



# Catholic Kid's Corner

And kids at heart!

Jesus poses a question to the chief priests and elders on the meaning of obedience.

Jesus tells a story about a father who asks his two sons to help in the vineyard. The **first son** says, "No, I don't want to!" But later he **changes his mind** and goes to help. The **second son** says, "Yes, I'll go!" But he **never goes**. Jesus asks: *Which son did what his father wanted?* Children always answer: **the one who actually helped**. Jesus teaches that **God loves when we try to do the right thing**, even if we didn't start perfectly. What matters most is our **actions**, not just our words.

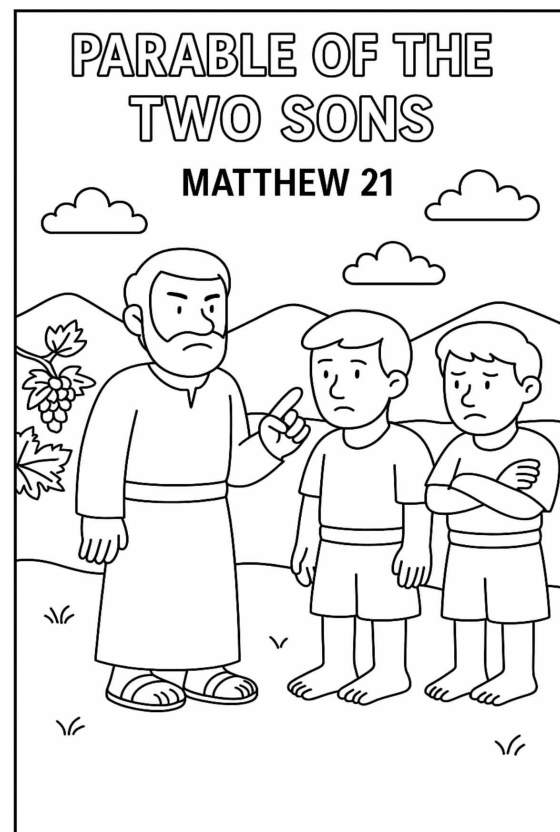
## The Parable of the Two Sons

"Which of the two did what his father wanted?" "The first," they answered. Matthew 21:31 (NIV)

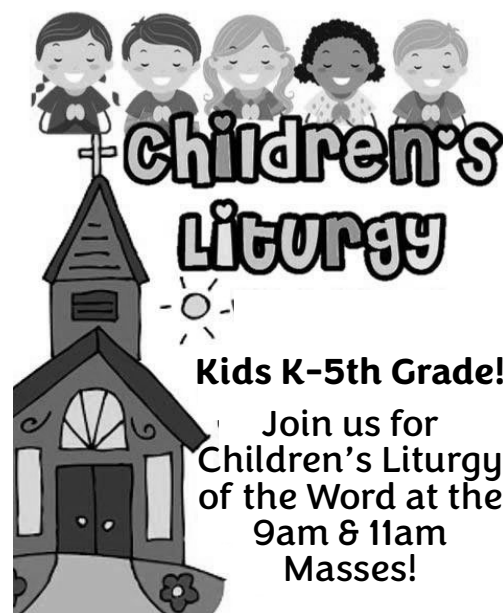
Based on Matthew 20:28-32 (NIV)



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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

September 27, 2026  
*The Twenty-Sixth 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.*

Email: [hope@risensaviorcc.org](mailto:hope@risensaviorcc.org)

Phone: 505-821-1571 Fax: 505-857-0065

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[www.RisenSaviorCC.org](http://www.RisenSaviorCC.org)

## Matthew 21:28-32

Today's Gospel is the mounting tension between Jesus and the Jewish religious leaders. Jesus has entered Jerusalem and overturned the money changers' tables in the Temple. Jesus has caught the attention of the religious authorities; the chief priests and elders question Jesus about the source of his authority. Jesus refuses to name for these religious leaders the source of his authority. Instead, he questions the priests and elders through the parable we hear in today's Gospel. The answer given by the religious leaders is correct, but it convicts them for their failure to heed the call of John the Baptist and for their inability to recognize the Kingdom of God.

