

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

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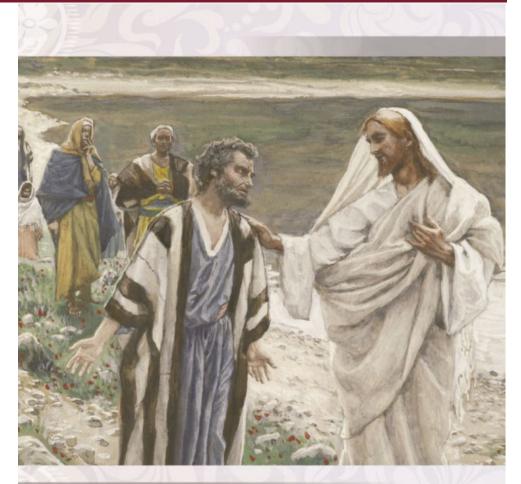
Hours

Monday – Friday

9:00am and 5:00pm Closed Saturday, Sunday and Holidays

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3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

[Jesus] said to him, "Follow me." - Jn 21:19b

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

Sunday May 1, 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 May 2 –8, 2022

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THIS WEEK May 1—8, 2022

Readings for the week of May 01, 2022

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

Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/Jn

6:22-29

Tuesday: 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Jn 14:6-14

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/Jn

6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/Jn 6:44

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Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 6:52-59

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/

Jn 6:60-69

Next Sunday: Acts 13:14, 43-52/Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5

[3c]/Rv 7:9, 14b-17/Jn 10:27-30

A Prayer for Ukraine

God of Love, Our world is wrought with war and violence, as brother turns on brother, and the innocent awake to gunfire and bombs. May your compassion and healing move hearts and bring a new day to Ukraine. Fortify your children to resist aggression and instead become instruments of peace. We ask this in the name of the One who is the Prince of Peace. Jesus Christ. Amen

PRAYER FOR MOTHERS

Heavenly Father, from the beginning you have chosen to entrust the human person to mothers in a special way. We thank and praise you for the gift of mothers; for their tenderness, care, and compassion, for their intuition and encouragement, for commitment and sacrifice. Bless all mothers this day. Keep, strengthen, and refresh them in your loving care. May they be blessed by our openhearted love and gratitude. Amen

Financial Planning

Father Clement will be offering a class on financial planning, based on the Dave Ramsey Solutions on May 2, 2022 at 7:00pm in the Church. If you would like to attend please call the Parish Office 864-8043

Parish Staff

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Pastor

Father Clement Niggel

Parochial Vicar

Father Albert

Mutebi Ssekabembe

Deacons

Rev. Mr. Manuel Truiillo Rev. Mr. Michael Montoya Rev. Mr. Jerry Baca

Religious Education Phone Number: 864-7869 St Mary's School Phone Number: 864-0484 St. Vincent de Paul Phone Number: 864-0808



Blessed Sanctuary Lamp For the week of May 1, 2022



Santo Nino de Atocha by Mary Ann Baca +Lawrence Trujillo (Anv) by Joe & Linda Sanchez **Special Intentions by Tommie Cordova**



Please remember in your prayers:



Larry Montoya

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 Brenda Busick Jesse Martinez Michael Duenas Martha Torres Judy Romero Petea Persphone Lenore Moya Stringer Pat Lopez DCN Edwin Esquivel Mary Ramos Pat Sanchez Sally Garley Valerie Garcia Jessika Jauriqui

Matthew Torres Florinda Gallegos

Around the Parish and the Archdiocese

229th Our Lady of Belen Fiesta

Its Fiesta Planning Time!! This year our Fiesta will be held the 2nd weekend of August. The theme for this year is "Lord Make Me a Channel of Your Peace". Due to Covid, 40-50 percent of carnival throughout the nation went under. With that being said, we will not be able to have a carnival this year. The fiesta committee has many events planned but WE NEED YOUR HELP! New events include a horseshoe tournament, a corn hole tournament, soapbox car races, dunking tanks, pie eating contests and many more! We cannot do it without parishioner support! If you can help, please call the Parish Office @ 505-864-8043.

