

**SAINT FRANCIS OF PAOLA  
(1416 – 1507)  
Patron of boatmen, mariners and naval  
officers  
Feast Day - April 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Francis' parents suffered from infertility. Their prayers to Francis of Assisi were heard, and their little son was named after him. As a teenager on pilgrimage in Rome, Francis recoiled at the excesses of the Roman lifestyle. Returning home, he sought to live in a way that was utterly simple and humble. He wanted to be the "smallest of the faithful." In time, other men joined him, and they formed the Hermits of Saint Francis. Later Francis changed the name to the Friars Minims, from the Latin *minima*, meaning "least." Long before the ethical stance of veganism, Francis and his followers embraced a diet without meat, eggs or milk for the love of Christ. Francis wished them to live a perpetual Lent. In 1483 King Louis XI summoned Francis to his deathbed, but Francis resisted. When the pope commanded him, he obediently traveled to France. At the French court, he avoided all niceties, sleeping on a board and praying often. Francis died in France on Good Friday, 1507. Many miracles were wrought by Francis. According to one story, after he and his companions were denied passage over the Strait of Messina, he laid his cloak on the water and they sailed across the water on it. Pope Pius XII declared him the patron of Italian seafarers.



**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**  
Saturdays: 3:00 – 3:30 pm  
**Weekend Masses:**  
Saturday Evening: 4:00 pm  
Sunday: 9:00 am - Rosary recited before Mass  
**Communion Service: Monday & Wednesday, & Friday at 8:30am**  
**Weekday Masses: Tuesday, & Thursday at 9:00am**  
**Eucharistic Adoration: Thursdays after the 9:00 am morning Mass**  
**Anointing of the Sick: 1st Friday of the month after the 9:00am morning Mass.**

**Mass Intentions**  
Sat: + Father Bruce Hausfeld  
Sun:+ For the deceased of the Parish  
Mon: Communion Service  
Tues: For Tricia Malett her birthday by the Lozanos  
Wed: Communion Service  
Thurs:+For the Poor Souls in Purgatory  
Fri: + Juanita Cooley by her family  
Sat: + Deacon Don & Lavonne Dickman

**Nuestra Señora de La Luz  
Our Lady of the Light  
Catholic Church**  
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**(www.ourladyofthelight.org)**  
**Office: (575) 434 - 9460**  
**Pastor - Fr. Patrick Montgomery**  
**DRE: Alicia McAninch**  
**Liturgy & Environment:**  
Carleen Moquin  
**Ministry to the Home Bound:**  
Kathy Burnett  
**Food Bank: 434-9460**



**Easter Sunday  
March 31st, 2024**

**Altar Servers - C. Garcia (575) 446-2129**  
Mar. 30 - Jackson, Joshua, Jacob  
Mar. 31-Jacob, Joshua, Joseph  
Apr. 6 - Jackson  
Apr. 7 - Jacob, Joshua, Joseph

**Lectors - Carol Garcia (575) - 446-2129**  
Mar. 30 - T. & C. McGinn  
Mar. 31-D. Chelgren & D. Garmon  
Apr. 6 - M. Montgomery & C. Kline  
Apr. 7 - D. Chelgren & K. Burnett

**Eucharistic Ministers - Carol Garcia**  
Mar. 30 - N. Kline, M. Engelhardt, C. Duran  
Mar. 31- R. Garmon, V. Chelgren, K. Burnett  
Apr. 6 - N. Kline, T. Lozano, T. Mc Ginn  
Apr. 7 - R. Garmon, C. Garcia, R. McNeal

**April Church Cleaners: Lloyd & Carol Garcia.**  
If you can't make your assigned date, or you need to get into the church to clean, please contact Carol Garcia at (575- 446-2129).

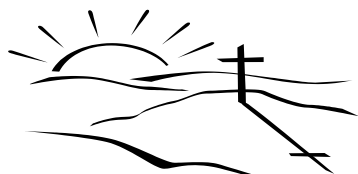


If parishioners would like to contact Fr. Patrick with suggestions or Concerns, you can contact him via email at: [pmontgomery@rcdcl.org](mailto:pmontgomery@rcdcl.org)

“ Let no one doubt concerning the goodness of God; even if a person's sins were as dark as night, God's mercy is stronger.”  
— St. Faustina

**Our Parish Mission** — 'Nuestra Senora de La Luz' (Our Lady of the Light) is a community that comes together to model Jesus to all peoples by addressing physical concerns and spiritual matters, and to do as Jesus did, giving everything to bring people into a closer relationship with God, in celebration.

**\*\*Parish Office Hours**  
**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 10:00am - 4:00pm**  
**Closed on Wednesdays & Fridays & Major Holidays.**  
**Parish Office phone: (575) 434-9460**  
**(www.ourladyofthelight.org)**  
**Email: olofthelt@hotmail.com**



**Have a Blessed & Happy Easter.**

**Welcoming Jesus into Our Lives**  
**Easter Sunday**

O God, your love is stronger than evil and death itself and can transform our lives. Your love can do this because it is victory over sin, evil and death, over everything that crushes life and makes it seem less human. Help us to let the risen Jesus enter our lives and welcome him as a friend, with trust, knowing he is life! May he be with us and give us the peace we are looking for and the strength to live as he would have us do. Amen

- From "Praying through Lent with Pope Francis"



On Sunday April 7<sup>th</sup> at 3pm at Our Lady of the Light Church, we will have a Holy Hour in honor of Divine Mercy Sunday. Come spend time with Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle chanting the Chaplet of Mercy, reciting the Holy Rosary and various other Mercy prayers. Please join us.

