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Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle A
Sunday, August 23, 2026



**Sacred Heart
is a Mission of Immaculate
Conception Church
205 James Canyon Hwy
Cloudcroft, NM 88317**

**Sunday Mass: 9:00 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.**

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.

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.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE:

**Monday: 8:00 a.m. Communion
Service**

Tuesday-Friday: Mass 8:00 a.m.

Saturday: Confessions 4:00 p.m.

Mass at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses:

7:30 a.m.. (Spanish)

11:00 a.m.

ADORATION TO

THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

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

***2nd Thursday each month,
12-hour adoration***

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

First Friday of the month after Mass.

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.

HORARIO LITÚRGICO:

*lun. 8:00am Servicio de
Comunión*

mar- vie. Misa 8:00 a.m.

sáb. Confesiones 4:00 p.m.

Misa 5:00 p.m.

Misas de Domingo

7:30 a.m. (Español)

11:00 am

ADORACIÓN AL

SANTÍSIMO SACRAMENTO:

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

***Segundo Jueves de cada mes, 12
horas de Adoración***

UNCIÓN DE LOS ENFERMOS:

***Primer viernes del mes después de
Misa.***

PRAYER / MASS INTENTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS



the recently departed, may perpetual
light shine upon them.

† ERLINDA GARCIA

† LORETTA PALMER

The Sanctuary Candle

Burns to honor the presence of Christ in
the Blessed Sacrament

St. Monica (for Prayers Answered)
by Angie & Rick Telles

† Rosalia Barela
† Juan Estrada
by Estrada Family



Monday, August 24

8:00 a.m.- Communion Service
(Rosary before service)

6:00 p.m. Estudio Biblico en Español

Tuesday, August 25

8:00 a.m.- Mass (Rosary before Mass)
Confession after Mass

Wednesday, August 26

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

Thursday, August 27

Mass 8 a.m.. (Rosary before Mass)
Confession after Mass

Friday, August 28

Office Closes at Noon
Mass 8 a.m. (Rosary before Mass)
Confession after Mass

Saturday, August 29

4:00 p.m. Confessions
5:00 p.m. Mass

Saturday - August 22,

5:00 pm Fr. Emmanuel Okoye
17th Anniversary of Ordination, Health & Well-Being)
by Church Family
Veronica Malone (Happy Birthday)
by Sisneros Family
† Rosalia Barela & † Juan Estrada (In Memory)
by Estrada Family
† Mary Lou Gomez (In Memory) by Ruben Gomez

Sunday - August 23, TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 am Francisco Adrian Cenicerros
(Health & Well-Being) by Lilly
† Jose Luis Ortiz (In Memory)
by Evangelina Torres
† Jose Lus Trujillo (Anniversary of Death)
by Family

11:00 am Eric Silva (Happy Birthday) by Dad
Benny Granados (Health & Well-Being)
Ernest Cruz (Health & Well-Being) by Carmelita
Agapito & Miguel Bagtas (Health & Well-Being)
by Carmelita
Bob Orr Sr. (Health & Well-Being) by Carmelita
† Cipriano Alvarado (Birthday Memorial) by Wife

Monday - August 24, ST. BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE

8:00 am † Rudy, † George, & † Albert Gonzales by Family

Tuesday - August 25, WEEKDAY

8:00 am † Tony & Virginia Samora
(In Memory of Wedding Anniversary)
by Harold & Mercy Epperson

Wednesday - August 26, WEEKDAY

8:00 am † Jerry & † Albert Armijo by Lozano Family

Thursday - August 27,

8:00 am † Loretta Palmer by Sylvia Candelaria

Friday - August 28,

8:00 am † Hermila Ronquillo (Birthday Memorial)
by Family

*Turn Your Eyes
Upon Jesus*

READINGS

First Reading

Isaiah 22:19-23

God will remove Shebna from his office as master of the palace.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 138:1-3,6,8

God's kindness is forever.

Second Reading

Romans 11:33-36

Paul sings praise to God.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 16:13-20

Simon Peter acknowledges Jesus as the Christ and is given the key to the Kingdom of Heaven.

Background on the Gospel Reading

It is important to read today's Gospel and next week's Gospel as two parts of a single story. These readings are a turning point in Matthew's Gospel. This week we hear Jesus name Simon Peter as the rock upon which he will build his Church. Next week we will hear Jesus call this same Simon Peter "Satan" when he reacts negatively to Jesus' prediction about his passion and death.

