

# St. John Vianney Mission Church

A Mission Church of St. Thomas Aquinas Parish  
1100 Hood Road, Rio Rancho, NM 87124



## Father's Message

Brothers and Sisters,

Greetings and Peace in Christ Jesus.

The Season of Advent is here, and the celebration of Christmas is just four weeks away. I realize that you may be a person who enjoys the "hoopla" of the season: shopping and parties and twinkle lights and Christmas trees and Santa Clause and so on. But I invite you to take time each day to prayerfully reflect on the real reason we celebrate the season of Advent and the season of Christmas--the birth of the One who has redeemed us, Jesus, the Christ. Without Him, we would exist in a perpetual state void of any hope of salvation. But Because He became man and died for us men, salvation is ours. Never forget the greatness of His love.

Oh...before I sign off: tell everyone you know about our latest addition--the 8 AM Mass.

Have a most blessed first week of Advent.

Fr. Scott

**November 27, 2005**  
**First Sunday of Advent**



### Next Sunday

First Reading  
Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

Second Reading  
2 Peter 3:8-14

**Gospel**  
Mark 1:1-8

### Parish Directory

Vicar.....Rev. Scott Mansfield  
Coordinator.....Carl E. Beyer  
Pastoral Chair .....Ed Uhrich  
Finance Building Chair.....James Sandoval  
Head Sacristan.....Gerry Hoover  
Head Usher.....Ed Uhrich  
Head Lector.....Peggy Riley  
Head EM .....Margaret Bjornstad  
Head CCD.....Edwinna Herrera  
Head Alter Server.....Ed Uhrich  
Parish Website.....www.sjvnm.org

### Holy Rosary

Sunday.....8:40AM  
Sunday.....10:40AM

### Holy Mass

Sunday.....8:00AM  
Sunday.....11:00AM

### November 27, 2005, 8:00AM

Usher.....Ed Uhrich  
Usher.....Karl Lucero  
EM of Holy Communion .....Julie Burnside  
Rosary Leader .....Catherine Uhrich  
Alter Server .....Calvin Uhrich  
Alter Server .....Tabitha Chavez  
First Reader .....Vicky Howell  
Second Reader.....Margaret Bjornstad

### November 27, 2005, 11:00AM

Usher.....Tom Anderson  
Usher.....Tug Ferguson  
EM of Holy Communion .....Harlan Harrington  
Rosary Leader .....Joanna Dunn  
Alter Server .....Jordan Harrington  
Alter Server .....Ben Bischel  
First Reader .....Jose Guillen  
Second Reader.....April McClellan

## High Mass / Low Mass

A High (or sung) Mass requires a priest, deacon and choir. Low Mass, much more common, is the same service said by one priest.

### *Understanding The Catholic Mass*

**Introductory Rites**  
**Liturgy of the Word**  
**Liturgy of the Eucharist**  
**Communion Rite**  
**Concluding Rite**

Before we start understanding the Mass lets start with pre-mass understanding. First remember silence is golden. Be sure and respect other parishioners by being silence so they can prepare themselves for mass. If possible kneel and participate in the pre-mass Rosary.

#### **Entering the Church**

Upon entering the church we usually dipped our fingers in the holy water to bless ourselves with the sign of the cross. Be sure if you pass in front of the tabernacle to genuflect, that is to bend the right knee until it reaches the ground. If unable to genuflect because of weakened knees be sure and bow to express our reverence to our Lord. This isn't once per day but every time you pass the tabernacle.

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A gift from God (by Margaret Bjornstad)

Try finding your birthday verse in the Bible. Transfer your birth date to numbers and find that verse in the Chapters of the Bible. You'll find something meaningful for yourself or someone special.

For example: My birthday is September 2, so I looked up in every chapter of the New Testament (The New American Bible, Saint Joseph Edition) Chapter 9, verse 2. The first one, in Matthew, is my favorite, which reads.... *And there people brought to him a paralytic lying on a stretcher. When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic. "Courage, child, your sins are forgiven.*

What a gift. Now I know that every verse in the Bible is for everyone, but from now on, this one will always have special meaning to me. I still need to check the books of the Old Testament but I am very happy with this one. Also, many of the books are very short so you may have to reverse the order and try 2 September, which would be Chapter 2, verse 9 for mine. Good Hunting!

If you choose, you also could make a bracelet or necklace, or write it out for a special person as a gift idea. The possibilities are endless.

## Christmas Masses at St. John Vianney

**December 24th - 7:00PM**  
**December 25th - 11:00AM**  
**No 8:00AM Mass Dec. 25th**

#### **December 4, 2005, 8:00AM**

Usher .....Tom Anderson  
Usher .....Tony Quinones  
EM of Holy Communion .....Margaret Bjornstad  
Rosary Leader..... Rochelle Quinones  
Alter Server ..... Steven Chavez  
Alter Server ..... Ian Burnside  
First Reader ..... Vicky Howell  
Second Reader .....Julie Burnside

#### **December 4, 2005, 11:00AM**

Usher ..... James Sandoval  
Usher ..... Carl Beyer  
EM of Holy Communion ..... John Lombardo  
Rosary Leader..... Dora Sandoval  
Alter Server ..... Angela Jenkins  
Alter Server ..... Jessica Van Loben Sels  
First Reader ..... April McClellan  
Second Reader ..... Jose Guillen

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