

Santa Catalina Roman Catholic Church

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Parish Office

Monday-Friday 9 AM-2:30 PM lobby@santacatlinaparish.org 520-825-9611

MASS SCHEDULE

DAILY

Monday-Friday at 8 AM

WEEKEND

Saturday Vigil, 4 PM Sunday, 7 AM Live Stream, 9 AM, 5 PM Bi-lingual, 11 AM

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday 8:45-10 AM Saturday 3-3:45 PM or by appointment

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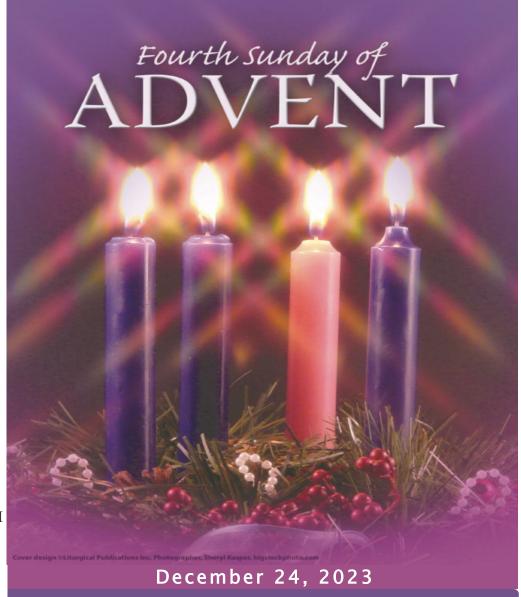
First Friday of the month at 8 AM Mass or by appointment

ADORATION

In Church Wed 8:30-11 AM In chapel, Mon-Thu 8:30 AM-2:30 PM

ROSARY IN THE CHURCH

Monday-Friday 7:30 AM



PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

As members of God's Faith Community at Santa Catalina Catholic Parish, we commit our lives to being the voice, hands, and spirit of Christ, as our way of continuing God's call to love and peace.

MISION DE DECLARACION DEL PLAN

Como miembros de Dios en la comunidad de fe de la Parroquia Católica de Santa Catalina, Comprometemos nuestras vidas para ser la voz, manos, y el Espíritu de Cristo, como una manera de continuar con el llamado de Dios, por el amor y la paz.



www.santacatalinaparish.org





PARISH STAFF

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If you wish to add or remove a name from the prayer list, please call the Parish Office at 825-9611. **Please note**: It may be two weeks before you see new names added. In order to ensure an updated prayer list, names will be listed for two months and then removed.

Mario Calbone
Mimi Cuono
David W. Maloney
Pat Miller
Dawn Sciabica
Jeremy Kowalczyk
Walter Henrich



Phyllis Henrich Gerry Hooper Diane Clark
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PARISH NEWS



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DONOR BENEFITS

•Convenient anytime, anywhere access through the internet. •Secure and Confidential. Adheres to banking security standards. •Flexible. Start, stop and change your contributions at any time.

CHURCH BENEFITS

•Stabilize Contributions. Regularly scheduled gifts occur automatically.
Allows church to effectively manage monthly expenses.
•Efficient. Participation saves time and expense in bookkeeping.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

On this fourth Sunday of Advent, we shift our attention away from John the Baptist to Mary, the mother of Jesus. John and Mary are important figures in the story of Salvation because they played active roles in preparing the way for Jesus. It should be no surprise that Mary is at the center of today's gospel, just as John the Baptist was in focus last Sunday. We are told that a young woman was much perplexed by the angel Gabriel's mysterious message and gave the total gift of herself to God in the freedom of her heart. Mary said, "May it be done to me according to your word."

The story of the Annunciation was the moment when God first revealed how God chose to become one of us. God needs Mary to carry out the great plan for the world and send his Son among us. Mary was asked to co-operate with God and be the mother of Jesus. When she said 'Yes' to the angel, salvation dawned for humanity. She brought that salvation to birth at Bethlehem on the first Christmas Day. Mary did not say 'Yes' to God on only one occasion. She had to confirm that 'Yes' many times during her life. She had no idea that her 'yes' to God would force her to become a refugee in Egypt, and some thirty years later, she was to see her son die the death of a common criminal.

