

August 30 & 31, 2025

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."
- Lk 14:13-14

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Mass Schedule

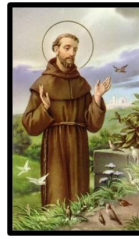
Saturday Vigil	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.
Tues—Fri	12:00 p.m.
Holy Days	12:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m.
First Saturday	10:00 a.m.

Reconciliation

Tuesday	11:30—11:50 a.m.
Friday	During Adoration
Saturday	3:45—4:45 p.m.
By appointment:	<i>Call the office to schedule</i>

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Fridays	11:00 a.m.
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Office Hours

Monday—Thursday 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
Friday 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

~ *The office **does not close** for lunch ~*

Other Contacts

Director of Religious Education

Sylvia Misquez (575) 574-7505

Lector Coordinators

Anna Partido—5:00 Mass
Silvia Madrid—8:00 Mass (575) 590-0088
Thelma Brusuelas—10:00 Mass (575) 313-1309

St. Francis Associates

(575) 388-4933

Food outreach (Mondays at 4:00 p.m.)

Utility & Rent Assistance (2nd & 4th Saturdays)

Gospel Reflection

Once I was invited to a group meeting with Pope Francis. Entering the room, I paused, eyeing the seats next to the Pope's fancy chair. Someone saw my paralysis and invited me to sit in the seat farthest from what I wanted. Hiding my disappointment, I sat. We waited. To our surprise, an aid pointed out that those seats were still empty and invited me and another to have them. We calmly but gleefully strode across the room and sat. Pope Francis entered, and we enjoyed two hours of amazingly uplifting conversation.

Jesus says this week to us: **"When you are invited, go and take the lowest place so that when the host comes to you he may say, 'My friend, move up to a higher position.' Then you will enjoy the esteem of your companions at the table"** (Luke 14:10). This is not about how to score free seat upgrades. Rather, it is a wise pattern for the whole of life. It is how to live free from the anxiety of constantly grasping for status and recognition.

Jesus perfectly embodies his seat-taking advice. He eschews his glorious throne for the lowest: death on a cross, that lonely chair we all deserve. In his resurrection, he calls us up higher to his marvelous banquet seats. This week, perhaps we should look for opportunities to choose the lowest seat. We'll be pleasantly surprised when we do.

Father John Muir

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Readings for the Week

August 31, 2025

Sunday:	Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 (1a)/Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1, 7-14
Monday:	1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13/Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday:	1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday:	Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11/Lk 4:38-44
Thursday:	Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Lk 5:1-11
Friday:	Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 5:33-39
Saturday:	Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8/Lk 6:1-5
Next Sunday:	Wis 9:13-18b/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17 (1)/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33

August 31, 2025

Sunday:	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	Labor Day
Tuesday:	
Wednesday:	St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church
Thursday:	
Friday:	
Saturday:	
Next Sunday:	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents' Day

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August: Month of the Immaculate Heart of Mary



"Mary, give me your Heart: so beautiful, so pure, so immaculate; your Heart so full of love and humility that I may be able to receive Jesus in the Bread of Life and love Him as you love Him and serve Him in the distressing guise of the poor." ~ St. Teresa of Calcutta

Mysteries of the Rosary

- Sunday—Glorious Mysteries
- Monday—Joyful Mysteries
- Tuesday—Sorrowful Mysteries
- Wednesday—Glorious Mysteries
- Thursday—Luminous Mysteries
- Friday—Sorrowful Mysteries
- Saturday—Joyful Mysteries



Mass Intentions

For the week of September 1—7

Monday, September 1

Private

For our Parish Hall Project
For the Parishioners of St. Francis Newman Center & the Students, Staff, Faculty, and Alumni of WNMU

Tuesday, September 2

12:00 P.M. — For the Parishioners of St. Francis Newman Center & the Students, Staff, Faculty, and Alumni of WNMU

Wednesday, September 3

12:00 P.M. — For the Parishioners of St. Francis Newman Center & the Students, Staff, Faculty, and Alumni of WNMU

