

## Fr. Ted's Corner

From a letter by Saint Leo the Great, pope  
(Ep. 31, 2-3: PL 54, 7910793)

### The Mystery of our reconciliation with God

To speak of our Lord, the son of the blessed Virgin Mary, as true and perfect man is of no value to us if we do not believe that he is descended from the line of ancestors set out in the Gospel.



Matthew's Gospel begins by setting out *the genealogy of Jesus Christ, son of David, son of Abraham*, and then traces his human descent by bringing his ancestral line down to his mother's husband, Joseph. On the other hand, Luke traces his parentage backward step by step to the actual father of mankind, to show that both the first and the last Adam share the same nature.

No doubt the Son of God in his omnipotence could have taught and sanctified men by appearing to them in a semblance of human form as he did to the patriarchs and prophets, when for instance he engaged in a wrestling contest or entered into conversation with them, or when he accepted their hospitality and even ate the food

they set before him. But these appearances were only types, signs that mysteriously foretold the coming of one who would take a true human nature from the stock of the patriarchs who had gone before him. No mere figure, then, fulfilled the mystery of our reconciliations with God, ordained from all eternity. The Holy Spirit had not yet come upon the Virgin nor had the power of the Most High overshadowed her, so that within her spotless womb Wisdom might build itself a house and the Word become flesh. The divine nature and the nature of a servant were to be united in one person so that the Creator of time might be born in time, and he through whom all things were made might be brought forth in their midst.

## Religious Education News

by Joan Dudley, Director of Religious Education

### Youth News Locally and Around the Archdiocese

Kudos and thanks to all the 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and the first year Confirmation students, teachers and other parishioners who helped decorate St. Patrick Church for Christmas. You did a marvelous job to bring the spirit of Christmas in our parish as we prepare for the coming of our Lord.

Dec 19<sup>th</sup> will be the last day of class for the year. Christmas vacation will run from December 19<sup>th</sup> – January 5<sup>th</sup>.

### Around the Archdiocese

There are several Confirmation retreats sponsored by the Archdiocese of Santa Fe. Most are in Albuquerque however a new one has been scheduled for Espanola which gives us two choices closer to home.

March 29 - 31, 2019 Santa Cruz

March 30, 2019 Sacred Heart Parish (9:30 am – 3:00 pm) Registration applications can be obtained from the DRE.

Merry Christmas

## EL VALLE CATOLÍCO SAN JOSÉ, SANTO NIÑO & ST. PATRICK PARISHES

December 22-23, 2018

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**Confessions:** Saturday, December 29, 2018 will be held at Santo Niño/Tierra Amarilla at 2:00 p.m and after Mass in Canjilon Sunday, December 30

San José, Los Ojos-1st Saturday ~ St. Patrick, Chama-2<sup>nd</sup> & 4th Saturday ~ Santo Niño, Tierra Amarilla-3<sup>rd</sup> & 5th Saturday

San Juan Nepomuceno, Canjilon-1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays after Mass ~

Santo Niño de Atocha, Cebolla-2nd and 4th Sundays after Mass

**Baptisms:** By prior arrangement with Fr. Ted Butler and attend Baptismal Preparation Class: Call Offices to Register.

**Marriages:** By prior arrangement with Fr. Ted Butler (6 months before wedding date)

**Funerals:** Please contact the Parish Offices before making final arrangements/dates. Masses will be at 11:00 am

**FORMED Website:** Register at FORMED.org Parishioners, enter code: 8HKJKQ

**El Valle Católico Prayer Group:** 2nd Friday of the month at Our Lady of Guadalupe Chapel of St. Patrick Church in Chama at 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

### Daily Readings

Sunday, December 23, 2018

Fourth Sunday of Advent

MI 5:1-4A

PS 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19

HEB 10:5-10

LK 1:39-45

Monday, December 24, 2018

Monday in Fourth Week of Advent

2 SM 7:1-5, 8B-12, 14A, 16

PS 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 AND 29

LK 1:67-79

Tuesday, December 25, 2018

The Nativity of the Lord – Christmas

IS 52:7-10

PS 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6.

