30pm	Sawmill Food Court	Parish Office
Knights of Columbus Burrito Program	Sunday, August 23rd & 30th	After 8am & 10am Masses	Parish Courtyard	Kenneth Pruitt

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.
- ✧ *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)



Faith Formation
LIFELONG AND ONGOING

Important Dates for Religious Education:

- ✧ August 16~ Regular Classes
- ✧ August 23 ~ Regular Classes

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

ICC WORSHIP COMMITTEE

The Worship Committee is continuing to sponsor Rosaries throughout the month.

During August the Rosary schedule is as follows (unless no one is available to recite) :

Weekday Masses:

Every Thursday following the 7:00 Mass

Every Friday following the 12:10 Mass

Sunday Liturgies :

8/16 - 10:00 AM *Immediately following Mass*

8/23 - 12:30 PM *11:30 AM before Mass*

WE NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS WILLING TO RECITE. If you are interested in reciting a Rosary or joining the Worship Committee, please share your contact information with the ICC Office Receptionist - reception-ist@iccabq.org or (505) 247-4271. Thank you.

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 others 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.

INCOME AND EXPENSES REPORT

FOR JULY 2026

PARISH SUPPORT ~ INCLUDES ON-LINE DONATIONS

Weekly Collections	\$ 41,902.18
Rental Income	800.00
Candles	3,104.00
Interest on Accounts at NDFCU	8.53
Casa de las Comunidades	180.00
Donations	300.00
Fees - Sacramental	365.00
Francis House	2,375.00
Mass Stipends	900.00
Bread & Blessings	665.00
St. Vincent de Paul	1,372.00
Rejuvenation	3,367.00
St. Mary's School	1,655.00
Flowers	20.00
Donation for Hot Dog Saturday	20.00
Fundraising	60.00
CRS, Rice Bowl, Good Friday, Good Shepherd Center, Human Development	1,179.00
Collection for Venezuela	1,382.00
Coffee Ministry	80.00
ACA Rebate	3,325.50
ACA	2,730.50
Total Income	\$64,790.71

JULY 2026 EXPENSES

Liturgy and Worship	\$ 3,161.73
Religious Education	3,472.24
Youth	769.22
School Support	3,976.10
Clergy Administration	8,163.32
Parish Administration	17,153.63
HVAC Loan to the Archdiocese	1,118.37
Building and Land Operations	17,820.10
Utilities- Gas, Water, Electric, Internet	4,201.33
Ministries-Includes Designated Donations, Francis House, SVDP and Other Ministries	783.00
TOTAL EXPENSES:	\$ 60,619.04

Annual Catholic Appeal Campaign 2026— Fearless in Faith, Boundless in Love

Gentle Reminder

"Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid... for the Lord, your God, is with you wherever you go."

Joshua 1:9

The 2026 Annual Catholic Appeal is underway. Through your generosity, the Church is able to support ministries that form disciples, serve those in need, educate future leaders, and bring Christ's love to communities throughout our Archdiocese.

If you have not yet made your gift, please prayerfully consider participating in this year's Appeal. Every gift, regardless of size, helps us fulfill our shared mission as the People of God.

Together, let us be Fearless in Faith and Boundless in Love.

Please use the QR Code or on-line giving www.acaarchdiosf.org



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If you suspect or have knowledge of abuse by a priest, deacon, religious, employee, or volunteer of the Catholic Church, please report this immediately to local law enforcement and to the Archdiocese of Santa Fe Office of Child and Youth Protection (Annette Klimka, Safe Environment Coordinator aklimka@asfm.org | 505.831.8144

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.

Starting August 12th the new book for the Parish Book Group is *Mountains Beyond Mountains: The Quest of Dr. Paul Farmer, A Man Who Would Cure the World*, by Tracy Kidder. 2003. "In medical school, Paul Farmer found his life's calling: to cure infectious diseases and to bring the lifesaving tools of modern medicine to those who need them most. Tracy Kidder's magnificent account shows how one person can make a difference in solving global health problems through a clear-eyed understanding of the interaction of politics, wealth, social systems, and disease. Profound and powerful, *Mountains Beyond Mountains* takes us from Harvard to Haiti, Peru, Cuba, and Russia as Farmer changes people's minds through his dedication to the philosophy that "the only real nation is humanity."

