



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

23<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH



Roman Catholic

Diocese of Las Cruces

We are in need of volunteers to take over the responsibility of our Gift Shop.

~Call the office if you are interested.  
This is not a paid position.

In the meantime, the Gift Shop will be closed for inventory.  
Apologies for the inconvenience.

*~La Tiendita de Artículos Religiosos estará cerrada por inventario y mientras estamos en proceso de transpasarla. Llame o pase a la oficina si le interesa tomar ésta responsabilidad. Es servicio voluntario.*

**Sacred Heart Church**  
is a Mission of Immaculate Conception Church

205 James Canyon Hwy  
Cloudcroft, NM 88317

Sunday Mass: 9:30 a.m. Confessions prior to Mass  
Wednesday Mass: 9:30 a.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Rosary: Wednesday 9:00 a.m.  
Anointing of the sick: First Wednesday of the month.

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#### OFFICE HOURS:

Monday- Wednesday:  
9:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.  
Closed 12:00 p.m.- 1:00 p.m.  
Thursday & Friday:  
9:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.  
ICC GIFT SHOP:  
open during office hours.

#### HORAS DE OFICINA:

Lunes- Miércoles:  
9:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.  
Cerrado 12:00 p.m.- 1:00 p.m.  
Jueves- Viernes:  
9:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.  
ICC GIFT SHOP  
(La Tiendita):  
abierto en horas de oficina.

#### LITURGICAL SCHEDULE:

Monday-Friday: Mass 8:00 a.m.  
Saturday: Confessions 4:00 p.m.  
Mass at 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday Masses:  
8:00 a.m. (Spanish)  
10:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.

#### HORARIO LITÚRGICO:

Lun.- Vie. Misa 8:00 a.m.  
Sáb. Confesiones 4:00 p.m.  
Misa 5:00 p.m.  
Misas de Domingo  
8:00 a.m. (Español)  
10:30 a.m. y 12:00 p.m.

#### ADORATION TO THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

Thursday 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

#### ADORACIÓN AL SANTÍSIMO SACRAMENTO:

Jueves 5:00 p.m.- 6:00 p.m.

## PRAYER / DIVINE READING

### Pope Francis's Special Intentions for the month of September:

#### For the cry of the Earth

We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.



PLEASE PRAY *for*

Our recently retired parishioners, especially those who have served our parish and our country, may they enjoy retirement with good health and peace in their heart.

For those tempted by the sin of pride, may they come to embrace humility instead.

For victims of genocide, famine, and oppressing governments, may we reject all that leads to violence and be active towards world peace.

For the many people whose lives have been torn apart by genocide, especially we pray for those who have died, those who are grieving, the injured, and those now without food, shelter or medical supplies. Strengthen and support the work of all relief organizations. We pray for those who have the power to bring peace, may they be touched by The Holy Spirit and show compassion and kindness.

This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ.

### The Sanctuary Candle

Burns to honor the presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament.

† *Desiree Duran*  
by *Grandma Lina*



## CALENDAR

### Monday, September 9

*St. Peter Claver, Priest*

8:00 a.m. Mass (Rosary before Mass)

6:00 p.m. Estudio Bíblico en español

### Tuesday, September 10

8:00 a.m. Mass (Rosary before Mass)

5:00 p.m. Bible Study

6:30 p.m. Práctica del Coro en español

7:00 p.m. Pre-Baptism Class @Religious Ed. Bldg.

### Wednesday, September 11

8:00 a.m. Mass (Rosary before Mass)

6:30 p.m. Practice for the Choir

### Thursday, September 12

*The Most Holy Name of Mary*

8:00 a.m. Mass (Rosary before Mass)

12:00 p.m. ICC Food Pantry open

4:30 p.m. Confirmation Class @Rel. Ed. Bldg.

5:00 p.m. Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament

### Friday, September 13

*St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

8:00 a.m. Mass (Rosary before Mass)

### Readings for the 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

**First Reading** – Isaiah 35:4-7A: God promises to deliver and heal, transforming the afflicted and the barren landscapes into flourishing life.

**Responsorial Psalm** – Psalm 146: The Lord is forever faithful, providing justice, sustenance, and freedom, supporting the oppressed and thwarting the wicked, ruling through all generations.

**Second Reading** – James 2:1-5: Treating people differently based on wealth contradicts faith in Jesus Christ. God honors the poor in spirit, promising them His kingdom.

**Gospel** – Mark 7:31-37: Jesus healed a deaf man with a speech issue in the Decapolis. Despite Jesus' instructions, the news of his miraculous power spread widely among the astounded witnesses.

The 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time readings highlight God's healing and justice. They remind us of God's care for the needy and the importance of treating everyone equally.

