NUESTRA SEÑORA DE GUADALUPE DEL VALLE DE POJOAQUE 9 Grazing Elk Drive, Santa Fe, NM 87506 July 23, 2023

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Parish Office Phone Number & Hours: (505) 455-2472 Open Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 10am–12 noon and 1:30pm-4:30pm Office is Closed on Tuesday and Friday– Please leave a message and the call will be returned next business day. Rev. Franklin D. Pretto is out of the Office on Monday and Tuesday Morning Monsignor Jerome is in the Office on Wednesday and is available to meet by appointment ONLY. Religious Education Office: Call (505) 455-2267 email: nsdgzvargas@gmail.com Deacons: Donald Yardman 455-7872 Reuben Roybal 455-2986, John Archuleta 455-7619, Greg Romero 455-0051, Pedro Garcia (Retired) Saint Vincent de Paul: Call or Text (505) 490-5520 For Any Type of Assistance

HE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN

Matthew 13:24-43

CONFESSIONS: MASSES: <u>Saturdays:</u> Saturdays:

Sundays:

Weekdays:

2:00p.m. Pojoaque-Nuestra Senora de Guadalupe (Father's Office)
4:00p.m. El Rancho-San Antonio de Padua-Spanish Mass
5:00p.m. Spanish Video Mass-Nuestra Senora de Guadalupe
5:30p.m. Nambe Pueblo-Saint Francis of Assisi-English Mass
8:30a.m. Nambe-Sagrado Corazon de Jesus-English Mass
9:00a.m. English Video Mass-Nuestra Senora de Guadalupe
10:30a.m. Pojoaque-Nuestra Senora de Guadalupe-English Mass
11:30a.m. Pojoaque-NSDG Tue., Wed., and Thu. English Mass

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by Angie Archuleta and Family
 † Clara and Joe Briones by Sheila Keefe



SAINTS MARTHA, MARY AND LAZARUS

Feast Day: Saturday July 29 Saints Martha, Mary, and Lazarus were siblings. They were close friends of Jesus. When Lazarus was near death, his sisters sent word to Jesus and asked him to come. When he arrived, Lazarus was already dead. Jesus then raised Lazarus from the dead. Their feast day is July 29. Originally this was the feast day for St. Martha only, but on January 26, 2021, Pope Francis designated this as a celebration of all three siblings.

CHILD PROTECTION TRAINING:

Attention all members of various organizations that serve in the church. If you are 18 and older you are required to take the online course *Abuse Awareness Training; Creating a Safe Environment for Our Children Workshop*, sponsored by the Archdiocese of Santa Fe. Visit archdiosf.org; first click "Links", then click VIRTUS online Training. At the end of the Training download a Certificate of completion and send it to the Parish Office. Workshops are good for five years. If you are not sure if you are up to date, call the Religious Education Office at (505) 455-2267 to check your status.

FOR MARRIAGE WEEKEND PREPARATIONS Please visit www.familylifenm.org to register MARRIAGE PREPARATION RETREATS

Please contact the Hispanic Ministry Office directly for the most recent information.

Deacon Robert Vigil, Director 505-831-8229 PRE-CANA CLASSES

Saint Anne Parish in Santa Fe (505) 690-7451. For questions, please contact the Family Life Office at (505) 831-8117 or email at yduran@archdiosf.org **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER WORKSHOP** For information please contact GGabaldon@archdiosf.org

SAN JUAN DIEGO CHAPEL

The Chapel is open daily, during Office Hours, for ALL who would like to sit in prayer throughout the day. Masks are optional but are highly recommended because of the seating distance. First Friday 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2023-Campaign Theme: "REBUILD MY CHURCH: A FUTURE OF HOPE AND HEALING" Goal Amount for our Parish \$28,500. Total Currently Paid \$18,060.70. We are committed to helping Catholics share their financial gifts with others.

CONTACT INFO TO SCHEDULE RETREATS Facilitator Sr. Paula Gallagher, IHM, (505) 670-0240 or email musicwrit@aol.com

ACTS: Divine Mercy Chaplet Prayer Service, second Sunday of each month after the 10:30 Mass in Pojoaque.

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REFLECTION ON THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME: The readings for the 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time are focused on the Kingdom of God. The first reading reminds us that God desires justice and has shown us the way of kindness. The second reading tells us that the Spirit aids us in our weakness. In the Gospel Jesus gives us several parables related to the Kingdom of God, including the parable of the weeds in the wheat, the parable of the mustard seed, and the parable of the yeast. We are called to choose not to judge others, especially by their appearances or our first impressions. Only God can judge.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: It is not to early to Register for classes, they begin September 17th, and registration deadline is September 10th. Please call our new Director of Religious Education, Zenda Vargas at (505)455-2267 or email her at nsdgzvargas@gmail.com. Zenda is in her office from 9-4 p.m. and is available to meet with you for further guidance.

