



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 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.*


December 12, 2021
 First Reading: Zephaniah 3:14-18a
 Psalm: Isaiah 12:2-3, 4, 5-6
 Second Reading: Philippians 4:4-7
 Gospel: Luke 3:10-18

MASS INTENTIONS

- Mon. Dec. 13 - Immaculate Conception Parishioners
6:00 pm
- Tue. Dec. 14
9:00 am +Grace Zamora (Birthday Blessings) by Rene Gonzales
+Tobias, +Lucy Lucero & Deceased Brothers by M/M Urban Lucero
+Steve Jordan by the Family
- Wed. Dec. 15
9:00 am For the Deceased Members of the Aragon & Romero Families by M/M Jacobo Romero
For the Health of Ambrose and Jeanette Padilla by Andrea Padilla
In Thanksgiving to St. Padre Pio for Favors Received by Andrea Padilla
- Thu. Dec. 16
9:00 am +Arnold Luna by his daughters Bridget & Candace
+Carlos, +Mike & +Johnny Peña Jr. by the Family
+David Fresquez by Mary Fresquez
- Fri. Dec. 17
9:00 am +Manuel Galaz (Anniversary) by Lydia Galaz & Family
+Pete Garcia by the Family
+Steve Jordan by the Jordan Family
- Sat. Dec. 18
5:30 pm +Christopher Aragon by Lucille Aragon
+Cristobal Piro by Lisa Piro
+Emilia Marquez by Flavio Perea
- Sun. Dec. 19
8:00 am +John Thompson by Cris Thompson
+Jose I. Moya by the Moya Family
+Elvira & +Gabriel Jesus Lopez por Teresa Lopez
- 10:00 am +John Lobato by Fred & Pat Lucero
+Emma Sedillo by the Lucero Family
+Theresa Baca by Matt Baca & Family
Immaculate Conception Parishioners

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.

Collections:
 12/5: Reg.: \$3,786.00 Loose: \$657.00
 Bldg. Fund: \$1,389.00 Christmas: \$5.00
 ACA Rebate: \$1,260.00 Ret'd Relig: \$5.00
 All Souls: \$5.00 SVPD: \$101.00



Counters:
 12/19: Leeanna, Sylvia, Andy
 12/26: Melissa, Frances, Melanie 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

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.

WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 12/13: Monday Mass at 6:00 pm followed by Posole Dinner
- 12/18: Decorating the Church at 9:00 a.m.



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.

Gabriel Project Parenting Class:
 12/15: 10:00 am to 11:00 am Local Employment Possibilities, finding that Right job.
 For Zoom ID and Password for each class, contact Julie at 505-850-4075.

Complements of San Clemente Gabriel Project: Attendees can receive a \$10.00 McDonalds gift card. Free child and adult masks.

Notes from our Pastor:

Dear Friends,
 As we continue our Advent journey we appreciate Mary as Mother of God, and as Mother of the Church, both titles given her by the early Christians. Pope John Paul also gave her the title Mother of the Eucharist, and draws us into the mystery of being the Body of Christ.
 It is fitting that in the first days of Advent we have celebrated Mary's feast of the Immaculate Conception and as our Lady of Guadalupe. In both we come to appreciate and understand the unique role this gentle and humble woman of faith has played in God's plan. She is that Morning Star which heralds the dawn. She is our Mother and model for finding God's abiding presence in our lives.
 In our world, in our society, in our country, we, like Mary, are called to bring to birth the presence of God. We, like Mary, are called to gather with the disciples and be the Church. We, like Mary, must discover the real presence of her Son as a Eucharistic people. It was the Virgin of Guadalupe who came to the people of a new land, and a new faith, bringing hope and promise. May Our Lady of Guadalupe continue to intercede for the Americas and keep us faithful to her Son.
 As these winter days pass, and Christmas draws near, let us learn from Mary the great gift of receiving the Lord, of opening our hearts, our lives, and our homes, to the Christ child. The great lesson Mary teaches our age is summed up in these simple words, "let it be." May we, like Mary, learn to let go and let God be. Amen.
 God bless,
 Father Michael



Third Sunday of Advent

*“From silly devotions and sour-faced saints, good Lord, deliver us!”
St. Teresa of Avila*

We’ve all heard the adage, “Laughter is the best medicine.” In many ways, it really is. When was the last time you really laughed? The gift of imagination allows us to see possible things that are yet to be. Imagine a world filled with laughter. We take life too seriously sometimes. Fear, uncertainty, pressure, negativity, disappointment, and myriad other human experiences can rob us of the joy needed for laughter. God never promised us an easy road, and we do have to take the course of our lives seriously. However, there is a balance to be sought and possible joy that can be brought even to the darkest and most challenging of encounters.

