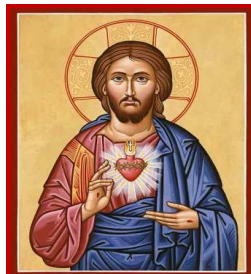


Sacred Heart Catholic Church

Mission: We are a dynamic and welcoming Catholic community, cooperating with God's grace for the salvation of souls, serving those in need, and spreading the Good News of Jesus and His Love.

Iglesia del Sagrado Corazón

Misión: somos una comunidad católica dinámica y acogedora, cooperando con la gracia de Dios para la salvación de las almas, sirviendo a aquellos en necesidad, y compartiendo la Buena Nueva de Jesús y Su amor.



Pastoral Team

Pastor:

Rev. Fr. Franklin Iwuagwu

Deacons:

Rev. Mr. Juan A. Rodríguez

Rev. Mr. Michael Rowley

Rev. Mr. Eric Nelson

Masses/Misas

Monday: 12:10 p.m.

Tuesday: 7:00 a.m.

Wednesday: 12:10 p.m.

Thursday: 7:00 a.m.

Friday: 12:10 p.m.

Saturday/sábado: (Vigil/vigilia)

6:00p.m. (Spanish / en español)

Sunday: 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m.,
5:00 p.m. &

No Mass (St. Catherine's in Melrose)

1st Saturday Mass / Misa del

Primer Sábado: 9:00 a.m.

2nd Saturday Mass / Misa del

Segundo Sábado: 9:00 a.m.



December 17th, 2023 / 17 de diciembre, 2023

3rd Sunday of Advent

3er Domingo de Adviento

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Food Pantry/Despensa:

2nd & 4th Saturday/2º y 4º sábado:
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Office Hours/

Horario de la oficina:

Monday - Friday / lunes - viernes

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Lunch / Almuerzo

1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Confession Times/

Confesiones

Mon., Wed. & Fri.

lunes, miércoles y viernes

11:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Tues. & Thurs. / martes y jueves

6:30 a.m. - 7:00 a.m.

Sat./sábado: 4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration/

Adoración del Santísimo

Friday / viernes

6:30 a.m. a 12:00 p.m.

**Tuesday & Wednesday /
martes & miércoles**

**For 1 hour after Mass /
Por 1 hora después de Misa**

An Introduction to Advent

Week Three - Joy

The Third Week of Advent begins with Gaudete (Joyful) Sunday, and this week is focused on the joy of the Christian life. Since Advent is a penitential season, akin to a "mini" Lent, the Church celebrates a day of joy and hope as we draw closer to the end of Advent and the arrival of Christmas, the Nativity of Our Lord. The most noticeable shift in liturgy on Gaudete Sunday is the use of rose-colored vestments, which are only used on a handful of feast days or Solemnities. Gaudete Sunday celebrates the joy we as Christians feel as we contemplate the hope of the Savior with the gift of Christ's Incarnation. The first two weeks of Advent centered on hope and love must be seen and understood in order to realize the full depth of the third week of Advent and Gaudete Sunday. Our joy results from both our hope in the Lord and our love for him. The Vatican Liturgical Commission states "Our reason for hope is intimately tied to our waiting, which is characteristic of the liturgy of the Third Sunday: 'Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice! The Lord is near' (Phil 4,4-5)(3). It is Christ himself who is the subject of Christian hope, the mystery hidden in time and now revealed: 'Christ among you, your hope of glory' (Col 1, 27)" (Journeying Through the Liturgical Year). The joy that stems from meditating on the saving action behind the Incarnation of Christ is enough to make anyone excited and grateful for a loving God!

We are incredibly blessed to be able to experience Christ's presence in our day today life, and his presence is even more manifested at Mass and in the Eucharist. Even under the form of bread and wine, Jesus knows our human tendencies and relates to us, and he asks us to relate to him. The joy we feel from coming to know Christ more should also affect our day to day actions. We must be joyful whether we are at the grocery store, the gym, with friends and family, and even driving; the joy of the Gospel and Jesus's life must penetrate all parts of our life. Pope Francis explains how Christians should be witnesses of joy saying, "consequently, an evangelizer must never look like someone who has just come back from a funeral! Let us recover and deepen our enthusiasm, that 'delightful and comforting joy of evangelizing, even when it is in tears that we must sow... And may the world of our time, which is searching, sometimes with anguish, sometimes with hope, be enabled to receive the good news not from evangelizers who are dejected, discouraged, impatient or anxious, but from ministers of the Gospel whose lives glow with fervour, who have first received the joy of Christ'" (Evangelli Gaudium, 10). The virtues of Advent are connected, leading into each other, and slowly helping the faithful better understand Jesus and the mission we are called to be a part of.

