

Dear Padre,

In the Creed, we say we believe in the resurrection of the body. So, why is it all right to be cremated?

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* clearly states what many find confusing: “It is very commonly accepted that the life of the human person continues in a spiritual fashion after death. But how can we believe that this body, so clearly mortal, could rise to everlasting life?” (CCC 996). The *Catechism* goes on to address several questions: “What is rising? Who will rise? How? When?” (CCC 997–1001). In essence, “Christ ‘will change our lowly body to be like his glorious body,’ into a ‘spiritual body’” (CCC 999). The disposition or condition of the physical body at death will not affect the spiritual body that is raised. Cremation, decomposition, mutilation or dismemberment by violence, or the donation of one’s body to science—deemed “a noble and meritorious act...to be encouraged as an expression of generous solidarity” (CCC 2296)—does not prevent the resurrection of our glorified body. It is only when the act of cremation appears to be a public denial of faith in the resurrection or the sacredness of the body that the practice is forbidden. ●

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Do you have a question for the Padre?

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Monday

October 12
Weekday
Gal 4:22–24, 26–27,
31–5:1
Lk 11:29–32

Tuesday

October 13
Weekday
Gal 5:1–6
Lk 11:37–41

Wednesday

October 14
Weekday
Gal 5:18–25
Lk 11:42–46

Thursday

October 15
St. Teresa of Jesus,
Virgin and Doctor
of the Church
Eph 1:1–10
Lk 11:47–54

Friday

October 16
Weekday
Eph 1:11–14
Lk 12:1–7

Saturday

October 17
St. Ignatius of
Antioch, Bishop
and Martyr
Eph 1:15–23
Lk 12:8–12

Sunday

October 18
Twenty-ninth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
Is 45:1, 4–6
1 Thes 1:1–5b
Mt 22:15–21

Our Parish COMMUNITY

October 11, 2026
Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)
Isaiah 25:6–10a / Philippians 4:12–14, 19–20 / Matthew 22:1–14 or 22:1–10



Who Are You Wearing?

MIGUEL DULICK

The closer Jesus gets to his death, the more targeted are his parables, specifically to the “chief priests and elders.” He has no patience with their hypocrisy.

The wedding feast has a long history in the prophets and the psalms, always a glorious celebration of love and delight—God marrying the chosen people. But in today’s gospel, Jesus speaks of the feast as a massacre. When the guests refuse to attend his son’s wedding, and they even kill the messengers sent to invite them, the enraged king amasses his troops to destroy “those murderers” and burn their city to the ground. So, the chosen people are un-chosen. Then, the king tries again, this time sending the servants to “whomever [they] find.” And then comes a beautiful moment: the servants invite the “bad (literally, “evil”) and good

alike,” and they fill up the hall! This echoes Jesus’ own promise of the cross: “When I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself” (John 12:32).

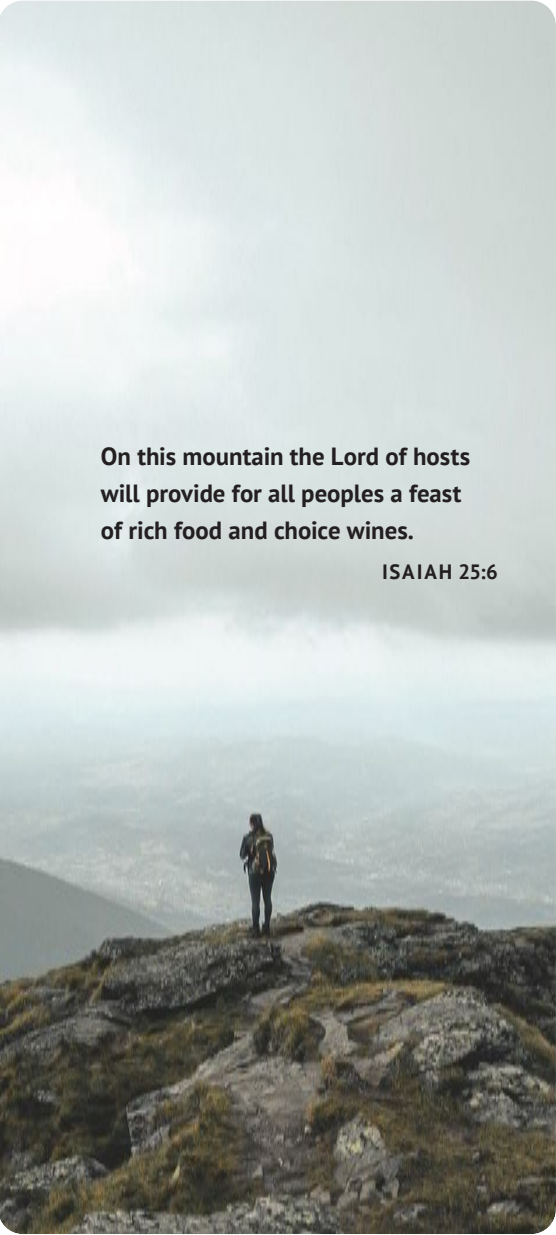


LEARN ABOUT
THE AUTHORS
OF OUR PARISH
COMMUNITY

There is one more twist to the story that keeps Jesus in his own uncompromising space. When the king spots a guest without a “wedding garment,” he binds him hand and foot and throws him out into the darkness. Pretty scary—but do stay with Jesus. Accept the invitation to the banquet. And let Jesus dress you in his own garment of grace.●

On this mountain the Lord of hosts
will provide for all peoples a feast
of rich food and choice wines.

ISAIAH 25:6



Reflect

Do I show up to the banquet (the Eucharist) prepared to listen, pray, and be fed?



