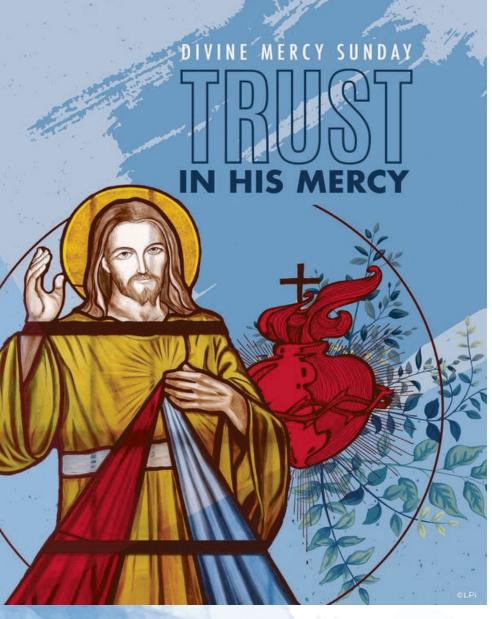


Mass Schedule Weekend Masses First Saturday 7:00am **Saturday** 4:00pm and 6:00pm (Mission Mass) **Fulfills Sunday Obligation** Sunday 8:00am (en Español) 10:00am 12:00pm (Noon) Weekday Masses Monday 7:00am and 5:00pm Tuesday 7:00am Wednesday 7:00am and 5:00pm Thursday 7:00am **Friday** 7:00am and 5:00pm **Holy Days of Obligation** Please check bulletin **Parish Office**

101 A North 10th Street Belen, NM 87002 p: 505-864-8043 www: ourladyofbelen.org **Hours** Monday – Friday 9:00am and 5:00pm Closed Saturday, Sunday and Holidays

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Sunday April 24, 2022

Mission Statement

Our Parish Family strives to bring the Gospel of Christ into our daily lives at home, at school and at work.

Mass Intentions for the Week of April 24 - May 1,2022	
Monday, April 25 7:00am-Father Clement	St. Mark, Evangelist +Max & +Mary Aragon by Margaret Molina Gary Moore for his health by Lala Griego
5:00pm-Father Albert	 +Mary Montano (Anv) by Manny Garcia +Margaret Abetya by Clifford Abetya & Family +Neta Jean Sinclair & +Dee Vedo by Ron & Teresa Chavez
Tuesday, April 26 7:00am-Father Clement	+Phil Medina by Lucille Zamora
6:00pm	Confirmation Practice
Wednesday, April 27 7:00am-Father Clement	Administrative Professionals' Day For the Intention of the Parishioners
5:00pm-Father Albert	+Robert Chavez (BB) & +Phillip Chavez by Marcella Chavez +Antonio & +Fermiria Garcia &+Frank & Rita Luna by Tony & Oralia Garcia
Thursday, April 28	St. Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr; St. Louis Grignion de Montfort, Priest
7:00am-Father Albert	+Arturo Cordova (BB) by Nellie Cordova & Family
Friday, April 29	St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church; Arbor Day
7:00am-Father Clement	For the Intentions of the Parishioners
5:00pm-Father Albert	Dr. Cecil Sandoval(BB) & Kevin (BB) by Manforita & Julia +Wilfred Garcia (BB) by Lorraine & Paul
Saturday, April 30	St. Pius V, Pope
4:00pm Father Clement	First Communion St. Mary's
6:00pm-Father Albert Los Chavez	+Lydia Medina (BB) by her Family
Sunday, May 1 8:00am Father Albert	3rd Sunday of Easter; St. Joseph the Worker First Communion Faith Formation
10:00am Father Clement	First Communion Faith Formation
12:00pm Father Clement	First Communion Faith Formation

THIS WEEK April 24 - May 1, 2022

Readings for the week of April 24, 2022

Sunday: Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31

Monday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15 -20

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/ Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21

Next Sunday: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11 -12, 13 [2a]/Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

National Conference on Church Administrators Coming to Albuquerque May 1-3. Please join us!

