



Santa Catalina

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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

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

First Friday of the month at 8 AM

Mass or by appointment

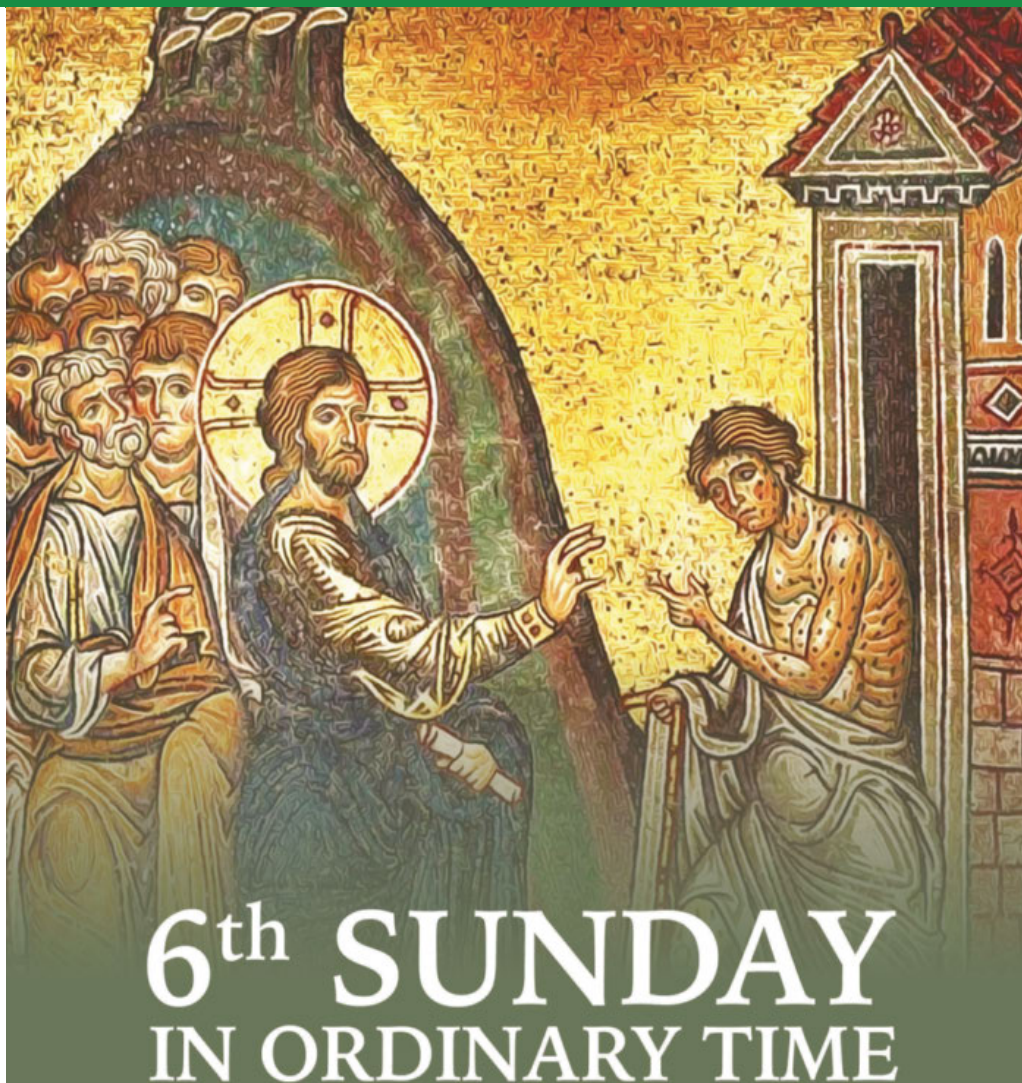
ADORATION

In church Wed 8:30-11 AM

In chapel, Mon-Fri 8:30 AM-2:30 PM

ROSARY IN THE CHURCH

Monday-Friday 7:30 AM



6th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 11, 2024

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.

