

SUPPORTING PARISHIONER BUSINESSES

With restrictions in place to help combat the spread of COVID-19, some businesses are struggling and many people would like to help support local merchants. We would like to help members of this community to learn about some of the businesses and services that our parishioners own or operate as one way in which we can support one another as a parish community.

If you are an active parishioner who operates a business or offers a service that could be of interest to our parish community, please contact Fr. Sylvester Tan, SJ, at stan@iccabq.org.

Below is our current *Parishioner Business Directory* which includes information about each business. This resource is published in our on-line weekly bulletin during the health crisis.

PARISHIONER BUSINESS DIRECTORY

Here are some local parishioner-run businesses and services that could interest you:

- ✧ Desca Music (online at descamusic.com, malletteproducts@gmail.com) parishioners Tim & Tracy Mallette owners. Desca Music makes the most feature complete portable music stand: compact design, stackable, built-in handle, and big enough for all your music or a laptop! Built here in Albuquerque with US made parts, our music stands are great for traveling or everyday use.
- ✧ **Castle Coffee** (727 Tijeras Ave NW, 87102, 505-508-5271) parishioner Matthew Campbell, General Manager (matthew@castlecoffeeco.com) "Servant minded. Coffee Inspired. Community Focused." Craft coffee, local bakery items, local teas, etc.; outdoor seating (during Covid) for meetings and community encounter; within walking distance of ICC; indoor display space for local artists. Hours: 7am-4pm, Mon-Sat; in-store, phone, online, and curbside ordering; no in-door dining at this time.
- ✧ **Chelle Summer** (online at www.chellesummer.com, 505-266-3134) parishioner Michelle Rusk offers handmade handbags, apparel, and home decor, many from vintage materials. Unique items that make great gifts. Delivery available, contact us.
- ✧ **XLessThan3Art** (Call, email, in-person: 505-514-6062, xlessthan3artllc@gmail.com), parishioner Sonia Luevano offers commission artwork, photography, mural work, upholstery, furniture repair, decor (and recently, mask making!) "Sonia lives for art and aims to apply the romanticized philosophies of surrealism and sacred art into all aspects of life. Part of her ideal is to make the world a more beautiful place by expressing true beauty in an imperfect world."

BABY SHOWER FOR LOCAL PARTNERS IN NEED



Our ICC Knights of Columbus are hosting a Baby Shower in la Plaza de la Inmaculada after all 6 Masses on Saturday and Sunday, October 3 & 4. *Project Defending Life* and *Casa de las Comunidades* will benefit from your generosity.

Please bring diapers (including cloth) in all sizes; wipes, baby shampoo, baby oil, bottles, bibs, boys'/girls' clothes and toys. Due to pandemic restrictions, all items must be new with tags and in original packaging.

If you would like to give a monetary donation, make out your check to Knights of Columbus (put "baby shower" in memo area) and send to:



Knights of Columbus Baby Shower
c/o Immaculate Conception Church
619 Copper Ave NW
Albuquerque, NM 87102-3140

ease contact Willie Romero at 505.503.0747 or willieromero@gmail.com if you have any questions.

 Join your fellow Immaculate Conception family in prayer on October 1 and October 19 for the special intentions for 40 Days For Life. Learn more at www.40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/albuquerque/

Each October the Church in the United States celebrates *Respect Life Month*, and the first Sunday of October is observed as *Respect Life Sunday*. As Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable, from the beginning of life to its end, and at every point in between. During the month of October, the Church asks us to reflect more deeply on the dignity of every human life.

**Religious Education** TEACHERS & TECHNICAL ASSISTANTS are still needed for Religious Education. ICC's remote classes will include online lessons and videos. RELIGIOUS ED REGISTRATIONS are still being accepted. Contact Jean Bussemeier at 505-250-6040 or jbussemeier@iccabq.org for information about volunteering or registering.

[SUNDAY CONNECTION FROM LOYOLA PRESS](#)

The 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ October 4

First Reading: *Isaiah 5: 1-7*

The Lord compares the house of Israel to a vineyard.

Responsorial Psalm: *Psalm 80:9, 12-16, 19-20*

The Lord protects his vineyard, the house of Israel.

Second Reading: *Philippians 4: 6-9*

Paul encourages the Philippians to stay faithful to the teaching they received from him.

Gospel Reading: *Matthew 21:33-43*

Jesus tells the parable about the wicked tenants.

Background on the Gospel Reading: Today's Gospel follows directly after [last Sunday's Gospel](#) in which Jesus was questioned by Jewish religious leaders about the source of his teaching authority. After refusing to answer their questions, Jesus tells the parable of the two sons and then criticizes the priests and elders for their lack of belief in John the Baptist.

In today's Gospel, Jesus once again speaks to the priests and elders with a parable. In this parable, the landowner leases his vineyard to tenants and sends his servants to collect the portion of the harvest that the tenants owe to him. Several times the servants are sent to collect payment, and each time they are beaten and killed by the tenants. Finally, the landowner sends his son to collect his rent. The tenants, believing that they will inherit the vineyard if the landowner dies without an heir, plot together and kill the landowner's son.

After telling the parable, Jesus questions the chief priests and elders about what the landowner will do to the wicked tenants. They all agree that the landowner will kill the wicked tenants and give the land to new tenants who will pay the rent.

