



We will celebrate  
**memorial**  
**DAY**

on Monday, May 25,  
at 9am.

**Immaculate Conception Masses & Confessions**

**Daily Mass:**

- ✧ Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 12:10pm;
- ✧ Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 7am; and
- ✧ Civil Holidays at 9am.

**Saturday Vigil Mass:**

- ✧ 4pm

**Sunday Masses:**

- ✧ 7:30am, 9am, 10:45am,
- ✧ 12:30pm [Spanish], and
- ✧ 5pm.

**Confessions in parking lot or Plaza de la Inmaculada:**

- ✧ Tuesdays— 11:00 to 11:45am,
- ✧ Thursdays—11:00 to 11:45am, and
- ✧ Saturdays— 3:00 to 3:45pm.

Here is how the new Archdiocesan directives impact us at Immaculate Conception:

- ✧ Anyone over 60 or who has a pre-existing condition should consider a live-streamed Mass and avoid gathering with us in person.
- ✧ If you are ill, please stay at home.
- ✧ A mask worn correctly (over the nose and mouth) and social distancing are required. Parents, leave young children at home, if possible.
- ✧ We are limited to 10% of our building's capacity so – for now – only 70 people can attend each Mass.
- ✧ Only one door, the rear door on the parking lot side, is unlocked so that an usher or sacristan can count attendance to ensure that we do not exceed our capacity. Once that limit has been met, the door will be locked, and a sign will be posted on the door.
- ✧ The Baptismal font is empty during Mass and only filled for baptisms outside of Mass;
- ✧ Holy water fonts are empty. *Only* sealed bottles of holy water will be available;
- ✧ The BATHROOMS are locked until further notice as is the CRY ROOM.
- ✧ Bring your own hand-sanitizer or cleanser for personal needs. Please do not use cleansers with bleach or alcohol on our pews.
- ✧ The pews are cleaned between Masses.

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THE PARISH OFFICE HAS NOT REOPENED  
AT THIS TIME.

Sign Up to Receive Important Communications from the Parish: on your cell phone, text joinICCnow to the number 84576 or click link below.

This will sign you up for ICC's FlockNote and will allow us to share important information with you such as schedule changes.



- ✧ *All missals, mission statement cards, and daily Mass propers* have been removed;
- ✧ There are no processions; Mass begins with a sound on the gong;
- ✧ There is no music, except perhaps the Psalm on Sunday;
- ✧ Short versions of the readings are used, where the option exists;
- ✧ Our mission statement is not recited;
- ✧ There are no collections; envelopes (only) can be dropped off in a container as you leave Mass; all other donations can be made online;
- ✧ There is no handshake at the Sign of Peace;
- ✧ The final prayer and blessing are prayed *before* Communion is distributed;
- ✧ After we receive Communion *in the hand only*, (host only), step aside, remove your mask, consume the host, and leave the church.
- ✧ Do not congregate or visit after leaving Mass; maintain social distancing and keep your masks on.

**RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS**

Keep all young people discerning religious life and priesthood in your prayers!

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SUNDAY CONNECTION FROM LOYOLA PRESS

The Ascension of the Lord ~ May 24 ~

First Reading: *Acts of the Apostles 1: 1-11*; Jesus is taken up to heaven in the presence of the apostles.

Responsorial Psalm: *Psalm 47: 2-3, 6-9*

Sing praise to God as he mounts his throne.

Second Reading: Ephesians 1: 17-23; God raised Jesus from the dead and seated him at his right hand.

Gospel Reading: *Matthew 28: 16-20*

Jesus charges his disciples to make disciples of all nations and promises to be with them forever.

Background on the Gospel Reading: Today's Gospel is taken from the conclusion of the Gospel of Matthew. Matthew's Gospel quickly moves from the disciples' discovery of Jesus' empty tomb, to Jesus' appearance to Mary Magdalene and the other Mary, to the commission that Jesus gives his disciples in today's Gospel.

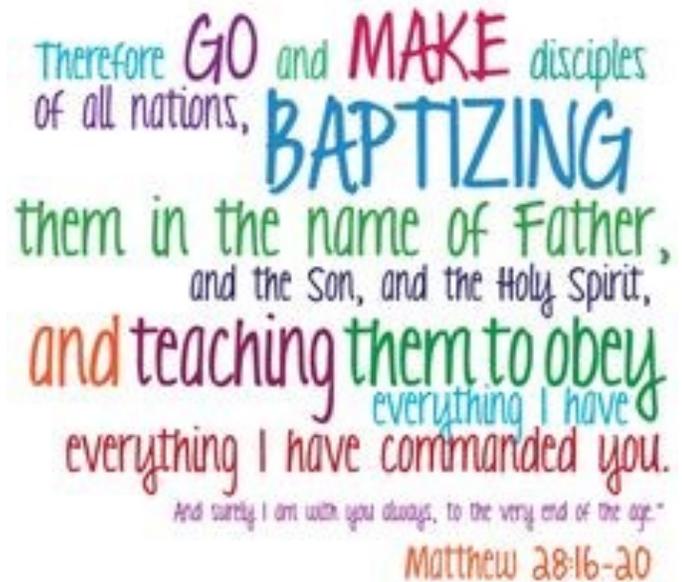
The Final Commission, as this Gospel is sometimes called, is given on the mountaintop. Throughout Scripture, the most important events happen on the mountain-top, and Matthew has used this motif throughout his Gospel. Earlier in Matthew's Gospel, Peter, James, and John had seen Jesus transfigured on the mountaintop (Matthew 17:1-8). Also in the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus taught the crowds from the mountaintop in what we now call the Sermon on the Mount.

