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OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday-Saturday (Closed Mondays) 9:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Martha Sanchez, DRE, (505) 865-4220 Email: dre@immaculateconceptiontome.com

MASS SCHEDULES

SATURDAY 5:30 P.M. MASS in ENGLISH SUNDAY

8:00 A.M. MASS in SPANISH

10:00 A.M. MASS in ENGLISH WEEKDAYS 9:00 A.M. MASS TUESDAY – FRIDAY Casa Colorada Mission 12:00 noon Every 4th Sunday of the Month

CONFESSIONS

4:00 P.M. Saturdays in the Chapel or by Appointment

BLESSED SACRAMENT

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every First Friday starting December 3rd after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. Holy Hour at 11:00 am followed by Benediction at 12:00 pm

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

In order for children to be enrolled in the CCD program it is necessary that the parents/guardians be registered.

All students must attend Mass regularly.

SACRAMENTS ADULT INITIATION (RCIA)

Process of Initiation for non-baptized individuals, Christians of other faiths wishing to become Catholic, Catholics who have not received Holy Communion, or Confirmation and for Catholics who are interested in deepening their faith.

SPECIAL SACRAMENTS (RCIC)

Process of initiation into the Catholic Church for baptized children under the age of 15 and children over the age of 8 who have not yet received their first Holy Communion.

CONFIRMATION

Contact the CCD office.

HOLY COMMUNION

Children must have completed the two year preparation process to enter the Sacramental class in the third grade.

MARRIAGE

For registered parishioners 1) Interview with parish priest six months before the wedding. 2) Diocesan marriage preparation program.

BAPTISM

Please contact the Parish office to make arrangements for the Sacrament of Baptism. Registration of three months required.

CARE OF THE SICK

For Holy Communion and Anointing, for seriously ill or homebound parishioners, please call the Parish Office for an appointment.

MINISTRY OFFICERS:

Finance Council Chairperson: Anna Moya Troyer
Parish Council Chairperson: Victoria Zamora
Lectors: Theresa Johnson

Extraordinary Ministers

of the Eucharist Anthony Furnari

Eucharist to Homebound:

Youth Altar Servers: Tanisha Mora Gutierrez
Adult Altar Servers: Lawrence Johnson
Music 5:30 p.m.: Ron Vigil

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8:00 a.m.:

10:00 a.m.:

Angela Norman

10:00 a.m. (1st Sun) John Duran (Youth Choir)

Park: Ramon Torres
Cemetery: Flavio Perea
SVDP: Erica Chavez
Flowers: Angela Norman
Knights of Columbus: Dominic Villella

Mayordomos: 5:30 p.m. Ambrose & Jeanette Padilla 8:00 a.m. Adrian & Maria Delgado 10:00 a.m. Aaron & Melanie Hahn

CC: 12:00 p.m. Ramon & Carmelita Baca

Mission Statement

Our faith-family of Immaculate Conception and its rich history and traditions, invite all Catholics to help them grow and mature as faithful followers of Jesus Christ.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH

TOME, NEW MEXICO

December 26, 2021 First Reading: Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14 Psalm: 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 Second Reading: Colossians 3:12-21 Gospel: Luke 2:41-52



