

NEWS & UPDATES

REGISTRATION

CCD, OCIC & OCIA

Registration for the 2026-2027 CCD, OCIC, and OCIA programs will take place next weekend, August 22 and 23. Kathy Montoya will handle registrations for Grades 1 through 8, while Dan Burnahm will manage registrations for Grades 9 through 12. Father Tim Farrell will accept registrations for the OCIA & high school OCIC programs after each Mass. High school CCD meets every other Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the Meeting Center.

CCD classes are held on Wednesday nights from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., and the registration fee is \$30 per student.

High school CCD meets with Dan Burnham every other Wednesday in the Meeting Center at 7 p.m.

The OCIA and OCIC programs meet on Monday nights at 7:00 p.m. and are led by Father Tim Farrell.

BISHOP'S GOLF CLASSIC

CATHOLIC PEOPLE'S FOUNDATION

Grab your clubs and your crew - it's time to tee off for a great cause! Join Bishop James Wall and the Catholic Peoples Foundation on Friday, September 18, 2026, for our annual Bishop's Golf Classic at Piñon Hills Golf Course in Farmington, NM. This fun golf scramble supports Catholic Education in the Diocese of Gallup.

Register today: Early-bird pricing is available before Midnight on August 31, 2026, for just \$500 per team or \$125 per individual! Prices are then just \$600 for a team, or \$150 per player. Sponsorships also available!

Learn more at www.catholicpeoplesfoundation.com/golf. Text BGC2026 to 76278 or go to BGC2026.givesmart.com to register. Questions? Want to pay with cash or check? Call John Farrell at (505) 726-8295.

RISE UP YOUTH CONFERENCE

SOUTHWEST CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE

The Southwest Catholic Youth Conference returns to San Juan College in Farmington, New Mexico, on Saturday, October 17th! Join a community of Catholics from across the Four Corners for a day filled with faith, worship, music, and fellowship. Hear nationally-known speakers Joel Stepanek and Angelica Park, and welcome back The Scally Brothers as our special guest musicians.

Come deepen your Catholic faith, connect with others, and enjoy a day of fun. Tickets are \$40 per person now, \$45 after October 5th. Reserve yours today at lifeguarddurango.org or call (970) 385-8451. Don't miss this unforgettable day!

DEVOTIONS EXPLAINED

GREGORIAN CHANT

Gregorian chant is an ancient form of sacred music used in liturgical worship and prayer. Defined by a monophonic (meaning a single melody without harmony or chords), unaccompanied song, this type of chant focuses the singer's mind on the content of the prayer being sung, which makes it uniquely suited for use in the Mass.

Dating to the first millennium, it derives its name from Pope St. Gregory the Great, though scholarship is unclear on when exactly this type of chant originated. Prior to the Second Vatican Council, it was standard to use Gregorian chant in the Roman Rite Mass. Sacrosanctum Concilium, the Constitution on Divine Worship promulgated by Pope Paul VI in 1963, asserts that Gregorian chant is "specially suited to the Roman liturgy...(and) should be given pride of place in liturgical services."

MARRIAGE RETREAT

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

"O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." Have faith that your marriage can be strong. Gain the tools of a great marriage on an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience:

Sept. 18-20, Grand Island, NE; Nov. 6-8, Grand Junction, CO.
2027: Apr. 9-11, Colorado Springs, CO; Aug. 7-8, Littleton, CO;
Sept. 24-26, Lincoln, NE

For questions, feel free to contact Gary & Brenda Granger: (720) 213-8833

Space is limited, so reserve your weekend early.

For more information about Worldwide Marriage Encounter, please visit wwme.org

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Bulletin Submission

If you have an announcement for the bulletin, please email Kristin at shfarmington@dioceseofgallup.org. Remember to submit by Monday at 4:30 p.m., and for upcoming holidays, send your announcements the week before. Thank you!