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 23, 2023

DAILY READINGS FOR: July 23-July 29 Sunday: 106: WIS 12:13-19 PS 86:5-16 MT 13:24-43 **Monday:** 395: EX 14:5-18 PS EX 15:1b-6 MT 12:38-42 **Tuesday:** 605: 2 COR 4:7-15 PS 126:1b-6 MT 20:20-28 **Wednesday:** 397: EX 16:1-15 PS 78:18-28 MT 13:1-9 **Thursday:** 398: EX: 19:1-20b PS DN 3:52-56 MT 13:10-17 **Friday:** 399: EX 20:1-17 PS 19:8-11 MT 13:18-23 **Saturday:** 400: EX 24:3-8 PS 50:1b-6 JN 11:19-27



FAMILY CONNECTION

The parables found in today's Gospel offer both a sobering reminder about the Kingdom of God and words of encouragement. As the wheat and the weeds must grow together until the harvest, so we may not know whether our actions contribute to God's Kingdom until God's final judgment. With this word of caution in mind, we act always in prayer that our actions will be consistent with God's plans. In the parables of the mustard seed and the yeast, we hear words of encouragement. God can bring the Kingdom of Heaven from even the smallest of beginnings. We ask God to work through us for the sake of the Kingdom of Heaven. Reflect on what Jesus means when he teaches that the Kingdom of Heaven is like a mustard seed and like yeast. In these parables, Jesus is teaching us that God can work wonders from even the smallest beginnings of the Kingdom of God.

ENVELOPE USAGE

By using your Church Offering Envelope **OR** a plain Envelope with your envelope number, you are indicating your presence at Mass. What you put in the envelope is between you and God. Parishioners are asked to include first name, last name, envelope number, and your mailing address on any envelope that is not provided by the Parish. **Thank you for your continued support.**

NSDG COVID-19 POLICIES

The Archdiocese has given the Parish Priest the discretion to mandate their own COVID-19 Policies. Masks will be **Optional** while attending Mass. However, they remain strongly **recommended** for those over 65, with medical conditions that make them more vulnerable to the virus and those that are unvaccinated. If you are serving at the Altar, (Deacon, Acolyte, Lector, Cantor, EM, or any Server) you **MUST WEAR A MASK AT ALL TIMES**. All ministries who participate must be fully vaccinated with proof of card on file and have taken the Child Protection Training ages 18 and above. ASF Policy: Parish Staff must be fully vaccinated with proof of card on file or adhere to weekly testing. Spanish and English Videos are recorded so as to serve for the homebound who are ill or those with a serious reason. (Cf. CIC, c. 1245) Thank you for your continued cooperation.

UNLESS YOU ARE A SCHEDULED MINISTER FOR THE WEEKEND, Father Frank has asked that everyone stays out of the Sacristy. This is to protect Father, Monsignor and the Deacons or Ministers that may be present in the Sacristy before or after Mass.

COLLECTION FOR THE WEEKEND OF July 8 and July 9

Sunday Envelope	\$7	,511.47
Building Fund		935.23
St. Vincent de Paul		105.23
Donation for the Poor		693.23
All Other Collections	\$	20.00

*Please Note: These totals may be adjusted as they are deposited, these adjustments occur at the bank and include insufficient funds, etc. Final collection amounts are totaled on a yearly Contribution Report and are available to parishioners at the end of each year by request.

Instead of **ON LINE GIVING**, you can set up **BILL PAY** through your bank or Credit Union to have a donation sent weekly, monthly, or annually to support our Parish.

UPDATE PARISH CENSUS: It is imperative that you keep your address, name, telephone number, email and dependent information current. Please email or call the Parish Office with current information. Email: ologpojoaque@gmail.com

SUNDAY GOSPEL REFLECTION

First Reading: Wisdom 12:13,16-19 God has shown himself to be a God of justice and mercy.

Responsorial Psalm: 86:5-6,9-10,15-16 A prayer to God for mercy.

Second Reading: Romans 8:26-27 The Spirit intercedes for us with God.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 13:24-43 Jesus offers parables about the Kingdom of Heaven and explains them to his disciples.

In today's Gospel, Jesus offers three parables to describe the Kingdom of Heaven. He also explains why he speaks to the crowds in parables and interprets the parable of the sower for the disciples. This reading is a continuation of Jesus' discourse that we began reading last Sunday. All three parables use commonplace experiences to describe aspects of the Kingdom of Heaven. The first parable is longer and more detailed than the next two, and it alerts us to the two-fold reality of the Kingdom of Heaven. The beginnings of the Kingdom of Heaven can be found in this world. The fruition of the Kingdom of Heaven, however, will not be realized until the final judgement. In the meantime, as Jesus' explanation to the disciples cautions, any effort to judge the progress of the Kingdom of Heaven is premature. Only God, in the final judgment, will distinguish the fruit of the Kingdom of Heaven and offer its reward. The second and third parables call to our attention the abundance that will result from the small beginnings of the Kingdom of Heaven. Just as a mustard seed-the smallest of all seeds-will become a large bush, so too God will bring his Kingdom to full bloom. As a small amount of yeast will leaven the entire batch of bread, so too God will bring about the expansion of his Kingdom. In each case the image is of the superabundance that God brings out of even the smallest of signs of the Kingdom. Contained within these parables are words of caution as well as words of consolation. In the parable of the sower we are warned against judging others. To judge and uproot the "weeds" prematurely will harm the wheat; final judgement always rests with God.