- **God's Promise of Healing:** God promises to deliver and heal, turning barren landscapes into flourishing life. This is seen in Isaiah where God transforms the dry land into streams of water.
- **Justice for the Poor:** James emphasizes that favoritism based on wealth is against Christian faith. God honors the poor in spirit, promising them His kingdom.
- **Jesus' Healing Power:** Jesus heals a deaf man with a speech problem. This miracle shows Jesus' compassion and power to heal.
- **Equality in Faith:** James warns against treating people differently because of their wealth. True faith means treating everyone equally, as God does.
- **God's Care for the Needy:** Isaiah's prophecy shows God caring for the afflicted. He brings joy and healing to those who suffer.
- **Faith in Action:** The readings call us to act on our faith. This means helping those in need and not showing favoritism.

## JESUS CHANGES EVERYTHING

MARK 7:31-37

La *primera piedra* de la evangelización es cuidar la propia relación con el Señor, pues solo así la siembra será eficaz: «Es preciso que seas "hombre de Dios", hombre de vida interior, hombre de oración y de sacrificio. –Tu apostolado debe ser una superabundancia de tu vida «para adentro». Podemos pedir a la Virgen María que nos ayude a estar muy unidos a su Hijo, para poder darlo a conocer a las personas que nos rodean.



## MASS INTENTIONS / MINISTRIES

### Saturday, September 7, Weekday

**9:00 a.m.-** †Micaela Garcia by Family  
Fr. Martin & Fr. Emmanuel (Spiritual Blessings)  
Sister Marylynn Weke (Spiritual Blessings)  
Invocation of Immaculate Conception of Holy Mother Mary,  
as Patroness of the United States of America (Spiritual Blessings)

**5:00 p.m.-** †Micaela Garcia by Family  
†Oscar & Mary Merino by Ray & Patsy Baca  
†Refugio Chisman Montoya by Maria Montoya

### Sunday, September 8, TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**8:00 a.m.-** †Rosario “Chayo” Cardiel (Anniv. of death) by Family

**10:30 a.m.-** Mac McFarling (Prayers Answered) by Wife  
Aureo Family (Special Intentions)  
For spiritual healing, strengthening, and blessings of the U.S.  
†Ruby Gonzales (In Memory of her Birthday) by Mom  
†Josefina Pacheco by Gerard & Barbara Silva  
†Carmen Silva by Gerard & Barbara Silva

**12:00 p.m.-** For the Norris and Dominguez Families  
†Helen Sanchez by Lucy Braswell

### Monday, September 9, St. Peter Claver, Priest

**8:00 a.m.-** Ortega Family (Health & well-being) by Lozano Fam.  
Andrew James (Birthday & spiritual blessings)  
James Alberto (Spiritual blessings)  
Fr. Bedemoore (Spiritual blessings)

### Tuesday, September 10, Weekday

**8:00 a.m.-** Ashley Johnson (Spiritual Blessings)  
Tiffany Owen (Spiritual Blessings)

### Wednesday, September 11, Weekday

**8:00 a.m.-** Amber Lozano-Johnson (Birthday) by Lozano Fam.

### Thursday, September 12, The Most Holy Name of Mary

**8:00 a.m.-** For all daughters of Holy Mother Mary

### Friday, September 13,

**St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

**8:00 a.m.-** For all the ordained men in the Catholic Church



### Fall 2024 Youth Group

will meet on:  
Friday, September 20  
Friday, October 4  
Friday, October 18

Friday, November 1  
Friday, November 15  
Friday, November 29 **No Youth Group Thanksgiving Holiday**  
Friday, December 13  
Friday, December 27 **No Youth Group Christmas Holiday**  
*Winter Schedule coming soon*  
*Place: Religious Education Building (711 New York Ave)*  
*Time: 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.*  
*Age Group: 12 to 17 years old*



September 1, 2024

**REGULAR COLLECTION \$4,272.15**

Today's Second Collection goes to the Catholic University. Catholic University is the National research university of the Catholic Church. Gifts to the National Collection –the only second collection taken for higher education in the US– support students during this crucial time and helps the University conduct critical research that will serve parishes and dioceses throughout the country. *Please be generous in your support of Catholic higher education. Thanks!*



Next  
**Pre-Baptism Class**  
will take place on  
**Tuesday,**  
**September 10**  
at 7:00 p.m.

**ANNONCEMENTS AND  
MASS INTENTIONS TO BE INCLUDED IN  
THE NEXT BULLETIN SHOULD BE  
SUBMITTED BY MONDAY NOON.**

### IN THE CHURCH BUILDING:

- ~**ROSARY**~ Before all Masses.
- ~**ANOINTING OF THE SICK**~ First Friday of the month after Mass.
- ~**CHOIRS**~ Practice for Mass in English Wednesdays 6:30 p.m. Práctica para Misa en Español, Martes 6:30 p.m.
- ~**CHURCH ENVIRONMENT**~ Meets Fridays at 9:00 a.m. to clean the church.
- ~**MASS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH**~ Last Sunday of the month at 10:30 a.m.
- ~**XV AÑOS MASS**~ The teenager must be enrolled in Religious Education. Call the office for details.

