♥ And kids at heart! ♥ Let the little children come to me." Mt. 9:14

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus tells us, his followers, what our most important priority in life should be. Jesus tells us our number-one priority is to follow him. Everything else, even loving our families. When Jesus talks about hating our families, he doesn't mean we should actually hate them. He means that following him comes first. When we put Jesus first, we will be truly happy.

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# RISEN SAVIOR **CATHOLIC COMMUNITY**

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF SANTA FE

7701 WYOMING BLVD NE **ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87109** 



# September 7, 2025 Twenty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

Jesus teaches about the demands of discipleship.

In chapter 14 of Luke's Gospel, Jesus is speaking to people gathered at the table about the difficulties of following him. This group of people is suspicious about Jesus, looking to catch him doing something wrong. Jesus speaks to them in parables, emphasizing that although there is a right way to be a disciple and enter into the kingdom of his Father, it is a difficult path to follow. Many, even some of the guests at the table, reject the invitation. So Jesus turns to the crowds and speaks to them of discipleship. Jesus explains that, when it comes to making a choice for the Kingdom of God, nothing can get in the way. When Jesus describes "hating" one's father and mother, he is not talking about feelings. Rather, he is emphasizing very strongly that choosing to be a disciple means that everything else—family, money, your own life—must come second. In Matthew's version of this story (Matthew 10:37), Jesus refers not to "hating" father or mother, but to loving them more than lesus. lesus makes it very clear that being a disciple is not easy. It means to bear one's own cross. These difficult sayings

of Jesus are followed by two brief parables (a person constructing a tower and a king marching into battle) that make an obvious point—don't start what you cannot finish. Discipleship is difficult and is something we can commit to only if we are prepared to put the Kingdom of God before everything else.

"...whoever does not carry their cross and follow me cannot be my disciple."

## Deacon Tim Parker

Clergy

Rev. Charles Ugochukwu, Pastor

Deacon Mark Bussemeier

Deacon Manuel Garcia

Saturday 4:00 p.m. Sunday: 7:00, 9:00, and 11:00 a.m.

Mass Schedule

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

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Heavenly Father you have given us Saints Pier Giorgio Frassati and Carlo Acutis as shining lights in our modern world- young men ablaze with love for you, the poor, and the Eucharist.

Through their joyful faith, courage in adversity, and love for truth and charity, You remind us that holiness is possible at every age. Saints Pier Giorgio Frassati and Carlo Acutis, pray for us.



#### Saturday, September 6th

**4:00pm** - + Evelyn Orosco, + Fay Montoya, + Walter D. Shibata, + Joe & Mary Shigenaka, + Mary Brophey, 100th Birthday Blessings for Anne Shibata

#### Sunday, September 7th

7:00am - + Luis Malcom Kaviratne, Special intention for Katicic Matea, Birthday blessings for Savi Kaviratne

**9:00am** - + Gilbert Guye, + Alvin John Baptistse, + Nick Gonzales Jr., Frank Dow, Paul, Edna, Paul Michael Tartaglia, & Parker Salazar

11:00am - + Natividad Tuason, + Marge Ulrich

Monday, September 8th

#### Tuesday, September 9th

11:30am - + Nick Gonzales Sr., + Jerry Torrez, + Roger Baca

#### Wednesday, September 10th

7:00am - For the People

#### Thursday, September 11th

11:30am - + Mary Catherine Fordice, + Edward L. Martinez, Special intention for Katicic Matea

Friday, September 12th



## Baptized in Christ

Lucia Mai Tran Child of Vinh & Ileana

Welcome to the Risen Savior Parish Family!





#### Children's K-5th Grade Faith Formation

For more information, contact Tes in the parish office or at tcharlton@risensaviorcc.org

#### Youth 6th-12th Grade Faith Formation & Confirmation

Take advantage of the Youth Faith Formation new totally online registration on the parish website! www.risensaviorcc.org

Contact Briana at the parish office

#### Monday, September 8th

PARISH WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Knight of Columbus Meals on Wheels Off-site

#### Tuesday, September 9th

Morning Prayer 8:30am, Church Divine Mercy 10:00am, Rm 4 Confessions 11:00am Mass 11:30am

Alcoholics Anonymous 12:00pm, Rm 4

#### Wednesday, September 10th

Mass 7:00am

Morning Prayer 8:30am, Church Adult Book Study Group 10:00am, Youth Center Child & Youth Faith Formation 5:30-7:00pm

#### Thursday, September 11th

Morning Prayer 8:30am, Church Confessions 11:00am Mass 11:30am

#### Friday, September 12th

First Friday Mass 7:00am followed by Adoration Morning Prayer 8:30am, Church

#### Saturday, September 13th

Confessions 3:00pm Gambler's Anonymous 3:30pm, Rm 4 Mass 4:00pm

#### Sunday, September 14th

Masses 7:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am Young Adults Lectio Diving after 11:00am Mass. Youth Center Youth Confirmation & Confirmation Class 3:00pm-4:30pm



Support  $O_{\mathcal{U}_{\ell}}$  A second collection will be taken up next weekend to benefit Seminarian Support. Thank you for your support and generosity!