On this fourth Sunday of Advent, our thoughts turn to Mary who is the model Christian because of her faith and cooperation with God. Mary accepted God's word within her, and she brought forth Christ to the world. Mary shows us an aspect of our Christian life which is evident in Luke's gospel that is relationship with Jesus is based on accepting the Word of God. To be a Christian is to be a person who keeps their ears open to God so that they can answer that call. We can ask Mary to help us have her attitude of listening and responding to God's call so that we can be as ready and as willing to bring Christ into our world.

Mary brought Christ to birth in the stable, and she wants to bring Christ to birth in our hearts. She built her life into a fit place for God, and we need to do the same.

– Fr. Huy Vu

NOTICIAS DE LA PARROQUIA

"CULTIVANDO MI FE"

"Las cosas humanas necesitan ser conocidas para ser amadas; las divinas necesitan ser amadas para ser conocidas" **Padre Pío**

Te esperamos para que nos acompañes a meditar, contemplar, orar y cultivar nuestra Fe

mediante el estudio de la Palabra de Dios.

Donde: Salón Mesquite.

Cuando: Todos los Miércoles de 9-10:30 AM

Todos son bienvenidos!! Es un grupo en español!!

Si tienes preguntas llama o manda un texto a: Laura (520) 954-7819

CAMPAÑA PARA LA CASA PARROQUIAL DE SANTA CATALINA

¿Cómo puede aprender sobre esta propuesta de la Casa Parroquial y ser parte de este importante proyecto?

Tome una copia del paquete de información de la Casa Parroquial de Santa Catalina que se encuentra en la mesa del Nártex.

Meta de recaudación de fondos de la campaña: \$500,000

Promesas hasta la fecha (a finales de noviembre): 355.000 dólares

Centro de bienvenida

Pase y eche un vistazo al estante de folletos del Centro de Bienvenida de la parroquia en el nártex. Tenemos información sobre todos los aspectos de nuestra vida parroquial: registro, matrimonio, funerales, RICA, Educación Religiosa, Caballeros de Colón, nuestros muchos comités de Conciencia Social y nuestros grupos de apoyo. También tenemos una variedad de folletos devocionales sobre una variedad de temas. La mayoría de los folletos también están disponibles en español.

MINISTERIOS EN ESPAÑOL

Sociedad de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

1er Viernes de cada mes, de 9-10:30, Marian RM. Todos son bienvenidos, compartimos nuestra devoción a la Virgen de Guadalupe, rezamos el Santo Rosario y hacemos nuevos amigos.

Cultivando mi fe

Grupo de estudio bíblico mediante Lectio Divina. Estudiamos, meditamos, reflexionamos e intentamos practicar las enseñanzas del Evangelio. Todos los miércoles 9 -10:30 AM.

Coro Bilingüe

Ven y canta con nostros en la Misa de 11 AM cada Domingo. Los ensayos son los Martes a las 5:30 PM en la Iglesia.



¡Gratitud a todos nuestros corredentoristas! Gracias por su generosidad hacia los Corredentoristas y su hospitalidad hacia nuestros visitantes. Si no tuvo la oportunidad de llenar una tarjeta de compromiso o donar, traiga su sobre a la oficina parroquial o colóquelo en la canasta de colecta. También puede donar en línea visitando www.coredemptorists.org o escaneando el código QR a continuación. Su contribución y apoyo son muy apreciados.

Por favor, continúen apoyándonos en oración por nuestros seminaristas redentoristas.

Para apoyar a nuestros seminaristas redentoristas, visite www.CoRedemptorists.org



Gracias!

NOTICIAS DE LA PARROQUIA



¿DE QUÉ MANERA ONLINE GIVING NOS BENEFICIA A MÍ Y A MI PARROQUIA?