The National Association of Church Personnel Administrators os hosting it's national conference in Allbuquerque May 1-3. The Theme is justice in The Workplace. The archdiocese of Santa Fe encourages all churchs employees to attend! There is a special rate \$75 for NM attendees. There are some excellent keynote speakers and workshops. Go to <u>http://nacpa.memberclicks.net/convocation-2022live-in-albuquerque-#Registration</u> Click on New Mexico Resident Registration.

Drive in Movie is Back

Come join us for movie night on Saturday April 23rd. The Movie will be Full of Grace at 7:30 pm (Behind the Church parking lot). The Story is about the Mother of Jesus...



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Blessed Sanctuary Lamp Week of April 24th, 2022 Special Intention by Tommie Cordova St Jude for favors by Dolores



Please remember in your prayers: Alice Turpin Norbert Ulivarri



Antonio Lorenzo (Tony) Ulivarri Josie C. Peralta

Frances Carrillo Viola Gabaldon Jason Marquez Andrew Gabaldon Ronald Baldonado Charlie Carrejo Delilah Arvizo

As they died in Christ, may they also share in His Resurrection



Please pray for all the sick in our Parish



Ana Eva Hirschfeld Mike Torres
 Jim King Domi Gabbart Willie Martinez
 Martin Trujillo Sibie Padilla Sabie Romero
 Cecilia Chavez Jacob Hirschfeld
 Andy Garcia Johnny Cordova Lucinda Romero
 Jesse Martinez Michael Duenas
 Martha Torres Judy Romero
 Petea Persphone Lenore Moya Stringer
 Pat Lopez
 DCN Edwin Esquivel Florinda Gallegos
 Pat Sanchez Valerie Garcia Mary Ramos
 Sally Garley Jessika Jauriqui

Matthew Torres Felipe Sanchez

AROUND THE PARISH AND ARCHDIOCESE

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism for infants is offered every Sunday after the noon Mass. Arrangements are to be made in person at the parish office. A birth certificate is required. Godparents must be at least 16 years old, confirmed, and actively practicing their Catholic Faith. If Godparents are married, they must be married according to the norms of the Catholic Church. Mandatory Baptismal classes for parents and sponsors. No Baptisms during Lent. Please contact the Parish Office

RECONCILIATION

(Confession): Fridays at 5:30pm (after the 5:00pm Mass) and on Saturdays 3:00pm to 4:30pm or by appointment (call the Parish Office at 864-8043)

CONFIRMATION

contact Please the Faith Formation Office @505-864-7869 for more information on the requirements for receiving this Sacrament.



MARRIAGE

Couples must contact the Parish Office at least six months in advance of the desired wedding date. They must participate in a Weekend for Engaged Couples and attend an introductory class in St. Mary's School Natural Family Planning. For information on marriage preparation class go to www.familylifenm.org or contact Yvette Duran at 505-831-8117.

Sacristans

We are in need of Sacristans. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office at 864-8043

Fellowship Sunday

Join us for Coffee, Donuts and Fellowship after mass

Sunday May 1st, at the Parish Hall.



Homebound Ministry

There are some parishioners that cannot come to Mass due to age or disability. If you are being called to serve the faith community of Our lady of Belen, the Homebound Ministry is in need of your service. For more information please contact Deacon Manny or the Parish Office at 505-864-8043.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION

(Session I) Please join us for a Free Training on Zoom. Saturday April 30, 2022 from 10:00-2:30pm. The Workshop will be pastorial practices related to this ministry at Mass, to the sick and homebound. New and seasoned ministers

Gabriels Project

PARENT CLASSES ARE VIRTUAL WITH ZOOM

For Zoom ID and Password for each, contact Julie@505-850-4075

Parenting Class Schedule for April/May 2022

May 11th, Developing Family Morals, Values and Rules.

May 18th, Protecting Children on Social Media.

25 de Mayo, Influencia de la Violencia Domestica

Compliments of San Clemente Gabriel Project: Attendees can receive a \$10.00 McDonalds Gift Card. Free child and adult mask and free infant and young children equipment and supplies.