HEB 1:1-6

JN 1:1-18

Wednesday, December 26, 2018

Feast of Saint Stephen, First Martyr

ACTS 6:8-10; 7:54-59

PS 31:3CD-4, 6 AND 8AB, 16BC AND 17

MT 10:17-22

Thursday, December 27, 2018

Feast of Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist

1 JN 1:1-4

PS 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12

JN 20:1A AND 2-8

Friday, December 28, 2018

Feast of the Holy Innocents, Martyrs

1 JN 1:5—2:2

PS 124:2-3, 4-5, 7CD-8

MT 2:13-18

Saturday, December 29, 2018

The Fifth Day in the Octave of Christmas

1 JN 2:3-11

PS 96:1-2A, 2B-3, 5B-6

LK 2:22-35

### Masses at San José

Sundays 10:00 a.m.

Fridays 9:00 a.m.

First Friday Devotion 8:00 a.m.

### Masses at St. Patrick

Saturday 6:00 p.m.

Sundays 8:00 a.m.

Mondays & Wednesdays 9:00 a.m.

First Saturday Devotion 8:00 a.m.

Spanish Mass: 4th Sunday of month 5:00 p.m.

Blessed Sacrament Adoration:

Monday starting 10:00 a.m. through

Wednesday 9:00 a.m.

### Masses at Santo Niño

Saturday 4:00 p.m.

Thursday 9:00 a.m.

Blessed Sacrament Adoration:

Wednesdays starting 12:00 noon

through Fridays 12:00 noon



### Masses at San Juan Nepomuceno/Canjilon

1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday, 12:30 Noon

Communion Service: 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday,

12:30 Noon

Blessed Sacrament Adoration:

Sunday 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. and

Monday 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Masses at Santo Niño de Atocha/Cebolla

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday, 12:30 Noon

### Organization Meetings / Activities

\***Al-Anon.** Gatherings are on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Chama Senior Citizen's Center.

\***AA Meetings** are on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Chama City Hall.

\***IT'S TIME TO BE FREE FROM ADDICTION** - La Clinica del Pueblo is proud to announce our new Substance Abuse Program, called KIN (KICK IT AND NAIL IT). We also have a Medication Assistance Treatment Program (MAT). Please call Jo Anne Martinez or Phyllis Richards at 575-588-9506 for an appointment.

\***Knights of Columbus** Santo Niño Council #4445 Monthly meeting will be held Tuesday, January 8, 2019 at Santo Niño Parish Hall in Tierra Amarilla. Officers meeting at 5:30 p.m. and General meeting at 6:00 p.m. (during Mountain Standard Time. During inclement weather, notification will be sent out.)

Washington Federal Bank in Chama and New Mexico Bank and Trust in Tierra Amarilla have "**Gifting**" Christmas Trees filled with names, ages and Christmas wishes of children in the valley. Please be generous!

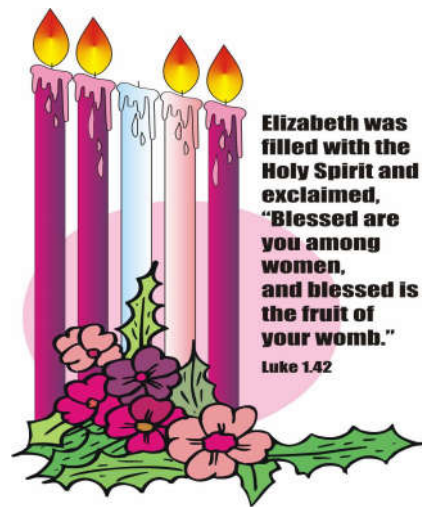
You are invited; Come to the Well! **I Thirst...A Retreat Day for Lay Ministers.** Retreat Master: Archbishop John C. Wester on Saturday, February 23, 2019, Cristo Rey Catholic Church, 1120 Canyon Rd, Santa Fe, NM 87501. Retreat will begin at 9:30am with registration and end with Mass at 4:30pm. Cost is \$10.00 and includes lunch. Visit <https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=1b5cec> to register today! For more information, contact Denise Frias at the Office of Pastoral Planning and Evangelization at 505-831-8165 or [dfrias@archdiosf.org](mailto:dfrias@archdiosf.org)