In today's Gospel, Jesus asks his disciples what people are saying about his identity. The disciples indicate that most people believe that Jesus is a prophet of Israel. Then Jesus asks his disciples who they believe that he is. Simon Peter answers, identifying Jesus as the Messiah, the Son of God.

Jesus commends Simon Peter for this profession of faith, indicating that this insight has come from God. Because of Simon Peter's response, Jesus calls him the "rock" upon which Jesus will build the Church. This is a word play on the name Peter, which is the Greek word for "rock." Peter is then given special authority by Jesus, a symbolic key to the Kingdom of Heaven. Peter will play an important role in the early Christian community as a spokesperson and a leader.

In today's Gospel, Peter's recognition of Jesus' identity is credited to a revelation by God. This will contrast sharply with Jesus' rebuke of Peter in next week's Gospel. When Peter rejects Jesus' prediction of his passion and death, Peter is said to no longer be thinking as God does but as humans do.

The use of the term *church* in today's Gospel is one of only three such occurrences in Matthew's Gospel. Peter in this Gospel is being credited as the foundation for the Church, a privilege granted to him because of his recognition of Jesus' identity. The Church continues to be grounded in the faith that Jesus Christ is Lord.

EVENTS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

ProCatholicTours
PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY
 With Fr. Martin C. October 16-24, 2026

See Rome, Assisi, Florence, Tuscany, Venice, and more on this 9-day Pilgrimage!

Trip includes flights from anywhere in the U.S., daily Mass, 4-5-star hotels, all breakfasts and dinners (with wine at dinners), guided tours with experienced guides, and more!

To Register or Learn More:
 Call 508-505-6078
 Or visit procatholictraveltours.com

Travel with Fr. Martin Cornejo, of Immaculate Conception Parish, Alamogordo, NM on our Pilgrimage to Italia Bella tour.

Where: Rome • Assisi • Florence • Tuscany • Venice • & more...

Dates: October 16 to October 24, 2026

Cost: \$4,999.00 Airfare and ALL-Included except lunches & travel insurance

To register, please contact (508) 505-6078. You can also register online at

www.procatholictraveltours.com

FOOD PANTRY DISTRIBUTION 12-2PM

August 27th
 (Subject to Change)

Any food donations can be dropped off in the office.

Last week's Collection For August 16th

REGULAR COLLECTION \$3059.98

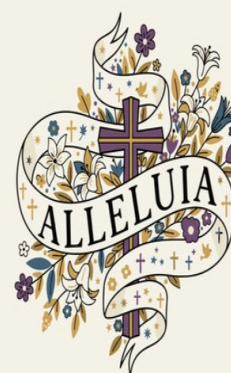
2nd Collection (UIM) \$462.76
 Rectory Fund \$25.00

Thank You for Your Generosity



You are Peter and upon this rock I will build my Church and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it.

Tú eres Pedro, y sobre esta piedra edificaré mi Iglesia que los poderes del infierno no podrán vencer.



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CLERGY

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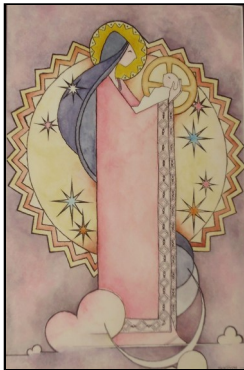
EVANGELIZATION AND FORMATION

Director of Religious Education-
 Sylvia Candelaria, Head of Ministries
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 Lorena Rivera, Estudio Bíblico en español
 Hugo Sapién, Bible Study Instructor
 Mary Sanchez, Altar Servers Ministry
 Sylvia Candelaria, Sacristans Ministry
 Chester Sheffield, Eucharistic Ministers Ministry
 Rosie Garcia, Lectors Ministry
 David Gallegos, Funeral Arrangements

MISSION SUPPORT TEAM

Connie Garcia, Business Manager
 Lilly Smith, Parish Office Assistant
 Angie Garcia, Parish Office Assistant
 Isabel Sariñana, Gift Shop
 David Gallegos, Funeral Director
 William Garcia, Maintenance
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 Leo Vasquez, Cemetery
 Ana Gines and Irma Cardiel Altar & Church Environment
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 Irma Gallegos, Eucharistic Adoration
 Martha Bustillos, Los Guadalupanos Ministry
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 Greg Gabaldon & David Lozano, Fiesta Managers
 Irma Cardiel, Food Pantry Ministry
 Fr. Martin, Facebook page
 Gerardo Rodriguez-S., Website Manager

ANNOUNCEMENTS



ICC GIFT SHOP 705 Delaware Ave.