BENEFICIOS PARA LOS MIEMBROS DE LA PARROQUIA

- *Práctico*. Acceso a cualquier hora y de cualquier lugar por medio del internet.
- Seguro y confidencial. Se apega a los estándares de seguridad de los bancos.
 - *Flexible*. Inicie, detenga o cambie sus donativos en cualquier momento.

BENEFICIOS PARA LA PARROQUIA

- **Estabilizar donativos**. Los donativos programados de manera regular ocurren automáticamente. Permite que la iglesia pueda manejar efectivamente sus gastos mensuales.
 - Eficiente. Participar ahorra tiempo y gastos de contabilidad.

CUARTO DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO

En este cuarto domingo de Adviento, desviamos nuestra atención de Juan el Bautista a María, la madre de Jesús. Juan y María son figuras importantes en la historia de la Salvación porque desempeñaron papeles activos en la preparación del camino para Jesús. No debería sorprender que María esté en el centro del evangelio de hoy, tal como lo estuvo Juan el Bautista el domingo pasado. Se nos cuenta que una joven quedó muy perpleja ante el misterioso mensaje del ángel Gabriel y se entregó totalmente a Dios en la libertad de su corazón. María dijo: "Hágase en mí según tu palabra".

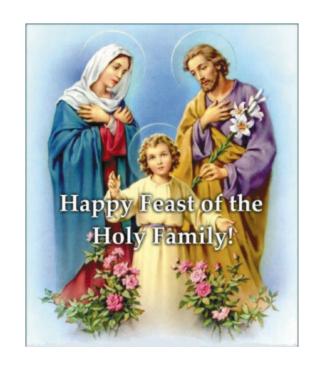
La historia de la Anunciación fue el momento en que Dios reveló por primera vez cómo eligió convertirse en uno de nosotros. Dios necesita de María para llevar a cabo el gran plan para el mundo y enviar a su Hijo entre nosotros. A María se le pidió que cooperara con Dios y fuera la madre de Jesús. Cuando ella dijo "Sí" al ángel, amaneció la salvación para la humanidad. Ella hizo nacer esa salvación en Belén el primer día de Navidad. María no dijo "Sí" a Dios sólo en una ocasión. Tuvo que confirmar ese "Sí" muchas veces durante su vida. No tenía idea de que su "sí" a Dios la obligaría a convertirse en refugiada en Egipto, y unos treinta años después, vería morir a su hijo a manos de un delincuente común.

En este cuarto domingo de Adviento, nuestros pensamientos se dirigen a María, quien es la cristiana modelo por su fe y cooperación con Dios. María aceptó la palabra de Dios en ella y trajo a Cristo al mundo. María nos muestra un aspecto de nuestra vida cristiana que es evidente en el evangelio de Lucas: la relación con Jesús se basa en la aceptación de la Palabra de Dios. Ser cristiano es ser una persona que mantiene los oídos abiertos a Dios para poder responder a ese llamado. Podemos pedirle a María que nos ayude a tener su actitud de escuchar y responder al llamado de Dios para que podamos estar lo más preparados y dispuestos a traer a Cristo a nuestro mundo.

María hizo nacer a Cristo en el establo, y quiere hacer nacer a Cristo en nuestros corazones. Ella construyó su vida para convertirla en un lugar adecuado para Dios y nosotros debemos hacer lo mismo.

- P. Huy Vu





Schedule of Events for December 25-31

 Φ = *Mass Intentions*

Monday, December 25

8 AM Christmas Day Mass — Fr. Huy Vu, Church 8 AM Mass — Fr. Steve Rehrauer, Church 11 AM Christmas Day Bilingual Mass -

Fr. Steve Rehrauer, Church

5-6:15 PM — Choir Rehearsal, Church

Tuesday, December 26

8 AM Mass - Fr. Huy Vu, Church

🕈 Alan Lester (d) by Virginia Niznik

1:30-3:30 PM — Arts & Crafts for All, Cholla Room

5:30-6:45 PM — Bilingual Choir Rehearsal, Church

6-8 PM — Men's Fellowship Group, Marian Room

6-8 PM — Women's Prayer Group, Saguaro Room

Wednesday, December 27

8 AM Mass - Fr. Charlie Wehrley, Church

- **†** *John Giovenco (d) by Ann Giovenco*
- 🕈 Josephine & Rudy Quintas (d) by Gloria Ormsby
- ₱ Robert Roosma (d) by Carol Roosma

