Catholic Kid's Corner

And kids at heart!

Jesus invites everyone

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells about a king who invited people to a great wedding feast. Some people said "no," but the king kept inviting others. Jesus wants us to know that God invites everyone to be part of His family. When we say "yes" to God, we show it by loving Him and being kind to others.

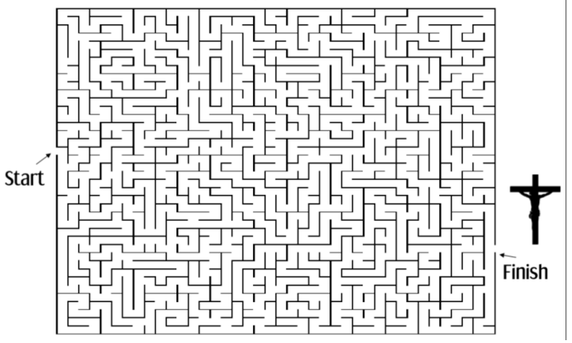
Prayer:

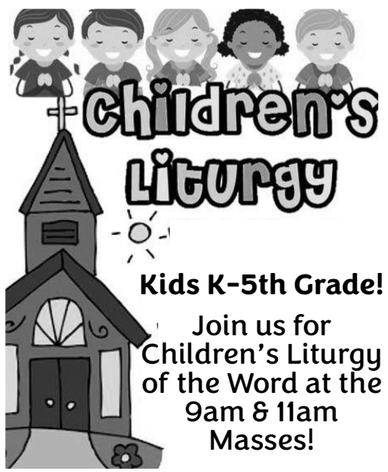
Dear Jesus, thank You for inviting me to Your family. Help me to follow You and share Your love with everyone. Amen.

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King	Oxen	Streets	Darkness
Banquet	Cattle	Guests	Weeping
Servants	Murderers	Wedding	Gnashing
Invited	Army	Clothes	Pharisees
Dinner	City	Attendants	Tax

Lead People to Jesus





Kids K-5th Grade!

Join us for Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 9am & 11am Masses!







Risen Savior Catholic Community

The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Santa Fe

7701 Wyoming Blvd NE
Albuquerque, NM 87109

October 11, 2026

The Twenty-Eighth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Clergy

Rev. Charles Ugochukwu, Pastor
Deacon Manuel Garcia
Deacon Tim Parker

Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 7:00, 9:00, and 11:00 a.m.
Tuesday & Thursday: 11:30 a.m.
Wednesday: 7:00 a.m.
First Fridays: 7:00 a.m.
Holy Days are Announced

Reconciliation

Tuesday & Thursday: 11:00 a.m. until the beginning of Mass
Saturday at 3:00pm

Sacramental Preparation

Baptism Classes: Contact the parish office to register for the next scheduled date.

Please contact the parish office or visit the parish website for more information on all other Sacraments

Anointings

Please contact the Parish Office.

Parish Office

Hours: Monday - Friday
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Closed from 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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Matthew 22:1-14

Jesus compares the kingdom of heaven to a wedding feast.

In the parable of the wedding feast, Jesus offers an image of the kingdom of heaven using the symbol of a wedding banquet. In today's first reading from the prophet Isaiah and in today's psalm, the Lord's goodness is evident in the symbol of a feast of good food and wine. Jesus' listeners would have been familiar with the image of a wedding feast as a symbol for God's salvation. They would consider themselves to be the invited guests. Keeping this in mind helps us to understand the critique Jesus makes with this parable. The context for this parable is the growing tension between Jesus and the Jewish religious leaders in Jerusalem. This has been the case for the past two Sundays and will continue to be true for the next several weeks.

The parable Jesus tells is straightforward. The king dispatches his servants to invite the guests to the wedding feast that he is planning for his son. The listeners would have been surprised to learn that the first guests refused the invitation. Who would refuse the king's invitation? A second dispatch of servants follows. Again to the listeners' great surprise, some guests ignore the invitation. Some of the invited guests even go so far as to mistreat and kill the servants. The king invokes his retribution against these murderers by destroying them and burning their city.

We might stop here for a moment. Why would some guests kill the servants sent to invite them to the king's wedding feast? It might be possible that the king was a tyrant, evidenced by the destruction of the city of those who refused his invitation. But if we follow this idea, then the allegory seems to be about something other than the kingdom of heaven. It is more likely that the destruction of the city would have been a powerful image corresponding to the destruction of Jerusalem by the Romans in A.D. 70, which would have been an important event for Matthew's audience.