The situation Jesus poses is rather straightforward. Given the same task by their father, one son asserts his disobedience in words, but then obeys in his actions; the second son obeys with his words, but disobeys in his actions. The question that Jesus poses is pointed and direct: Which son did what the father wanted? All would agree that "actions speak louder than words" and that even if his words were disobedient, the son who did the work as ordered did the father's will.

Jesus' conclusion is also direct. The chief priests and elders, the ones who speak most often about God, did not act accordingly. They did not respond to the message of repentance announced by John the Baptist with a change of heart. Instead, John's message was heeded by those one would not expect to repent—tax collectors, prostitutes, and other sinners. Because of their actions, these sinners will enter the Kingdom of God ahead of the religious leaders.

Jesus could ask us the same question. Do our words indicate our obedience to God? If not our words, do our actions? God desires a full conversion of heart, that our actions (and our words as well) will give evidence of our love for God.

## FIRST FRIDAY • OCTOBER 2ND

FIRST FRIDAY  
MASS 7:00AM

FOLLOWED BY  
ADORATION

BENEDICTION 4:00PM

Gaze upon him, consider him, contemplate him,  
as you desire to imitate him. -St Clare of Assisi



# Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



## Saturday, September 26th

**4:00pm** - + Mary Catherine Fordice, + James & Lucy Keller, + Frank & Jackie James, Special Intention for Paul Brown

## Sunday, September 27th

**7:00am** - + Savio Dac Nguyen, + Luis & Antonia Padilla, + Juan & Maggie Chavez

**9:00am** - + Zacarias Salazar, Health & Healing for Joan Meleniak, Birthday Blessing for Michelle Torma

**11:00am** - + Robert Ulmer, + John Patrick O'Brien, + Celina Salazar, + Phil, Annette, and Dcn. Salazar

## Monday, September 28th

## Tuesday, September 29th

**11:30am** - + Bernie and Robert Metzgar, +James Tatalone Jr., Special Intention for Manny & Margaret Trujillo, Blessing of health for Timothy Mikotowicz

## Wednesday, September 30th

**7:00am** - For The People

## Thursday, October 1st

**11:30am** - + Joe & Dora Lucero, + Arturo Sisneros, + Carmen Tapia, Blessing for Toni Sisneros, Birthday blessing for Koa Banez



### In Loving Memory of Fr. Tom Noesen

We regret to inform the parish of the passing of Rev. Thomas Noesen. We give thanks for his faithful ministry among us and hold his family and all who loved him in our prayers. Further information about funeral arrangements will be posted.

There will be a second collection September 26-27, to help cover some of the cost to transport Fr. Andrew Ifele, a Nigerian Priest whom Fr. Charles accompanied home to Nigeria for burial.

## Shared Blessings

### Parish Monthly Income & Expenses

#### July 2026

Income: \$ 86,135  
Expenses: \$ 106,750

#### August 2026

Income: \$112,026  
Expenses: \$81,546



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

• Richard Connick • Mary Lou Trujillo • Margaret Trujillo •

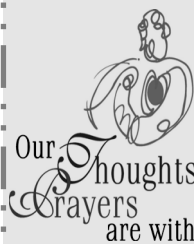
Carmen Aranda • Charlotte Romero • Kyle & Vianina Murphy • Tom & Bob Matuszak • Joe & Angela Lobato • Jonathon Lanctot •

• Joe Ribando • Richard Ribando • Ben Miner • Donna Harris • Marianne Nichols • Mackie Fischer-Aragon • Lisa Gates •

Sister Maria Luisa Vasquez • Daniel Miranda • Sofia Blackwood • Raquel Rodriquez • Jared Miranda • Martha Lopez • Toni Sisneros •

Koa Banez • Roger Banez • Gloria & Jay Luce • Juanita Rios • Ginette Pacheco •

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, September 28th

*Knights of Columbus Meals on Wheels off-site*

### Tuesday, September 29th

*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, September 30th

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

### Thursday, October 1st

*Morning Prayer 8:30am, Church  
Confessions 11:00am  
Mass 11:30am  
Young Adult Apologetics 6:00pm, Youth Center*