After Mass-11 AM — Eucharistic Adoration,

Church

8:45-10 AM — Reconciliation, Church

9-10 AM — Finance Council Meeting,

Conference Room

1-2:15 PM — Understanding the Sunday Scripture, Catalina Room

6:30-8:30 PM — R.C.I.A Sessions,

Mesquite, Ocotillo Room

Thursday, December 28

- ♥ Donald H Dauer (d) by Ann Dauer
- ♣ Amparo Longoria (d) by Donald & Jeanne Reynolds

₱ McKinney family (living) by Carol Roosma

4-5 PM — Al-Anon Meeting, Marian Room

7-8:30 PM — AA Meeting, Marian Room

Friday, December 29

8 AM Mass – Fr. Huy Vu, Church

- 🕈 Frank Kervran (d) by Robert and Patricia Perry
- ₱ Loreto Sanchez (d) by Pierre & Mary Gadd

Saturday, December 30

3-3:45 PM — Reconciliation, Church

4 PM Vigil Mass - Fr. Charlie Wehrley, Church

₱ Maria & Ralph Gates (D) by Ruth Kelly

Sunday, December 31

7 AM Holy Family Mass — Fr. Huy Vu, Church

₱ John & Mary Jo Desautels (living) by Andrew Desautels

9 AM Holy Family Mass — Fr. Huy Vu, Church

♣ Hector Gonzalez (d) by Lourdes Gonzalez

11 AM Holy Family Bilingual Mass - Fr.

Steve Rehrauer, Church

† For the Intentions of the Parish

3:30-6:30 PM — R.C.I.A Sessions, Mesquite Room

BE ACTIVE IN YOUR PARISH

SAVE THE DATE

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

FRIDAY, JANUARY 5

AFTER THE DAILY MASS, CHURCH

Join Fr. Huy for the sacrament of Anointing after Mass.

PARISH FOOD DRIVE

SATURDAY – SUNDAY, JANUARY 6 AND 7

Please bring non-perishable foods to help those in need.



Let us remember those from our parish family who have died recently and returned to the Lord. We give thanks for their lives and offer comfort to their

Carmen MacKenzie, November 28 Alvin Kastelic, December 11

Reza por los difuntos Recordemos a todos aquellos de nuestra familia parroquial quienes recientemente han muerto y han regresado al Señor. Damos gracias por sus vidas y ofrecemos consuelo a sus familias.

Daily Mass Readings | December 25-31

MONDAY: Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6/Heb 1:1-6/

In 1:1-18

TUESDAY: Jgs Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 & 8ab, 16bc

& 17/Mt 10:17-22

 WEDNESDAY:
 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12/Jn 20:1a, 2-8

 THURSDAY:
 1 Jn 1:5 - 2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8/Mt 2:13-18

 FRIDAY:
 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6/Lk 2:22-35

 SATURDAY:
 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Lk 2:36-40

 SUNDAY:
 Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Col 3:12-21/

Lk 2:22-40

PARISH MINISTRIES AND GROUPS

Understanding Sunday Scripture WEDNESDAYS, 1-2:15 PM, CATALINA RM Come to discuss the upcoming Sunday Mass

readings.

Knights of Columbus #12345 1ST MONDAYS, 7PM, PARISH HALL

This is the Knights monthly general council meeting. All men interested are invited to attend.

Dignity of Human Life Ministry 2ND TUESDAY, 2-3:30 PM, MARIAN RM

DHL's focus is prayer, education, and action against abortion. Meeting open to all.

