



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

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SERVING THE COMMUNITIES OF:

Tome, Adelino, La Ladera, Las Maravillas, Pasitos del Cielo,
La Constancia, Tavalopa, El Cerro Mission South, Casa Colorada,
Salomon Estates, San Fernandez and Rio Communities

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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
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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

8:00 a.m.: Monica Padilla

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 Villeda

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.*

November 28, 2021
 First Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16
 Psalm: 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14
 Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2
 Gospel: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon. Nov. 29 - No Service

Tue. Nov. 30

9:00 am +Daniel Castillo by Gloria Castillo
 In Memory of the Gabaldon & Sanchez Families by M/M Gene Sanchez & Family
 +Mark Flores by M/M Ken Chavez

Wed. Dec. 1

9:00 am +Gomicindo Baca (Anniversary) by the Family
 +Pete Garcia by the Family
 For the Health of Jose Luis Villa by the Family

Thu. Dec. 2

9:00 am Blessings for the Body and Soul of Laura Madrid
 +Tony & +Peggy Silva by M/M Ramon Silva
 +Margarita, +Eduardo & +Irenio Romero by M/M Jacobo Romero

Fri. Dec. 3

9:00 am +Frank & +Fela Pena by Gloria Pena-Chavez
 For the Health of Jose Luis Villa by the Family
 +Geno Barela by Lawrence & Patricia Esquibel

Sat. Dec. 4

5:30 pm +Amarante, +Ida & +Anthony Carabajal by the Family
 +Placido Padilla (Anniversary) by M/M Ambrose Padilla
 +Cordelia Schaub by Lucille Otero

Sun. Dec. 5

8:00 am +Carolina, +John David & +Thomas Montoya by Manuel Montoya
 +Frank Apodaca by Patsy Apodaca
 For the Body & Soul of Daysay Kortsch

10:00 am +Felipe, +Sofia & +George Sanchez by Lola Sanchez
 +Terry Ulibarri by Vicky & Family
 +Sato & +Concha Chavez by M/M Gilbert Serafin
 Immaculate Conception Parishioners

WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

11/30: RCIA class 6:00 p.m.
 12/1: Bible Study 6:00 p.m.
 12/1: Finance Council Meeting 5:30 p.m.
 12/1: Choir Practice for Song & Praise at 6:30 p.m.
 12/2: Youth Group 6:00 p.m.
 12/2: Knights of Columbus 6:30 p.m.
 12/3 : First Friday Devotions after daily Mass til noon
 12/5: CCD classes



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, Assunta Berry, Justin Beyerl, Elaine Bland, Jennie Brown, Jerry Buffington, Luga Calles, Gloria Castillo, Helen Chavez, Joseph Cook, Ernestine Cordova, Roselyn Cordova, Mary Crespín, 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 Montoya, 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.

Beginning the month of January Baptism class will be held on the second Sunday of the month. Class will start at approximately 11:00 a.m. (after the 10:00 a.m. Mass) in one of the classrooms. Baptisms will continue to be on the third Sunday of each month after the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will start on Friday, December 3rd after the daily Mass. Sign up sheets are placed at the tables at each entrance to the church. We ask that you sign up early. The Holy Hour will be at 11:00 a.m. followed by Benediction. We are happy to get this started again.

Collections:

11/14: Reg: \$2,322.00
 Bldg. Fund: \$712.00 Loose: \$493.05
 All Saints: \$27.00 All Souls: \$32.00
 SVDP: \$125.00



Counters:

11/28: Melissa, Frances, Melanie 12/5: Sandra, Norma, Mary Ann
 12/12: Kristy, Mary Ann 12/19: Leeanna, Sylvia, Andy
 12/26: Melissa, Frances, Melanie

Online Giving the easy way to keep current with your envelopes; sign on to online giving on the website.

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.

Thank you for your generous support last week for the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development! As a parish, we help support those on the margins who live in poverty in the United States. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections and click "How to Give" under "Resources."

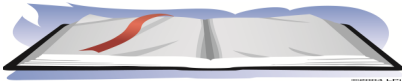
Notes from our Pastor:

Dear Friends,

Watching and waiting capture the theme of Advent. As you read this I am in Kansas City with a family I haven't seen in about 4 years. Before being assigned to the parish I had already made plans and got my ticket so I am sorry not to be with you as Thanksgiving and Advent unfold. I am grateful to my brother priests who are helping out in my absence. That said, I am aware of the Advent theme as I have waited so long to see dear friends and reality of journeying to be with them. Many of you share this experience. Due to COVID, the isolation and hope we have all endured. But Advent is a kind of longing of the human heart, a kind of attentive watching and patient waiting to be with, to encounter the hopes of our longing.

Advent watching isn't about being a passive spectator, but it draws us into a moral space. What do I mean? Once when traveling, while waiting in the airport, I saw a mother with a young child needing to use the restroom. She turned to the person seated near her and asked if he would watch her things as she cared for her child. The person agreed but as time went on there was a look of uncertainty as he watched for the woman's return. He was made responsible in his watching, in his care. Advent watching is like that, it holds a moral duty for us to care and to be careful, full of care. These weeks of preparation are meant to change us, to make us more responsible in our Faith, more aware of the mystery of the Incarnation. Plan to be part of the **Five Days in December to honor Mary** (December 8-13). Don't let this time go by without it making you more deeply aware of the mystery found born in a manger long ago.