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THY KINGDOM COME!

*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
 Vincent Palmieri
 Jessica Palmieri
 Sophie Varalli
 Sr Jean Mariani
 Ruth Zoccoli
 Denise Dickson



Bill Terrazas
 Cornelio Ormsby
 Anna May Will
 Joan Marie Tibbetts

Walter Henrich
 Phyllis Henrich
 Sandra Masotti
 Mary Lou Monahan
 Marilyn Nevin
 Molly Mc Cabe
 Gregg Sciabica
 Dawn Sciabica
 Larry Miller

PARISH NEWS

DIGNITY OF HUMAN LIFE MINISTRY 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

FEBRUARY 14-MARCH 24

40 Days for Life is an internationally coordinated campaign that is focused on Pro-Life. Each year the Dignity of Human Life ministry here at Santa Catalina Parish supports this program by offering and promoting the following:

1. 40 days of fasting and prayer for an end to abortion
2. 40 days of peaceful vigil
3. 40 days of community service

By participating in this Pro-Life work, with prayer at the center of our efforts, we send a powerful message to the community about the tragic reality of the prevalent anti-life movement in our culture.

Worldwide, the results of 40 Days for Life document the facts that thousands of lives are saved, abortion centers are closed, and abortion workers resign. 40 Days for Life has no denominational affiliation. Persons of all faiths are invited and the response from huge numbers of churches and outreach organizations continues to be so positive since the inception of this program in 2004.

In recent years, parishioners from Santa Catalina have volunteered to spend time in prayer outside of Planned Parenthood in Tucson. Our quiet and prayerful presence there is both lawful and peaceful. If you want to join us in prayer outside the Tucson Planned Parenthood facility, email us at prolife12345@aol.com. We will coordinate meeting times and/or transportation.

“See that you do not despise one of these little ones. For I tell you that in heaven their angels always see the face of my Father who is in heaven.” – Matthew 18:10

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Recently I had a skin rash, and it was awful. (Please don't tell anyone.) I am embarrassed to admit that I didn't handle it well. Complaining, whining, begging for sympathy, and crying were my responses to the merciless itching and burning. In the aftermath, a silver lining emerged. I feel a new heartfelt sympathy for all those vexed with chronic skin problems. If you've ever had a seemingly unending skin problem, you know how that sympathy flows up from deep inside.

This gut-level compassion is something like what the Gospel describes in Jesus when the sore-covered leper says, “If you will it, you can make me clean.” At this, just before the healing, Jesus was “moved with compassion.” The Greek word used here is strong and earthy, closer to “his bowels and guts trembled with the deepest emotions of sadness, pity, and love.” In Jesus, God heals our infirmities not from a divine distance but by learning what it feels like to be us. He acquires first-hand experience of what it costs us to be afflicted and still be faithful to God. He sympathizes with the burning, itching, and blistering of human existence in the deepest, first-hand way. To discover that is to touch Jesus' heart.

What in your life, right now, is breaking out like diseased skin? What is getting worse the more you try to soothe it? Perhaps only you feel it. Or maybe it's exposed to all. A bad habit, broken relationship, loneliness, fear of failure, self-hatred? Name it, and then find a way to bring it confidently to Jesus who will feel what we are feeling, and thereby heal us.

– Fr. John Muir

¿SABIAS QUÉ?

Los ministros de la comunión baja en gluten están disponibles en todas las Misas de fin de semana y en las Misas diarias. La estación de Comunión se ubica cerca del piano.

QUINCEAÑERAS

Si estás interesada en celebrar tu Quinceañera con una Misa especial de consagración y acción de gracias, te invitamos a participar en nuestras clases preparatorias para hacer de tu celebración de cumpleaños un día inolvidable.

Información obligatoria y día de registro

Lunes Jueves, 9 AM-2 AM

¡Llama para reservar tu lugar hoy!

