

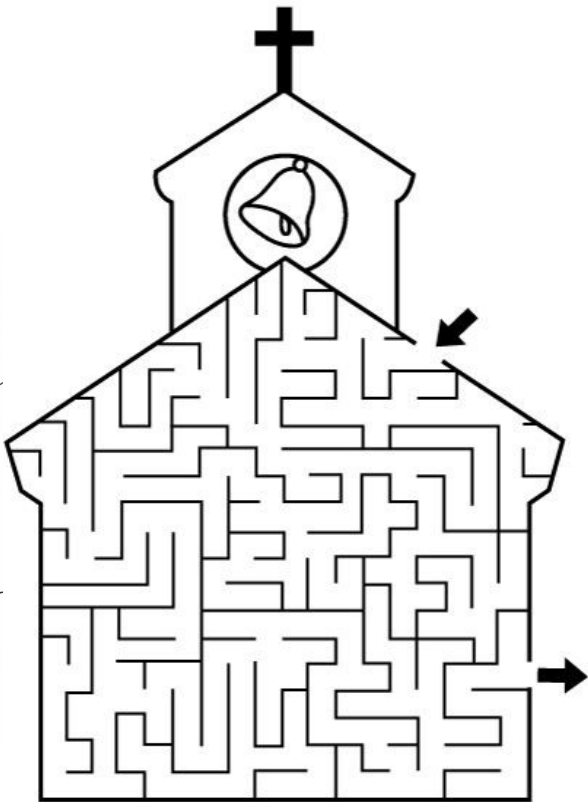
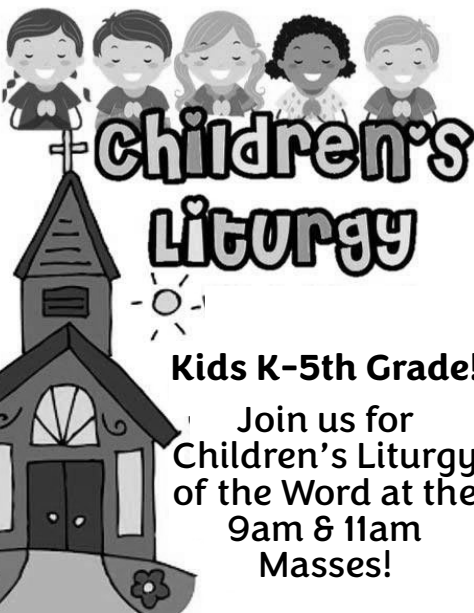
Catholic Kid's Corner

And kids at heart!

Jesus asked the disciples, "Who do you say that I am?" God helped Peter see that Jesus is the Son of God, our Lord and Savior. Jesus said that Peter will be the rock on which he will build his Church. Rock is a strong solid foundation. Peter was a rock because he had faith in Jesus. The foundation of our Church community around the world is our faith in Jesus Christ. Jesus continues to build his Church with people like Peter who love and have faith in him. We can be part of the Church's strong foundation because we love and have faith in Jesus Christ.

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THE ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF SANTA FE

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August 23, 2026

The Twenty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time

Clergy
 Rev. Charles Ugochukwu, Pastor
 Deacon Mark Bussemeier
 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 16:13-20
Simon Peter acknowledges Jesus as the Christ and is given the key to the Kingdom of Heaven.

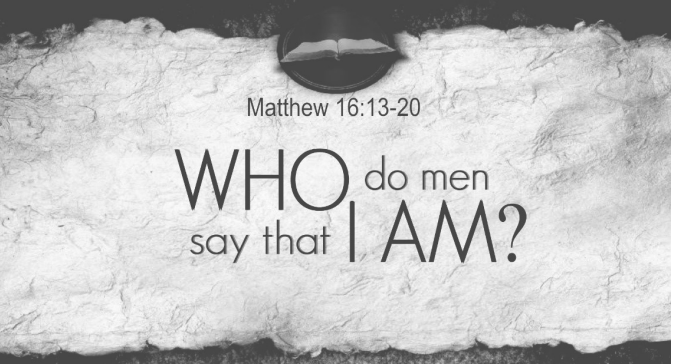
It is important to read today's Gospel and next week's Gospel as two parts of a single story. These readings are a turning point in Matthew's Gospel. This week we hear Jesus name Simon Peter as the rock upon which he will build his Church. Next week we will hear Jesus call this same Simon Peter "Satan"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



Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



Saturday, August 22nd

4:00pm - + Fay Montoya, + Evelyn Orosco, + Brian Torres, +Jim Hunter, +Steve Klotzbach

Sunday, August 23rd

7:00am - + Prudence Merendino, +Jesus Gutierrez, +Luis & Antonia Padilla

9:00am - + Zacarias Salazar, Special Intention for Jacob Coleman Molina

11:00am - + Michele Westfall, +Aurora & Val

Monday, August 24th

Tuesday, August 25th

11:30am - + John Sargent, Special Intention for Edward L. Martinez

Wednesday, August 26th

7:00am - For the People

Thursday, August 27th

11:30am - Special Intention for Jacob Coleman Molina

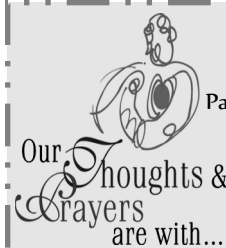
Baptized in Christ
Elian Rome Armijo
Child of Dionicio and Alexandra
Mateo Michael Sanchez
Child of Micah and Augustina
Isabella Rosalie Josephina Castillo
Child of Joseph and Amanda

Welcome to the Risen Savior Parish Family!



Seasons of Hope

Our next meeting will be held on September 9th from 3:30pm-5:00pm in the Youth Center. Please contact the Armijo's for more information at juli.koleske@gmail.com.



Our Thoughts & Prayers are with...

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

Leon Chavez · Lynn Pham · Mackie Fischer-Aragon · Holly Mariscal · Joe & Angela Lobato · Carmen Aranda · Charles Simoni · Pat Dubois · Richard Connick · Bob & Tom Matuszak · Charlotte Romero · Robert Santistevan · Dee Santistevan · Michele Santistevan · Marianne Nichols · Donna Harris · Peter Maioriello · Sr. Maria Luisa Vasquez · Lisa Gates · Paul Jessen Jr. · Joy Bohning · Danielle Materacky · Max Dubois · Sofia Blackwood · Daniel Miranda · Kristen Miranda · Jared Miranda · Raquel Rodriguez · Tony Martinez · JoAnn

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.

PARISH WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, August 24th

Knights of Columbus Meals on Wheels off-site

Tuesday, August 25th

Morning Prayer 8:30am, Church

Divine Mercy 10:00am, Rm 4

Confessions 11:00am

Mass 11:30am

Alcoholics Anonymous 12:00pm, Rm 4

Wednesday, August 26th

Mass 7:00am

Morning Prayer 8:30am, Church

OCIA 6:00pm, Library

Thursday, August 27th

Morning Prayer 8:30am, Church

Confessions 11:00am

Mass 11:30am

Young Adult Apologetics 6:00pm, Youth Center

Friday, August 28th

Morning Prayer 8:30am, Library

ALANON 12:00pm, Youth Center

Bridge 12:00pm, Rm 3

Saturday, August 29th

Gambler's Anonymous 3:30pm, Youth Center

Mass 4:00pm

Sunday, August 30th

Masses 7:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am

Young Adults Lectio Divina 12:15pm



Liturgy Corner

Do you feel a calling to serve our community and share the real presence of Christ?

Serving as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion is a beautiful opportunity to help distribute the Eucharist at Mass or bring our Lord to the homebound making this ministry one of flexibility, dedication, and deep reverence for the Eucharist.

Extra Ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist must be fully initiated, practicing Catholics (Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist) in good standing. Be at least 16–18 years of age. If married, the marriage must be recognized by the Catholic Church and complete any required safe environment diocesan training.

