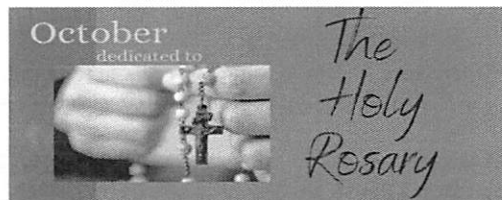


**TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN
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October 18, 2026**



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Saturday & Sunday Masses

Weekday Masses

* Monday—Friday: 7:30AM

* Saturday: 8AM

Saturday Vigil Masses

* Vigil Mass : 4:00PM

Sunday Masses

* Spanish Mass: 9:00AM

* English Mass: 11:00AM

* English Mass: 5:00PM

Confessions: Saturday: 3:00PM-4:00PM

Sunday: 30 minutes before all Masses



Celebration of Sacraments

Baptism: Parents may register their child for baptism at the parish office. Please turn in necessary paperwork **two (2) weeks prior to class**. Baptism Classes will be the 2nd Tuesday of every month. **Next Class will be October 20th.** Baptisms are done on the fourth Sunday of the Month.

Marriage: Contact Parish Priest/Office at least **six (6) months** before the proposed wedding date.

Anointing of the Sick: Contact the Parish Priest /Office when a parishioner is seriously ill and/or is scheduled for major surgery. Emergency phone-505-604-9778.

Sunday Collection for

October 18, 2026: \$4,439.05

(Envelopes: \$3,145.00 Loose: \$1,294.05)

Envelopes used: 96

Rainsville Mission: \$481.06

Thank you for your generosity!

Altar Society:

October 19, 2026

Amy Duran/May Olivas

**DEADLINE FOR THE BULLETIN IS: TUESDAY
AT 12 PM IN WRITING, PLEASE!**

**"DID YOU KNOW HALLOWEEN WAS
ORIGINALLY CATHOLIC?"**

**THE WORD 'HALLOWEEN' MEANS
ALL HALLOWS EVE-THE VIGIL OF ALL
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SATURDAY— October 17**4PM Vigil El Carmen Mass** **Celebrant: Fr. Dale**

- + Mary Frances Aragon & Juan Aragon Jr. /by Danny & Vickie
- + Blessings & well being for Nathan, Erik & David Baker /by Ellen
- + Max, Wilfred, Alfonso, James & Charles Martinez /by Rosalita & Mike Benavidez

SUNDAY— October 18 TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**9AM Mass** **Celebrant: Fr. Dale**

- + Chris Montoya /by Mom & Dad
- + In Thanksgiving to St. Anthony & St. Francis for answered prayers /by Margaret & Joe Romero
- + In Honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus for the Holy Souls in Purgatory /by David & Barbara

11AM Mass **Celebrant: Fr. Dale**

- + Alex Mora, Felisha Gurule, Dorothy Olivas & Ben Sanchez /by Inez
- + Ida Lujan (5th Anniv) /by family
- + Felicia Yeley /by Mom & Dad

5PM Mass **Celebrant: Fr. Dale****People of the Parish**

- + Amadeo, Sara & Esequiel Martinez /by TC

Is 45:1,4-6 1 Thes 1:1-5b Mt 22:15-21**MONDAY— October 19 Saints John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs (USA)** **7:30AM Mass**

- + Emilia (29th Anniv), Lucia & Melaquias Trujillo /by Rosalita & Michael Benavidez
- * Rebecca (B-day), Genevieve & Louis Strasser /by Maxine Maes
- * Successful surgery for Pauline Vicenti, guidance for the surgeon & blessing for family caregivers /by Maxine Maes

Eph 2:1-10 Ps 100:1b-5 Lk 12:13-21**TUESDAY— October 20 Saint Paul of the Cross, Priest (USA)** **7:30AM Mass**

- * In honor of Our Blessed Mother for the health of Allyson & Calvin Foster & well being of Hope Rubera /by Evelyn
- * Healing for Abel Lara Sr., Abel Jr., & Andrea Lara /by Maxine Maes

Eph 2:12-22 Ps 85:9ab,10-14 Lk 12:35-38**WEDNESDAY — October 21** **7:30AM Mass**

- + Phillip Bustos, Baby Gilbert Bustos & Marcos Medina (B-day) /by Richard & Marsha

Eph 3:2-12 (Ps) Is 12:2-3,4c-6 Lk 12:39-48**THURSDAY— October 22 Saint John Paul II, Pope** **7:30am Mass**

- * Health of Allyson Foster & well being of Matt Sandoval /by Evelyn

Eph 3:14-21 Ps 33:1-2,4-5,11-12,18-19 Lk 12:49-53**FRIDAY— October 23 Saint John of Capistrano, Priest** **7:30am Mass****Eph 4:1-6 Ps 24:1-4b,5-6 Lk 12:54-59****SATURDAY— October 24 Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop; BVM****8am Mass**

- * For the health of Alicia Jaramillo (B-day)

Eph 4:7-16 Ps 122:1-5 Lk 13:1-9**Altar Society Meeting**

There will be a meeting for all the Altar Society members on Wednesday, October 21st at 5pm in the Sacristy.