Mon. Dec. 27 - No Service

Tue. Dec. 28

+Peg Sjostadt (Birthday Blessings) by Peggy Gutjahr 9:00 am

+Anthony Padilla By Virginia Baca +Candelaria Jaramillo by Adela Vargas

Wed. Dec. 29

9:00 am For the Body & Soul of Jay & Daysay Kortsch

+Lola & +Vicente Romero by M/M Jacobo Romero

Peace to the Family of Max Moltich

Thu. Dec. 30

9:00 am +Lucy Lucero (Anniversary) by Urban & Maxine Lucero

+Assunta Berry by Elizabeth Baca +Eurcinia Armijo by Aurora Sanchez

Fri. Dec. 31

For the Holy Souls in Purgatory by M/M Ambrose Padilla 5:30 pm

+Rudolfo Vargas (Anniversary) & His Deceased Brother &

Sisters by Adela Vargas

+Joan Romero by Gloria Castillo

Sat. Jan. 1 +Johnny Apodaca by Casilda Sisneros 10:00 am

+Loretta Perea by Casilda Sisneros

+Pete, +David & +Carolina Garcia by the Gray & Havens Families

Sun. Jan. 2

8:00 am +Carolina & +John David & +Thomas Montoya by Manuel

Montoya

+Frank Apodaca by Patsy Apodacca For the Body & Soul of Jay & Daysay Kortsch

+Rebecca Sachs and +Theresa Baca by Matt Baca & Family 10:00 am

Holiness for Julie Catuccio by the Family

Blessings for New Year for Edward & Melissa Lucero & Family by

Yvonne & Anna Molina

Immaculate Conception Parishioners

Collections:

12/12: Reg: \$5,415.50 Loose: \$460.00 Bldg. Fund: \$82.00 Immac. Conc.: \$189.32 Bldg. Fund Spec: \$500.00 CCHD: \$7.00 Retd Rel. \$810.00 SVDP: \$277.00

Solemn. Of Mary: \$2.00 Christmas: \$70.00

Counters:

1/2/22: Sandra, Norma, Mary Ann 1/9: Kristy, Mary Ann 1/16: Leeanna, Sylvia, Andy 1/22: Melissa, Frances, Melanie

2/1: Sandra, Norma, Mary Ann

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Ouote from Pope Francis: "God's answer to the poor is always a saving act that heals wounds of body and soul, restores justice and helps to live life anew in dignity. God's answer is also a summons to those who believe in him to do likewise, within the limits of what is humanly possible."

(Pope Francis, Second World Day of the Poor, 11/18/18, No. 3

The Archdiocese of Santa Fe entered into Chapter 11 Reorganization during the first week of December 2018. The utmost concern is for the victims of abuse. Our prayers are with them. The Annual Catholic Appeal Foundation is not part of the Chapter 11 filing. ACA is separately incorporated and funding is not available for legal claims. ACA remains a significant source of funding for the ministries and services of the Archdiocese of Santa Fe throughout this process and beyond. Christ's loving work must endure through this. Thank you for continuing to support these efforts.

WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

There are no announcements for the week. No Confessions Saturday, January 1st. May everyone have a Happy and Blessed New Year!



With compassion and concern, we offer our prayers for our community and especially for the sick of our parish:

Eliana Alderete, Martin Alderete, Chance Apodaca, Joe S. Aragon, Jaime Armendariz, Annette Baca, Jeff Baca, Michelle Baca, Antoinette Bencomo, Calles, Gloria Castillo, Helen Chavez, Joseph Cook, Ernestine Cordova, Roselyn Cordova, Mary Crespin, Renee DeBaca, Flora Eylicio, Ernest Fresquez, Maria Garcia, Yolanda Gallegos, Patricia Gardner, Dolly Glass, Joel Gutierrez, Isabel Jacquez, Allen Kenyon, Eileen Krug, Diana Lara, David Lopez, Robert Frank Lopez, Dayna Lozano, Rita Lozano, Abel Lueras, Dayjah Lueras, Sally Lynch, Aryel Maldonado, Anna Marie, Connie Marquez, Prudencio Marquez, Manuel Montova, Waylon Moore, Chester Moya, Phil Moya, Charli Orgas, Jose C. Ortega, Conrado Otero, Tonia Pena, Gene Perez, Freddie Peralta, Erlinda Rael, Herman Rael, Jose Rael, Benjamin Rispoli, Ray Rivera, Dennis Rodriguez, Connie Rodriguez, Eduardo Rodriguez, Nicario Romero, Steve Romero, Virginia "Jennie" Romero, Michelle Ruiz, Anthony Salcido, Isaiah Sanchez, Mariah Sanchez, Marty D. Sanchez, Proceso Sanchez, Tamara Sanchez, Michael Sandoval, Alex Santacruz, Mara Segal, Marcella Silva, James Sneed, William "Bill" Taylor, Angelica Torrez, Jose Luis Villa

Please call the office to add or remove a name. Thank you.