The different roles of EMs

-Assisting the priest and deacon with the distribution of the Precious Body and Blood of Christ.

-Bringing Holy Communion to parishioners who are sick, elderly, or unable to attend Sunday Mass.

If you hear God calling you to this beautiful and rewarding ministry, please and call the office or Ben Maes in the Liturgy Office at liturgy@risensaviorcc.org.

Weekly Votive Intentions August 22nd - August 28th



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.



Registration forms can be picked up in the lobby on the bulletin board or through the parish website!



We are looking for a CLOW leader for the 11:00am Mass and youth aides to assist at both Masses. Please call the office for more information.

Open Positions: Youth Faith Formation Director

Risen Savior is hiring a Youth (6th-12th) Faith Formation Director. For more information, please contact Barb in the parish office at barbam@risensaviorcc.org or 505-821-1571.

Thank you Risen Savior!

Your generosity provided:
69 Casseroles, 31 Dozen Tortillas
73 Bunches of Bananas
149 Pounds of Oranges
10 Pounds of Apples



SAVE THE DATE!

9/11 Celebration Honoring our Local First Responders

Friday, September 11th at 6:00 pm

North Domingo Park Playground.

Sponsored by La Cueva Ward the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day

Saints and Risen Savior Catholic Community.

THE CATHOLIC CORNER

Key Takeaways from the Keys of the Kingdom

The “Keys of the Kingdom” come from Matthew 16:19, where Jesus says, “I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven”

1. Authority to Govern and Make Decisions
The keys symbolize spiritual authority to bind (forbid) or loose (permit) in matters of faith and practice. This authority is not arbitrary but is guided by God’s will, enabling believers to lead, teach, and discipline within the community of faith

2. Access to the Kingdom of Heaven
Keys represent access—the ability to open the “doors” of the kingdom to others. This is tied to the gospel message, which invites people into a relationship with God through Christ. Without faith, the door remains closed

3. Responsibility to Proclaim the Gospel
The keys are not just for control but for proclamation. Believers are entrusted to share the truth, correct false teaching, and encourage others, ensuring the gospel is rightly understood and applied

4. Binding and Loosing in Practice
“Binding” and “loosing” are rabbinic terms for making binding decisions. In the church context, this can mean declaring sins forgiven or sins not forgiven, or setting standards for Christian living

5. The Keys Belong to Every Believer
While the passage begins with Peter, Jesus later extends the authority to “all the disciples” (Matthew 18:18). Many Christian traditions teach that every Christian holds these keys, though they must be used rightly and in alignment with God’s Word

In short, the Keys of the Kingdom are about authority, access, responsibility, decision-making, and mission—all rooted in

“Death is a decisive moment in the human person’s encounter with God the Savior. Helping the Christian to experience this moment with spiritual assistance is a supreme act of charity. It encompasses the patient with the solid support of human relationships to accompany them and open them to hope... While palliative care cannot entirely eradicate suffering from people’s lives, it provides an authentic expression of human and Christian care—allowing us to ‘remain’ at the side of a suffering person, as the Blessed Mother and the beloved disciple remained at the foot of the Cross.” USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities “The Witness of the Good Samaritan: Palliative Care and Hospice.”

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

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

Help students in need in our Catholic Schools prepare for a successful school year!

Donations can be dropped off at the bins located in the Risen Savior Lobby through August 31st.

All donations benefit the “Catholic Schools Teachers Closet” and also Risen Savior Preschool!

Your generous donations of school supplies for the preschool are greatly appreciated. The preschool staff is so blessed to have the support of the parish and its parishioners.

Thank you & God bless you!

Supplies Needed:

- Colored pencils
- Scissors
- Water colors
- Pencil bags
- Backpacks
- Retractable pencils
- Kleenex
- Clorox wipes
- Pencils
- Glue sticks
- Dry erase markers
- Sharpies