Las clases requeridas para asistir son las siguientes:

Sábado 17 de febrero — Sacramentos

Sábado 24 de febrero — Retiro

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 nosotros en la Misa de 11 AM cada Domingo. Los ensayos son los Martes a las 5:30 PM en la Iglesia.

CÓMO DENUNCIAR UN CASO DE ABUSO

1. Llame al 911 para hacer un informe policial.
2. Si el abuso ocurre en cualquier otro estado, llame a la Policía o a la Oficina del Sheriff en el área de ese estado.
3. Llame al Programa de Asistencia a Víctimas de la Diócesis de Tucson 1-800-234-0344 y/o la Oficina de Niños, Adolescentes y Adultos. Protección al 520-838-2513.

"CULTIVANDO MI FE"

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

Padre Pio

El grupo de Estudio Bíblico "Cultivando mi Fe" te invita durante esta Cuaresma a una sesión de clases para aprender el hermoso y profundo significado de nuestra Santa Misa. Este curso está basado en el libro "Un Paseo Bíblico a través de la Misa del Autor Edward Sri.

Cuando: Miércoles 14 de Febrero 9-10:30 AM

Miércoles 21 de Febrero 9-10:30 AM

Miércoles 28 de Febrero 9-10:30 AM

Miércoles 6 de Marzo 9-10:30 AM

Donde: Salón Mesquite

Si tienes preguntas comunícate con Laura de Hispanic Ministry en Santa Catalina al tel. (520) 825-9611 Ext 106 ó correo electrónico: lgallegos@santacatalinaparish.org

¡Todos son bienvenidos! Es un grupo en Español



NOTICIAS DE LA PARROQUIA

MINISTERIO MINISTERIO DE LA DIGNIDAD DE LA VIDA HUMANA 40 DÍAS POR LA VIDA

DEL 14 DE FEBRERO AL 24 DE MARZO

40 Días por la Vida es una campaña coordinada internacionalmente que se centra en Pro-Vida. Cada año, el ministerio de la Dignidad de la Vida Humana aquí en la Parroquia de Santa Catalina apoya este programa ofreciendo y promoviendo lo siguiente:

1. 40 días de ayuno y oración por el fin del aborto
2. 40 días de vigilia pacífica
3. 40 días de servicio comunitario

Al participar en este trabajo Pro-Vida, con la oración como centro de nuestros esfuerzos, enviamos un poderoso mensaje a la comunidad sobre la trágica realidad del movimiento anti-vida prevaleciente en nuestra cultura.

En todo el mundo, los resultados de 40 Días por la Vida documentan el hecho de que se salvan miles de vidas, se cierran centros de aborto y los trabajadores del aborto renuncian. 40 Días por la Vida no tiene afiliación denominacional. Se invita a personas de todas las religiones y la respuesta de un gran número de iglesias y organizaciones de alcance comunitario sigue siendo muy positiva desde el inicio de este programa en 2004.

En los últimos años, los feligreses de Santa Catalina se han ofrecido como voluntarios para pasar tiempo en oración fuera de Planned Parenthood en Tucson. Nuestra presencia silenciosa y orante allí es a la vez lícita y pacífica. Si quieres unirte a nosotros en oración fuera de las instalaciones de Planned Parenthood en Tucson, envíanos un correo electrónico a prolife12345@aol.com. Coordinaremos los horarios de las reuniones y/o el transporte.

Mateo 18:10

"Mirad que no despreciéis a uno de estos pequeñitos. Porque os digo que en el cielo sus ángeles ven siempre el rostro de mi Padre que está en los cielos."

MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO

En la actualidad, a pesar del avance de la medicina, existen enfermedades incurables. ¿Cuáles son las enfermedades incurables ahora? ¿De qué padecemos? ¿Quiénes son los leprosos actuales? ¿Qué personas son las expulsadas de la ciudad y de la sociedad? En tiempo de Jesús, era la lepra; los enfermos, al adquirir esta enfermedad, eran expulsados de la ciudad y no podían acercarse a las personas sanas. Hoy, Jesús sigue haciendo milagros de todo tipo, sigue curando, tocando y aliviando a los necesitados. Acercarse al pobre significa luchar y comprometerse con su persona para que salga de su pobreza y enfermedad. ¿Cómo tocamos y ayudamos a los que sufren en la sociedad actual?

La curación del leproso del Evangelio nos dice que Jesús tocó al leproso sin temor a contagiarse. Su compasión se muestra con el diálogo entre ambos: «Se le acercó un leproso, que se arrodilló ante él y le suplicó: "Si quieres, puedes limpiarme". Sintiendo compasión, Jesús extendió la mano y lo tocó diciendo: "Quiero, queda limpio"» (Marcos 1, 40-41). Jesús rompe las reglas al tocar el leproso, lo importante en este caso era la empatía, la compasión, el ser uno con el otro. Lo que hizo Jesús le traerá consecuencias fatales, romper la ley no era aceptable. El acercamiento con respeto a los enfermos significa una muestra de amor grande para ellos. Salgamos de nuestra burbuja, busquemos a los que sufren, que, con seguridad, están en la familia y amigos. ¡No seamos indiferentes a su sufrimiento!

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Schedule of Events for February 12-18

✠ = *Mass Intentions*

Monday, February 12

8 AM Mass – Fr. Brian Johnson, Church

✠ *Sarah Galvin (d) by Francine Fitt*

✠ *Michael & Al Lucchesi (d) by Sandra Ashley*

10 AM-1 PM – St. Vincent de Paul, Marian Room

4-5:15 PM – Choir Rehearsal, Church

Tuesday, February 13

8 AM Mass – Fr. Charlie Wehrley, Church

✠ *Poor Souls in Purgatory by Chris & Camy Culhane*

✠ *Frank Keroran (d) by Marguerite Keroran*

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

2-3:30 PM – Dignity of Human Life, Marian 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, February 14

