

Catholic Kid's Corner

♥ And kids at heart! ♥

"Let the little children come to me." Mt. 9:14

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us a parable about people who arrive at a house too late. The master of the house had already locked the door. He did not allow the people to enter. They did not pay attention and arrived too late. Jesus loves us and invites us to share eternal life with God in heaven. But we cannot take his invitation for granted and do whatever we want. When we do and say things to grow closer to God, we are accepting Jesus' invitation. What is something we can do or say to be closer to God and accept Jesus' invitation?

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Act of Contrition

My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart. In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good, I have sinned against you, Whom I should love above all things. I firmly intend, with your help, To do penance, to sin no more, And to avoid whatever leads me to sin. Our savior Jesus Christ suffered and died for us. In His name, my God, have mercy. Amen.

Children's Liturgy

Kindergarten through 5th Grade

Every Sunday at the 9:00am & 11:00am Masses

Join Us!

RISEN SAVIOR CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF SANTA FE

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August 24, 2025
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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Luke 13:22-30

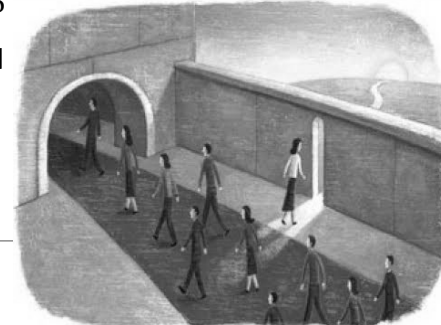
People will come from north and south, east and west, and take their place in the Kingdom of God.

Today's Gospel reading is the third of three parables in chapter 13 that deal with the theme of the unexpected reversals brought by the Kingdom of God. The other two parables are about the tiny mustard seed that grows into a large tree and the small amount of yeast that makes a large batch of dough rise. All three are about the few and the many and the Kingdom of God.

As this parable opens, Luke reminds us that Jesus is making his way to Jerusalem. This journey, this exodus as Luke refers to it, makes up the entire middle of the Gospel. He is teaching as he goes. A question from the crowd gives Jesus the chance to make a prophetic statement. Luke uses this question device a number of times in his Gospel. A few weeks ago, the question "What must I do to inherit eternal life?" led to the parable of the Good Samaritan. The question about will only a few be saved uses typical Christian language about salvation but also expresses the Jewish concern about whether everyone who calls himself a Jew is actually faithful to the covenant. This was a concern of the Pharisees.

Jesus answers that they must strive in the time remaining to enter through the narrow door because many will be trying to get in but won't be strong enough. He then moves to a parable about another door. (The translation says "gate" then "door," but the same Greek word is used.) Once all those entering the master's house are in and he locks the door, there will be no way for others to get in. Those left outside may knock, but the master will say he doesn't know them. Unlike the Gospel reading from a few weeks ago where Jesus was teaching about prayer, and we were told to knock and the door would be opened, in this parable, the master will not open and say he does not know us. People from the north, south, east, and west will take our place inside. Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and all the prophets will take our place in the Kingdom of God. Those who do not make it through the narrow door will be cast out to where there is wailing and grinding of teeth.

The image of the door is replaced in the final verses of the parable with the image of the heavenly banquet. Two passages from the Book of Isaiah influence the conclusion. Isaiah 43:5-6 speaks of God bringing Israel's descendants back from the east and from the west, the north and the south. And Isaiah 25:6 speaks of the Lord providing a feast of rich foods and choice wines for all peoples on his holy mountain. The answer to the question if only a few will be saved is no. In the end, many will be saved, but many who thought they would be saved will not be saved. The parable is a prophetic warning to repentance in order to enter the kingdom.



Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



Saturday, August 23rd

4:00pm - + Jim Hunter, + Christopher Conway,
+ Roy DeFrance, Special intention for Katicic Matea

Sunday, August 24th

7:00am - + Jelka & Marijan Kordic, + James Bassett, Special
intention Ron & Nadine Quintana

9:00am - + Zacarias Salazar, + Rosie Lopez, + Frances & M.E.
Sanchez, + Anthony Sanaugustine Cruz, + Darren Jonah Cruz

11:00am - + Cleo & Martha Gullick, + Matthew Thompson,
+ Val & Aurora Alvarez

Monday, August 25th

Tuesday, August 26th

11:30am - + John Sargent, + Walter & Lillian Hines

Wednesday, August 27th

7:00am - + James Bassett

Thursday, August 28th

11:30am - + Bernie Metzgar, Special intention Katicic Matea

Friday, August 29th



Children's K-5th Grade Faith Formation

We welcome all
Kindergarteners through
5th grade to our program.
You may find registration
forms in the lobby or on
our website.
Call Tes in the office for
more information.

Youth 6th-12th Grade Faith Formation & Confirmation

Registration is now open for
Middle School & High School
Youth Group, Confirmation
Prep & Confirmation.

Please remember that Confirmation
is a required two year program
by the Archdiocese.

Take advantage of the
Youth Faith Formation
new **totally online**
registration on the
parish website!



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

Peter Maioriello · Donna Harris · Marianne Nichols · Sr. Maria Luisa Vasquez · Mary Beth · Armando Mares ·
Pat Dubois · Haydee Mata · Rosalina Borremeo · Marie R.L. Dias · Carolyn Swift · Judy Bussemeier ·
Isaac Medina · Vince Cordova · Mike Goldmann · Mauricio Sanchez · Monica Sandoval · Conchita Sandoval ·
Gigi Beskara · Angela Sandoval · Sophia Blackwood · Raquel Rodriguez · Daniel Miranda ·
Gynelle Miranda · Jared Miranda · Katie Wacek

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

PARISH WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, August 25th

Morning Prayer 8:30am, Church

Tuesday, August 26th

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 27th

Mass 7:00am

Morning Prayer 8:30am, Church

OCIA 6:00pm, Library

Thursday, August 28th

Morning Prayer 8:30am, Church

Confessions 11:00am

Mass 11:30am

Friday, August 29th

Morning Prayer 8:30am, Church

Saturday, August 30th

Confessions 3:00pm

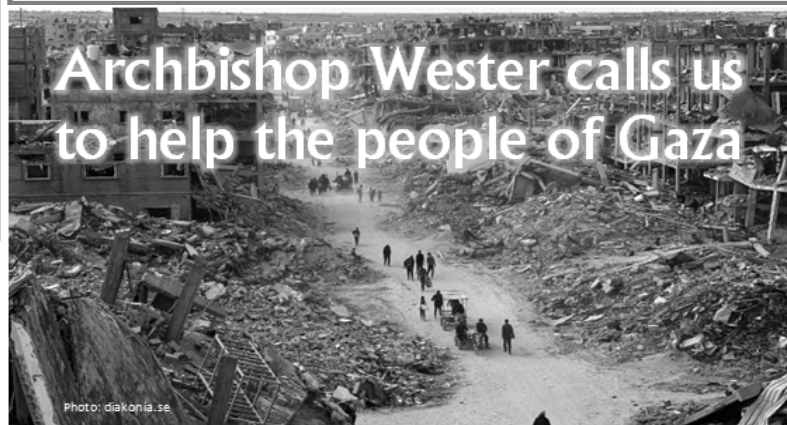
Gambler's Anonymous 3:30pm, Rm 4

Mass 4:00pm

Sunday, August 31st

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

Young Adults Lectio Divina after 11:00am Mass, Youth Center



Archbishop Wester calls us to help the people of Gaza

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*"As we are all aware, the situation in Gaza has reached a
crisis point as people there are suffering from bombings,
constant relocation, lack of medical support, and starvation."*

~Archbishop Wester, August 13, 2025

To help our brothers and sisters in need, the Archbishop has
called the parishes of the Archdiocese to take up a Special
Collection the weekend of August 30th and 31st to assist with
emergency food, shelter, hygiene supplies, and care for
peoples physical and emotional well-being.

Your generous donation will be sent directly to Catholic
agencies working in Gaza, assuring that the aid will get to
those in need.