The Belen's St. Mary's Booster Club will be hosting a golf tournament on Saturday, April 30th, at Tierra Del Sol Golf Club in Rio Communities. The club is currently looking for players and sponsors for the event. The cost is \$100.00. For more information please contact St. Mary's School Office at 505 -864-0484.

Fiesta Committee

The 2022 Our Lady of Belen Fiesta Committee is asking for your help. We need ideas for games, such as Corn Hole Toss, Horse Shoe's and cake walk, ect. If you have any game ideas or would like to volunteer please Parish Office at 505-864-8043.

AROUND THE PARISH AND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Annual Catholic Appeal

Theme for the ACA "Love your Neighbor" The Annual Catholic Appeal Foundation remains a significant source of funding for the ministries and service of the Archdiocese of Sante Fe throughout this process and beyond. If you have not made a pledge, for your convenience. Please cut and fill out the ACA pledge form below and return to the Parish Office. You can also give online at <u>www.archdiocesesantafegiving.org/annual-catholic-appeal-foundation</u>. Just check box on Annual Catholic Appeal or call office and we can help you navigate on the website.

 Parish Goal is
 \$67,000.00

 Total Pledge
 \$37,844.61

 Balance Due
 \$29.155.39

PRAYERS FOR PEACE UKRAINE

O Prince of Peace once more we hear the war, Once more we see the faces of frightened children. We pray for the people of Ukraine, That they may be granted peace: We pray for the people of Russia, That they may demand peace: We pray for our country, That we may be a positive part of peacemaking in this world. O Prince of Peace, Lead us from this dark time to a deeper understanding of the global human family, So all may break bread together in the secure embrace of peace. Amen

Our Lady of Belen Cemetery—--Rules and Regulations

Our Lady of Belen Cemetery is considered sacred ground. And as such, we must do our part to preserve this sacredness and dignity. No type of permanent upright crosses or decoration's more than 15 inches tall are allowed on the grass lawn at anytime. Decoration's on the grave must be simple and not cluttered. If the family wishes to keep them, they must be removed before mowing days. All decoration on mowing day will be removed and disposed of. Candles are not allowed. They topple over and there is always the danger of a lit candle starting a fire on the dry grass. Melted wax scan also ruin the memorial headstone. Candle jars can break and can pose a danger to people walking. No decoration or items of any value must be left on the graves. Such items are at risk for being damaged or stolen. Cemetery employees are not liable for items damaged or stolen. Seasonal decoration placed on graves must be removed immediately after the season is over: Such as Christmas, Valentine's, Easter, ect. No alcoholic beverages or drug paraphernalia are allowed on the graves or any area of the cemetery. When attending a burial or visiting a loved one, please park on the designated parking areas and **not** on the roadway. Also, when a family pays for a burial plot, they are paying the **"RIGHT TO BE BURIED"**, not for burial plot ownership. It must be understood that is the the responsibility of the family to provide proper memorial headstone as soon as possible after their loved one's burial.

FAITH FORMATION

What's happening in April?

Parents should be working on the First Communion Plaques for Communicants. Plaques are to be taken to church on First Communion day. Practice for First Communion will be as follows: 8 am First Communicants will be April 25, 2022 at 4:30-5:30; 10 am First Communicants will be April 26, 2022 at 4:30-5:30; 12 pm First Communicants will be April 27,2022 at 4:30-5:30. Parents need to be present. Please bring your children to the church. First Communion will be May 1st,2022 at all Masses Schedule is as follows: Monday students will be at the 8 am Mass; Tuesday students will be at 10 am Mass: Wednesday and Saturday class will be at the 12 p.m. Mass.