A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

In the face of...the tragic situations of injustice, violence, and suffering that mark our time, it is essential that our faith be alert, attentive, and prophetic. It should likewise open our eyes to the darkness of the world and bring to others the light of the gospel through our commitment to peace, justice, and solidarity.

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Please visit our website & Facebook page for the most up-to-date information on Holy Mass times and other important announcements.

Pastoral Information:

Pastor: Rev. Mariusz Wirkowski
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Parish Council: Luke Trujillo - Chairman; Sarah Dockray - Secretary; Laura Aleman; Kim Lynch, Jed Sharpe, Rev. Mariusz Wirkowski

Holy Mass & Confession Schedule:

Saturday: 5:30 PM
Sunday: 9:00 AM
Tuesday - 7:00 PM; Wednesday – Friday: 8:00 AM
Holy Day of Obligation - Vigil - 5:30 PM and 8:00 AM

Confessions: 30min. prior to each Holy Mass (or by appointment)

Holy Mass at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, Nucla.

Sunday: 12:00 Noon.
Holy Days of Obligation - 6:00 PM

October 11th, 2026 - Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Holy Mass Intentions:

Saturday, October 10th
5:30 PM - Missa Pro Populo

Sunday, October 11th
9:00 AM - +Leticia Caldera Ceullar

Tuesday, October 13th
7:00 PM - Mike Napolitano

Wednesday, October 14th
8:00 AM - +Dr. Ali Yusuff

Thursday, October 15th
8:00 AM - +Max Rees

Friday, October 16th
8:00 AM - +Gabriel Hernandez Molina

Saturday, October 17th
5:30 PM - Missa Pro Populo

Sunday, October 18th
9:00 AM - Gary Aumiller

*If you would like to have a Holy Mass intention for your loved ones, living or deceased, please contact the Parish Office by calling: 970-728-3387 or place your request in the collection basket near the entrance of the church.
- Suggested donation for each mass is \$10.*

Healing Prayers - Rezos Por Tus Curaciones

Let us pray for those who have asked for our prayers...

Kevin Kiernan, Bob Kammer, Cody Couture, Dakota Couture, Eric Block, Judy Donnelly, Mike Napolitano, Mary E. Lynch, Liz Bradley, Care Bear, Carl Carson, Joshua Nault, Phil Couture, Jose Cuaron, Kim Lynch, Allison Myer, Marianne Edward, CarolAnn O'Dea, Juan Esparza, Martha Gagliano, Stanislaw Kowalczyk, Susan Martin Smith

Upcoming Events: *All Are Welcome!*

First Fridays of the month - **Devotion to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus** - Holy Mass and Adoration - 8:00 AM.

Tuesdays: 6:00 PM- Holy Adoration. 7:00 PM – Holy Mass

Second Tuesdays of month: 7:30 PM – Men's Group

Wednesdays: 7:30 AM
Women's Group Faith Fun Fellowship – Church

Thursdays: 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM
Holy Mass & Eucharistic Adoration- Church

First Sunday of the month - Holy Adoration 30 minutes before each Holy Mass.

Each Sunday during Summer- Coffee and donuts after 9:00 AM Holy Mass.

Last Saturday of the month - Bilingual Holy Mass

“So also we, being many, are one body in Christ, and each one is a part, the one of the other.”
Romans 12:5

Parish Announcements:

We would like to welcome all Visitors who are with us celebrating the Holy Mass this weekend.

Please check our ***Parish Website /Calendar*** for updated schedule of events.

Please join us for ***praying the Holy Rosary*** on Sundays before 9:00 AM Holy Mass. It starts at 8:30 AM.

Pilgrimage to Poland – June 8 – 22, 2027.

Free will donation to support our long-time Parishioner Kim Lynch.

In our Parish Hall we have ***fundraising baskets*** from our sister Parish in Nucla. Please check them out.

Last Week's Collection: \$ 1,420.00

Please visit: stpatrickstelluride.com/donate to offer your financial support.

“For where your treasure is, there also is your heart.”
Mathew 6:21

Pastor's Corner

Dear Parishioners and Visitors,
PLEASE SUPPORT OUR LONG-TIME PARISHIONER KIM LYNCH.

Since mid-July Kim has been fighting for her life and is now on the very long road to recovery.

The following is from her children:

Kim suddenly suffered three cardiac arrests, leading to partial heart failure and multiple life-threatening complications. She was intubated and required multiple life-saving interventions, including an Impella heart pump, ventilator, and ECMO (among many others) to keep her alive. After 27 days fighting for her life in the cardiac ICU, she was transferred to the ICU at a long-term acute care facility, where she spent 32 grueling days working to retrain her body's basic functions. She is now in an inpatient rehabilitation center, where she is working to regain the strength and independence she lost during this ordeal.

Her body has been through more than I can put into words. After spending so much time critically ill and dependent on life support, even simple things that most of us take for granted (breathing, swallowing, etc.) have become enormous challenges. While she has already overcome an unfathomable amount of trauma, the road to recovery is going to be long and difficult. After this prolonged hospitalization, critical care, and rehabilitation, our family is facing approximately \$91,000 in medical-related expenses.

How we arrived at this goal:

- \$30,000 toward medical and care-related costs, such as deductibles, coinsurance, prescriptions, equipment, and follow-up care.
- \$15,000 toward day-to-day family support, including lodging near the hospital, meals, travel, parking, household bills, and costs associated with our desire to support her through this difficult time.

- \$32,000 toward recovery and rehabilitation, including multiple types of therapy, home health, transportation, mobility equipment, and home stability and modifications
- A 15% contingency reserve for needs we cannot predict yet. ***PLEASE KEEP KIM AND FAMILY IN YOUR PRAYERS!*** Viva Cristo Rey!