Congratulations to our Fiesta Padrinos - Joey and Catherine Chavez; and Steven and Stephanie Gutierrez. Our Parade Marshalls are John and Holly Chavez. We welcome you and thank you for accepting this role in representing Our Lady of Belen Fiesta.

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

The National Association of Church Personnel Administrators is hosting its national conference in Albuquerque May 1-3. The theme is Justice In The Workplace. The Archdiocese of Santa Fe encourages all church employees to attend! There is a special rate of \$75 for NM attendees. There are some excellent keynote Go to https://nacpa.memberclicks.net/convocation-2022-live-in-albuquerquespeakers and workshops. #Registration Click on New Mexico Resident Registration. Everyone can access the \$75 registration from there.

<u>Retrouvaille</u>

Marriage Help - Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vi) has helped tens of thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. This program can help you too. For confidential information about the May 19-22, 2022 program call 505-890-3495 or visit helpourmarriage.com

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 services of the Archdiocese of Santa Fe throughout this process and beyond. You can give on-line at www.archdiocesesantafegiving.org/annual-catholic-appeal-foundation. 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 Pledged** \$40,594.61 **Balance Due** \$26,594.61

GABRIEL PROJECT

PARENTING CLASSES ARE VIRTUAL WITH ZOOM! For Zoom ID and Password for each class, contact Julie @ 505-850-4075. Parenting Class Schedule for May 2022: May 4th, 10:00 - 11:00, Stress Management; May 11th, Developing Family Morals, Values and Rules; May 18th, Protecting Children on Social Media; 25 de Mayo, Influencia de la Violencia Doméstica. Compliments of San Clemente Gabriel Project: Attendees can receive a \$10.00; McDonalds Gift Card; Free child and adult masks; Free infant and young children equipment and Thank you and God bless you for making our program of family and life support an established model in Valencia County.

Around the Parish

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 practicing actively 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

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

MARRIAGE

Couples must contact 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 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

St. Vincent DePaul

The Society of St. Vincent DePaul 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.

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.

Part Time Position

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



Children's Night at the Movies

Come join us for a drive-in movie on Saturday, May 7th (if weather permitting) at 8:00pm Church parking lot (behind the church)

The movie that will be shown is

Big Foot

Bible Classes

A Gospel study will be held on Thursday evening at 6:00pm beginning on May 5th, in the Faith Formation Center. Open to everyone. For more information please contact the Parish Office at 505-864-8043

Faith Formation

Registration for 2022-2023 school year are now being accepted by the Faith Formation Center. Registration fee is \$30 for K-7th, \$30 for Confirmation Yr1 and \$50 for Confirmation Yr2. The Faith Formation Center Office hours effective May 2nd are 9:00am to 3:00pm, Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

Youth Confirmation Mass

Very Rev. Glennon Jones, Vicar General, will be here to celebrate the Confirmation Mass for Youth Confirmation at 6:00pm on Tuesday, May 3rd.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

3rd Sunday of Easter

Could it be that God's image has become so soiled and distorted that it is hard for us to see it? Our self-serving agendas have done a great job twisting God's image into what profits us. We want our agenda to be God's agenda and use prayer as the convincing leverage we need. Worse still, our success and egocentric agenda often erases God's image completely, replacing it with our own. St. Oscar Romero instructs us that the Son of Man "dies on the cross to cleanse God's image, which is soiled in today's humanity, a humanity so enslaved, so selfish, so sinful." Striving to preserve control of our destinies at all costs, we fail to see the risen suffering servant, the Christ, standing right beside us. Jesus, who suffered and died on a cross and was raised from the dead, corrects our soiled image of God. He shows us God as God is, not who we want to make God to be. God is the God of the poor, the weak, and the marginalized. He is the God who tenderly caresses us when we are suffering and hurting, assuring us that all will be safe and well. He is the God of equity, peace, justice, and compassion who wants happiness for each of His children, desiring their wellbeing and success. God goes where men and women are afraid to go, sitting with the lost, the broken, and the sorrowing. St. Oscar Romero challenges us to illuminate with "Christ's light ... even the most hideous caverns of the human person: torture, jail, plunder, want, chronic illness. The oppressed must be saved." The resurrection calls us to be God's microphone, a messenger, and a prophet (St. Oscar Romero). Using eyes that see beyond the limited constructs and desires of our world, we can see the true and real Jesus standing before us, calling us to transformation and change. Asking us more than once, "do you love me?" We are beckoned to give an answer. Answering in the affirmative, it is now our task to feed the sheep and the lambs who belong to God. In short, equipped with the power of the resurrection and a corrected image of God our task is to make things better, brighter, holier, more life-giving, and just for all of God's children. Considering our choices, our interactions, our philosophies, and aspirations, how can we do this?