"To couples who cannot have children of their own, you are no less loved by God; your love for each other is complete and fruitful when it is open to others." Pope Saint John Paul II, February 13, 1982 Homily. © 1982 Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission. [www.goo.gl/ILDs4e](http://www.goo.gl/ILDs4e)



Mass Intentions for the Week

- Sat. Dec 22 **Santo Niño/TA 4:00 p.m.**  
 †Stella Montano (December 23 Anniversary), †Phil Montano and †Tito Garcia by Angie Garcia  
 †Brother Amedy (Ramon) Esquibel, †Rose Esquibel and †Tony Esquibel (1 month Anniversary)  
 by Cathy Esquibel's family  
 †Johnny Martinez (1 year Anniversary December 17) and †Higinia Martinez  
 by Johnny and Alicia and family
- Sat. Dec 22 **St. Patrick/Chama 6:00 p.m.**  
 To San Antonio for a miracle received by Irene Martinez  
 †Mary Ivancic by Vickie Lazzell  
 †Narciso "Jr.", †Porfiria, and Narcie Rendon by the family
- Sun. Dec 23 **St. Patrick/Chama 8:00 a.m.**  
 For all the people of the parishes  
 For the health of Felix "Cardo" Gallegos, Juanita Atencio and Milinor Manzanares  
 †Patricia Harris, †Charlene Keys and the health of Joan Dudley by Joan Dudley
- Sun. Dec 23 **San José/Los Ojos 10:00 a.m.**  
 For all the people of the parishes  
 †Bernie Rivera (4 year Anniversary) by Oralia Rivera  
 †Richard J. Boyle by Rosemary O'Neill
- Sun. Dec 23 **Santo Niño de Atocha/Cebolla 12:30 p.m.**  
 †Hipolito Leyba, Sr. (50 year Anniversary) by Theresa Beavers and family  
 †Davy and †Nancy Martinez by David and Adela Martinez  
 †Antonio and †Vicentita Valdez and †Edwinia Trujillo by Adriano and Valeria Valdez
- Sun. Dec 23 **San Juan Nepomuceno/Canjilon 12:30 p.m. Sunday Celebration in the Absence of A Priest**
- Mon. Dec 24 **St. Patrick/Chama 9:00 a.m.**  
 For the repose of the soul of †Johnny Vigil, †Teddy Garcia and †Dorothy Gallegos
- Mon. Dec 24 **San Juan Nepomuceno/Canjilon 5:00 p.m. \*\*\*Vigil Mass of The Nativity of The Lord (Christmas)\*\*\***  
 †Luis and †Maria Inez Montaño and †Johnny Leyba by Valeria Valdez  
 †Lorenzo Martinez, †Doreen Baca and †Priscilla Leyba by Rebecca Martinez  
 For the deceased members of the Rivera family by the Rivera family
- Mon. Dec 24 **San José/Los Ojos 8:00 p.m. \*\*\*Vigil Mass of The Nativity of The Lord (Christmas)\*\*\***  
 †Veva Abeyta-Rivera (Anniversary) by Howard and Cecilia Grimes  
 †Willie and †Josie Trujillo by the family  
 †Paul Schultz by Carol Schultz
- Tue. Dec 25 **St. Patrick/Chama 10:00 a.m. \*\*\*Mass of The Nativity of The Lord (Christmas)\*\*\***  
 †Rose Gallegos (43 year Anniversary) and †Claudine Martinez by Verna Martinez  
 †Eliseo "Cheo" Salazar and †Ruby Valdez by Jaime and Kathy Ortiz  
 †JD Chacon by Gloria Chacon
- Tue. Dec 25 **Santo Niño/TA 12:00 noon \*\*\*Mass of The Nativity of The Lord (Christmas)\*\*\***  
 †Johnny Martinez (1 year Anniversary December 17) and †Higinia Martinez  
 by Melvin and Anna Jaramillo  
 †Lester Salazar, †Victor Salazar Sr, and †Max Salazar by Aurora and Emmaly  
 †Tony Esquibel by Cathy Esquibel and family
- Wed. Dec 26 **St. Patrick/Chama 9:00 a.m.**  
 For the intentions of Msgr. Bennette Voorhies and Parishioners of Our Lady of Annunciation Parish
- Thur. Dec 27 **Santo Niño/TA 9:00 a.m.**  
 To Santo Niño for the spiritual, corporal and financial needs of the valley Parishioners
- Fri. Dec 28 **San José/Los Ojos 9:00 a.m.**  
 To San José for the spiritual, corporal and financial needs of the valley Parishioners
- Sat. Dec 29 **Santo Niño/TA 4:00 p.m.**  
 For the family members of Justiniano and Dolores Valdez by Justiniano and Dolores Valdez  
 †Higinia Martinez (21 year Anniversary) and †Johnny Martinez by Melvin and Anna Jaramillo  
 †Frank "Quico" Trujillo (3 year Anniversary December 13) by the family
- Sat. Dec 29 **St. Patrick/Chama 6:00 p.m.**  
 †Mela Quintana (27 year Anniversary) by Eddie and Margaret Quintana  
 †Vera Alcon and †Isabel Salazar by Jaime and Kathy Ortiz  
 †Dorothy Gallegos, †Toby and †Johnny Vigil by Felix and Tina Gallegos
- Sun. Dec 30 **St. Patrick/Chama 8:00 a.m.**  
 For all the people of the parishes  
 To San Martin de Porres for the health of Eppie Gallegos by a friend  
 To the Divine Mercy in thanksgiving for favors received by Ruby Atencio
- Sun. Dec 30 **San José/Los Ojos 10:00 a.m.**  
 For all the people of the parishes  
 †Walter and Catherine Grimes by Howard and Cecilia Grimes  
 †Gilbert Salazar Sr, †Johnny Leyba and †Yolanda Leyba by Gilbert, Mary Jo and Elizabeth
- Sun. Dec 30 **San Juan Nepomuceno/Canjilon 12:30 p.m.**  
 Atocha Vigil (Happy 90th Birthday) by the family  
 †Hipolito Leyba, Jr. (50th Birthday) by Theresa Beavers and family  
 Repose of the soul of †Johnny Leyba (Birthday November 18 and 2nd month Anniversary) by Lorrie Leyba