Arts & Crafts for All

2ND AND 4TH TUESDAYS, 1:30-3:30 PM, CHOLLA RM

Come learn new art skills. No talent required!

Quilter's Sew Day

3RD MONDAY, 9 AM-3 PM, SAGUARO RM

Quilters gather to quilt for charity. Fabric and sewing machines available.

Men's & Women's Prayer Group

TUESDAYS, 6-8 PM, MARIAN/SAGUARO RM

A place where we share our journey with Christ. Come join us.

Dress a Girl Around the World

2ND WEDNESDAY, 10-11 AM, CHOLLA RM *This group sews dresses for girls worldwide.*

Outreach Ministry

3RD MONDAY, 1-2PM, CHOLLA ROOM

This ministry supports the parish and parish community by reaching out to those who need assistance in various ways.

Social Awareness & Justice Ministry 1ST THURSDAY, 1-3 PM, SAGUARO RM

We put Catholic Social Teachings into action by serving those in need.

Society of Our Lady of Guadalupe 1st Friday, 9-10AM, Marian RM

Everyone is welcome.

Prayer Shawl Group

1ST MONDAY, 1-2 PM, CATALINA ROOM

Bring your needles or hooks, yarn is provided.

Sassy Solos

1ST THURSDAY, 11 AM-12 PM, MESQUITE RM

All single women, any age, are invited to attend this planning meeting.

Communion Ministry with the Sick and Homebound

3RD TUESDAY, 9-10 AM, MESQUITE RM

Stop by to find out how you can assist your fellow parishioners.

Vocations Ministry

1ST THURSDAY, 3:30-5 PM, CATALINA RM

We promote vocations especially religious life.

Stephen Ministry

2ND THURSDAY, 9 AM-12 PM, MESQUITE RM

We bring Christ's love and healing to those experiencing difficult situations.

Book Bunch

2ND THURSDAY, 1-2 PM, CHOLLA RM

You are invited to attend and discuss books of all sorts.

BE SOCIAL AT SANTA CATALINA!



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY NEEDS YOU

1ST MONDAY

1-2 PM, CATALINA RM

Do you like to crochet or knit? Join us at our next gathering!

Our parish group can use some more hands to continue this much needed ministry. They meet once a month to gather supplies, knit and crochet, and

get updates. They pray while they work. Knitting/crocheting can be done at home as well.

Receiving a shawl can be a source of warmth and comfort. Please consider donating some time to knit or crochet for others. Please contact the parish office, 520-825-9611, for more information about this group or to request a Prayer Shawl, we will be happy to assist you.



The Book Bunch

2ND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH
1-2 PM, CHOLLA RM

Do you love to read fiction, old and new?

Join us for discussion of the novel *These Is My Words* by Nancy Turner.

Upcoming book selections are as follows:

January 11 -

These Is My Words by Nancy E. Turner For more information please contact Marilynn Smith at bearcreeker36@gmail.com.

A book discussion group for women of all ages!

Welcome Center

Stop by and check out the parish **Welcome Center** brochure rack in the narthex. We have information about all aspects of our parish life – registration, marriage, funerals, RCIA, Religious Education, Knights of Columbus, our many Social Awareness committees and our support groups. We also stock a variety of devotional brochures on a variety of topics. Most brochures are also available in Espanol.

Keep in touch with us!

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MORE WHAT'S HAPPENING AT SANTA CATALINA