**8 AM Ash Wednesday Mass – Fr. Huy Vu,
Church**

✠ *Thias Nulty (d) by Pat Lotker*

✠ *James Weston (d) by JoAnn Weston*

After Mass-11 AM – Eucharistic Adoration,
Church

8:45-10 AM – Reconciliation, Church

10 AM-1 PM – St. Vincent de Paul, Marian Room

10-11:30 AM – Dress a Girl Around the World,
Catalina Room

12-1 PM – Ash Service – Deacons, Church

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

**5:30 PM Ash Wednesday Bilingual Mass –
Fr. Gary Ziuraitis, Church**

✠ *For Fr. Huy and the other Redemptorist priests
who serve our parish*

6:30-8:30 PM – R.C.I.A Sessions,
Mesquite, Ocotillo Room

Thursday, February 15

8 AM Mass – Fr. Brian Johnson, Church

✠ *Carmella Caira (d) by Joyce Watt*

10-11:30 AM – How Jesus Became God Part 2,
Saguaro Room

4-5 PM – Al-Anon Meeting, Marian Room

7-8:30 PM – AA Meeting, Marian Room

Friday, February 16

8 AM Mass – Fr. Huy Vu, Church

✠ *Mildred Troike (d) by Gloria & Bernie Brown*

4-5 PM – Reconciliation, Church

5-6 PM – Stations of the Cross, Memorial Garden

6-7 PM – Soup Supper, Parish Hall

Saturday, February 17

8:30 AM-12:30 PM – Quinceaneras Class,
Mesquite Room

3-3:45 PM – Reconciliation, Church

4 PM Vigil Mass – Fr. Huy Vu, Church

✠ *For the Intentions of the Parish*

Sunday, February 18

7 AM Mass – Fr. Huy Vu, Church

✠ *Marco Rubio (d) by Saddlebrook Community*

8-11 AM – Parish Pancake Breakfast, Parish Hall

9 AM Mass – Fr. Huy Vu, Church

✠ *Emilie Weiler (d) by Kathy Weiler*

✠ *Simona Avalos (d) by granddaughters*

**11 AM Bilingual Mass – Fr. Steve Rehrauer,
Church**

✠ *For all those affected by the storms on the west coast*

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

5 PM Mass – Fr. Charlie Wehrley, Church

✠ *Behren & Barbara Rossberg (living) by Sophie
Zvonar*

BE ACTIVE IN YOUR PARISH



Pray
for the
Deceased



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

Kathleen Flowers, January 3
Sr. Carole Ruland MSHH, January 4
Donna Goode, January 8
Joe Estrada, January 23

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 | FEBRUARY 12-18

MONDAY: Jas 1:1-11/Ps 119:67, 68, 71, 72, 75, 76/Mk 8:11-13
TUESDAY: Jas 1:12-18/Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 18-19/Mk 8:14-21
WEDNESDAY: Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20 – 6:2/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 & 17/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
THURSDAY: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6/Lk 9:22-25
FRIDAY: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15
SATURDAY: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32
SUNDAY: Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (see 10)/1 Pt 3:18-22/
 Mk 1:12-15

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, CATALINA 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!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE PARISH BREAKFAST

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18
AFTER THE 7AM AND 9AM
MASSES

PARISH HALL

Pancakes, eggs, hashbrowns, sausages, biscuits and
gravy and more.

Coffee and Juice

Our Parish Catholic Community
Get together activity



QUINCEAÑERAS

If you are interested in celebrating your Quinceañera with a special Mass of consecration, and thanksgiving, we invite you to participate in our preparatory classes to make your birthday celebration a special day.

Mandatory Information & Registration Day

Monday–Thursday, 9 AM-2 PM

Call to reserve your place today!

Classes required to attend are as follows:

Saturday, February 17 — Sacraments

Saturday, February 24 — Retreat



The Book Bunch

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

Do you love to read fiction, old and new?

Upcoming book selections are as follows:

March 13 – *Lincoln Highway* by Amore Towles

April 10 – *Horse* by Geraldine Brooks

May 8 – *West with Giraffes* by Lynda Rutledge

June 12 – *One of Ours* by Willa Cather

For more information please contact Marilynn Smith at bearcreeker36@gmail.com.

A book discussion group for women of all ages!



FRIDAY STATIONS AND SOUP!

Starts February 16

5 PM - Stations

6 PM - Soup in Parish Hall

Hosted by Santa Catalina Ministries

No fee - but remember to bring your bowl and spoon!



February 20 at 5 PM

In the Parish Hall

Get your tickets \$30, includes,
dinner, 1 pack of cards for 6 games
each (limited seating)

Winning games receive up to \$100 gift cards.

Plus a 50/25-25 drawing

Beer and wine available

Tickets sold after Weekend Masses



HAPPENINGS AT SANTA CATALINA



FEBRUARY LENTEN CALENDAR

Wednesday, February 14 - Ash Wednesday

8 AM Mass – Noon Ash Service – 5:30 PM Bilingual Mass

Fridays, February 16 - Reconciliation, Stations of the Cross & Soup Supper

Reconciliation 4-5 PM in church

5 PM Stations in Garden – 6 PM Soup Supper to follow – Bring your own bowl and spoon

Thursday, February 22 - Taize Service

5 PM in the church



Friday, February 23 - Reconciliation, Stations of the Cross & Soup Supper

Reconciliation 4-5 PM in church

5 PM Stations in Garden – 6 PM Soup Supper to follow – Bring your own bowl and spoon.

MARCH LENTEN CALENDAR



Fridays, March 1 - Reconciliation, Stations of the Cross & Soup Supper

Reconciliation 4-5 PM in church

5 PM Stations in Garden – 6 PM Soup Supper to follow. Bring your own bowl and spoon.

Tuesday, March 5 thru Thursday, March 7 - Lenten Mission

“Behold, I make all things New.” Rev 21:5

5-6 PM in the church Presenter: Fr. Royce Thomas C.Ss.R.