Thursday, September 4

12:00 P.M. — For the Parishioners of St. Francis Newman Center & the Students, Staff, Faculty, and Alumni of WNMU

Friday, September 5

12:00 P.M. — † Raul Delgado by the Trejo Family
† Lilly Parra by Family
† Deceased members of the Grijalva Family by the Bustillos Family
For the Parishioners of St. Francis Newman Center & the Students, Staff, Faculty, and Alumni of WNMU

Saturday, September 6

5:00 P.M. — † Lupe Tanner; Ana Cornali; and Joe & Jesus Monge by Steve, Lulu, & Tessie Tanner
† David Rey Placencio by Mama Ruth; Drea; Sophie & Families; and Godmother Ida Lucero
For an immediate and permanent ceasefire in Gaza and a just end to civil war in Sudan by JW Ortiz
For our Parish Hall Project
For the Parishioners of St. Francis Newman Center & the Students, Staff, Faculty, and Alumni of WNMU

Sunday, September 7

8:00 A.M. — † Celso & Celia Bencomo and Joseph & Veva Trujillo by the Vega Family
For our Parish Hall Project
For the Parishioners of St. Francis Newman Center & the Students, Staff, Faculty, and Alumni of WNMU
10:00 A.M. — † Antonio & Emelia Delgado by Family
For our Parish Hall Project
For the Parishioners of St. Francis Newman Center & the Students, Staff, Faculty, and Alumni of WNMU

Altar Bread & Wine for August

*is for the Garard and Aguirre Families
by Will & Shawntai Garard and Family*

Please Note:

All Mass intentions must be requested at least one day prior to the day you want the intention read to ensure that it is included in the daily intentions. To be included in the bulletin, it must be requested at least two weeks in advance

Please remember to notify the office if someone on the prayer list needs to be removed. Thank you~

Liturgy Schedule

September 6 & 7

Saturday, September 6—5:00 P.M.

Lectors— Gabriel Partido and Marilyn Burbrink
Extraordinary Minister — Karla Necessary
Cup— Florence Hall and Jenny Crist
Music— Rosie & Friends

Sunday, September 7—8:00 A.M.

Lectors— Silvia Madrid and Robert Salaiz
Extraordinary Minister — Joni Miller
Cup— Clara Bustillos and Cynthia Bridgeman
Music— Lorraine & Friends

Sunday, September 7—10:00 A.M.

Lectors—Amadita Diaz and Margaret Kesler
Extraordinary Minister — Craig Pfeifer
Cup— Dotty Pfeifer and Lupe Flores
Music— TBD

Dates to Remember

September 1—Labor Day: Office Closed
September 7 & 8—Religious Education Classes Begin
September 9—5:30 p.m. Bible Study Begins
September 11—6:00 p.m. Baptism Class
September 21—Bingo at Knights of Columbus Hall
Tuesdays—Immediately after the noon Mass: **Rosary**
Wednesdays—5:30 to 7:30 p.m. *The Chosen*

On-Going Events to Remember

Baptism Classes

Second Thursday of every month 6:00—9:00 p.m. upstairs
Please call the office to have your name added to the roster.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Doris Ann & John Walsh
Sam & Mando Medina
Eddie Carbajal, Jr.
Martha Alatorre
Albert & Martha Jimenez
Vicki Ogas
Juan Verdugo
Leo & Peggy Perez
Sr. Rita Plante
Rodney Tschirhart
Gene Panick
Tommy Ogas
JC Robinson
Sam Silva
Dave Schwantes
Bonnie Jo Rogers
Audrey Montoya
Gary Placencio

Diane Hannig
Dion Montoya
Andrew Altamirano
Jason Acosta
William Kempf
Serina Ramirez
Alex Jaurequi
Aaron Valencia
Miguel Perez
Giovanni Romano
Marie Madrid
Brenda Dominguez
Silvia Madrid
Lucinda Saucedo
Julia Maple
Ken Scoggin
Russ Kinter
JJ Hernandez