December 2023	Tue Wed Thu Fri	2 Advent starts	6 Advent Mission 7 Advent Mission 9 3-Day Rosary 4-4:45pm 4-4:45pm ends Our Lady of Immaculate Conception Mass With Talk – 8am Fellowship in Parish Hall Penance Service 4pm - 5:30pm 4-4:45pm 7 Advent Mission 9 3-Day Rosary Our Lady of Conception Mass With Talk – 8am Fellowship in Parish Hall Penance Service 4pm – 5:30pm	Rosary 12 Mañanitas Our 13 14 Piano Recital by 15 16 16 17 Of Lady of Guadalupe	19 20 21 Lessons and Carols 22 23 4th Sunday of 3:30pm, church 3:30pm, church Advent Approximately of Advent Approximately of Approximatel	tmas Day 26 27 28 29 30 Holy Family, Jesus, Mary, Joseph Joseph Vigil Mass – 4pm	First Sunday of Advent – December 2-3 Advent Mission on Mary- "O Full of Grace" Dec 6-8 Immaculate Concception, Holy Day of Obigation-December 8 th Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God- January 1 st , Mass at 9am — <i>Happy New Year</i>
	Mon Tue			11 3-Day Rosary 12 Mañanitas Our Lady of Lady of Guada Guadalupe - 5:30pm After daily Mass Bilingual Mass	19	25 Christmas Day 26 9am Mass 11am Bilingual Mass	First Sunday of Advent – Decemb Advent Mission on Mary- "O Full Immaculate Concception, Holy Da Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother
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HAPPENINGS AT SANTA CATALINA

CHRISTMAS EVENT SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24

4th Sunday of Advent – Masses: 7 AM, 9 AM,
 11 AM Bilingual, No 5 PM Mass

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24 — CHRISTMAS EVE

• 4 PM Mass; 7 PM Christmas Concert, 8 PM Mass

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25 - CHRISTMAS DAY

• 9 AM and 11 AM Bilingual Masses

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30 — THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

• Vigil Mass 4 PM

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31 — THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

Masses: 7 AM, 9 AM, 11 AM Bilingual, No 5 PM Mass

MONDAY, JANUARY 1 — SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

9 AM Mass



SPIRITUAL ADOPTION PROGRAM AND ACTUAL BABY SHOWER (2023)

A heartfelt THANK YOU to the more than 100 parishioners and family/friends who signed-up in March to pray daily for their spiritually adopted babies who were at-risk-of abortion.

Our 2023 program culminated on the weekend of November 12/13 at our Baby Shower with our collection of baby items which were given to REACHOUT Women's Center (RWC) and Family First Pregnancy Care Center in Oracle. We collected over 2,000 diapers and over 6,000 baby wipes, numerous baby outfits, and many more baby items – too numerous to list. The Dignity of Human Life members delivered the donations to RWC on December 1 and to Family First on December 4 (All of these items were displayed at our actual Baby Shower on November 13. See the pictures below).

In addition, we presented RWC and Family First with over a total of \$450 in donations. All the donations, both in baby items and in cash were greatly appreciated by the Directors and staff at both centers and they appreciated the generosity of Santa Catalina Parish in supporting their missions to help families with their new arrivals.

Dignity of Human Life Ministry





MINISTRY NEWS



A HOLIDAY MESSAGE TO THE PARISHIONERS OF SANTA CATALINA FROM THE SOCIAL AWARENESS AND JUSTICE MINISTRY (SAJM)

As we approach the holiday season, we want to take this opportunity to express our deep gratitude to each one of you in our parish for the many blessings that this community has bestowed upon us and the people that we serve. Your commitment to faith, community, and service has been a source of inspiration and joy to all of us.

As you know, SAJM supports many community organizations which serve those in need — Sister Jose Women's Center, Casa Maria Soup Kitchen, Casa Alitas, the Coronado school system, Marana Community Correctional Treatment Facility, Wings and the Christ Child Society, and Dress A Girl Around the World. We also put in action the Pope's Laudate Si in caring for our environment, tend the Memorial Garden, promote mental health, and help refugees.

As Bishop Weisenberger recently called on us to consider the importance of community, we want to acknowledge what a very special place our Santa Catalina community is. Throughout the year we ask you to donate your time and resources. You continually surpass our hopes and expectations! Thank you for your incredible generosity. Your dedication to spreading love and kindness has made a positive impact, not only within our church community, but also in the wider community. In every Mass, in every prayer, and in every gathering, one can witness the spirit of love, compassion, and unwavering faith that defines our community.