SATURDAY— October 24**4PM Vigil Ledoux Mass** **Celebrant: Fr. Dale**

- + Glen Martinez & departed family members /by May & Amy
- + All deceased & living of our community & special intentions /by Jimmy & Lucille Sandoval
- + Alex Mora, Juan Leyba & Joaquin Archuleta /by Jack & Loretta Roper
- + Carlos & Emilia Trujillo, Charlie Trujillo Jr. & Feliciano Martinez /by Fidel, Amanda & boys

SUNDAY— October 25 THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**9AM Mass** **Celebrant: Fr. Dale**

- + Deacon Ray Cordova, Steven & Gabrielle Cordova /by Evelyn
- + Antonio Pacheco (Anniv) /by family
- + Eloida Vigil & Johnny Medina Jr.
- + Alex Mora (Anniv) /by Ida

11AM Mass**Celebrant: Fr. Dale**

- + Katie Romero /by family
- * Mary Rose Abeyta + Eloisa, Celia & Effie (B-days) /by Inez
- * Special milestone for Lourdes /by Daniel & Lily Gallegos

5PM Mass**Celebrant: Fr. Dale****People of the Parish**

- + Maria Otilia Martinez, Ana Lujan & Leonila Cordova /by TC
- + Gloria Muniz /by Muniz family

Ex 22:20-26 Ps 18:2-4,47,51 1 Thes 1:5c-10 Mt 22:34-40**Funcion Meeting**

There will be a meeting for the planning of St. Gertrude Funcion on Wednesday, October 21st at 6pm in the Parish Hall. All are welcome.

Men's Fall Retreat: 1 Day

There will be a Men's Fall Retreat. The retreat is one day only.

When: Saturday, November 7th

Where: SOLT Bosque Retreat Center
886 NM - 116, Bosque, NM (2hrs. 50 mins. away)

Cost: \$40 Donation

Schedule: 9am Breakfast, 4 talks, Lunch, Holy Hour with confessions, & Vigil Mass (Counts for Sunday)

Theme: Rise Up O Men of God: "Fall" More Deeply in Love With God"

UPCOMING MISSION MASSES: As of Saturday, May 2nd, Saturday 4pm Mass will NOT be at St. Gertrude but in the Missions at 4pm. (Confessions @ 3:30)

Ledoux Mass
San Jose
October 24th
4pm

St. Gertrude Funcion
St. Gertrude
November 15th
10am

Adoration Chapel: The Chapel is now open 24 hours. Anyone who wants to devote an hour of adoration please contact Deacon Eloy at 505-948-6887 or Ellen Hagaman 505-504-4772.

Bible Study: Bible Study will be every Sunday at 3:45pm before the 5pm Mass. Everyone welcome.

Catechism: Classes are held on Tuesdays from 3:45 to 5pm at the Mora Elementary School.

Cemetery Plots: All plots need to be prearranged by Mission Mayordomos or the Church Office. Also please clean & maintain your family member's plot.

Charitable Giving: Charitable Giving is on Mondays from 10-12 & 1-3pm.

Commodities: The Commodities will be distributed on Tuesday, November 10th. [USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender]

Confirmation: Classes are held in the Pastoral Center on Mondays from 6:00 to 7:30pm.

Legion of Mary: The Legion of Mary meets every Tuesday at 9am in the Pastoral Center. If you're interested in joining the Legion please come and see what it's all about.

Men's Group: Men's group meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month in the Chapel at 7pm.

OCIA: Classes are held in the Pastoral Center on Tuesdays at 6pm.

Senior Food Box (ECHO): St. Gertrudes will now be distributing the ECHO Commodities. They will be distributed on the 4th Tuesday of every month. The next one will be Tuesday, October 27th at 8:30am.

The Sacred Heart of Jesus Society will be praying the rosary at 8:30 on the first Sunday of every month.

WINGS (Women In Need of God): The Wings group meets every Friday at 12pm in the Pastoral Center for faith and fellowship. Please join us.

