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Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 21, 2025

"You cannot serve both God and mammon."

—Luke 16:13b

SACRAMENTS

To receive Sacraments at San Miguel Church, you must be registered and active at the Parish. If you are unsure if you are registered, please contact the Parish Office to verify.

Baptism: Pre-baptism instruction is required for parents and godparents. Sponsors/godparents must be practicing Catholics in good standing with the Church, at least 16 years of age, have received all their Sacraments of Initiation and if married, must be married in the Catholic Church. If the godparent is single, they must not be co-habiting. Parents and godparents must attend baptismal classes before the baptism of the child. **The next class is October 2, 2025 at 6:30PM.** Parents must register their child at least two weeks before attending class. Contact the office for additional information.

First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion: This is a two-year program that begins in the 2nd grade. Contact the Religious Education director for additional information.

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Marriage: Couples who plan to marry at San Miguel Church must contact the Parish Office at least 6 months prior to the wedding date. A mandatory pre-marriage program is required.

Anointing of the Sick: Please contact the Parish Office.

Funeral Mass: The cost for funeral services is \$150. Please contact the office for additional information and to coordinate services as soon as possible.

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1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Friday: 9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 PM

Mass of Anticipation

Sunday: 8:00 AM (Spanish)
10:00 AM (English)

12:00 Noon

St. Mary Magdalene (Magdalena)

Monday 5:30 PM (Communion Service)

Tuesday 5:30 PM

Wednesday—Friday 9:00 AM

RECONCILIATION / CONFESSION

San Miguel: Saturday, 3:45 PM to 4:45 PM

St. Mary Magdalene-Magdalena: Sunday before Mass

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every Friday in the Church following
the 9:00AM Mass until 10:30AM.

SAN MIGUEL GIFT SHOP

Tuesday: 11:00 AM—1:00 PM

Friday: 10:00 AM—12:00 Noon

NEWMAN (New Mexico Tech Students)

Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m. @ St. Patrick's Newman Center
801 School of Mines Rd.

Mass is celebrated every first Wednesday at 7:00 PM at the
Newman Center Chapel when school is in session.

PARISH COUNCIL

Frank Lewark	President
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Annual Catholic Appeal — 2025

The Annual Catholic Appeal is ongoing
San Miguel's ACA goal is \$19,500
Total Pledged so far is \$19,365 (Total Paid \$16,975)

Information for online donations can be accessed through the
ACA website at: www.acaarchdiosf.org

PLEASE BE GENEROUS

Any amount donated to the Annual Catholic Appeal
that is over our goal comes back to San Miguel.
Thank You for your contributions!

Timothy and Prayer

Today's New Testament reading comes from Paul's first letter to Timothy.

The First Letter to Timothy is one of the so-called "Pastoral Epistles" (along with 2 Timothy and Titus). In these letters, Paul gives guidance to his co-workers on how to govern and shepherd the young Christian communities. In this first letter to Timothy, Paul takes up the issues of guarding true doctrine, warning Timothy against false teachers, and also establishing order in the Church where he provides instructions for worship, prayer, and the qualities of bishops and deacons. Paul also encourages Timothy to be steadfast, courageous, and faithful in his ministry as a young leader in Ephesus.

Timothy was one of the most important figures in the New Testament after the apostles themselves and was Paul's closest co-worker.

He was born in the city of Lystra, the son of a Jewish mother, Eunice, and a pagan Greek father (Acts 16:1). From his earliest years he was immersed in the Hebrew Scriptures by his grandmother Lois and his mother Eunice, women of sincere faith whom Paul later praised (2 Tim 1:5).

When Paul came through Lystra on his first missionary journey (Acts 14:6-23), Timothy was introduced to the Gospel in its fullness. By the time Paul returned a few years later, Timothy had already distinguished himself among the local Christians as a faithful and zealous disciple, "well-spoken of by the brethren at Lystra and Iconium" (Acts 16:2). Seeing his potential, Paul chose him as a companion for his missionary work.

From that point forward, Timothy became almost like a son to Paul. Paul speaks of him with tender affection, calling him "my true child in faith" (1 Tim 1:2). Together they endured hardships, shared imprisonment, and traveled through many cities establishing and strengthening churches. Paul often entrusted Timothy with delicate tasks, such as sending him to Thessalonica to encourage the believers, or to Corinth to remind them of Paul's teaching. Missions like this reveal the enormous trust Paul placed in Timothy.