Mike Castillo
Belinda Arzola
Cynthia Montes
Baldo Holguin
Sam Carrasco
Marlene & Arthur Chavez
Leo, Sandra, & Robbie Madrid
Brenda Barragan
Beverly Chappell
Alice Shirley
Mary Ellen Lopez

*Pray for our military serving
around the world
~~~~~ and ~~~~~  
for the President of the  
United States*

### REPORT SEXUAL ABUSE

*If you, or someone you know, has been the victim of sexual abuse by clergy or church personnel, contact the Victim's Assistance Coordinator at the Diocese of Las Cruces at (575) 523-7577, or vac@rcdlc.org.*



## Stewardship

### COLLECTIONS

**August 17 & 24, 2025**

**\$ 3,172.21** (Week of August 17)

**\$ 4,247.99** (Week of August 24)

**\$ 245.00** (St. Francis Associates)

**\$ 1,750.00** (Office)

**\$ 2,090.90** (Online donations — July)

~ Thank you for your continued generosity~

### United In Ministry Update

2025 Parish Goal: \$32,500

Paid to-date (08/25/25): \$ 30,242.30 (93% of goal)

Still Owed (08/25/25): \$ 2,257.70



**Date: Sunday, September 21**

**Time: Doors open at 1:30 p.m.**

**Bingo starts at 3:00 p.m.**

**Location: Knights of Columbus Hall**

~Raffle and Bingo tickets available in the office~

### ~ FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS NEEDED ~

The pantry is in need of canned beans, flour, pasta sauce, sugar, ramen, canned meat products, chunky soups, cold cereal, laundry detergent, shampoo & conditioner, and any "Just for You" items from Albertson's that you don't want.

They are **VERY** short on volunteers on both the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month from 8 -10 a.m. If you can help, please contact Dotty at (575) 313-2817.

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Thank you for your continued generosity!

SAFE ENVIRONMENT COMPLIANCE

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Las Cruces requires that all clergy, employees, and volunteers undergo a background check, participate in a VIRTUS Protecting God's Children

Training Module and sign a code of conduct **every five years**.

New volunteers must create a VIRTUS account and complete the policy requirements before beginning volunteer work.

Existing volunteers must login to your account to renew the requirements at: www.virtusonline.org

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For questions or assistance, contact the Virtus Local Administrator at your parish,

Danna Lopez

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(575) 538-3662

Or Safe Environment Coordinator

Mary Frances Garcia

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575-222-42345



## Other Parish Information

### Mission Statement

Called in Baptism and rooted in our Catholic faith, we at St. Francis Newman Center Parish of the Diocese of Las Cruces are welcoming and compassionate people. We strive to be disciples of Christ with a special ministry to the Western New Mexico University community. The dynamic and diverse nature of our parish invites us to be open to spiritual formation and the values of charity. Nourished by the Word of God and the Holy Eucharist and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we reach out to all, encouraging active participation in the life, mission and work of the Catholic faith within our families, our parish, our diocese and our world. (Approved: January 4, 2012)

### Baptisms

Parents and Godparents must complete the Baptism Application (available in the office) and take the Baptism class prior to scheduling a Baptism. Godparents must have all sacraments to be able to serve as Godparents. Contact the Parish Office for complete details.

### Marriages

Marriages must be arranged 6 months in advance.

### Parish Membership

All parishioners 18 years or older are urged to register— as a member of the Catholic Church, registration is required.

As a registered member of our parish you are invited to participate as a volunteer in assisting the various ministries our parish offers.

### Volunteer Ministries

St. Francis Newman Center has many ministry opportunities in which Parishioners can serve. Please call or stop by the office to inquire as to where you can best serve our Parish.

### Parish Registration / Update Information

If you haven't registered in the parish or you would like to update your information, please fill out the following form and either drop in the collection basket or leave in the office at your earliest convenience. **Parishioners 18 and older are required to register separate of their parents/guardians.** Thank you!

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DOB \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

SPOUSE \_\_\_\_\_

DOB \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ ANNIVERSARY \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE#: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ New registration

☐ Please update my information