The dedication of Father Huy, our other priests and deacons, the parish support staff, the commitment of all our volunteers, our amazing ministry leaders and the active participation of so many individuals, all contribute to the vibrant tapestry of our church community. The tireless efforts involved in organizing events, supporting those in need, and fostering a sense of unity are apparent daily. Consequently, we are truly grateful for the warmth and generosity that characterizes Santa Catalina Parish.

Thank you for being beacons of faith, hope, and love in our world today. May our Santa Catalina Catholic Church community continue to flourish and be a testament to the transformative power of God's grace and as we continue our spiritual journey together, let us remain steadfast in our commitment to love, serve, and support one another.

With sincere gratitude and blessings,

- The Social Awareness and Justice Ministry

MORE WHAT'S HAPPENING AT SANTA CATALINA

STEWARDSHIP

	Weekly	Mass Attendance
12/9-10/2023	\$21,744	1,148
Last Year	\$23,412	1,042

- All checks are to be made payable to Santa Catalina Church. If you want to designate your check to a
 specific ministry, please write Maintenance, Stephen Ministry, Snack Pak, Religious Education, Rectory, or
 any of our other ministries on the memo line.
- The only exception is St. Vincent DePaul. Those checks must be written to St. Vincent DePaul.
- Cash is always accepted, and/or you can sign up for Online Giving.
- In the coming weeks, please read the parish bulletin inserts to learn how you can play a part in the development and construction of a new rectory.

PARISH OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25 AND TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26

• **CLOSED** for Christmas Holiday

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27-FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29

Normal hours: 9 AM-2:30 PM

MONDAY, JANUARY 1 AND TUESDAY, JANUARY 2

• **CLOSED** for the New Year Holiday

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3-JANUARY 5

• Normal hours: 9 AM-2:30 PM





Gratitude to all our Co-Redemptorists! Thank you for your generosity toward the Co-Redemptorists and your hospitality toward our visitors. If you did not have a chance to fill out a pledge card or donate, you bring your envelope to the parish office or place it in the collection basket. You can also give online by visiting www.coredemptorists.org or scan the QR code below. Your contribution and support are greatly appreciated.

Please continue to support us in prayer by praying for our Redemptorist seminarians.

To support our Redemptorist seminarians, visit www.CoRedemptorists.org



Thank you!

MORE NEWS



WE HAVE GREAT NEWS!

THE INDIVIDUAL TAX CREDIT LIMITS HAVE INCREASED

The amount you can now contribute to Arizona's Catholic Tuition Support Organization (CTSO) has increased. If filing as a single taxpayer you can give up to \$1,307, and a married couple filing jointly can contribute up to \$2,609, and you, the donor can receive a dollar-for-dollar tax credit off your Arizona tax liability. Brochures are in the vestibule or visit www.ctso-tucson.org to make an online contribution.

SANTA CATALINA PARISH RECTORY CAMPAIGN

How can you learn about this proposed on-site rectory and be a part of this important parish wide project? Take a copy of The Rectory at Santa Catalina Parish information packet from the table found in the Narthex.

Campaign Fundraising Goal - \$500,000 Pledges-to-Date (as of late November) - \$355,000

MARCH FOR LIFE

The 34th annual Tucson March for Life will take place on Saturday, January 20, 2024. A Mass will be held at St. Augustine Cathedral at 9 AM celebrated by the Bishop. This will be followed by a peaceful and non-confrontational march at approximately 10:30 AM to Holy Hope Cemetery for a rose ceremony at the Shrine of the Innocents. You can participate in any or all of the activities. If you wish to carpool, send an email to prolife12345@aol.com and we will contact you and discuss arrangements.





"King of kings forever and ever, hallelujah hallelujah!

And Lord of lords forever and ever, hallelujah hallelujah!

And He shall reign forever and ever."

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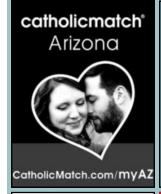
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