Eventually, Paul left Timothy in Ephesus to shepherd the Christian community there while he went off to Philippi, in Macedonia. It is to Timothy in Ephesus that Paul writes this first letter to Timothy, which is generally understood to have been written around the years AD 63-65, a few years before Paul's execution at the hands of Nero in AD 67.

Early Christian tradition holds that Timothy became the first bishop of Ephesus, carrying on Paul's work of leadership and teaching. His youth may have made his task difficult, which is why Paul repeatedly urged him not to let anyone look down on him because of his age, but to be strong in faith and example (1 Tim 4:12).

According to later accounts, Timothy remained faithful to the end. Tradition tells us that he was martyred in Ephesus around the year AD 97,

MINISTRIES & SPECIAL CLASSES

Legion of Mary: Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. @ the San Miguel Church Office Conference Room. For information on Pilgrim Virgin visits, enthronements, and home visits for the sick and shut ins, call: Beatrice Zamora @ 575-517-5246

Catholic Daughters: Every Second Monday of the Month. 6:00 p.m. —San Miguel Parish Hall. For information please call Patricia Landavazo @ 575-418-7062

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stoned to death after opposing a pagan festival. In this way, he sealed his lifelong service to Christ and to Paul with the gift of his life.

There is much to take account of in today's reading, and we will read more of Paul's letters to Timothy in the Sundays to come, but there is one thing to note. Just as prayer was at the heart of Jesus' life, so too is it of Paul. The primary instruction given to Timothy is to pray. Elsewhere Paul affirms that the first duty of the Church is to pray.

What is striking is the scope of Paul's prayer here in Paul's letter to Timothy. It is not limited to one's family, congregation, or even the Church itself but includes kings and all in authority, the very people persecuting Paul and the Christian community. Paul doesn't explain his motivation because it is understood that Christians are to pray for everyone. This instinct came naturally from Jewish tradition, which valued intercessory prayer deeply (Acts 12:5; James 5:14-15). But Jesus broadened it dramatically, commanding his disciples to pray even for their enemies (Matt 5:44). He himself modeled this from the cross, "Father, forgive them" (Luke 23:34). The early Church followed him. Stephen prayed for his executioners as he was stoned, a prayer that ironically embraced even Paul, who stood approvingly by (Acts 7:58-60). The Christian's prayer, Paul teaches, must extend as far as Jesus' charity.

Over time, this instruction became foundational for the Church's General Intercessions, the Prayers of the Faithful, which are prayed at every Mass. The Roman Missal prescribes that these prayers should embrace the needs of the Church, civil authorities, those in difficulty, and the salvation of the whole world. In this way, the Church has institutionalized Paul's exhortation, ensuring that every Eucharistic assembly fulfills its role of priestly intercession on behalf of all humanity.

Today's reading ends with Paul calling on all to pray by "lifting holy hands". The early Christian posture of prayer was different than today where we pray with folded hands or kneeling, emphasizing humility and receptivity. Paul describes prayer with hands extended upward. This was inherited from Jewish practice and symbolized openness to God. Frescoes in the Roman catacombs often depict Christians in this "orans" posture, reflecting continuity with Paul and the apostolic age.

Scam Alert

There have been several texts received by parishioners that claim to be from Fr. John, usually asking for money or to purchase something.