Friday, March 8 - Reconciliation, Stations of the Cross & Soup Supper

Reconciliation 4-5 PM in church

PM Stations in Garden – 6 PM Soup Supper to follow. Bring your own bowl and spoon.



Thursday, March 12 - Contemplative Rosary

5 PM in the church

Friday March 15 - Reconciliation, Stations of the Cross & Soup Supper

Reconciliation 4-5 PM in church

5 PM Stations in Garden – 6 PM Soup Supper to follow. Bring your own bowl and spoon

Friday March 20 - Lenten Penance Service

5-6:30 PM in the church



Friday March 22 - Reconciliation, Stations of the Cross & Soup Supper

Reconciliation 4-5 PM in church

5 PM Stations in Garden – 6 PM Soup Supper to follow. Bring your own bowl and spoon.

Wednesday, March 27 - Tenebrae

5 PM in the church



HAPPENINGS AT SANTA CATALINA

UPDATED ANNOUNCEMENT FOR TRAVELING VOCATIONS CROSS

- The Traveling Vocations Cross program is a weekly activity to pray for Catholic vocations.
- We only ask parishioners who will attend either the 9 AM or the 5 PM Mass to participate.
- Each priest will call the week's participant to the Altar at the end of Mass to receive the Traveling Vocations Cross.
- Participants pray for vocations and return the Cross the following weekend before the appropriate Mass.



Santa Catalina Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHCs) take Communion to and pray with people who are homebound or in the hospital and other facilities. Four sessions of training will be offered Wednesdays, March 6, 13, 20, and 27, from 9:30-11 AM. This training will equip participants with the skills necessary to serve in Santa Catalina Parish's Communion Ministry with the Sick and Homebound.

Please consider becoming an Extraordinary Minister of Holy



Communion and serving in this ministry. It is a wonderful way to continue the work of Jesus!

For further information and to register for training, please call the parish office.



DATES - TIMES - LOCATION

Monday 10-11:30 AM

- February 12, 19, 26; March 4, 11, 18, 25; April 1, 8, 15, 22

Thursday 6:30-8:30 PM

- February 15, 22, 29; March 7, 14, 21, 28; April 4, 11, 18, 25

Friday 9-10:30 AM Friday Faith Fellowship (F.F.F.)

- February 16, 23; March 1, 8, 15, 22; April 5, 12, 19, 26; May 3

COST - REGISTRATION

Study Set — \$40. Via Facilitator orders. — AscensionPress.com. — ComCenter.com.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Contact Parish front Office (520) 825-9611 Facilitator: Rogene Small (520) 238-1869 cell

MINISTRY NEWS

REMINDER – COLLECTION FOR TEENS IN FOSTER HOMES – FEBRUARY 24-25

CHRIST CHILD / FOSTER TEENS



Sadly, when teens are displaced from their homes they arrive at their foster home with no belongings. The Christ Child Society of Tucson (CCST) sews drawstring bags and fills them with hygiene items and a daily devotional to help give the teen hope during this difficult time. We need your help to fill these bags.



There will be a collection at all masses the weekend of February 24 and 25. The

following items are needed:

3-in-1 bodywash/shampoo, blankets, tooth brushes and toothpaste, deodorant, men's socks and boxer briefs (large), girls' socks and underwear (large), and water bottles.

Your help is so appreciated. If it is easier for you, check donations are welcomed. The check should be made payable to The Christ Child Society of Tucson.

For more information about this ministry, please contact, Deb Auclair at sajm@santacatalinaparish.org.