Collections/Attendance  
 December 15 and 16, 2018

	San José Parish	Santo Niño Parish	St. Patrick Parish	Mission:
Envelopes:	\$1,163.00	\$189.00	\$556.00	\$353.00
Loose:	\$91.00	\$82.00	\$143.00	\$103.00
Designated Donation:	\$190.00	\$180.00	\$10.00	\$0.00
Attendance:	Not Recorded	Not Recorded	110	Not Recorded
ACA 2018 Goal:	\$6,000.00	\$2,500.00	\$5,500.00	Canjilon Bldg Fund: \$0.00
Pledged:	\$5,850.00	\$2,395.00	\$5,840.00	Cebolla Bldg Fund: \$0.00
Total paid:	\$5,850.00	\$2,270.00	\$5,415.00	
Actual Shortfall:	\$150.00	\$230.00	\$85.00	
			Bldg. Loan Collect: \$541.00	

Valley Wide Assignments for the week...

SJSN Collection Counters Wednesday, December 26, 2018 at 9 am: Mable Ulibarri, Juanita Pino and Carol Schultz

SANTO NIÑO, December 29, 2018	ST. PATRICK, December 29, 2018
Lectors: Manuel Trujillo and Stan Tarasek	Richard Atencio and Kathy Ortiz
Gifts: Anna Atencio and Randy Ferrell	Volunteers
EMHC: Stan and Dianna Tarasek	Frank and Ruby Mestas
Ushers: Tony Abeyta and Victor Salazar, Jr.	Volunteers
Servers: Volunteers	Volunteers
Cleaners: Fernando and Elaine Chavez	Eileen, Jessica, Selena and Nathaniel

SAN JOSÉ, December 30, 2018	ST. PATRICK, December 30, 2018	San Juan Nepomuceno/Canjilon, December 30, 2018
Lectors: Medardo Sanchez and Marie March	Maxine Daggett and Steve Rendon	Paula Gurule and Ana Tafoya
Gifts: Cory and Myra Ulibarri	Volunteers	Volunteers
EMHC: Deacons, Fran Christiansen, Loyola Archuleta and Lala Gallegos	Felipe Atencio and Mary Rendon	Kenny and Maria Elena Baca
Ushers: Antonio Manzanares, Ramon Estrada, Steve Polaco and Joe Ray Atencio	Volunteers	Volunteers
Servers: Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers
Cleaners: Fran Christiansen, Lupe Valdez and volunteers		Mary Martinez and Andrea Cordova

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Valley Wide Church Announcements...