Where Are You on Your Faith Journey?

Explore the Catholic Faith in a
Welcoming Community



Are you:

- Curious about the Catholic Church?
- Interested in becoming Catholic?
- Baptized in another Christian tradition and considering full communion with the Catholic Church?
- Looking to deepen your relationship with God?

Thursdays, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Beginning August 27, 2026



The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is a welcoming journey of learning, prayer, discussion, and faith-sharing for adults who want to explore the Catholic faith, become Catholic, complete their Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and/or Eucharist), or return to the Church. Come with your questions and discover where God may be leading you.

Immaculate Conception
Catholic Church

Questions? We'd love to hear from you.

(505) 247-4271
receptionist@iccabq.org

**Comienza el
Programa de
Iniciación
Cristiana para Adul-
tos.**



Si usted es mayor de 18 años y le interesa convertirse al catolicismo, nuestra parroquia inicia un nuevo año de implementación del Programa de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos (OCIA) en inglés. Si no está bautizado y busca el bautismo, o si fue bautizado en una iglesia cristiana no católica pero desea convertirse al catolicismo, ¡este programa es para usted! La fecha de inicio será el Jueves 27 de Agosto de 6:00 p. m – 7:30pm. Por favor, inscríbese en la oficina parroquial llamando al 505-247-4272 o visitándonos de lunes a viernes entre las 10:00 a. m. - las 4:00 p. m. y sábado de 9:00am - 4:00pm

Apoyando a nuestros feligreses sin hogar

Nuestra parroquia cuenta con varios ministerios que apoyan a las personas sin hogar o sin hogar de nuestra comunidad del centro. Además de Pan y Bendición, los Ministerios de San Benito Labre y el grupo de San Vicente de Paúl, el personal de la Oficina Parroquial alimenta diariamente a varias personas sin hogar. Cuando alguien pide limosna (se acerca a usted para pedirle dinero), aunque pueda parecer un gesto de caridad, también puede ser una forma de propiciar un comportamiento inapropiado. Quienes usan el dinero recaudado para comprar alcohol u otras drogas, en realidad están contribuyendo a su mala salud. Lo mejor es informar a la persona que no puede darle dinero. Los domingos, simplemente diríjala al Salón Parroquial del Sótano, donde puede recibir un almuerzo abundante sin cargo de 8:30 a. m. a 11:30 a. m. Entre semana, diríjala a la Oficina Parroquial durante nuestro horario de atención.

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.



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.*



Faith Formation
LIFELONG AND ONGOING

Fechas importantes para la EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA:

✧ 16 de Agosto ~ Clases Regulares

✧ 23 de Agosto ~ Clases Regulares

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

COMITÉ DE CULTO DE ICC

El Comité de Culto continúa organizando el rezo del Rosario durante todo el mes.

Durante agosto, el horario del Rosario es el siguiente (a menos que no haya nadie disponible para rezarlo):

Misas entre semana:

Todos los jueves después de la Misa de las 7:00

Todos los viernes después de la Misa de las 12:10

Liturgias dominicales:

8/16 - 10:00 AM (**Inmediatamente después de la Misa**)

8/23 - 12:30 PM (11:30 AM antes de la Misa)

NECESITAMOS MÁS VOLUNTARIOS DISPUESTOS A RECITAR EL ROSA. Si le interesa rezar el Rosario o unirse al Comité de Culto, por favor, comparta su información de contacto con la recepcionista de la oficina de ICC: receptionist@iccabq.org o (505) 247-4271. Gracias.



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 "Siguierte". 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.

Los textos bíblicos corresponden a La Biblia de

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Se necesitan voluntarios en el almacén, tienda de segunda mano y centro de llamadas de San Vicente de Paúl (SVdP) de Albuquerque.

Las tareas incluyen responder llamadas, clasificar ropa, etc.

El horario es de 9:00 a. m. a 4:00 p. m.

Para obtener más información, envíe un correo electrónico o llame a Luana Salazar:

luana@svdpsantafe.org, 505-346-1500, extensión 1000 (deje un mensaje si no hay respuesta).



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