SAVE THE DATE – HOSPICE AND PALLIATIVE CARE – WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

MENTAL HEALTH



Jennifer Vanden Eykel RN, MSN, Patient Care Manager Clinical Nurse Educator, from Casa de la Luz Hospice will be offering a presentation and Q & A session about hospice, palliative care and the "Five Wishes" program. It will be held in the parish hall on Sunday February 18 from 1-3 PM OR Monday February 26 from 6-8 PM.

Come join us for an open and honest discussion about hospice - the elephant in the room. The presentation will clear away some of the myths and answer questions and concerns about this important topic so families will be empowered and able to make decisions.

We hope to see you at one of the programs. The same program will be presented twice, so feel free to attend the one that best fits your schedule.

NEXT LOCAL IMMERSION TOURS ARE FEBRUARY 21 AND 23

LOCAL IMMERSION



Would you like to learn more about two local organizations that help the poor here in Tucson and how you might be able to help them? Join the next Local Immersion Tour on February 21 and 23 from 8-11:30 AM.

The tours leave from the church parking lot and take a small group to Casa Maria Catholic Workers Community which provides meals and clothing for those in need, and Sister Jose Women's Center which provides meals, clothing, shelter, and counseling for homeless women.

If you are interested in a tour, send an email to reserve your spot to sajm@santacatalinaparish.org.

MORE WHAT'S HAPPENING AT SANTA CATALINA

STEWARDSHIP

Week of 1/27-28/24	Totals	Mass Attendance
Offertory	\$17,535	
Major Maintenance	\$263	1,339
Parish Rectory	\$10,280	
Total	\$28,078	
Last Year's Offertory	\$16,575	1,342

I recently discovered there is a SPAM message filtering through the email system. Indicating I needed your assistance in providing gift card incentives for parish employees. I did not send this email. Please do not respond to it! Thank you.

– Father Vu

SAVE THE DATE

The Dignity of Human Life Ministry will be presenting the Spiritual Adoption Program again on March 2 & 3, 2024.

You can “spiritually adopt” a child who is in danger of abortion and pray for your adopted child throughout the nine months. At the end of the 9 months, the Ministry will conduct a baby shower and all the gifts collected will be donated to local woman’s centers to help needy families.

– *The Dignity of Human Life Ministry*



THANK YOU!

Immaculate Heart Academy would like to thank Father Huy Vu and the parishioners of Santa Catalina Church for supporting our school! We are grateful that Father Huy opened the doors of the parish to the school community and we are

humbled by the kindness and generosity of everyone who purchased raffle tickets, offered donations, and accepted our invitation to our Open House. Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers and that we will offer a school Mass for your needs and intentions. Please keep us in your prayers also! God bless you! Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us.



CASA ALITAS THANKS YOU!!

Thank you to the generous members of Santa Catalina and the SAJM volunteers! We had a very successful Socks and Underwear drive on January 27 and 28. Two SUVs stuffed full of socks and underwear and \$300!

We received this note from Casa ALITAS -

"Casa ALITAS clothing team and all of Casa ALITAS thanks the Santa Catalina Catholic Church for their generous donations to our wonderful guests. Not only did you do a drive for much needed items, you continue to support us with monetary donations so that we can purchase much needed items. Your generosity and kindness is what keeps Casa ALITAS being able to take care of the many people who pass through our doors every day, over 1000. Blessings for all the gifts you have given us."

MORE NEWS



In his book on Marian devotion, "Hail, Holy Queen," Dr. Scott Hahn expresses an insightful view of our membership in the Divine family – God our Father, Jesus our Brother, the Spirit as Love, and Mary our Mother. What embracing peace and comfort this brings to us, especially in the trials and difficulties we will inevitably encounter in our life.

And we are blessed with a loving earthly family at Santa Catalina Parish, with several caring ministries to comfort and support us in our times of need. One of these special ministries is Stephen Ministry.