### IN THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION BUILDING: (711 New York Ave)

- ~**FAMILY FORMATION, CONFIRMATION CLASSES, RCIA and RCIC** Registrations are underway at the office. Forms available at the office or on our website [www.iccalamogordo.org](http://www.iccalamogordo.org)
- ~**YOUTH GROUP**~ Will meet every other Friday, at 6:00 p.m. **NEXT MEETING FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20**
- ~**BIBLE STUDY GROUP**~ Meets on Tuesdays at 5:00 p.m.
- ~**GRUPO DE ESTUDIO BÍBLICO Y ORACIÓN**~ Lunes a la 6:00 p.m.
- ~**BEREAVEMENT GROUP**~ For schedule of meetings please contact Trish Lozano (575)491-8263
- ~**PRE-BAPTISMAL CLASS**~ The second Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. Registration is needed to attend.
- ~**THE ICC FOOD PANTRY**~ Is located at 320 7th Street,  
open the second and fourth Thursday of the month 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

## EVENTS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

### de la INMACULADA

is around the corner, we need plenty of help. Donations are gratefully taken at the office; the list of items needed is on the bulletin boards.  
Let's work and play together to make this year's Fiesta amazing!  
Thank you!

Friday, October 4 at 10:00 a.m.

### BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

on the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi

Please bring your pets to the lawn area, on a leash or in a carrier for their safety.



**ROSARY PROCESSION** will take place at the Convent (on Hawaii Ave) on Friday, September 27 at 7:00 p.m.

**EVERYONE'S INVITED!**

**Sunday, September 15,**  
**ICE CREAM SOCIAL**  
**at the Religious Ed. Building,**  
**12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.**



**for all who are already registered for Catechism Class.**

## Misión en español



### VIDA COTIDIANA Y VIDA FAMILIAR

Temas actuales relacionados con la fe y el amor en el mundo actual.

Semana del 16 al 20 de septiembre, 2024  
a las 7:00 p.m. aquí en el Templo.

La Familia Mejía viene desde Las Cruces a presentar estos temas.  
Todos estamos invitados.



### ALTAR SERVERS

will be gathering for a Back to School Celebration!!  
More details in the coming weeks.

*\*We would like to make some candy/surprise bags for them, please contact Sr. Marylynn if you wish to help.*

## DIRECTORY

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#### CLERGY

Very Rev. Fr. Martin Cornejo, Pastor/Administrator  
Fr. Emmanuel Okoye, Vicar

#### EVANGELIZATION AND FORMATION

Sr. Marylynn Weke, Director of Religious Education  
Sr. Marylynn Weke, Head of Liturgical Ministries  
Irma Gallegos, Religious Education Assistant  
Connie Garcia, Youth Ministry Director  
Dave & Trish Lozano, RCIA  
Fr. Emmanuel Okoye, Baptismal Preparation  
Leo Vasquez, Marriage Preparation  
Fr. Emmanuel Okoye, Bible Study Instructor  
Lorena Rivera, Estudio Bíblico en español  
Mary Sanchez, Altar Servers Ministry  
Steve Matta, Sacristans Ministry  
Chester Sheffield, Eucharistic Ministers Ministry  
Rosie Garcia, Lectors Ministry

#### MISSION SUPPORT TEAM

Maria Vasquez, Business Manager  
Leo Vasquez, Maintenance Manager  
Leo Vasquez, Cemetery and Funerals Director  
Dennis Ramsey, Maintenance  
Lilly Smith, Parish Office Assistant  
Isabel Sariñana, Parish Office Assistant  
Merci Epperson, Parish Office Volunteer  
Ana Gines, Altar & Church Environment  
Terry Davis, Church Environment  
Joaquin Silva, Music Ministry  
Irma Gallegos, Eucharistic Adoration  
Martha Bustillos, Los Guadalupanos Ministry

Graciela Ogas, Head of United in Ministry  
Leo Vasquez & Graciela Ogas, Fiesta Managers  
Martha Velasco, Food Pantry Ministry  
Fr. Martin & Jacob Chavez, Facebook page  
Gerardo Rodriguez-S., Website Manager  
Lety Flores, Gift Shop Volunteer  
Angie Telles, Sunday Collections Stewards

#### OUR PARISH MISSION:

As a united family of faith, Immaculate Conception Parish welcomes everyone to encounter Jesus Christ through word, worship, community, and service. Guided by the Holy Spirit, all are invited in faith, to live by Divine truth and love, generously serving others, teaching by word and example.