

MASS INTENTIONS & MINISTER SCHEDULE

Saturday October 17

6:00pm +Lisa Herrera Bravo Birthday remembrance by Gabriel & Sally Herrera &children
LECTOR: Wade EM: Rick/Angel

Sunday October 18 - 29th Sunday in Ordinary time

9:00am For the Parishioners
LECTOR: Dan/Cynthia EM: Donna/Mark/Eugenia

11:00am Tom & Sue Feltz anniversary by Jerry & Carol Garcia
+Domingo Pascua Balazar by Sisters of HNSG
+Esperanza Rivera Perez & Maurilio Rivera Reyes by Familia Rivera
+Jose Antonio Moreno Velasquez by Familia Rivera
LECTOR: Alondra Ramirez/Maria Garcia EM: Sister of HNSG/Catalina

Monday October 19 - Sts. John de Breb uf & Isaac Jogues, Priests, & Companions, Martyrs

5:15pm Oscar Rios by Lupe Lozano
+Cipriana Mestas & Children by Betty Mestas
+Repose of the soul of Keith Harding by Cynthia & family
+Magdaleno "Kiki" Alonzo by Betty Mestas

Tuesday October 20

5:15pm Stephen Joshua Corral health & healing by Frances Baca
Cameron Sean Davidson health & healing by Polly Macias

Wednesday October 21

5:15pm Living & Deceased members of the Garcia/Chavez families, Friends by Antoinette Chavez

Thursday October 22

5:15pm For the family of Stephen Hector Corral by Frances Baca

Friday October 23

5:15pm For the family of Douglas & Melanie Young by Frances Baca
In thanksgiving for the intercession of St. Clare for prayers answered by George Kanesta
+Magdaleno "Kiki" Alonzo by Betty Mestas

Saturday October 24

6:00pm For the Parishioners
LECTOR: Sylvia EM: Shannon/Angel

Sunday October 25 - 30th Sunday in Ordinary time

9:00am +Vivian Armijo 15 year anniversary (10-30) by family
+Philip Chavez remembrance by Cece & Andrew Dominguez
+Judi Armijo Starkovich by Chris & Mike Diaz
+Fred & Rose Garcia remembrance by Polly
LECTOR: Cece/Maria EM: Cynthia/Mark/Lavinia

11:00am +Joaquin Sanchez by familia Sanchez
+Soledad Sanchez by Familia Sanchez
LECTOR: Sister of HNSG/Mari Arreguin EM: Sister of HNSG/Esperanza

BISHOP WALL'S INTENTION FOR OCTOBER

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ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH

October 17-18, 2026 • 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time



SUNDAY MASSES:

6pm Sat (Anticipatory - English)
9am Sun (English)
11am Sun (Espa ol)

DAILY MASS:

5:15pm Monday - Friday (English)

CONFESSIONS:

4-5pm Saturday or by appt.

OFFICE PHONE: (505) 863-3033

OFFICE HOURS: Tues - Fri (9am - 1pm)

Pastor: Fr. Josh Mayer

Parochial Vicar: Fr. David Tate

Religious Education:

Mother Rosa - (505) 862-3927

For sacramental emergencies:

(505) 297-3943 to reach a priest

NO SPECIAL COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

Next Weekend: World Mission Collection

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Thank you again to everyone who contributed and participated in our Parish Fiesta and the Diocesan Rosary Procession!**
- **SAVE THE DATE!** The St. Francis Volunteer Christmas Party will be on Monday December 14th at 6pm, in San Damiano Hall. More details to come!
- The 2026-2027 Religious Education Year has begun! To register children, please contact Mother Rosa for CCD. For adults who would like to become Catholic or need to catch up on Sacraments, please call the office and contact

AVISOS

- **¡Gracias de nuevo a todos los que contribuyeron y participaron en nuestra fiesta parroquial y en la procesión diocesana del Rosario!**
- **¡APUNTEN LA FECHA!** La fiesta de Navidad para los voluntarios de San Francisco se celebrará el lunes 14 de diciembre a las 6:00 p. m. en el salón San Damián. ¡Pronto daremos más detalles!
- Ha comenzado el año de educación religiosa 2026-2027! Para inscribir a los niños, por favor comuníquese con la Madre Rosa para el programa de CCD. Los adultos que deseen convertirse al catolicismo o necesiten ponerse al día con los sacramentos, por favor llamen a la oficina y contacten al Padre David.
- **Las clases de inglés se reanudarán este lunes y martes, de 5 a 8 p. m. en la oficina parroquial.**



EACH WEEK AT THE PARISH

Tuesday after 5:15pm Mass – Rosary in Spanish (in the Church)
Wednesday 7pm – Holy Hour in Spanish (at Misión San Jose in Gamerco)
Friday after 5:15pm Mass – Rosary in English (in the Church)