Stephen Ministers are trained, trustworthy and compassionate lay people whose mission is to bring the peace and healing of Jesus our Brother to those who are hurting. Through distinctively Christian, one-to-one caring relationships, Stephen Ministers walk with you faithfully on your journey to wholeness. We meet the needs of individuals in a variety of life situations, such as being homebound, suffering the loss of a loved one, loneliness, prolonged illness, disability, rehabilitation, spiritual crisis, broken relationships, job loss, or other stressful circumstances.

If you or someone you know could benefit from Stephen Ministry, please contact the church office at 520-825-9611, or Judy Rossman at StephenMinistry@santacatalinaparish.org or 206-660-5268. All information is held in strict confidentiality.

HAND CARVED IN BETHLEHEM

FEBRUARY 17 AND 18 AFTER ALL MASSES

PLEASE STOP BY THE TABLES OF RELIGIOUS WARES (Nativity set, rosaries, statues, crucifixes, charms, etc.).

Ayman Khair is representing about 180 Christian families from Bethlehem. These families have been dependent upon sales of their hand carved religious articles to tourists of the Holy Land. Due to the conflict in the Middle East and the Pandemic, tourism has been stopped completely from March 2, 2020, till February 2022, and now because of what is going on in the Holy Land tourism has stopped completely.



It is very important to support them at this critical time since they have no income and there is no tourism at all. In order to survive, they have turned to Christian communities in the United States to purchase their articles.

These hand carved religious articles are beyond description. Carved from wood of the sacred Olive tree, this workmanship has been traditional for these families for hundreds of years. It is hoped that through the efforts of Mr. Khair, these families who have little income will be able to stay living and survive in the Holy Land.

Sadly enough, the Christian population dropped from 22 % to less than 2% in the last 20 years. Thank you in advance for your support.

COMMUNITY NEWS



Al-Anon and AA meetings are on Thursday evenings. For details about Al-Alon, call Judy at 520-639-8650. For more information on AA meetings, call Art at 520-825-5218.



St. Vincent de Paul provides compassion and support to

individuals in need, regardless of race, origin, or religion. Office hours are Monday and Wednesday from 10 am to 1 pm in the Marian Room. For more information, please call 520-825-8288 or email svdpatalina@gmail.com.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter – “Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God.” Does your marriage give glory to God? Learn how to let your Sacrament shine on the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on April 6-7, 2024 in Tucson. For more information visit our website at: www.wome.org

Spring Cursillo – Sponsors for the Spring Cursillo weekends for men and women are needed. The Spring Weekends are scheduled for the men, April 25-28 and for the Women, May 2-5. These will both be held at St. Francis de Sales parish in Tucson. For more information about these


events, contact Patricia Lara at ljuanpatricia@gmail.com.

Imagine this... waking to a fully made to order breakfast, enjoying your hobbies and interests, stimulating social interactions, transportation available anywhere, a clean apartment, nutritious and delicious meals with no concerns for shopping, cooking, or cleaning. Yes, this can be YOU! If this sounds appealing, please contact me to discuss how I can assist you as you explore retirement living options at NO COST to you. For more info, call Dawn Hecht, Senior Advisor, 520-907-0809.

The Cottage Thrift Shop – The Immaculate Heart Community believes in

teaching our Catholic beliefs and the value of charity. The Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary created The Cottage Thrift Shop to allow the community to repurpose the items they no longer need. The Cottage gives everyone a place to donate items no longer used and/or to purchase gently used and sometimes new items. Please consider stopping by the store to browse our current inventory. Find us at 420 E Magee Rd on Wednesday-Friday from 9 AM-2 PM. For more info, please call 520-405-4613.

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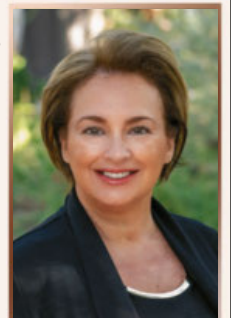
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