

First St. Joseph Catholic Church 1935 to 2015

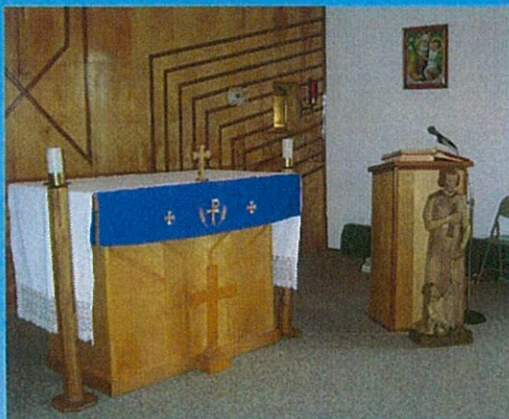


St. Joseph Catholic Church

For 80 years, the first St. Joseph Catholic Church served as the center of the Catholic Community in Monticello. Jose Prudenizio Gonzales and other residents from the area raised the funds to complete this first permanent Catholic Church building in Southeastern Utah. The church was dedicated by Bishop James E. Kearney on October 9, 1935, three years before St. Joseph was declared a parish in 1938 and a resident priest, Father John A. Sanders, was appointed pastor. Since that time many priests, permanent deacons, religious sisters and dedicated laity have worked to keep the Catholic faith alive in this part of Utah. After 80 years, this first church building became too small to meet the needs of the Catholic Community, and a generous Catholic family--Allen and Kathy Lund--donated money for the building of a new church adjacent to the first church. The new St. Joseph Church will be dedicated by Bishop John Wester on September 13, 2015--80 years after the first dedication.



Interior of Church



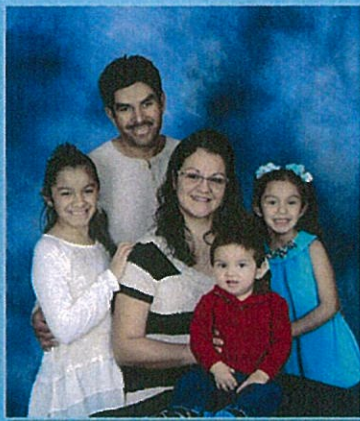
Sanctuary



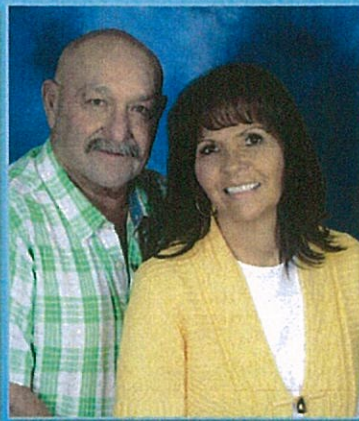
Congregational
Worship Space



ALBA, Israel & Mercedes



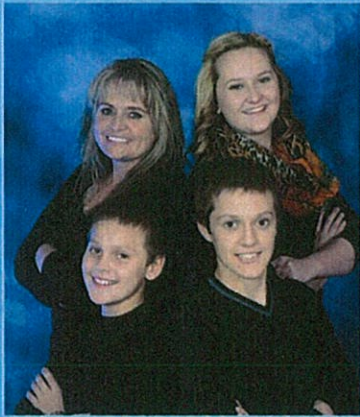
**ALVARADO, Monica & Damasio
Kahryme, Xymenah, Marcos**



BAYLES, Lillian & Randee



**BURT, David & Jeri
Tater**



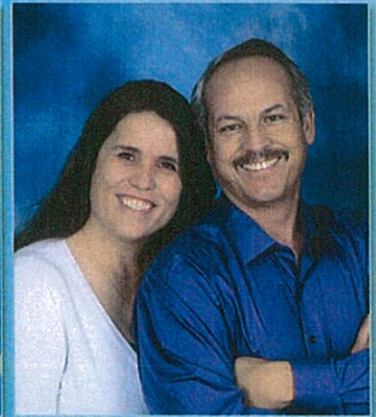
**CECIL, Stephanie
Beth, Justin, Zach**



CHACON, Telesfora



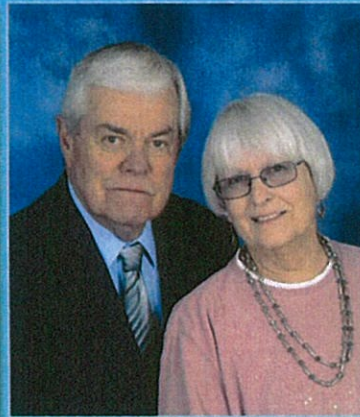
CORRAO, Tom & Tina



GALLEGOS, David & Tammy



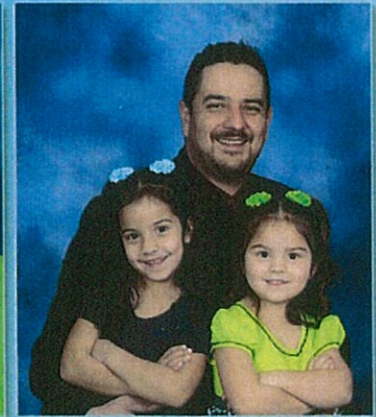
HARLAN, Inez



KROUSKOP, David & Judith



LOPEZ, Alfredo & Elisa



**LOPEZ, Troy
Mya Faith, Adrionna Curtlyn**



**MONTELLA, Todd & Jeri
Cole, Kaitlyn, Connor**



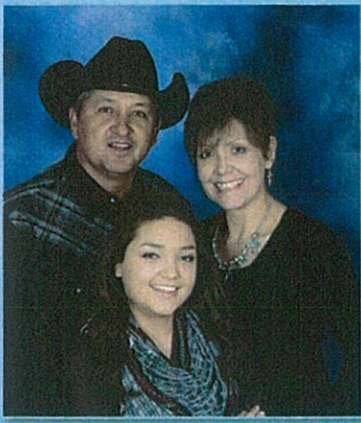
**NIELSON, Cora
Zoe**



**PADILLA, Lucy & Marcos
Faith Rodriguez, Dominic, Noah**



**PROCTER, Jesse & Cassidy
Ayva**



REGALADO, Bernadette & Lucio
Lucia



SALLEE, Kerry & Gloria
Tyler, Xander, Kyleigh



TORRES, Vicenta



TRUJILLO, Loya
Chico



WHEATON, Fr. Bill
Kodi