### Friday, October 2nd

*First Friday Mass 7:00am, followed by Adoration  
Morning Prayer 8:30am, Library  
ALANON 12:00pm, Youth Center  
Bridge 12:00pm, Rm 3  
Benediction 4:00pm*

### Saturday, October 3rd

*Gambler's Anonymous 3:30pm, Youth Center  
Mass 4:00pm*

### Sunday, October 4th

*Masses 7:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am  
Young Adults Lectio Divina 12:15pm  
Confirmation Prep 3:00 pm YC*



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### Join Archbishop John C. Wester

### In Praying for Our Nation at the Rosary Rally

**When: Sunday October 4, 2026**

**Time: 2:00 to 3:30 pm**

**Where: The Albuquerque Civic Plaza**

**Rosaries, chairs, water, bathrooms,**

**Security, medical assistance, and**

**Free parking provided**

### 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



## Weekly Votive Intentions

### September 26th - October 2nd

### Sacred Heart of Jesus

*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.

Thank you to our **pastoral counsel** for organizing and hosting the ministry fair this past weekend. Your dedication, hospitality, and joyful witness helped our parish discover new ways to serve, connect, and grow in faith. We are deeply grateful for the time, care, and prayer you invested in this event.

### 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 [barbaram@risensaviorcc.org](mailto:barbaram@risensaviorcc.org) or 505-821-1571.

### RISEN SAVIOR CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Starting in October Risen Savior will have a children's choir. If your child is interested please contact Ben Maes for more information  
[Bmaes@risensaviorcc.org](mailto:Bmaes@risensaviorcc.org)



Lord, make me an instrument  
of thy peace. Where there is  
hatred, let me sow love.

Francis of Assisi

## THE CATHOLIC CORNER

**In God's Kingdom, obedience is measured not by words but by the conversion of the heart expressed in action.**

In today's Gospel, Jesus speaks directly to the chief priests and elders who question His authority. Rather than answer them outright, He offers a simple parable—two sons asked to work in their father's vineyard. One refuses but later goes; the other agrees but never acts. When Jesus asks which son did the father's will, the leaders answer correctly. Yet in doing so, they reveal their own hearts.

Like the second son, the religious leaders spoke often about God but failed to respond to the call of repentance preached by John the Baptist. Meanwhile, those considered far from holiness—tax collectors, prostitutes, and public sinners—heard the message and changed their lives. Their actions, not their reputations, opened the way to the Kingdom.

Jesus' words invite us to honest self-examination. Do our words reflect obedience to God? If not our words, do our actions? God desires more than polite assent—He desires a heart that turns toward Him and a life that bears fruit in deeds of mercy, justice, and love.

The Father still calls each of us to His vineyard. Even if our first response has been hesitation or resistance, grace makes it possible to rise, to go, and to do His will. In the Kingdom of God, it is never too late to become the child who chooses to act.

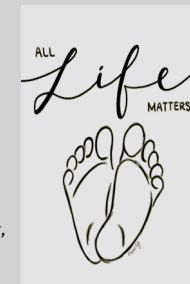


"Suicidal individuals—with or without a terminal illness—typically do not want to die... The patient requesting assisted suicide is often asking, 'Does anyone want me to be alive, or care enough to talk me out of this request and support me through this difficult time?'"

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Every Suicide is Tragic"

To learn more about Risen Savior's Respect for Life Ministry, please contact us

at [rsrespectlife@gmail.com](mailto:rsrespectlife@gmail.com)



## Christian Women Outdoors

**Wednesday, September 30th, 8:00—9:30 am**

**Stretch your legs walk** at the familiar Heritage Hills Park. Directions: Park is on the west side of Ventana St. between Freedom Way & Harper Dr. NE

RSVP with Valerie Lopes at [vlopes@comcast.net](mailto:vlopes@comcast.net)