Here we are told that the eleven disciples go the mountaintop in Galilee, as Jesus had instructed through Mary Magdalene and the other Mary (cf. Matthew 28:9-10). They see Jesus, and both worship and doubt at the same time. Jesus approaches them and commissions them to baptize and teach, "to make disciples of all nations." It is a task which Jesus had previously prepared his disciples for; recall that Jesus had sent the twelve apostles to preach the Kingdom of God and to heal (cf. Matthew 10:1-15).

However, earlier the Twelve were sent only to the House of Israel; in this Final Commission, the eleven are told to go to "all nations." The mission of Jesus is now to be taken to all people; the task now is to baptize and to teach.

Jesus commissions his disciples to baptize in the name of the Trinity, one of the clearest attestations found in Scripture for baptism in the name of the Trinity. In the Acts of the Apostles and in the Letters of Paul, baptism is more frequently offered "in the name of Jesus."

The ending of Matthew's Gospel can be understood as the beginning of the Church. Jesus commissions his disciples to continue to teach in his name and to bring others into the community of disciples through baptism. The Gospel ends, as it had begun, with the promise that Jesus will continue to be Emmanuel, "God with us" (cf. Matthew 1:23), for all eternity.



FAMILY CONNECTION FROM LOYOLA PRESS  
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Just as Jesus sent his disciples to make disciples, our family, the domestic Church, is called to bear witness to the life of discipleship. That act of witnessing can take many forms. First and foremost our family should call people to discipleship by the example of our love for one another. That example is only the beginning; our love must extend beyond the family, reaching out to others and to the world.

Together with your family, identify one or more ways in which your family lives the life of Christian discipleship. Thank God for the blessing of the opportunity to be able to show God's love. Then read together today's Gospel, Matthew 28:16-20. Discuss what Jesus sends his disciples to do. Work together to identify one or more ways in which your family would like to do a better job bearing witness to the life of discipleship. Choose one of those ways and work together to make it happen. Pray as a family for the grace to be witnesses to the world of the life of discipleship. Pray together the Lord's Prayer.



## The Cream of the Crop...

We are so proud to announce [St. Mary's Catholic School](#) has been chosen by the Albuquerque Journal as one of the TOP WORK PLACES 2020 in small businesses. This year there was a record 80 employers throughout the state employing 15,029 people competing for TOP WORK PLACES. And who determines the winners? **The Journal gets the very best judges.** They are of course the St. Mary's faculty and staff. We are so proud of our school and what we accomplish that we are always willing to talk. In fact, the staff has always considered St. Mary's to be their second family. It is easy to say that when we have Mrs. Sanchez, our compassionate principal, the very best students, supportive families, and our wonderful parish and priests that pray for us always! But that is not all. Based on outstanding responses, St. Mary's School was given a special award that the Journal called VALUES AWARD. This award fills us with joy because indeed our school is more than outstanding academics; we are based on the Gospel values and virtues (aka...moral excellence). What can be more valuable than that? Albuquerque Journal...you got it right!!!



We are now registering for the 2020-21 school year. Please call us at 242-6271 if your child would like to be a part of our school family.

~ by Carol Johansen, Teacher & Parishioner



**OUR PARISH GIVING, STEWARDSHIP, AND FINANCES**

If you would like to know more about our parish's finances, now you can find that information on our website, [ICCABQ.ORG](http://ICCABQ.ORG). You can also make a one-time-only or recurring donations.

Once you are on the website. From a drop down menu, GIVING, STEWARDSHIP, FINANCES, you will have four options to check out:

1. [Online Giving](#);
2. [Planned Giving](#);
3. [Stewardship Report Weekly](#) (collection information); and
4. [Annual Report](#).

If you have questions, contact Comptroller Kimberly Jarnagin at [KJarnagin@iccabq.org](mailto:KJarnagin@iccabq.org).

ONLINE LITURGIES AND INFORMATION FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SANTA FE:

For the latest information on [Reopening of Our Churches](#) in the Archdiocese of Santa Fe, including the full protocols, please visit: <https://archdiosf.org/reopening>

The [Archdiocese's YouTube Channel](#) : <https://www.youtube.com/user/aarchuletaasf>

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The mission of the Society of Jesus today is the service of faith, of which the promotion of justice is an absolute requirement. For reconciliation with God demands the reconciliation of people with one another.

*Online Resources:*

[America Magazine | The Jesuit Review](#)

Where you can [live-stream Jesuit Masses](#) every day of the week

: <https://www.americamagazine.org/faith/2020/03/24/here-are-jesuit-parishes-and-ministries-live-streaming-mass-every-day-week>