**PLEASE DISREGARD AND
DELETE THESE TEXTS.**

They are scams. Fr. John will never text and request parishioners to purchase anything for him.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK		
Monday, September 22, 2025		
5:30 PM	COMMUNION SERVICE	
Tuesday, September 23, 2025		
5:30 PM	+ Rachael Olivia Green	By: Belinda Green & Jared
	+ Rufina Gonzales	By: Eric Archuleta
	+ Marcella Archuleta	By: Eric Archuleta
Wednesday, September 24, 2025—Funeral		
10:00 AM	+ Helen Davila (17th Ann)	By: Her Family
	+ Jimmy Padilla	By: Kim Padilla & Desiree
	+ Lupe Lukesh (9th Ann)	By: TJ & Josie Chester
Thursday, September 25, 2025—Funeral		
10:00 AM	+ Rafaelita Castillo	By: Stella Castillo
	+ Emma Padilla	By: Family
	Return to the Faith of all Prodigal Sons & Daughters	By: Prayerful Parents
Friday, September 26, 2025		
9:00 AM	+ Gilbert R. Anaya (5th Ann)	By: Priscilla Anaya & Family
	+ Rafelita Castillo (23rd Ann)	By: Joey & Bernice Anaya
	+ Nap & Irene Castillo	By: Stella Castillo
Saturday, September 27, 2025		
5:00 PM	+ Eric Padilla	By: Christina Carnagey
	+ Abran J. Gonzales	By: His Family
	+ Andrew B. Sanchez	By: His Wife & Family
	+ Orville Moore	By: Valerie Moore
	+ Aaron McDaniel (2nd Ann)	By: Des & Brittany
	+ Roman & Jesusita Gonzales	By: Irene & Patrick Vallejos
Sunday, September 28, 2025		
8:00 AM	+ Carlos & Dolores Griego	By: Loretta & John Funk
	+ Leah Padilla	By: Kim & Nell
	+ Gene & Euna Torres	By: The Family
Sunday, September 28, 2025		
10:00 AM	For the Intentions of All Parishioners	
	+ Norbert Ortega	By: Pete & Norby Avellar
	+ Zarek Padilla	By: Kim & Nell
	+ Sandy Rae Padilla Chavez	By: Mom, Dad, & Sisters
Sunday, September 28, 2025 - St. Mary Magdalene, Magdalena		
12:00 Noon	+ Juanita Rivera	By: Rebecca Apachito & Family
	+ All Souls	By: Lucille Gutierrez
	+ Apollo Otero	By: Kim Padilla

READINGS FOR THE WEEK		
Monday	Monday of the Twenty-fifth Week in Ordinary Time	Green
	Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-6/Lk 8:16-18	
Tuesday	Memorial of Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest	White
	Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Ps 122:1-5/Lk 8:19-21	
Wednesday	Wednesday of the Twenty-fifth Week in Ordinary Time	Green
	Ezr 9:5-9/(Ps)Tb 13:2-4a, 4befghn, 7-8/Lk 9:1-6	
Thursday	Thursday of the Twenty-fifth Week in Ordinary Time	Green
	Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-6a,9b/Lk 9:7-9	
Friday	Friday of the Twenty-fifth Week in Ordinary Time	Green
	Hg 2:1-9/Ps 43:1-4/Lk 9:18-22	
Saturday	Mass of Anticipation for Sunday Obligation	Green
	Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
	Am 6:1a, 4-7/Psalm 146:7-10/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31	
Sunday	Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Green
	Am 6:1a, 4-7/Psalm 146:7-10/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31	

Donations:	September 13 & 14, 2025	2025-2026 Property Insurance Charges San Miguel 46,367.00 St. Mary Magdalene 8,437.00
San Miguel - Regular	4,844.31	
Seminarian Support	491.00	
All Souls	10.00	
All Saints	10.00	
World Mission Sunday	10.00	
St. Mary Magdalene - Regular	679.00	
Seminarian Support	91.00	
Total	\$6,135.31	

SANCTUARY LAMP OFFERINGS & INTENTIONS		
1 In Praise & Thanksgiving to Our Lord in Heaven	By: Belinda Green & Jared	
2 For the Souls of John A. Armijo Jr. & Walter Ulibarri & The Health of Mary Lou Chavez	By: Shella & Family	
3 For the Souls of Walter Ulibarri & John A. Armijo & The Health of Mary Lou Chavez	By: Sally & Demitra	
4 For the Soul of Annie Anaya	By: Aldolfo Baca & Family	
5 In Thanksgiving to Our Virgin de Guadalupe for answering my prayers	By: Maria Carrillo	
6 For the Soul of Henry Apolonio Jojola III (2nd Ann)	By: Sarah & Jayden	
7 For Peace in Jerusalem	By: Eric Archuleta	
8 In Thanksgiving to Our Heavenly Father for the Rain	By: Eric Archuleta	
9 For the Soul of Marcella Archuleta	By: Eric Archuleta	
10 For the Soul of Rufina Gonzales	By: Eric Archuleta	
11 For the Protection & Mercy of the Unborn	By: Eric Archuleta	
12 For the Release of Israel's Hostages	By: Eric Archuleta	
13 For the Soul of Joe O. Torres	By: Marilyn & Bobbi Torres	
14 To Sacred Heart of Jesus for Denise & Pat Contreras	By: Stella Castillo	
15 To Sacred Heart of Jesus for Amanda & James Gallegos	By: Stella Castillo	

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