Part of living a joy-filled life in light of the Gospels is recognizing the presence of Christ in one's day-to-day life. By being mindful of his presence, we are more able to witness to the hope and love of Christ and become better disciples along the road of life. We invite you to pray about the virtue of joy with these scripture passages and accompanying reflection questions.

- Isaiah 9:2-6 Do we allow Christ to give us joy and to take away our burdens, or do we dwell on them, not allowing him to heal us?
- Zephaniah 3:14-18 When we are in prayer, do you try to talk to and listen to Jesus? If not, try it.
- Luke 3:10-18 Reflect on what your baptismal call means, and examine how you live it out in your day to day life.



Christmas Vacation / Vacaciones Navideñas

The church office will be closed beginning on **Friday, December 22nd** until **Thursday, January 4th** for Christmas vacation. Christmas vacation for religious education begins on **Wednesday, December 27th**. Children will return to class on **Wednesday, January 10th**.

La oficina de la iglesia estará cerrada **viernes, el 22 de diciembre** hasta **jueves, el 4 de enero** para las vacaciones Navideñas. Vacaciones Navideñas para educación religiosa comienza **miércoles, el 27 de diciembre**. Los niños regresan a clases **miércoles, el 10 de enero**.

Christmas Mass Schedule / Horario de Misas Navideñas

Nativity of our Savior, Jesus Christ / Natividad de nuestro Señor, Jesucristo

Sunday, December 24th (Christmas Eve) / domingo, 24 de diciembre (Nochebuena)

4:00p.m. & 7:00p.m. (en español)

Monday, December 25th (Christmas Day) / lunes, 25 de diciembre (día de Navidad)

Midnight (medianoche), 8:30a.m. & 10:30a.m.

Notice! / ¡Noticia!

Attending a Christmas Eve Mass *does* meet your obligation to attend a Christmas Day Mass. If you do not attend a Christmas Eve Mass, you must attend a Christmas Day Mass in order to meet the Holy Day obligation. However, because Christmas Eve lands on a Sunday, you must still attend a Sunday Mass to meet the Sunday obligation. If you plan on attending a Christmas Eve Mass, you still must attend a Sunday Mass which will meet your Sunday obligation.

Asistir a una Misa de Nochebuena cumple con su obligación de asistir a una Misa del día de Navidad. Si no asiste a una Misa de Nochebuena, debe asistir a una Misa del día de Navidad para cumplir con la obligación del Día Santo. Sin embargo, debido a que la Nochebuena cae en domingo, aún debe asistir a la misa dominical para cumplir con la obligación dominical. Si planea asistir a una Misa de Nochebuena, aún debe asistir a una Misa dominical que cumpla con su obligación dominical.



Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God / Solemnidad de Maria, Madre de Dios

The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God will take place on **Monday, January 1st**. We will celebrate one bilingual Mass at **10:00AM**. Remember that this is a Holy Day of Obligation.

*La Solemnidad de Maria, Madre de Dios será **lunes, el 1 de enero**. Celebramos con una Misa bilingüe a las **10:00AM**. Recuérdense que es una día Santa de Obligación.*

Adult Faith Formation Calendar 2023-2024

Adult Faith Formation is open to everyone. However, participation is **MANDATORY** for parents whose child(ren) is/are currently enrolled in 2nd grade, 3rd grade, Sacramental Prep. I, Sacramental Prep. II, Confirmation I, Confirmation II, and RCIC. Parents must attend 4 classes in order to fulfill the requirement. Sign-in sheets will be available in the rear of the church; please sign-in next to your child's name. Classes start at 6:00 pm.

Dec. 6 English Class
Dec. 13 English Class
Dec. 20 English Class
Dec. 27 No Class (Christmas Break)

Jan. 3 No Class (Christmas Break)
Jan. 10 Spanish Class
Jan. 17 Spanish Class
Jan. 24 Spanish Class
Jan. 31 Spanish Class

Feb. 7 English Class
Feb. 14 No Class (Ash Wednesday)
Feb. 21 English Class
Feb. 28 English Class

Mar. 6 Spanish Class
Mar. 13 Spanish Class
Mar. 20 Spanish Class
Mar. 27 No Class (Spring Break)

Horario de Formación en la Fe para adultos 2023-2024

La formación de fe para adultos está abierta a todos. Sin embargo, la participación es **OBLIGATORIA** para los padres con hijos inscritos en 2.º grado, 3.º grado, Preparación Sacramental. I, Preparación Sacramental. II, Confirmación I, Confirmación II y RCIN. Los padres deben asistir a 4 clases para cumplir con el requisito. Las formas para registro estarán disponibles en el posterior de la iglesia; firmen junto al nombre de su hijo. Las clases comienzan a las 6:00 pm.