Weekly Votive Intentions

August 23rd - August 29th

Immaculate Heart of Mary
Special intention for Katie Wacek

Our Lady of Grace
A special intention

*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.



Pray for the Faithful Departed

+ Ivelisse V. Cates

*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord
and let perpetual light shine upon them.*

Congratulations

Congratulation to Victoria Montoya,

who is the recipient of the

Evelyn Maguire Risen Savior Adult Scholarship!

May God bless you on your education journey.



Thank you to all who applied.



Fueling the Mission of Christ and His Church

Preaching the Gospel, Serving the Poor and Making Disciples

As a former Catholic missionary in Peru,
I know firsthand the joys and challenges
of life on mission. Today, I serve as a
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missionaries around the world—offering
spiritual support, encouragement, and
care so they can thrive in their calling.



Missionaries give everything. I'm here to help them keep going.
But I can't do this vital work alone.

Would you consider joining my support team through prayer and
financial giving? Your partnership helps sustain those who are
serving the poor and bringing the Gospel to the ends of the earth.

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Thank you for helping me care for the missionaries who
care for the world.

*"God wastes nothing—and He is using my experience
and training to pour back into those He sends."*

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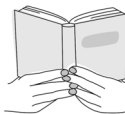
From the bottom of our ♥..... THANK YOU!!!

With the generous support of our parishioners we collected:



66 casseroles, 47 banana bunches,
127lbs of oranges, 2 bags of peaches,
7lbs of apples, and 62 dozen tortillas!

Catholic Adult Book Study Group



The Adult Book Study Group will begin our new book
on Tuesday, September 9th at 10:00am in the Youth
Center. The book title is: *Twelve Ordinary Men* by John MacArthur.

For more information please contact Susan Tessier at
505-261-0377 or mssusantessier@gmail.com



IT'S A BABY SHOWER!

The Risen Savior Respect Life
Ministry is hosting a Baby Shower
luncheon. Are you an expectant
mom in need of community,
support, or supplies? Do you know

someone who is? Parishioners are invited to refer a mother by
calling Susan Velazquez at 505-710-3986 by September 8th to
RSVP. The Baby Shower celebration will take place on
Saturday, September 20th, from 11am - 1 pm in the Youth
Center. The mother may bring a guest with her.

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I
consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." Jeremiah 1:5



Christian Women Outdoors Ministry

The Christian Women Outdoors ministry brings women together to
have fun, socialize, enjoy the outdoors, & thank God for all these
things. Days, times, and locations of walks, hikes, and other events
are varied so you can join us when you can. Events will start after
Labor Day weekend. The first 'weekly detailed info' email will be
sent beforehand.

For more information or be put on the email list,
contact Kay Hockey at kayhockey@comcast.net or
contact the parish office.



THE CATHOLIC CORNER

Are we ready to truly repent?

The Greek word we translate as "repentance"
is metanoia (the verb "to repent" is metaneo), and it
means "to change your mind." Metanoia's Hebrew
counterpart is tshuva, which means "to return." For
example, God told the people of Israel, "Repent and
turn away from your idols; and turn away your faces
from all your abominations" (Ezek. 14:6). So when Jesus

says, "Repent [metanoete] and believe in the gospel," he is basically saying:
change your mind about sin, and return to God. So, in order to be saved,
we must repent. Repentance means not just running back to God, but run-
ning away from anything that would keep us from God. In his first letter to
the Corinthians, St. Paul laid out a list of sins that would keep people from
inheriting the kingdom of God. Let that sink in. Paul is saying that these
Christians repented from sins like robbery, adultery and other impure
greed's. Even if the desires still remained in their hearts, they no longer
committed these sins. Why? Paul gives us the answer: "you were washed,
you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ
and in the Spirit of our God." He makes this even clearer in his second letter
to the community, saying "If any one is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old
has passed away, behold, the new has come." The first step is repentance:
to recognize that we are lost without God, and we are doomed to an eternal
death apart from him because we lack his grace, which makes us alive in him.
We must turn away from anything that would lead us away from God and
then turn to God in faith.

*"Perhaps the greatest sin in the world today is that we have
begun to lose the sense of sin." Pope Pius XII*



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