## Child & Youth Faith Formation classes start this Wednesday, September 10th, 5:30-7:00pm!



Children, Kinder-5th grade must be brought into the Marian Center.

Youth, 6th-12th grade will meet in the Youth Center.



OCIA is an invitation to come and see. To look at what it means to be a Catholic Christian. To look at what it means to follow Jesus. To look at what changes of heart and mind must take place in your life if you wish to truly follow Jesus. Whether you are an adult in need of sacraments or have question about the Catholic faith, we are here to help. For more information about the OCIA contact Deacon Mark at 505-821-1571 ext. 102 or

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

Marie R.L. Dias · Carolyn Swift · Judy Bussemeier · Isaac Medina · Vince Cordova · Mike Goldmann · Mauricio Sanchez · Monica Śandoval · Ćońchita Sandoval · Gigi Beskara · Angela Sandoval · Sophia Blackwood \*\* Raquel Rodriguez · Daniel Miranda · Gynelle Miranda · Jared Miranda · Katie Wacek · Jim Wilburn · August Wisbon · Paul J. Jessen Jr. · Pat Dubois · Peter Maiorillo · Marianne Nichols · Donna Harris · Sr. Maria Luisa Vasquez · Lynn Pham · Agatha St. Louis-Leon · Stacey Herman

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.

## Weekly Votive Intentions September 6th - September 5th

**Immaculate Heart of Mary** For the children lost, injured, and mourning in MN.

#### **Sacred Heart of Jesus** In loving memory of David Roybal

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.

#### **Christian Women Outdoors Ministry**

Tuesday, September 9th, 7:30-8:30am. Social walk at Heritage Hills Park off Ventura

Thursday, September 11th, 7:30-9am. Easy hike at Elena Gallegos \$1 parking fee by credit card only.

For more information about these events and Christian Women Outdoors, contact Kay at kayhockey@comcast.net or call the parish office.

#### 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 quest 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

#### 16th Annual Blue Mass

The Blue Mass is a blessing for FIRST RESPONDERS in New Mexico and an opportunity to honor our fallen heroes who have made the ultimate sacrifice. Come and join our prayer of thanksgiving:

WHERE: Queen of Heaven Catholic Parish, 5300 Claremont Ave NE

WHEN: September 25, 2025

TIME: 12:00 PM Mass.....reception to follow

PRINCIPAL CELEBRANT: Most Reverend John C. Wester, ASF



The Women's Guild will have their first meeting after summer break on Monday, September 15th at 1:00pm in the Marian Center. We will be finalizing our involvement for the Parish Picnic that will be held on September 27th. Remember to bring our item for our spa themed gift basket. We will also collecting our annual dues. We welcome new members!



Follow Risen Savior Youth Faith Formation -ABQ on Facebook for up to date parish info and Catholic lesson & fun!





# Saturday, September 27th

after the 4:00 p.m. Mass until 7:30 p.m.

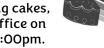
Join us for an evening of family, faith, and fun!

Hamburgers & Hot Dogs · Cake Walk · Games Face Painting Cotton Candy Popcorn

To make sure we have enough food, please let us know you're coming and how many guests are in your party. Scan the QR code to RSVP or call the parish office at 505-821-1571.



We are also in need of donations for the Cake Walk at the Parish Picnic! Please bring cakes, cupcakes, pies, etc... to the Parish Office on Friday, September 26th before 4:00pm.



#### Discipleship Think of the trades that have apprentices - such jobs as

electricians, plumbers, carpenters, etc. You might be able to learn how to do some of the same things an electrician does by reading a book, attending a class, or being trained at a conference. But, to really learn how to be a good electrician, you need to learn from someone who has been there (and can teach you how to be safe from all the hazards, tricks of the trade,

strategies to employ, etc). The same goes for being a good doctor, parent, etc. The best learning we can receive, in order to live out our call better, is done in real-life.

In discipleship, there should be a similar dynamic. You might be able to learn a lot about what it is like to follow Jesus from a book, a class, a program, or a conference. But, you will never really know until you are apprenticed by someone who is further along, on the journey of discipleship, than you are. Jesus put it this way:

"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." (John 13:35)

How did Jesus love his disciples? By living life with them for 3 years. For knowing them deeply, by teaching them, by being an example to them on how to live out their vocation. By holding them accountable. By challenging them. By training them. By forgiving them. By apprenticing them. By going to parties with them. By traveling with them. By being a leader for them and then commissioning them to do the same thing with others.



thank you!

RESPONDERS