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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 26, 2025

"Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted."

—Luke 18:14

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 November 6, 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.

Confirmation: This is a two-year program that begins in the 8th grade. Those teens who are registering for Confirmation classes must be Baptized and have received their 1st Holy Communion. Contact the Religious Education director at the Parish Office for additional information.

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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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 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

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Any amount donated to the Annual Catholic Appeal
that is over our goal comes back to San Miguel.
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Preparing for All Saints, All Souls, and the Month of the Faithful Departed. Part 1, Purgatory

The month of November is traditionally dedicated to praying for the dead. We begin by commemorating those already in heaven in the Solemnity of All Saints on November 1. The next day, we gather for the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day), with the rest of the month devoted to prayer for the dead. If you think about it, the saints in heaven no longer need our prayers, and the souls in Hell cannot benefit from them. So, when we pray for the dead, it is an act of hope and love. We know that nothing unclean may enter heaven (Revelation 21:27), and we trust that the God who is both just and merciful will complete in them the sanctification that began in this life. The Church calls this final purification Purgatory.

What is Purgatory? The Catechism teaches that "all who die in God's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified... undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven" (CCC 1030). This is neither a "second chance" nor a third destination besides Heaven and Hell. It is the final sanctification of the saved, the completion of the healing that grace began in them during earthly life. This is an important distinction because no one who dies in a state of unrepented mortal sin can enter Purgatory; such a soul has freely chosen separation from God. The sacrament of Reconciliation exists in this life to remove mortal sin and restore us to grace, preparing us ultimately for Heaven. But those who die in God's friendship, yet still carry the effects or attachments of sin, will undergo this merciful purification. The Catechism (CCC 1031–1032) summarizes this belief in the Church's constant prayer for the dead and in Scripture's witness to a post-mortem purification.

Scripture does not treat purgatory as a separate "place," but it does attest to both the reality of purification after death and the effectiveness of prayers for the dead. In 2 Maccabees 12:45–46, Judas Maccabeus offers sacrifice for fallen soldiers, reasoning that prayer for the dead is "holy and pious." Paul describes a testing "as through fire," by which the person "will be saved, but only as through fire" (1 Corinthians 3:11–15), a passage long read in the Church as pointing to purification after death. Catholic commentators carefully unfold these and related texts (e.g., Matthew 12:32; Hebrews 12:29; 1 Peter 1:6–7) to show how the biblical logic of holiness and divine fire coheres with the doctrine of purgatory. Why would souls undergoing purification need our prayers? Because salvation is communion. Sin wounds not only individuals but the Body of Christ. Conversely, the love of Christ flowing through His Body truly benefits all its members. The Church has always believed that our intercession, the offering of Masses, almsgiving, penances, and indulgenced works, when offered through Christ and united to His sacrifice can assist the dead who are being purified by God's merciful love. The Catechism explicitly affirms that our prayers and, above all, the Eucharistic sacrifice, can help those undergoing purification (CCC 1032). The *Compendium of the Catechism* summarizes this truth succinctly: the faithful departed "still have need of purification... [and] we can help them" by prayer, indulgences, and works of charity.

What kind of "fire" is this purification? The Church does not define material details, but she speaks of a sanctifying encounter with Christ's judgment that burns away what is not love. Pope Benedict XVI reflected that God's judgment is hope because it is at once justice and mercy: in meeting Christ, the soul experiences a purifying love that heals it to the core (cf. *Spe salvi* 47–48; see also his catechesis on St. Catherine of

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

Knights of Columbus: Second Wednesday of the Month @ 6:00 p.m. at the K of C Hall on Highway 60 West. Corporate Communion every 2nd Sunday of the Month @ 10:00 a.m. Mass.

Genoa's insight into purgatory as an "interior fire"). This helps us see purgatory not as a divine "penal system," but as the final, intensely personal application of Christ's Paschal love.

How do our November practices fit into this? The Church dedicates the entire month to prayer for the Holy Souls, beginning with the liturgical focus of All Souls Day. Many Catholics visit cemeteries, request Masses for loved ones, and perform works of mercy specifically for the dead. Catholic pastoral resources highlight these customs and explain how they embody the communion of saints, the living (Church Militant), the souls being purified (Church Suffering), and the blessed in heaven (Church Triumphant). In recent years, popular guides have also reminded the faithful of special opportunities in early November tied to indulgenced works on behalf of the departed.

So, purgatory safeguards two truths: nothing unholy can enter the presence of the Holy God, and yet God's mercy is so determined to make us saints that, if we die in his friendship still bearing the remnants of sin, his love will finish the work in us. Our prayers for the dead, especially the Holy Mass, are not sentimental; they are acts of communion through which Christ's grace reaches those who are being made perfectly ready for Heaven.

Next week's essay will conclude this November preparation by examining the Church's doctrine of indulgences; what they are, the biblical and theological basis for them, and why they are especially relevant to our November works of mercy for the faithful departed.

Mary's Mantle Consecration

You are invited to pray the Rosary for 46 days, based on the 46 stars on Our Lady of Guadalupe's mantle, beginning Oct. 27.

Consecration will take place on Dec. 12, her feast day, after Mass. You may pray at home or join us before Mass to pray.

If you would like, please sign up at the back of the church to "wear" her mantle for one rosary before a Mass, daily or weekend. This is miraculous! You may buy a book with daily meditations on the virtues for \$10 from Adrianna Carilli. (acarilli@sdcc.org or (575) 517-7951 or read them online for free at QueenOfPeaceMedia.com/marys-mantle



Consagración del Manto de María

Está invitado a rezar el Rosario durante 46 días, basado en las 46 estrellas en el manto de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, a partir del 27 de octubre.