3er Domingo de Pascua

La alegría de la resurrección sigue en nuestras asambleas litúrgicas. Las oraciones y alabanzas, junto con la antífona de entrada, nos ayudan a reflexionar en ello: "Aclamen al Señor, habitantes todos de la tierra, canten un himno a su nombre, denle gracias y alábenlo. Aleluya". Se apareció resucitado a sus discípulos en Galilea. Les preparó un suculento desayuno y les invitó diciendo: "Vengan a desayunar. Ninguno de los discípulos se atrevió a preguntarle quien era, pues sabían que era el Señor. Jesús se acercó, tomó el pan y se lo repartió. Lo mismo hizo con los pescados" (Juan 21:12-13). "Esta fue la tercera vez que Jesús se apareció a sus discípulos después de resucitar de entre los muertos" (Juan 21:14). Tres veces les saluda brindándoles su paz, y les prepara el desayuno. Luego de desayunar, Jesús le pregunta a Pedro si lo ama. Tres veces fue la pregunta y Pedro responde tres veces la misma respuesta: "Si, Señor, tú sabes que te quiero". A lo que Jesús agrega como respuesta: "Cuida, y apacienta a mis ovejas". Cada domingo en la Eucaristía, el Señor nos hace la misma invitación. Vengan, vengan católicos al banquete celestial. No sean sordos a mi invitación. Cuiden y apacienten a su familia, a sus amigos y a las personas sin voz. El Evangelio del resucitado es acción, y movimiento repleto de justicia y esperanza. Seamos como Pedro que lloró amargamente el haberle negado tres veces el Viernes Santo. Y ahora, en este episodio, su compromiso filial es amar al Señor hasta el martirio. ¿De qué forma profesamos nuestro amor a Jesucristo? ¿Cuál será el compromiso para toda la vida?

Question: Are Catholics allowed to donate their organs?

Answer: Yes, Catholics are allowed to donate their organs. In fact, the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* praises this practice when it notes that, "Organ donation after death is a noble and meritorious act and is to be encouraged as an expression of generous solidarity" (no. 2296). The Church has a series of guidelines for health care providers called The Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Services. This document helps us see organ donation as an act of charity, but it also reminds us that we have to be sure that donations of organs by living donors do not "sacrifice or seriously impair any essential bodily function and the anticipated benefit to the recipient is proportionate to the harm to the donor" (no. 30); trained medical professionals can help to make this assessment. In the case of organ donation at the end of life, we must be sure of the intentions of the donor or of their proxy are always respected, and that the dignity of the human body is always respected. In the end, we can look to Pope Saint John Paul II and his encyclical *Evangelium Vitae*, where he noted that organ donation is a beautiful act of expressing the culture of life, when "performed in an ethically acceptable manner, with a view to offering a chance of health or even of life itself to the sick who sometimes have no other hope" (no. 86).

Homebound—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.

Ministry of Consolation—Deacon Manny Trujillo 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.

Catholic Daughters Court #1359—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.

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.

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

Choir—Coordinator: Jeff Anderson 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.

Ushers—Offer support to people by assisting in seating, taking up offerings and distributing the bulletins.

Sacristan—Coordinator: Connie Baca 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.

St. Vincent de Paul—President: Linda Mummert Founded in 1883, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a worldwide organization of lay Catholics, following Christ's call to serve the poor, the suffering, and the deprived. Our founding activity, still practiced today, is he Home Visit. Through these visits, Vincentian members establish personal relationships with our neighbors in need, not only providing material assistance such as rent, utilities, food, or clothing, but also offering friendship, understanding, and prayer. Contact us at 864-0808 if you like to join this ministry.

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.

Widow's Mite Society—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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