Preparacion Matrimonial en Espanol—29 y 30 de enero 2022. Para mas informacion llame al 505-831-8147 o ebecerra@archdiosf.org. El formulario para inscribirse se encuentra en el siguiente enlace: https://form.jotform.com/212585009064150. Invitamos a todas las parejas que se estan preparando para recibir el Sacramento de Matrimonio. La cooperacion para este retiro virtual es de \$50 por pareja.

Notes from our Pastor:

Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

May the blessings of Christmas abound in your home and in your family. May you always find your faith in Jesus Christ the greatest gift to receive, and the greatest gift to bestow. As we face a new year I am delighted to have become part of your community of faith. It is hard to believe that only three months ago I came as your pastor. My heart is full of great joy to now be part of your lives, part of this family of Faith.

These are peculiar and challenging times in which we live. It certainly is not the world I imagined when I was young, but is the world where in God has called us to build the City of God. Both the celebrations of Christmas and of the Holy Family give us hope. Christmas is the promise that God is always with us, Emmanuel. And in the Holy Family, in the lives of Joseph and Mary and Jesus, we learn the lessons of what it means to fully love one another.

The Holy Family helps us to heal wounds and divisions in our homes and in our society. May we all be open to learn the lessons they teach. May we learn to love, to care, to be kind, to be merciful, to be forgiving, and to let go of our old hurts. Our homes and our families are where we learn to be selfless, where we learn how to hear, and where we discover generosity and charity. Never give up on your brother or your sister, your son or your daughter, your grandchildren or your great grandchildren for you may be the only hope they have, the only hand to guide them, and the only one they might learn from. We all need to have hearts like Mary so we may treasure there in all that life means. Mother Teresa wisely said, "God doesn't want us to be perfect, but he wants us to be faithful." No family is perfect but we all can be faithful.

God bless, Father Michael

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH **DECEMBER 26, 2021**



The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

Families can be very difficult things to negotiate. This is true not only of our families of origin, the current family of which we are a part, the family of our church, our society, and our global family as well. Everything human can be found in family stories. Those stories speak of wonderful life-giving successes as well as painful spirit-robbing abuses. Our greatest joys and our greatest wounds are usually connected with the experience of family. Our needs, experiences, and unresolved baggage often color what we bring to our familiar relationships. They contribute to our level of defensiveness, how guarded and protected we become, and what prejudices we believe.

In order to break the cycle of dysfunction we have to remember that it is not only by human effort that we negotiate the difficult and challenging events of our lives. There is a Divine Effort at work as well. For sure, the human effort can create quite a mess and easily destroy lives. This is true of any family with which we are associated. Today's Feast of the Holy Family serves to help us understand that there is a Divine Story being told as well. It is a story of perseverance in the face of hardship, determination in the face of despair, healing when we see nothing but wounds, and light where there is darkness.

Do we believe that God is always working, guiding, restoring, and leading? Unless we do, we will never be free from the imperfections and wounds that bind us and never be able to understand what it really means to forgive. Pope Francis tells us that the "light which comes from the Holy Family encourages us to offer human warmth to other families." While this is most certainly true, we can only really begin to do this when we realize that we are still works in progress, not anchored to the wounds and sins of our past, and still a leading star in God's continually unfolding story of love. The Holy Family persevered and radiated warmth because they knew they were not alone. We can too.



Question: I have been away from the Church for a few years and really want to get active again, not so much for me, but for my children. Is this a bad reason to come back to Church?

Answer: If you are on your way to the supermarket, and you are forced to detour from your usual route because of road work, does the food you buy taste different? Is the meal less filling? Are the vegetables less tasty? Of course not. In our faith journey, there are many detours called sin. Some are greater than others, some are even a bit longer. But God's grace comes to us in ways we understand and recognize and need. Your children leading you back to the Church is not as important as the fact that you're back.

This is an opportunity for you to renew, strengthen, and deepen your faith. Regardless of how we get to Church, or what draws us closer to God, the fact is we are there. Do what you need to do to get right with God and the Church. Go to confession, begin good family religious practices, and be involved in the ministries your parish offers. Be more than a lukewarm parishioner. Be the kind of Catholic you want your children to be.