St. Therese of Lisieux reminds us that, “Joy is not found in the material objects surrounding us but in the inner recesses of the soul. One can possess joy in a prison cell as well as in a palace.” Falling in love with God, who is present in all of creation, allows us to bring a depth of understanding to everything we do and experience. We can more easily see above and beyond things while pursuing the only One who can truly satisfy our hearts. When we realize that God, the King of Israel, is in our midst and with us, there is no further misfortune to fear. We can celebrate the wonder and beauty of God’s gift of joy. It is no wonder that many saints radiate joy and have no reservations expressing laughter. They are happy because they have found a pearl of great price.

We celebrate with joy today with hearts filled with expectation, wonder, awe, and beauty as we ready ourselves, even more excitedly, for the coming of our Savior. Do not fear and do not be discouraged. If you haven’t laughed in a while, why? Something is preventing you from expressing the magnificence of your soul and the presence of God who dwells within. God’s power and presence within us assures us that we are loved and kept in that presence. What move is really needed? Rejoice and laugh in the presence of God! It really is the best medicine and a most perfect way to convince others that God is really with us. “Go ahead, laugh! Live your life with joy and serve the Lord with laughter! Joy, with peace, is the sister of charity. Serve the Lord with laughter.” (St. Padre Pio of Pietrelcina)



Question: What is holy water and how do I explain the reason that it is placed at the entrances of churches to my non-Catholic friends?

Answer: Holy water is a sacramental, a reminder of the life of the Church expressed and celebrated through the sacraments. God’s grace is mediated through word and gesture (the outward signs). This comes to us through Jesus (instituted by Christ) as he entrusts to the Church his saving mission (to give grace). In turn the Church, through the sacraments, shares that grace and mission with us.

On Ash Wednesday, we receive ashes on our foreheads to remind us of our origins, humbly created from the dust. But by blessing ourselves with holy water, we are reminded of our destiny! We are baptized sons and daughters of God. This is also a call to conversion, to live more fully our baptismal call to live as disciples of Jesus. We see holy water whenever we renew our baptismal promises. This will occur during the Easter liturgy as well, reminding us that we are indeed on a journey of faith and renewed in Christ. Blessing ourselves with holy water reminds us that we are baptized into a community faith, and always in need of turning from sin and toward God. Holy water is a visible sign of our baptism!

CCD Classes will not be held December 19, 26 & January 2nd for Christmas break. They will resume on January 9 as usual.

RCIA, Bible Study & Youth Group meetings will resume on January 11th, 12th and 13th, respectively. Have a wonderful Christmas break.

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:

12/13: 6:00 p.m. — Zaylon, Zane & DaniRae Zamora
12/18: 5:30 p.m.— Janiece Sanchez, Dominik Suarez, Yovan Suarez
Ryan Saavedra
12/19: 10:00 a.m.— Domico & Madison Villella, Grant Baltazar

Adult Altar Server:

12/19: 8:00 a.m.— Ramon Torres

Lectors

12/13: 6:00 p.m.—Natalie Trujillo
12/18: 5:30 p.m. — Amanda Sanchez
12/19: 8:00 a.m. — Daysay Kortsch
12/19: 10:00 a.m. — Ernest Gilbert

Eucharistic Ministers:

12/13: 7:00 p.m. — John Duran
12/18: 5:30 p.m.— Janet Torres
12/19: 8:00 a.m.— Lucille Otero
12/19: 10:00 a.m.— Tanisha Mora Gutierrez

*Order your Christmas Memorial
Poinsettias. Deadline for orders is
December 21, 2021. Price is still
\$10.00 per poinsettia.*



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 Domico 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.