6 de diciembre Clase de inglés
13 de diciembre Clase de inglés
20 de diciembre Clase de inglés
27 de diciembre No hay clases (Vacaciones Navideñas)

3 de enero No hay clases (Vacaciones Navideñas)
10 de enero Clase en español
17 de enero Clase en español
24 de enero Clase en español
31 de enero Clase en español

7 de febrero Clase en inglés
14 de febrero No hay clases (Miércoles de Ceniza)
21 de febrero Clase en inglés
28 de febrero Clase en inglés

6 de marzo Clase en español
13 de marzo Clase en español
20 de marzo Clase en español
27 de marzo No hay clases (Vacaciones de Primavera)



Religious Education

Grades Kindergarten to 5th, Sacramental Prep. 1&2:
Wednesdays, 6PM to 7PM

Grades 6th to Confirmation II:
Wednesdays, 7:20PM to 8:30PM

RCIC: Mondays, 6PM to 7PM

RCIA: Tuesdays, 6PM to 7PM

EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA

Grados Kínder hasta 5, Preparación Sacramental 1&2:
Miércoles, 6PM - 7PM

Grados 6 hasta Confirmación II:
Miércoles, 7:20PM - 8:30PM

RCIN: Lunes, 6PM hasta 7PM

RCIA: Miércoles, 6PM hasta 7PM

FOOD pantry



The food pantry operates each 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month at 9:00a.m. in an effort to help the less fortunate of God's children in our community. Thanks be to God, our Food Pantry is now the largest in Eastern New Mexico! Anyone interested in volunteering, please come at **8:30AM** or call **Mary Marez** at **575-693-0232** for further information.

We are only providing commodities outside of the gym. This drive-thru system will be in effect until further notice.

Many thanks to all those who donate their time and goods to this wonderful ministry!!!

ATTENTION!!! All donations are greatly appreciated. However, if you are donating to the Food Pantry, please ensure that all items are in their original packaging and are unopened. Also, no items past their best buy date will be accepted. Thank you for your generosity!



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Sacred Heart Catholic Church

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Scan this QR code to give your donation or tithe to Sacred Heart Church online.



Annual
Catholic
Appeal
Foundation



Rebuild My Church

Here we go Sacred Heart! It is officially time to begin our joint endeavor that is the Annual Catholic Appeal. Praise be to God and the overwhelming generosity of you, our parishioners, we have met our ACA goal for the last three consecutive years. Let's get this year started right!

¡Vámonos parroquia del Sagrado Corazón! Ahora es el momento para empezar con nuestra empresa conjunta del Campana Católica Anual. Gracias a Dios y ustedes, nuestros feligreses, hemos cumplido nuestros objetivos para el CCA los últimos tres años. ¡Vamos a empezar este año bien!

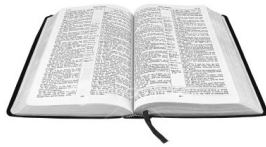
Remember folks, **NO CASH** will be accepted! Ensure your contributions are done so by check or money order. Also remember that the amount of the contribution is not as important as participating! You can also donate to the ACA by visiting the Archdiocesan website at www.archdiosf.org, click on "Offices", click on "Annual Catholic Appeal", then click on "Donate" or "Pledge Here" if you are not yet ready to donate but wish to make a pledge and pay the entire sum later or in installments.



*¡Recuérdense, **NO EFECTIVO!** Solo aceptamos cheques o giro postal. También recuérdense que participación es más importante que el tamaño de su contribución. Si quieren, también se puede donar visitando el sitio web de la Arquidiócesis en www.archdiosf.org, hagan clic en "Offices", hagan clic en "Annual Catholic Appeal", luego hagan clic en "Donate" o "Pledge Here" si quieren pagar después.*

Archdiocesan Goal / <i>Objetivo Arquidiocesana</i> -	\$2,500,000
Parish Goal / <i>Objetivo Parroquial</i> -	\$33,000.00
Total Pledged / <i>Total Comprometida</i> -	\$32,160.00
Total Paid / <i>Total Pagado</i> -	\$36,350.00
Shortfall / <i>Déficit</i> -	\$0.00
Registered Families / <i>Familias registradas</i> -	1,576
Families Participating / <i>Familias participando</i> -	111

Weekly Readings



Monday, December 18th:

JER 23:5-8 *PS* 72:1-2,12-13,18-19 *MT* 1:18-25

Tuesday, December 19th:

JGS 13:2-7,24-25a *PS* 71:3-4a,5-6ab,16-17 *LK* 1:5-25

Wednesday, December 20th:

IS 7:10-14 *PS* 24:1-2,3-4ab,5-6 *LK* 1:26-38

Thursday, December 21st:

SG 2:8-14 *PS* 33:2-3,11-12,20-21 *LK* 1:39-45

Friday, December 22nd:

ISM 1:24-28 *ISAMUEL* 2:1,4-5,6-7,8abcd *LK* 1:46-56

Saturday, December 23rd:

MAL 3:1-4,23-24 *PS* 25:4-5ab,8-9,10&14 *LK* 1:57-66

Sunday, December 24th: 4th Sunday of Advent

2SM 7:1-5,8b-12,14a,16 *PS* 89:2-3,4-5,27,29 *ROM* 16:25-27
LK 1:26-38



The Sacred Heart Men's Group meets every **Monday at 5:30 P.M.** in Room One in our school. This is a wonderful opportunity for Catholic Men to gather together in fellowship and grow in their faith. All men are invited to attend. We look forward to seeing you there!



Sacred Heart Prayer Warriors!

If you or someone you know is in need of prayer, please contact Mary Shockley at (575)799-6402. She will place that individual that is in need of prayer into a circle of prayer. Parishioners of Sacred Heart Church will then pray for those individuals to Almighty God. This is a wonderful ministry and privilege for us to be able to pray for you.

<u>Holy</u>	<u>January 1st</u> - Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
<u>Days of</u>	<u>May 18th</u> - Ascension of Jesus
<u>Obligation</u>	<u>August 15th</u> - Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
	<u>November 1st</u> - All Saints Day
	<u>December 8th</u> - Immaculate Conception
<u>2023</u>	<u>December 25th</u> - Nativity of our Lord, Jesus Christ

Monday

12:10 PM

December 18th, 2023

Robert Lopez Avila (healing)

Tuesday

7:00 AM

December 19th, 2023

Omar Rodriguez Jr. (healing)

Wednesday

12:10 PM

December 20th, 2023

For the intentions of the celebrant

Thursday

7:00AM

December 21st, 2023

Bill & Mary Shockley (55th Anniversary),
Desiree Ford (25th Birthday)

Friday

12:10 PM

December 22nd, 2023

For the intentions of the celebrant

Saturday

6:00 PM

December 23rd, 2023 (Español)

Por la parroquia del Sagrado Corazón

Sunday

8:30 AM

December 24th, 2023

Gabriel Bryant & family, Bryant grandchildren,
†Daniel Rathbun

10:30 AM

†Armando Antonio Ortiz Jr.

4:00 PM

†Alfred Romero Sr.

7:00 PM

Por la parroquia del Sagrado Corazón



The Sacred Heart Youth Group is back in session! They meet on **Sundays from 6:15PM to 7:30PM** in the Sacred Heart Gymnasium. Ages 13 through 12th grade are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Ministros—Sábado, 23 de diciembre, 2023 - 4er Domingo en Adviento

Sacristanes

6:00PM Carmen Sosa

Lectores

6:00PM Marisol Velasco & Lupe Sosa

Monaguillos

6:00PM Leonardo Martínez & Yaretzi Sánchez

Ministros Extraordinarios de Santa Comunión

6:00PM R-Lupe Sosa L-Diana Córdova

Ministers—Sunday, December 24th, 2023 - 4th Sunday of Advent

Sacristans

8:30AM Mary Shockley

10:30AM Francisco & Jacob Rodriguez

5:00PM No Mass / No Misa

Lectors

8:30AM Katie Haynes-Burns & Madeline Hettinga

10:30AM Erin Thomas & Sara Gallegos

5:00PM No Mass / No Misa

Altar Servers

8:30AM Gregory Bryant, George Hettinga, Frank Hettinga, Jacob Clark

10:30AM Catherine Rodríguez, Arabella Rodarte, Edgar Reyna, Jacob Gallegos

5:00PM No Mass / No Misa

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

8:30AM R-Kristi Rowley L-Jim Rowley

10:30AM R-Anna Alexander L-Laura DeBusk

5:00PM No Mass / No Misa

Tithes and Offerings - December 10th, 2023

Diezmos y Ofrendas - 10 diciembre, 2023

Envelopes / <i>Sobres</i>	\$3,964
Loose / <i>Sueltos</i>	\$3,187
Needy / <i>Necesitadas</i>	\$842
Online / <i>En Línea</i>	\$2,149
Special Collection / <i>Colección Especial</i>	\$1,564
Immaculate Conception / <i>Inmaculada Concepción</i>	\$1,240
Total	\$12,946