The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas) Mass schedule is: Vigil Masses Monday, December 24, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. at San Juan Nepomuceno/Canjilon and 8:00 p.m. at San José/Los Ojos; Tuesday, December 25, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Patrick/Chama; 12:00 noon at Santo Niño/TA.

NO Spanish Mass this month. Will resume on Sunday, January 27, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. at St. Patrick Church in Chama.

The Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God (Holy Day of Obligation) Mass schedule is: Vigil Mass Monday, December 31, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. at San Juan Nepomuceno/Canjilon and Monday, January 1, 2019 at 8:00 a.m. at St. Patrick/Chama; 12:00 p.m. at Santo Niño/TA; 6:00 p.m. at San José/Los Ojos.

San José and Santo Niño Parish Office will be closed December 24, 2018 through January 1, 2019. We wish you and your families a blessed Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year!

A Valley Wide Lay Ministry Potluck is scheduled for Friday, January 4, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at the San José Parish Hall in Los Ojos. Everyone in every ministry is encouraged to attend. The following assignments are: Los Ojos and Rutheron Ministries: Meats (Beef, Ham or Chicken); Tierra Amarilla Ministries: Desserts; Chama Ministries: Vegetables and/or Salads; Canjilon Ministries: Meats (Beef, Ham or Chicken); Cebolla and Ensenada Ministries: Drinks; Brazos, Plaza Blanca and La Puente Ministries: Breads. Contact Loyola Archuleta at 505-927-1279 for more information.

Please pray for the couple from our valley who is enrolled in the Marriage Preparation class, pray for those enrolled in RCIA and pray for our valley children preparing for First Holy Communion and Confirmation. May God bless them and the Holy Spirit guide their hearts on their journey. Also, please pray for our valley Knights of the Altar and their continued encouragement as they serve Our Lord at his Altar.

San José and Los Ojos Farolitos construction/assembly will take place Sunday, December 23, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. at the San José Parish Hall. Setting out of the farolitos will be on Monday, December 24, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. starting at the Parish Hall. Please contact Valentina Galvan or Maria Abeyta-Garcia if you have any questions about the farolitos. Help is greatly needed and appreciated to make these beautiful displays and traditions happen. Come help light the way for our Lord!

St. Patrick Parish Snow Removal Raffle: St. Patrick Parish is holding a raffle for the purpose of paying for snow removal costs at St. Patrick Church in Chama. Donations for raffle prizes are needed and are being accepted at this time. *The goal is to have the raffle tickets printed by January 9, 2019.* Raffle tickets will be distributed by the Finance Council members.

A Big Thank you in advance to all those who volunteer their time, talent, treasure and equipment throughout the year and most especially during the winter months to keep the valley church sidewalks and parking lots swept and plowed! May God bless you all! May God bless you!

Attention Lectors: If you ordered the 2019 Lector Workbook from Father Butler, the workbooks are available for pickup at the St. Patrick Parish Office in Chama.

2019 Offertory Box sets are in the back of the churches and in the St. Patrick Parish office. *Please do not begin using them until January 1st. On January 1st, discard any old envelopes that you may have as some re-numbering has taken place for 2019.* Please put your names on the front of the envelopes to ensure proper credit, no need to enter the amount given. Remember, Parishioner's boxed sets that are not picked up will be changed to inactive status. If a parishioner is not using their envelope, their registration can be changed to an inactive status due to inactivity after 6 months. Usage of your envelope, allows for the parish staff to produce End of the Year tax statements. Any parishioner 18 years or older is encouraged to register as an individual parishioner, not under their parents' names/registration. These updates assist not only the parish staff but the Archdiocese of Santa Fe staff as well i.e. the Annual Catholic Appeal office and the ParishSoft database office.