Sale of church properties:

Phase II of the properties to be sold will be on November 2021. To register to bid online before the auction begins, for more information on the properties, and terms and conditions of the sale, go directly to the auction website at www.ASFbankruptcyauction.com. The auction company is SVN Auctions Services, LLC; 954-931-0592.

Schedules:

Youth Altar Servers: 12/31: 5:30 p.m. -10:00 a.m. — 1/2/22: 10:00 a.m.—

Adult Altar Server:

1/2/22: 8:00 a.m.— Grant Baltazar

Lectors

5:30 p.m.— Sylvia Sanchez 12/31: 10:00 a.m. — Tanya Maldonado 8:00 a.m. — Lucille Otero 1/1/22: 1/2: 1/2: 10:00 a.m. — Kamryn Duenas

Eucharistic Ministers:

1/2/31: 5:30 p.m. — Janet Torres 1/1/22: 10:00 p.m. — Carolyn Matzke 1/2: 8:00 a.m. — Eileen Chavez 1/2: 10:00 a.m. — Tanisha Mora Gutierrez

"Like every other human family, the Holy Family had to confront real and concrete challenges. Yet, 'in every situation, Joseph declared his own 'fiat' ' (PC3). His 'yes' to the Lord meant that regardless of the hardship and personal sacrifice to himself, he consistently chose to put the needs of Mary and Jesus before his own. Joseph's devotion helps reveal to us our own call to show special care for the lives of those whom God has entrusted to us.'

"Al igual que cualquier otra familia humana, la Sagrada Familia tuvo que hacer frente a desafíos reales y concretos. Sin embargo, 'en cada circunstancia de su vida, José supo pronunciar su 'fiat', (PC 3). Su 'si' al Selor significaba que independientemente de la adversidad y el sacrificio personal consigo mismo, él continuamente eligió anteponer las necesidades de María y de Jesús por encima de las suyas. La devoción de san José nos ayuda a revelarnos nuestro propio llamado a mostrar un cuidado especial por la vida de quienes Dios nos encomendó.

ARCHDIOCESE WORKSHOP—ABUSE AWARENESS

<u>IMPORTANT:</u> For several years we have urged all of our members who are in a ministry to take the class on "Protecting God's Children". Many have not done so. The Archdiocese of Santa Fe mandates that this class be taken. This is for your protection. Please do not let this next year go by without taking this class. If you feel that there is a reason that you are unable or care to take the class, please call the office; otherwise we expect you to comply. It takes only 45 minutes to take the class online. In order to be in a ministry or volunteer in any capacity, this is mandatory.

OUR PARISH



Telephone: (505) 865-7495. Meetings are held every 4th Thursday of the month unless otherwise noted. Food distribution is on Wednesday beginning at 10:00 and Saturday beginning at 11:00. Requests must be called in before the days of distribution. Phone messages are accessed daily and responded to within 24 hours.

The Knights of Columbus meet on the 1st Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. They start by praying the Rosary at 6:30. If you are interested in joining the Knights of Columbus Padre Pio Council 10629 in Tome, please contact Domonic Villella, at (505) 550-0755.

Divine Mercy meets each Thursday after Daily Mass in the Classroom. Join them in praying the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy.

For anyone interested in joining the Legion of Mary, we meet on Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. The Legion of Mary would like to have the Pilgrim Virgin visit the homes of parishioners or anyone interested in having her for a week. Please contact Cecilia at 859-0547 or 864-7182 or Clara at 865-8488.

The Youth Choir practice is on the last two Wednesdays of the month. Practice will be at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Due to Covid-19 this is temporarily suspended.



First Friday Blessed Sacrament Devotions will resume December 3rd. Hours for Exposition—After 9:00 am Mass until Noon. Holy Hour at 11:00 a.m. Benediction at 12:00 noon. There will be a sign-up sheet at the front entrance of the church. Please sign up early. Someone must be present at all times during the Exposition.



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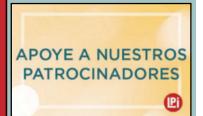
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