GOSPEL MEDIATION AND REFLECTION

2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

Even Thomas struggles to remove his boulder! Being very pragmatic and determined, he wants to see the risen Christ for himself! Thomas's boulder is heavy with mistrust. Many of ours are too. A certain amount of skepticism is good, as it can save us from being duped or misled. But we can become so skeptical of things that it erodes our ability to trust anything we see or hear. Skepticism can actually be a well-disguised defense mechanism that we use to prevent us from being hurt or perceived as a fool. Having too much ego protection is a real risk. Thomas, because of the boulder blocking his vision, could not even trust the word of his friends.Boulders are hard to move. It's difficult to seek change or take a risk, especially when we are so afraid to be vulnerable or reluctant to trust another's word. When we are closed minded, overly pragmatic, unwilling to see things in a different way, stubborn or defensive, it is difficult to be surprised by God and stretched. We need to be less guarded, self-assured, and self-absorbed. God cannot break into the ordinary moments of our lives and inspire us when we cling to doubt. If we are going to discover resurrection faith, we have to believe that what the witnesses say is true, especially when they are credible. We also have to trust that the risen Christ is alive in us, too!While the first witnesses to the resurrection have faded into history, there are many others who have come after them. They continue to inspire by walking the talk of faith. They are the martyrs who offer their lives for the Gospel, the simple holy people in our communities who cling so steadfastly to their faith, those who have touched despair and found new hope and the ones who, even in spite of ridicule, still pursue their hunger and thirst for God. They are our friends, acquaintances, biblical heroes, and saints, and many others who are convinced that they have seen the Lord! The risen Christ may not surprise us with the same kind of visit as he did the first disciples, but God finds other ways. All we have to do is open our eyes, remove whatever is preventing us from seeing and believing and exclaim: "My Lord and my God!"

2º Domingo de Pascua (La Divina Misericordia)

La Liturgia de este II Domingo de Pascua celebra el Domingo de la Misericordia. El Evangelio nos dice que ocho días después se les apareció Jesús. Bridándoles su paz entonces y ahora a nosotros. Esa paz que no se va, la que se queda en el corazón y se brinda a los hermanos y hermanas que están a nuestro alrededor. "¡La paz este con ustedes!" (Juan 20:21). Esas hermosas palabras de Jesús hacen eco en nuestro mundo, roto por el sufrimiento, en palabras del Papa Francisco en la actualidad. "En el centro de este domingo, con el que se termina la octava de pascua, y que san Juan Pablo II quiso dedicar a la Divina Misericordia, están las llagas gloriosas de Cristo resucitado. Él ya las enseñó la primera vez que se apareció a los apóstoles la misma tarde del primer día de la semana, el día de la resurrección. Pero Tomás aquella tarde no estaba. Ocho días después, Jesús se apareció de nuevo en el cenáculo, en medio de los discípulos: Tomás también estaba; se dirigió a él y lo invitó a tocar sus llagas. Y entonces, aquel hombre sincero se arrodilló delante de Jesús y dijo: 'Señor mío y Dios mío'" (Juan 20:28). En el cuerpo de Cristo resucitado las llagas permanecen, porque son el signo permanente del amor de Dios por nosotros, y son indispensables para creer que Dios es amor, misericordia, fidelidad". Sus heridas son medicina que nos curan (1 Pedro 2:24 ver Isaías 53:5). La misión de Cristo Resucitado continúa en mí. ¿Qué hago para llevarla a cabo?

229th Our Lady of Belen Fiestas

"Lord Make me a Channel of your Peace" Fiesta Art Contest

The Our Lady of Belen Fiesta Committee would like to invite Students in Grades K through 8 to submit a drawing to Our Lady of Belen Parish office using the theme for this year's fiesta." Lord Make me an Channel of Your Peace". The winner will receive a \$50.00 Gift Certificate. Please use 8 X 11 size paper. The Poster will be printed in color. You may use pencil, crayons, water colors, markers, Oil paints, or any other medium. Entries will be judged on originality, quality of drawing, and appropriateness for use on the fiesta poster. Place your personal information neatly on back of your artwork using the form printed below. The winning entry will become the property of Our Lady of Belen Parish for use I promoting the Parish Fiesta. Deadline to submit your drawing/artwork is 4:30pm on Friday, May 2, 2022. Judging will take place by a committee of 5 judges.

Part Time Position

Cemetery worker, 16 hrs. a week. Application are available in the Parish Office. Office hours are 9am to 5pm.

Around The Parish and Archdiocese

omebound—*Coordinator: Deacon Manny Trujillo* The homebound Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion brings the Body of Christ to the parishioners who cannot attend the Celebration of Eucharist.