With the invited guests now deemed unworthy to attend the king's wedding feast, the servants are sent to invite whomever they can find. The guests arrive, but it appears that accepting the king's invitation brings certain obligations. The guest who failed to dress in the appropriate wedding attire is cast out of the feast. We are reminded that while many are invited to the kingdom of heaven, not all are able to meet its requirements. God invites us to his feast, giving us his salvation. Yet he asks us to repent for our sins.

Jesus' message in the parable cautions against exclusive beliefs about the kingdom of heaven. The parable also teaches about humility. Those who assume that they are the invited guests may find that they have refused the invitation, and so others are invited in their place. To accept the invitation is also to accept its obligations. God wants our full conversion in complete acceptance of his mercy.



Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, October 10th

4:00pm - + Joyce Santistevan, + Eugene Woyak, + Lucy Keller, + Ralph Conway, Deceased members of the Roy Shibata Family

Sunday, October 11th

7:00am - Montoya Family blessings, Gallegos Family blessings,

9:00am - + Floyd & Orlando Correa, + Frank Dow, Paul, Edna, Paul Michael Tartaglia, + Parker Salazar, + Ralph Conway

11:00am - + Nina Armijo, + Fermin Aragon, Health & healing for Paul Brown, Birthday blessing for Sujani Kaviratni

Monday, October 12th

Tuesday, October 13th

11:30am - + Sergio Torcioni, Blessing for Maria Ortega, Blessing for Victor Martinez

Wednesday, October 14th

7:00am - For the People

Thursday, October 15th

11:30am - + Joe & Dora Lucero, + Kathleen Valcourt, + Lisa & Ronald Cordova



Thus, we hear the Lord saying: "I am coming soon, be ready and tell everyone.

Repent sincerely. The Lord is powerful, He is strong. The Lord is wise and does good. If you believe in me, I will arm you with words and not sword.

And I prayed, strengthen me Lord and let me see what is truly right and just. Hide not from me despite my imperfections, disappointments, and even as the storms and thunderstorms chants. The world needs you Oh God.

Give Him thanks and praise. *Anonymous*

In loving memory

Memorial Mass for Father Tom Noesen will be held Thursday, October 29th at 10:00 am.

PARISH WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, October 12th
Knights of Columbus Meals on Wheels off-site
Parish Office Closed

Tuesday, October 13th
Morning Prayer 8:30am, Church
Divine Mercy 10:00am, Rm 4
Adult Book Study 10:00am Youth Center
Confessions 11:00am
Mass 11:30am
Alcoholics Anonymous 12:00pm, Rm 4

Wednesday, October 14th
Mass 7:00am
Morning Prayer 8:30am, Church
OCIA 6:00pm, Library
Children's & Youth Faith Formation 6:00 pm

Thursday, October 15th
Morning Prayer 8:30am, Church
Confessions 11:00am
Mass 11:30am
Young Adult Apologetics 6:00pm, Youth Center

Friday, October 16th
Morning Prayer 8:30am, Library
ALANON 12:00pm, Youth Center
Bridge 12:00pm, Rm 3

Saturday, October 17th
Gambler's Anonymous 3:30pm, Youth Center
Mass 4:00pm

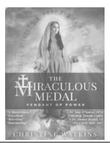
Sunday, October 18th
Masses 7:00am, 9:00am , 11:00am
Young Adults Lectio Divina 12:15pm
Confirmation Prep 3:00 pm Youth Center

October 11th
"An old Irish proverb says, 'It is in the shelter of each other that the people live.' Indeed, we are created to depend upon one another and walk together in suffering. But when family members or friends approach life's end, we may not know how best to 'shelter' them. Here are some concrete ways we can compassionately care for them: usccb.org/end-of-life-care."

ALL Life MATTERS

To learn more about Risen Savior's Respect for Life Ministry, please contact us at rsrespectlife@gmail.com

Adult Book Study Group
New Session—New Book
Beginning Tuesday, September 15th @ 10:00am
In the Youth Center
For more Information contact: Susan Tessier at 505-261-0377 or email: mssusantessier@gmail.com



We ask our faith community to keep these individuals in your prayers:

Our Thoughts & Prayers are with...