In telling the parable, Jesus is clearly drawing upon Isaiah 5:1-7, which is today's first reading and one that the priests and elders would have known well. Jesus doesn't, therefore, have to explain the symbolism of the parable; the Pharisees would have understood that the vineyard represented Israel, the landowner represented God, the servants represented the prophets, and the bad tenants represented the religious leaders. Yet Jesus nonetheless explains the meaning of the parable for his audience: the Kingdom of God will be taken from the unbelieving and given to the faithful. The chief priests and elders have condemned themselves with their answer to Jesus' question.

Today's Gospel has a parallel in [Mark 12:1-12](#). There are some notable differences, however. In Matthew's version, the religious leaders condemn themselves; in Mark's Gospel, Jesus answers his own question.

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Matthew names the religious leaders as Pharisees and chief priests. Clearly this Gospel shows the tension that was mounting between Jesus and the Jewish religious leaders who thought that his message was dangerous. Matthew's Gospel was written about 70 years after Jesus' death and reflects the conflicts and tensions found in the Christian community for whom Matthew was writing. Many biblical scholars believe that the tension between Matthew's community and their Jewish neighbors can also be heard in today's reading.

This Gospel reminds us of the importance of listening to God's word. God speaks to us in many ways—through Scripture, through our Church tradition, in our Church's teaching, and through modern-day prophets. Are we attentive and receptive to God's word to us through these messengers?

[FAMILY CONNECTION FROM LOYOLA PRESS](#)

The 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ October 4

In an ideal household, family members know the rules and follow them consistently. Even the most conscientious among us, however, sometimes needs to be reminded of the rules and their importance. How we respond to such correction reveals our true character. In today's Gospel Jesus exposes the religious leaders for their failure to heed God's messengers. It is an opportunity for us to consider how we respond to those who are God's messengers today, calling us to correct our ways and return to the way of the Lord.

As you gather as a family, talk about some of the most important rules of your household. Consider how consistently family members follow these rules. How are family members reminded when rules are not being followed? How do they respond? In today's Gospel Jesus corrects the religious leaders through a parable telling them that they have not heeded God's messengers. Read Matthew 21:33-43. What are some of God's rules that we must follow? How do we respond to God's messengers today? Pray together as a family that you will heed God's messengers and follow God's ways. Pray together the [Act of Contrition](#) for the times when your family has not heeded God's word.

My God,

I am sorry for my sins with all my heart.

In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good,

I have sinned against you

whom I should love above all things.

I firmly intend, with your help, to do penance,

to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin.

Our Savior Jesus Christ suffered and died for us.

In his name, my God, have mercy.

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First Responders



We missed you at our school Mass! Unfortunately, due to Covid-19, we could not invite you like we normally would. But, we prayed for you.



Students also brought in pictures of a First Responder they knew.

Father Broussard offered a special prayer and blessing both upon the pictures and ALL First Responders.

Our Mission
St. Mary's Catholic School Community embraces the Gospel message by enriching the world through Catholic teachings, academic excellence, Christian leadership and service.

The 8th graders filled two baskets to the brim with snacks, apples, oranges, prayer cards and holy cards. These baskets were blessed and then delivered in gratitude to both the Police Department and the Fire Department that service St. Mary's School. Our school thanks all of these brave people who put their life on the line for our community, where would we be without you!



Stay safe, stay strong and may God bless you.

*~ by Carol Johansen,
Teacher & Parishioner*

Online Resources:

[America Magazine](#) | [The Jesuit Review](#)

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

*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 about covid-19.

The [Archdiocese's YouTube Channel](#)

Sign up for email ASF official [eBlasts](#). You will receive important news sent directly to your email address.

Like the official [Facebook](#) page (Archdiocese of Santa Fe Official), [Twitter](#) (@asfficial) and [Instagram](#).

Our ST VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE continues to take requests for assistance. If you need help, contact the regional call center, 505-346-1500. The requests are handled by phone instead of home visits for now.



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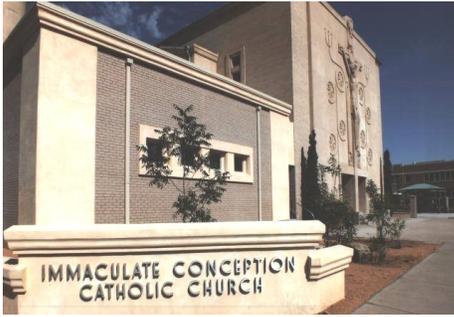
This will sign you up for ICC's FlockNote and will allow us to share important information with you such as schedule changes.

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THE PARISH OFFICE
HAS NOT REOPENED
AT THIS TIME.

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:

- ✧ 4:00pm

Sunday Masses:

- ✧ 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:45am,
- ✧ 12:30pm [Spanish], and
- ✧ 5:00pm.

Confessions are heard in the Church vestibule: (Enter through the northeast door from the parking lot.)

Please Note: the days and location for Confession have changed. This is the new schedule.

- ✧ **WEDNESDAYS**— 11:00 to 11:45am,
- ✧ **FRIDAYS**—11:00 to 11:45am, and
- ✧ **Saturdays**— 3:00 to 3:45pm.

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. 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.

DO YOU WANT TO REGISTER AS A PARISHIONER?
Complete your form on-line at



ICCABQ.ORG

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, 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 in our building's capacity so – for now – only 119 people can attend each Mass. That's about 16% of our building's capacity.
- ✧ 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.
- ✧ *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, checks, and cash can be dropped off in a container as you leave Mass; any 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.