Adoration—*Coordinator: Karen Siegman* Spend an hour each week with our Lord at the Perpetual Adoration Chapel.

<u>Ministry of Consolation—Deacon Manny Trujillo</u> When grieving a loss of a loved one, we need support more than ever. Our Lady of Belen Ministry of Consolation offers a safe place to find hope, healing and comfort. Our ministry is personalized, confidential and open to **EVERYONE** in the community.

<u>Catholic Daughters Court #1359</u>—*Regent: Marcelle Trujillo* **Is a strong and vibrant group of women who live by the words: Unity and Charity. Meetings are usually held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month.**

Grupo De Oración— Coordinator Rudolfo and María Rios. Te hace una cordial invitación para que nos acompañes a la noche de oración, los martes a las 6:30 pm en el centro formación.

OSSM St. Juliana Community, Belen—*Prioress: Cathy McCartney Sachs* Monthly meetings are held on the 1st Saturday of each month from 12:00pm to 2:00pm at the Faith Formation Center. The Servite Sorrowful Rosary is prayed every 1st Saturday at 6:30 am in the Church. For more information please call the Parish Office at 864-8043.

Knights of Columbus—Grand Knight: Jose R. Garcia Monthly meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month at 6:00 pm, Pot-luck and Rosary 3rd Thursday of each month at the Knights of Columbus hall. Please call 505-321-1445 if you are interested in becoming a Knight.

<u>St. Terese of Calcutta Soup Kitchen—*Coordinator : Deacon Jerry* The Soup kitchen operates every Friday from 11:30 am to 1:00pm at the Parish Hall. For more information please contact the Parish Office at 505-864-8043.</u>

<u>Knight of the Altar – Coordinator: Deacon Manny Trujillo</u> A great opportunity for 4th graders and above to serve at the Celebration of the Eucharist.

<u>Choir—*Coordinator: Jeff Anderson*</u> An opportunity for adults and children to lead the people in joyful worship by singing and playing musical instruments.

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist—*Coordinator: Marcelle Trujillo* As an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist you distribute Holy Communion during Mass.

Lectors—*Coordinator: Julie Benavidez* As a Lector you Proclaim the Word of God during Mass.

<u>Ushers</u>Offer support to people by assisting in seating, taking up offerings and distributing the bulletins.

<u>Sacristan—Coordinator: Connie Baca</u> The sacristan is a member of the parish who is ultimately responsible for the material preparations for all liturgical services at the Church.

Fellowship Sunday—*Coordinator: Holly Chavez* Facilitates fellowship by helping to serve coffee, milk and donuts after Masses on the first Sunday of the Month.

<u>St. Vincent de Paul—President: Linda Mummert</u> The Society of St. Vincent de Paul, would like to remind those going through difficult times, that we are available to help. If circumstances find you needing help with food, clothing or personal items please contact us. Our thrift store is located at the corner of Castillo and 10th street. We are open Monday through Thursday from 10:00am to 3:00pm. Please call 864-0808 for more information or to set up an appointment.

<u>Handmade Blessed Prayer Shawls and Rosary Makers—*Coordinator: Holly Chavez* Learn to make beaded and knotted rosaries. If you crochet or knit or want to learn, join us in making prayer shawls for the sick. Meetings are held on Tuesday mornings at 8:30 am to 10:00am in the Faith Formation Center.</u>

<u>Widow's Mite Society</u>—*Coordinator: Liz Sagrestano* The Widow's Mite Society offers services to our community's widowed, handicapped, and elderly who cannot manage small household tasks, such as general home maintenance, minor household repairs, and house cleaning. Our services include: painting; fence repair; mowing lawns, weed removal, trimming small trees and bushes, trash removal, vacuuming, dusting, sweeping and mopping, organizing small areas, and companionship while offering our services in your home. If we can help you, fill out the form at the doors of the church or in the Parish Office and put it in the collection basket at mass or return it to the Parish Office. Please join us every 2nd Saturday of the month at 7:45 am—12:00 pm for a work party and every 4th Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm for our monthly meetings.



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