· Joe Ribando · Richard Ribando · Ben Miner · Donna Harris · Marianne Nichols · Mackie Fischer-Aragon · Lisa Gates · · Sister Maria Luisa Vasquez · Daniel Miranda · Sofia Blackwood · Raquel Rodriquz · Jared Miranda · Martha Lopez · Toni Sisneros · · Koa Banez · Roger Banez · Gloria & Jay Luce · Juanita Rios ·

· Habakkuk Orero · Tom & Bob Matuszak · Carmen Aranda · Tony Martinez · Charlotte Romero · Kyle & Janina Murphy · · Joe & Angela Lobato · Marta Kriechel · Katherine Mary Doherty-Brogan · Richard Connick · Sandy Levinson · Pat Dubois ·

To add a name to the prayer list, please contact the office, or submit your request through our website. The names remain in the bulletin for four weeks.

Weekly Votive Intentions

October 10th- October 16th

St. Francis of Assisi
In Thanksgiving
Immaculate Heart of Mary
In Thanksgiving

St. Michael, St. Francis, Our Lady of Guadalupe, St. Joseph, Our Lady of Grace, Sacred Heart of Jesus and Immaculate Heart of Mary PRAY FOR US!

Votive Candles

We have votive candles available for your intentions at our seven statues in the Church. The dedicated votives will burn from Saturday through Friday and will be replaced every Saturday. Contact the parish office.

With grateful hearts, we offer our heartfelt thanks and best wishes to Deacon Mark and Jean as they return to Toledo, Ohio. After more than 23 years of faithful service to Risen Savior, we are deeply grateful for their dedication, kindness, and love for our parish family. May God bless them abundantly in this new chapter of their lives.

Thank you, Deacon Mark and Jean. You will always be a part of the Risen Savior family.

Risen Savior Children's Choir

Risen Savior will have a children's choir. If your child is interested please contact Ben Maes for more information. Evening Practice will be Thursdays at 6:30pm

Bmaes@risensaviorcc.org





hopeworks

DONATIONS NEEDED

We will be collecting:
oranges, bananas, tortillas
For HopeWorks the weekend of October 17th-18th.

Casserole Pan/Recipe will be available October 10th-11th. Return cooked and frozen casseroles on October 17th-18th after all masses.





The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, October 12th in observance of Columbus & Indigenous People's Day . We will open to regular business hours on Tuesday

The Catholic Corner

The kingdom of heaven is offered freely to all. Like the king in the parable, God invites people to share in the joy and abundance of his life. Yet the invitation requires a response. Some reject it through indifference, others through outright hostility, and still others accept it outwardly without allowing it to transform their hearts.

Four Key Points:

1. God's invitation is universal.
When the originally invited guests refuse to come, the king opens the banquet to everyone he can find. This reminds us that God's mercy extends beyond any exclusive group. No one has a privileged claim on God's kingdom.

2. We must not take God's invitation for granted.
Those who assumed they belonged to the feast ultimately excluded themselves by rejecting the invitation. The parable challenges complacency and presumption.

3. Acceptance requires conversion.
The guest without the proper wedding garment symbolizes someone who wants the benefits of the kingdom without embracing its demands. The "garment" represents a transformed life marked by repentance, faith, and discipleship.

4. Humility is essential.
The parable warns against self-righteousness. Those who recognize their need for God's mercy are often more prepared for the kingdom than those who assume they already belong.

The question for us is not whether God has invited us. He has. The deeper question is: **How am I responding to that invitation?** Am I making excuses, remaining indifferent, or allowing God's grace to change me? The wedding feast is a gift, but entering fully into its joy requires a willing heart and a life continually being transformed by God's mercy.

Prayer:
Lord, thank you for inviting me to your banquet of salvation. Remove from my heart any pride, indifference, or resistance to your grace. Help me to respond generously to your invitation and to be clothed in faith, humility, and love so that I may share fully in the joy of your kingdom. Amen.

Respect for Life Ministry will be collecting items for Birthright and Care Net during the month of October. Look for bins at the entry of the church, they will be available after all Masses during October. Thank you for your generosity!

Items needed:
Diapers Preemie - Size 3, especially size 3
Wipes
Pacifiers, baby nail clippers, swaddles
Baby Clothes: Preemie to 12 months
Receiving blankets
Nursing covers

respect life called to serve moms in need

Risen Savior Catholic Church
Halloween Carnival
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23RD
6:00-8:30pm
Games!!! Prizes! Costume Contest at 7:30pm! Family Fun for ALL! Food! Cake Walk!
INVITE YOUR FAMILY, FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS!

WE ARE IN NEED OF CAKES / BAKED GOODS DONATIONS & GIFTCARDS ANY DENOMINATION

Please bring donations to the parish office Oct. 21-23! We appreciate your support!