God bless,
 Father Michael



First Sunday of Advent

Staying awake can often be a challenge, especially when we are exhausted. Life's demands have a way of zapping every last bit of energy out of us. When we are tired it affects us not only physically, but psychologically and spiritually as well. All of our senses are dulled and diminished. We can overlook details, become disinterested, lethargic and apathetic, and detached. Getting sufficient physical rest only helps so much. We need to be rejuvenated, refreshed, and reenergized in other ways. If we are psychologically exhausted, we need to understand what is draining our emotions and taxing our relationships. If we are spiritually tired, we need to find the necessary "shot in the arm" to put us back in touch with God. Unfortunately, exhaustion is seldom limited to just one part of who we are. When we lack energy and zeal it is usually the case that everything suffers. We not only are affected physically, but psychologically and spiritually as well. In short, when we run out of gas the engine stops.

And yet, our Lord's directive is clear, "Be vigilant at all times." Even Jesus knew what "the anxieties of daily life" can do to us. One day pours into another and time quickly flies by. Any one of us can take a moment and reflect on how many wonderful, creative opportunities we miss because there is always so much "stuff" to do and so little time to do it. Usually these are missed moments of love, and if we are missing love encounters we are also missing God. Sleepwalking through life, we check the boxes next to our list of "must and have to dos" and justify it all by convincing ourselves that tomorrow is another day and there'll be more time. It may surprise us but tomorrow is here, and time is running out. While we may like to believe that we have an "eternity" of time to do all those things that require the focus, energy, and desire we do not currently have, we don't. We're on a limited ride and time is short.

Jesus is also clear on another point. "That day [will] catch you by surprise like a trap." If we are going to be judged on love and so easily justify not having all that much time to do so, then it seems we must shift focus a bit. St. Teresa of Calcutta tells us, "We desire to be able to welcome Jesus at Christmas-time, not in a cold manger of our heart, but in a heart full of love and humility, a heart so pure, so immaculate, so warm with love for one another." Getting to this place doesn't "just happen." It requires vigilance and discipline both with a knowledge of what is really of importance and what really needs to be the focus of our energy and time. Pray, starting now and not tomorrow, that we can stay alert, be strengthened in our faith, and prepared for whatever will come. Don't miss another opportunity to love.



Preparing the Manger

Where do you fall in the "Christmas-songs-in-November" debate—do you like them, tolerate them, or outright hate them? There's no theological problem with Christmas songs in November outside of worship, even if it's not everyone's cup of tea. But there is a problem with getting so caught up in the baggage of the season—the trimmings, the gifts, the celebrations, all of which are marvelous in their own way—that you forget to prepare the manger.

Every good Catholic knows that Lent is a penitential season. It's hard to miss that point—Lent doesn't even have any fun songs you can groove to on the radio. We are pretty good at recognizing that Lent calls us to examine ourselves. To deny ourselves. To give of ourselves. And most of all, Lent calls us to prepare, as a good steward does, for the return of our master.

It's harder for us to remember that with Advent, but Advent is just as much of an opportunity for penance, preparation, and reconciliation to God—and just as much reason, too. The very name of the season—"advent"—encourages us to focus on what is coming, not what is already here. Be on guard, the readings tell us today, "so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and (the coming of the Lord) catch you unexpectedly, like a trap."

So let us not forget—our master's advent is upon us. And let us ask ourselves: how can we prepare the manger?

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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:

12/4: 5:30 p.m.— Janeice Sanchez, Dominick Suarez, Yovan Suarez
12/5: 10:00 a.m.— Domonic Vilella, Madison Vilella, Grant Baltazar

Adult Altar Server:

12/5: 8:00 a.m.— Rick Trujillo

Lectors

12/4: 5:30 p.m. — Priscilla Mattmann
12/5: 8:00 a.m. — Lawrence Johnson
12/5: 10:00 a.m. — Kamryn Duenas

Eucharistic Ministers:

12/4: 5:30 p.m.— Marianne Holmes
12/4: 8:00 a.m.— Eileen Chavez
12/5: 10:00 a.m.— Annette Lucero



"Having received the gift of the Gospel of Life, we are the people of life and a people for life. It is our duty to proclaim the Gospel of Life to the world. To proclaim Jesus is to proclaim life itself. Gratitude and joy at the incomparable dignity of the human person impel us to bring the Gospel of life to the hearts of all people and make it penetrate every part of society."

"Tras haber recibido el don del Evangelio de la Vida, somos el pueblo de la vida y un pueblo para la vida. Es nuestro deber proclamar el Evangelio de la Vida al mundo. Proclamar a Jesus es proclamar la vida. La gratitud y la alegria ante la incomparable dignidad de la persona humana nos impulsan a llevar el Evangelio de la vida al corazon de todas las personas y hacer que penetre en todas las partes de la sociedad."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
"The Gospel of Life: A Brief Summary"

ARCHDIOCESE WORKSHOP—ABUSE AWARENESS

IMPORTANT: 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 Vilella, 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.