La consagración tendrá lugar el 12 de diciembre, su día de fiesta, después de la misa. Puede orar en casa o unirse a nosotros antes de la Misa para orar.

Si lo desea, regístrese en la parte trasera de la iglesia para "usar" su manto para un rosario antes de una misa, todos los días o los fines de semana. ¡Esto es milagroso! Puede comprar un libro con meditaciones diarias sobre las virtudes por \$ 10 de Adrianna Carilli. (acarilli@sdcc.org, (575) 517-7951 o leerlo en línea gratis en QueenOfPeaceMedia.com/marys-mantle

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK		
Monday, October 27, 2025		
5:30 PM	COMMUNION SERVICE	
Tuesday, October 28, 2025		
5:30 PM	+ William "Bill" Pyland, Jr	By: Wife & Family
	+ Ricardo "Chick" Griego (4th Ann)	By: Dickie Torres
	+ Frances Ochoa	By: Kim Padilla & Desiree
Wednesday, October 29, 2025		
9:00 AM	+ Annie Silva (10th Ann)	By: Alonzo Family
	+ Pauline Crespín (4th Ann)	By: Joseph & Tina Garcia
	+ Thomas Frawley (11th Ann)	By: Dickie Torres
Thursday, October 30, 2025		
9:00 AM	+ Belinda Padilla	By: Cassandra & JR
	+ Marcella Archuleta	By: Eric Archuleta
	+ Rufina Gonzales	By: Eric Archuleta
Friday, October 31, 2025		
9:00 AM	+ Lucaria Vega	By: Kim & Desiree
	+ Mary Rose Baca	By: Ramzel Family
	+ Isaac Paul Montgomery	By: Grandpa & Gramma
Saturday, November 1, 2025		
5:00 PM	In Praise & Thanksgiving to Our Lord in Heaven	By: Belinda Green & Jared
	+ Christine Gutierrez (12th Ann)	By: Danny & Roseann Savedra
	+ Antonio Rosas	By: Lillie Orloff
	+ Stephen Grandjean	By: Valerie Moore
	+ Tomas Rosales	By: Valerie Moore
	+ Poor Souls In Purgatory	By: Lillian Armijo
Sunday, November 2, 2025		
8:00 AM	+ Deceased Legion of Mary Members	By: Legion of Mary - Our Lady of Perpetual Help
	+ Flora Chavez (21st Ann)	By: The Family
	+ Josefita Lucero	By: Stella Castillo
Sunday, November 2, 2025		
10:00 AM	For the Intentions of All Parishioners	
	+ For the Poor Souls in Purgatory	By: TJ & Josie Chester
	+ Atochita Chavez (4th Ann)	By: The Family
	+ Robert Compton	By: Antonio Arant
Sunday, November 2, 2025		
12:00 PM	+ Casey & Jean Brown	By: Kerr Family
	+ Marcella Archuleta	By: Eric Archuleta
	+ Rufina Gonzales	By: Eric Archuleta

READINGS FOR THE WEEK		
Monday	Monday of the Thirtieth Week in Ordinary Time	Green
	Rom 8:12-17/Ps 68:2,4, 6-7b, 20-21/Lk 13:10-17	
Tuesday	Feast of Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles	Red
	Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-5/Lk 6:12-16	
Wednesday	Wednesday of the Thirtieth Week in Ordinary	Green
	Rom 8:26-30/Ps 13:4-6/Lk 13:22-30	
Thursday	Thursday of the Thirtieth Week in Ordinary	Green
	Rom 8:31b-39/Ps 109:21-22, 26-27, 30-31/Lk 13:31	
Friday	Friday of the Thirtieth Week in Ordinary Time	Green
	Rom 9:1-5/Ps 147:12-15, 19-20/Lk 14:1-6	
Saturday	Mass of Anticipation for Sunday Obligation	Violet
	<i>The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)</i>	
	Wis 3:1-9/Ps 23:1-6/Rom 5:5-11/Jn 6:37-40	
Sunday	The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)	Violet
	Wis 3:1-9/Ps 23:1-6/Rom 5:5-11/Jn 6:37-40	

	October 18 & 19, 2025
Donations:	
San Miguel - Regular	3594.05
All Souls	30.00
All Saints	10.00
World Mission Sunday	577.00
Catholic Campaign	10.00
Thanksgiving	10.00
Missions	50.00
St. Mary Magdalene - Regular	651.91
World Mission Sunday	120.00
Total	\$5,052.96

**Thank
You**



SANCTUARY LAMP OFFERINGS & INTENTIONS		
1 In Praise & Thanksgiving to Our Lord in Heaven	By:	Belinda Green & Jared
2 For the Soul of Annie Anaya	By:	Aldolfo Baca & Family
3 For the Soul of Cecilia Montoya	By:	Rebecca Apachito & Family
4 For the Soul of Jazmin Ariana Candia Chavez & Jorge Alfonso Chavez Rivera	By:	Rosa Rivera
5 For the Soul of Mary Pargas	By:	Lillian & Jerry Armijo
6 For the Soul of Thelma Baca	By:	Lillian & Jerry Armijo
7 For Strength & Healing of Agnes Torres	By:	Hope & Emiliano Baldonado
8 For the Soul of Joe Torres	By:	Hope & Emiliano Baldonado
9 For the Health of Emiliano Baldonado	By:	His Wife
10 For Peace in Jerusalem	By:	Eric Archuleta
11 For the Soul of Marcella Archuleta	By:	Eric Archuleta
12 For the Soul of Rufina Gonzales	By:	Eric Archuleta
13 For the Soul of Mrs. Johnston	By:	Eric Archuleta
14 For Grace & Peace from God Our Father	By:	Eric Archuleta
15 For the Soul of Mrs. Mary Pargas	By:	Annabelle & Michelle

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