Ministry Schedule

October 24th 4pm

Ledoux Mass

October 25th 9am

Lectors: Phyllis Martinez

Choir: St. Francis

Server:

EU Ministers: Den Clarence, Leo & Annabelle Pacheco

Mayordomos: Mike & Ann Lewitke

October 25th 11am

Lector: Maxine Maes

Choir: St. Michael

Server:

EU Ministers: Den Eloy, Joann Martinez & Loretta Ashe

Mayordomos: Rafael & Lucia Lopez

October 25th 5pm

Lector: Margaret Rael

Choir:

Server:

EU Ministers: Den Eloy

Mayordomos: Anabelle & Louisa



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The Rule calls us to strive for perfect charity. But what does that mean? It does not mean being flawless, pleasing everyone or avoiding difficult conversations. Perfect charity means allowing God's love to shape the way we think, speak, decide and act. It means loving beyond convenience, serving without seeking recognition, forgiving without excusing wrongdoing, and treating every person with dignity including those we find difficult.

For St Francis, love was never only an idea. It meant following the poor and crucified Christ, becoming a servant rather than seeking superiority, and allowing God's grace to transform even what we find bitter into something we can approach with mercy.

Our profession is therefore not simply a promise to belong to an Order. It is a commitment to live the Gospel according to the Rule approved by the Church. We are called to bring Franciscan life into the ordinary circumstances of our secular vocation.

Practical ways to live perfect charity: * Listen before judging. Give people the dignity of being heard. * Serve without needing applause. Do good because it is good. * Practice mercy with responsibility. Forgive, speak the truth. Care for those easily overlooked. * Build fraternity. Refuse gossip, seek reconciliation and contribute to the good of the whole community.

Perfect charity is not a feeling we must always have. It is a virtue we practice, a grace we receive and a way of life we pursue.

All Souls

The All Souls Mass Intention form is inserted in this bulletin as well as next weekend. Please turn in the forms/donations as soon as possible.

St. Gertrudes Funcion Raffle

The raffle tickets have been mailed. Be on the lookout. You may turn in tickets/money to the Parish Office. If you need more please stop by to get them.

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Cordova, Jazzlyn Duran, Jeremiah Duran, Elias Duran, Virginia Duran, Anjelica
Espinoza, Lenae Casados-Garcia, **Bridget Griego**, Tom Headlee, Connie
Krusemark, Nazario Montoya, Cathy Pacheco, Raymond Pacheco, Ernest
Quintana, Mario Romero Jr., Renee Romero, Rosie Serna, George Taylor, Virginia
Taylor, Yolanda Trujillo, Alice & Elidoro Vasquez, Evany Vasquez, Angela Witte

Pray for the people on our parish prayer list.

**If you or any family member are in need
of prayer and would like to get on the
Parish Prayer list please call the office at
575-387-2336 so we can add you.
Thank you!!**

**Respect Life
Month**



October 2026
respectlife.org/celebrate

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University of New Mexico ABORTION CENTER TARGETS LAS VEGAS, NEW MEXICO

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Protect Rural Health Care from the Abortion Industry's Expansion Agenda

NEW MEXICO ALLIANCE FOR LIFE

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Tuesday September 29, 2026

We have uncovered *another major development* in New Mexico's taxpayer-funded abortion expansion—and New Mexicans deserve to know.

Earlier this month, New Mexico Alliance for Life [exposed](#) that the University of New Mexico (UNM) Medical Group and state officials have identified Las Vegas, NM as the "ideal location" for their second taxpayer-funded abortion center in northern New Mexico. We can now [confirm UNM is in talks to purchase Alta Vista Hospital in Las Vegas, NM](#) — and if they move forward, they plan to embed elective abortion into legitimate health care services using your taxpayer dollars.

Read more below and take action today!

"If the UNM Board of Regents proceeds with authorizing the purchase of Alta Vista Hospital using the \$10 million re-authorization appropriation passed in the 2026 legislature, by statute, they would have to include abortion procedures," **said Elisa Martinez NMAFL Executive Director.**

"The UNM abortion lobby is obsessed with spreading their abortion empire of death to every corner of the state—whether the people of New Mexico like it or not."

Martinez spoke with State Rep. Anita Gonzales and other state and local officials, who confirmed that UNM has been negotiating with Alta Vista Hospital on a purchase that could use the \$10 million appropriation for a reproductive health center in Northern New Mexico and the \$15 million appropriation for rural health care in San Miguel County. Both appropriations were passed in the 2026 legislative session in New Mexico.

Local residents and medical professionals are speaking out. **Vicki Snider, Executive Director of Las Vegas Care Net, stated:** "Las Vegas area residents have a great need for access to legitimate health care services including OBGYN, prenatal care, and whole women's care that does not include killing innocent human beings. I personally know of two medical professionals who were approached by UNM — one was asked to perform abortions — and both flatly refused to work in a facility that would kill innocent babies."