Offers a variety of Religious Items and gifts; this is an effort of our ICC to provide religious items, books and devotionals that you won't find anywhere else in town.
All proceeds stay in our Church.

****Open weekdays during office hours:**
Monday thru Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
(Closed for lunch 12-1pm)
Friday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

"He that feareth man, shall quickly fall: he that trusteth in the Lord, shall be set on high."
—Proverbs 29:25

VIRTUS CLASS TRAINING

Attention Volunteers. If you are needing to re-new your Virtus, or if you are needing to take a class. The class will be on Saturday, September 12, 2026 at 9am to 12 noon.
711 New York Ave
Religious Education Building.
No need to sign up, just attend the class.

EL PASO CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC CONFERENCE

LORD, POUR OUT YOUR SPIRIT ! Joel, 3

Fri, Oct. 9, 7pm-10pm Sat. Oct. 10, 9 a.m.-10 p.m.

Region XIX Head Start Ctr., 11670 Chito Samaniego

Testimonies, Teaching, Mass and Healing Service

Prayer and Praise with Music by ZION!

Mrs. Andi Oney of Hope and Purpose Ministries

Fr. Wilbert Colas and Bishop Mark Seitz

Tickets: \$35, \$60 per couple at Open Arms, 8210 N. Loop

Call 915-217-0853 to reserve With Credit Card

Also available at Holy Spirit Christian Store, Madonna Shop



PRAYER / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pope Leo's prayer intention for August

For evangelization in the city

Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

RECONCILIATION TIMES

After 8am Mass on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday
Saturdays at 4pm

BAPTISM CLASSES

The next Baptism Class will take place on Tuesday September 8 at 7:00 p.m. @ the Religious Ed Bldg. (711 New York Ave.) *Registration is needed in order to attend this class.

2026 Fiesta VOLUNTEER AND DONATIONS NEEDED!!!

2026 Fiesta is underway. Volunteers are needed for Enchilada Booth, Posole Booth, Lumpia Booth, Hamburger Booth, Funnel Cake Booth, Ribbon Fries Booth, Nacho/Flautas Booth, Sopapilla Booth. Adult supervision for games.

Here is a list of items needed for donations.

Hamburgers & Hotdogs and buns, Corn tortillas, grated cheese, red chili, spices, cooking oil, tomatoes, lettuce, onions, potatoes, pork roast, ground beef, sliced cheese, chips, funnel cake mix, corn chips for nachos, nacho cheese, sodas, water, snow cone cups, ice, agua fresca mix, flour for sopapillas.

Thank you for your time and your generosity.

2026 UIM GOAL \$33,000.00

PROGRESS:

Spanish Bible Study Group -	
Gordita sale	\$4705.55
Choir Group -	
Rummage Sale	<u>\$1000.00</u>
	<u>\$5705.55</u>

THANK YOU TO OUR MINISTRY LEADERS AND PARISHIONERS FOR YOUR DEDICATION, HELP AND SUPPORT.

Updates coming soon.

REGISTRATION FOR CONFIRMATIONS 1 & 2

Confirmation 1 & 2 will be having registration on August 27th, from 5pm to 7pm at the Religious Education Building on New York Ave. A \$50.00 registration fee and Baptism Certificates are required for registration.

OCIA & OCIC

Classes will start Wednesday, September 9th. Come One, Come All to become a full Catholic learn about our beautiful Catholic Church and increase your faith. Plus, your heart will be filled with our Lord's mercy and love through the Sacraments.

For more information on OCIA & OCIC—CALL

Dave @ 575-491-3818 or Trish @ 575-491-8263 and Teddi Cardiel (OCIC) @ 575-415-1777

FAMILY FORMATION REGISTRATION

Registration for Family Formation will be after each Mass on August 23, 30 and September 6. Fees are \$35 per child or \$50 per family



MEDICAL CENTER

NAME _____ AGE _____

ADDRESS _____ DATE _____

Rx Alamo Senior Center Health Fair 2026

Thursday, September 10, 2026

9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.



Over 30 Vendors

Free Admission

Open to the Public

Health & Community Info.

Mark Your Calendar!

Rejoice always, pray continually,
give thanks in all circumstances; for this is
God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

-1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