**Last Week's Collection - \$2, 861.00**  
**Enchilada Dinner Fundraiser - \$6,599.00**  
**\*Thank you for your continued support and donations. God bless you all.**

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<http://www.ourladyofthelight.org>

**Prayer List**

David Kellar  
 Martha Kellar  
 Bob Kellar  
 Tilly & Gilbert Telles  
 Bill Gayso  
 Erlinda Garcia  
 Sandra Carrillo  
 Amber Cuellar-Town  
 Martha Walters  
 Gabriel Silva  
 Becky Chavez  
 Rob Williams  
 Robert & Karen Lee  
 Pat Antram  
 Eric Wolffe  
 Joe Garcia  
 Cheryl Kline  
 Ken Black  
 Pete Silva  
 Maria VanWinkle  
 Jason Kline  
 Steve Holmes  
 MaryLou Gomez  
 Linda Smith  
 Lina Guzman  
 Mary Placencio  
 Olivia Calderon  
 Glenn Campbell  
 Sandra Austin  
 Ethel Abner  
 Ken Schaan  
 Tony Romero

**Please pray for those serving in our military**

Major Paul Weaver (USAF)  
 Jeremiah Williams (USAF)  
 Eric Gayso (Army)  
 Blaine Gayso (USAF)  
 TSgt. Eliza Granados Austin (USAF)  
 TSgt. Robert Seaburgh (USAF)  
 Markie Campbell  
 Raul Martinez Jr. (USAF)  
 Ralaya Martinez (USAF)  
 Capt. Amanda Armijo  
 Katherine Agnew (Army)  
 John Gill - (USAF)  
 Clinton Caleb Muncy (Marines)  
 Victor Baray (Marines)  
 Sgt. Major Veronica C.de Baca  
 Tec. Sgt. Matt Leal (USAF)  
 Christopher Garcia (USAF)  
 Vincent L. Amasula (Army)  
 Jacob Phillips (Army)  
 Scott Phillips (Army)  
 Kyle Steeby (US Coast Guard)



**Our Lady of the Light Food Pantry**

On Tuesday, March 26th, the food pantry served 122 families with 339 individuals in those families. The Food pantry is open on the 1st Saturday of the month from 10am until noon and on Tuesdays (except for the 1st Tuesday of the month) from 10am until 2:00pm. If you have questions about the food pantry, please contact Rick at 575-491-4672. We want to sincerely thank the pantry volunteers and all who have contributed food and given monetary donations. God bless you all.

**Bereavement Group Meeting**

Have you lost a loved one, and didn't understand the mixed feelings you had later on? Maybe you had a miscarriage, lost a job, or experienced a bad relationship breakup? Join our group lead by a teacher, a certified Catholic Counselor, and a psychologist to help you deal with a loss. First meeting will be at ICC Religious Center on New York Avenue, April 11 at 6:00 pm.

We would like to thank everyone who helped with the Easter Celebrations: Fr. Patrick and Fr. Tom Smith, The ministries and volunteers and those who helped decorate the Church for Easter. God bless you all.



**Holy Cross Retreat Center News**  
**(Retreat for those seeking inner peace)**

April 12- 14 - "The Road to Joy: Pathways to Transformation" led by Fr. Henry Beck, OFM. To register & for more information call, 575-524-3688. Holy Cross Retreat Center is located at 600 Holy Cross Rd. Mesilla Park, New Mexico.

**Confession Times**  
 Confessions are heard at St. Francis de Paula in Tularosa on Thursday afternoons from 4:00 - 6:00 pm. And at Our Lady of the Light on Saturday Afternoons at 3:00pm.  
 - Fr. Patrick

**SAFE-ENVIRONMENT**

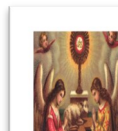
**COMPLIANCE:** All new and existing volunteers must be Safe Environment compliant. A background check must be conducted and participation in the online, Protecting God's Children workshop, is required. To accomplish this, you may log in to: [www.virtusonline.org](http://www.virtusonline.org). For questions contact your Virtus Local Administrator at your parish (Dave Chelgren, or Mary Garcia at the diocese, [mgarcia@rcrdlc.org](mailto:mgarcia@rcrdlc.org))

**Passing of Fr. Bruce Hausfeld, OFM**  
**Long time pastor of OLOL Church, Fr. Bruce Hausfeld, passed away last week. Please keep Fr. Bruce & his family in your prayers. May God bless them and bring them comfort.**



**Suggested Books to Read**  
**by Fr. Patrick**

"Way to Happiness" by Fulton Sheen  
 "Imitation of Christ" by Thomas Kempis  
 "Interior Castle" by St. Teresa Avila  
 "The Complete C. S. Lewis Signature Classics" ([newadvent.org](http://newadvent.org))



**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Thursday after the 9:00am Mass. The Lord awaits you.**