THE TROJAN HORSE: UNM'S TAXPAYER FUNDED ABORTION EXPANSION

This is part of a deliberate strategy [exposed by NMAFL in 2024](#)—to embed elective abortion killing centers into legitimate health care spaces as a means to sanitize child killing, deceive the public, and insulate the abortion agenda from political and economic circumstances by forcing taxpayers to perpetually fund it. This nefarious strategy is now becoming reality as activists and UNM officials use taxpayer dollars to launch "full-spectrum reproductive health centers" that integrate the killing of unborn children into legitimate care rather than free-standing abortion clinics, with construction already underway on the state's first taxpayer-funded UNM-run abortion center in Las Cruces.

WHAT YOU CAN DO TO FIGHT BACK:

We urge concerned citizens to take action! The UNM Board of Regents serves as the "fiscal agent" for the acquisition of the state-run abortion center properties, as they approved the purchase of the Doña Ana abortion killing center in 2024. NMAFL has been monitoring the situation and will notify the public of an upcoming vote.

Contact the following stakeholders and tell them:

"The people of Northern New Mexico need real maternal and rural health care — not the expansion of elective abortion. I do not approve of any clinical site or hospital purchase that includes abortion for Las Vegas, NM."

CALL TO ACTION #1 – Contact the UNM Board of Regents:

EMAIL: regents@unm.edu

PHONE: [505 277-7639](tel:5052777639)

CALL TO ACTION #2 – Contact Senator Pete Campos

Senator Pete Campos is an ordained deacon of the Catholic Church in Las Vegas, NM and sits on the Board of Trustees of Alta Vista Hospital.

- Email: pete.campos@nmlegis.gov
- Phone: [\(505\) 986-4267](tel:5059864267)

CALL TO ACTION #3 – Contact the Alta Vista Hospital Board / Administration

Please also reach out to Alta Vista Regional Hospital leadership and Board of Trustees:

- CEO Helen Ballantyne: HELEN.BALLANTYNE@ALTAVISTARH.ORG
- Administration phone: [\(505\) 426-3930](tel:5054263930)

Your voice matters. Please take these actions today and forward this message to family and friends who value life.

Together we can protect the people of Las Vegas and stand against the forced expansion of abortion into our communities.

In solidarity for life,

Elisa Martinez
Executive Director
New Mexico Alliance for Life (NMAFL)

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Catholic citizenship & your vote

We have a dual heritage as both faithful Catholics and American citizens. As Catholics, our baptismal commitment to bear public witness to the values of Jesus Christ requires our active participation in the democratic life of our nation. As Americans, we have a serious moral obligation to vote. This brief insert is intended as a starting point to help us respond to our choices in the current political landscape.

There are many issues before us ...



The Right to Life and Dignity of the Human Person

Innocent human life is destroyed by abortion, euthanasia, "fertility treatments" such as in-vitro fertilization, experimentation using stem cells from human embryos, and cloning to manufacture human body parts. Catholic teaching about the sanctity of human life also leads us to oppose the death penalty, genocide, torture, unjust wars, and economic policies that ignore the needs of the poor and vulnerable.

Call to Family, Community, and Participation

The family, which emerges from marriage between a man and a woman, is the original and basic unit of society. Social and economic policies should work to strengthen the family rather than weaken it.

Rights and Responsibilities

Every human being has the right to life and to religious freedom. Everyone has a right to refuse to participate in actions contrary to one's religious beliefs and to share and defend one's creed and moral principles in the public forum. Everyone has the right and duty to participate fully in all aspects of life: political, social, cultural, and economic.

Option for the Poor and Vulnerable

We must have special concern and charity toward the unborn, persons with disabilities, the dying, refugees, long-term unemployed, prisoners, and all who are marginalized in our nation and beyond. Today, the situation of immigrant workers is especially urgent.

Dignity of Work and Rights of Workers

Economic justice includes the opportunity for dignified work at wages sufficient to support a family, workplace safety, and the right to take time for religious observances. Workers also have the duty to provide a fair day's work for a fair day's pay.

Solidarity

Loving our neighbor has global dimensions and requires us to eradicate racism and address the extreme poverty and disease plaguing so much of the world. We are called to welcome the stranger among us, including immigrants seeking work, a safe home, education for their children, and a decent life for their families. We are called to promote peace and pursue justice.

Caring for God's Creation

As stewards, not owners, of the earth, people have an obligation to cherish and care for the environment. The earth yields forth many resources needed for human flourishing, especially energy and the capacity to produce food. These precious resources must be used prudently, fairly, safely, and with a constant concern for future generations.