ONLINE GIVING



LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

Oct 10 - 11, 2026 Regular Collection: \$2753 Monthly Building & Maintenance: \$871



excerpt from the **ANGELUS ADDRESS OF POPE FRANCIS**

Saint Peter's Square
Sunday, 18 October 2020



This Sunday's Gospel reading (cf. *Mt* 22:15-21) shows us Jesus struggling with the hypocrisy of his adversaries. They pay him many compliments — at the beginning, many compliments — but then ask an insidious question to put him in difficulty and discredit him before the people. They ask him: "Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?" (v. 17), that is, to pay their tribute to Caesar. At that time, in Palestine, the domination of the Roman Empire was poorly tolerated — and it is understandable, they were invaders — also for religious reasons. For the people, the worship of the emperor, underscored also by his image on coins, was an insult to the God of Israel.

Jesus' interlocutors are convinced that there is no alternative to their questioning: either a "yes" or a "no". They were waiting, precisely because they were sure to back Jesus into a corner with this question, and to make him fall in the trap. But he knows their wickedness and avoids the pitfall. He asks them to show him the coin, the coin of the taxes, of the tribute, takes it in his hands and asks whose is the imprinted image. They answer that it is Caesar's, that is, the Emperor's. Then Jesus replies: "Render therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's" (v. 21).

With this reply, Jesus places himself above the controversy. Jesus, always above. On the one hand, he acknowledges that the tribute to Caesar must be paid — for all of us too, taxes must be paid — because the image on the coin is his; but above all he recalls that each person carries within him another image — we carry it in the heart, in the soul — that of God, and therefore it is to Him, and to Him alone, that each person owes his own existence, his own life.

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El Evangelio de este domingo (cfr. *Mt* 22,15-21) nos muestra a Jesús afrontando la hipocresía de sus adversarios. Ellos le hacen muchos cumplidos al principio, muchos cumplidos, pero a continuación le plantean una pregunta insidiosa para ponerlo en una situación difícil y desacreditarlo ante el pueblo.

Le preguntan: «¿Es lícito pagar tributo —es decir pagar los impuestos— al César, o no?» (v. 17). En aquel tiempo, en Palestina, el dominio del imperio romano era mal tolerado —y se comprende, ¡eran invasores!—, también por motivos religiosos. Para la población, el culto al emperador, subrayado incluso por su imagen en las monedas, era una injuria al Dios de Israel. Los interlocutores de Jesús están convencidos de que no existen más respuestas a su pregunta: o "sí" o "no". Estaban esperando, precisamente porque con esta pregunta estaban seguros de acorralar a Jesús y hacerlo caer en su trampa. Pero Él conoce su malicia y se libra de la trampa. Les pide que le muestren la moneda del tributo —la moneda de los impuestos—, la toma en sus manos y pregunta de quién es la imagen impresa. Ellos responden que es del César, es decir, del emperador. Entonces Jesús replica: «Pues dad al César lo que es del César, y a Dios lo que es de Dios» (v. 21).

Y con esta respuesta, Jesús se sitúa por encima de la polémica. Jesús siempre más allá. Por una parte, reconoce que se debe pagar el tributo al César —también nosotros: hay que pagar los impuestos—, porque la imagen sobre la moneda es la suya; pero, sobre todo, recuerda que cada persona lleva en sí otra imagen —la llevamos en el corazón, en el alma—, la de Dios, y por tanto es a Él, y solo a Él, a quien cada uno debe la propia existencia, la propia vida.

RECEIVING THE SACRAMENTS at ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

- **INFANT and CHILD BAPTISM:** For ages 6 and under, please contact the office to arrange Baptism, classes, etc. For children ages 7 and up, please sign up for CCD classes, which begin late Summer/early Fall.
- **CHILD CONFIRMATION and/or FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** Children generally receive Confirmation and make their First Holy Communion at the same Mass, celebrated by the Bishop. The usual age is 3rd Grade. Please sign up for CCD classes, and contact Mother Rosa for any questions.
- **ADULT BAPTISM, CONFIRMATION, FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** For adults who would like to be baptized, received into the Church, or receive Sacraments that they did not receive as a child, please contact the office to speak with the pastor about your situation. The usual path in these cases is to attend OCIA Classes, which begin in the fall and last until Easter.
- **HOLY MATRIMONY:** The Diocese of Gallup requires a 9 month period from the initial marriage planning meeting until the date of Holy Matrimony, so please make sure to begin your planning process with the office with sufficient time before the date you would like. Contact the office to set up an initial meeting with the pastor.