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PASTORAL CENTER HOURS
Monday – Thursday
9 AM – 4 PM
Closed for Lunch
12 – 12:30 PM

MASS SCHEDULE
Saturday, 4PM

Sunday
7, 9, 11 AM
1 PM, Spanish
5 PM, Life Teen Mass

Tuesday – Friday, 8 AM

CHAPEL
Monday - Friday
8 AM - 3 PM
use side entrance

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
Every Wednesday
8:45-11 AM

Easter

✦ April 5, 2015 (B) ✦

We've all been waiting for this. For six weeks we've focused on letting go of our treasure to help others, taking in a little less food, and reaching out to God a little more, all so that we might in some small way prepare for this day—the greatest celebration of our Church year.

So now, after the alleluias have been sung, the baptismal vows repeated, and the Easter lamb or ham eaten, it's time to ask ourselves, "What was all that preparation for? How have I changed?"

When I was young, I gave up candy or little treats for Lent, but after Easter I happily went back to eating candy and carried on as before. As a young adult, I began using Lent to correct bad habits. I had a little more success keeping those at bay after Easter but, I confess, I didn't see myself as transformed.

"How have I drawn closer to Christ through this Lent?" "How will I show forth the glory of his resurrection in your life?" "How will I do these things?" These are good questions for all of us to ask as this Easter winds down.

Once they realized what had happened, the early Christians couldn't keep it to themselves. They preached about Jesus' death and resurrection wherever they went, witnessed to the change he'd made in their lives, and tried to live differently. They invited others to join them. Jesus calls us to do no less.

How have Lent and Easter and the memory of Christ's death and resurrection changed you? How will you live out that change?

MARY KATHARINE DEELEY
sundaybulletin@liguori.org

Today's Readings

Acts 10:34a, 37–43
Col 3:1–4 or
1 Cor 5:6b–8
Jn 20:1–9

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The Rosary

Offered every Tuesday – Friday at 7:30am.

Reconciliation

Offered every Tuesday – Friday at 7:30am and Saturdays at 3:30pm.

Anointing of the Sick

Offered every 3rd Thursday after 8am Mass.

Parish Staff Can be reached at 520-825-9611 plus ext.

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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Weekly Collections

Weekend of March 28 & 29, 2015

Weekly	*Month to Date*	*Year to Date*

Due to an early submission date these numbers were not available.

Direct debit is available, please call 520-825-9611 (x103) to set up automatic donations.

If you wish to add or remove a name from the prayer list, please call the Pastoral Center office at 825-9611. In order to ensure an updated prayer list, names will be listed for two months and then removed.

Jean Azzarello
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Gertrude Kurczewski
Ben & Alice Leon
Bennie Leon
Joanne Lindsey
Margot Macy
Joe McGowan
Peggy Melville
Terrie Nieto
Delmer O'Rourke
Claudia O'Sullivan
Joseph Palazzo
Leah Ploutz
Matthew Robinson
Sherry Seward
Joe Turos
Peter Volpe
Mike Von Behren
Gerry Wolfgram

A Much Deserved Thank-You!

On Palm Sunday, the enactment of the Passion of our Lord was once again offered at several Masses by our wonderful Santa Catalina "actors."

Over the past years, this has become one of our traditions, and is only possible through the generosity and faithfulness of all who were involved. We hope this tradition will continue for many years to come and will be a prayerful experience for all.

The following parishioners participated with us this year:

Joanne Boynton

Anita Cadwallader

Andrew Garcia (our very talented Messenger boy)

John and Carol Harrison

Mike Hoedel

Wayne Kachmar

Bill Leahy

Bernie Lee

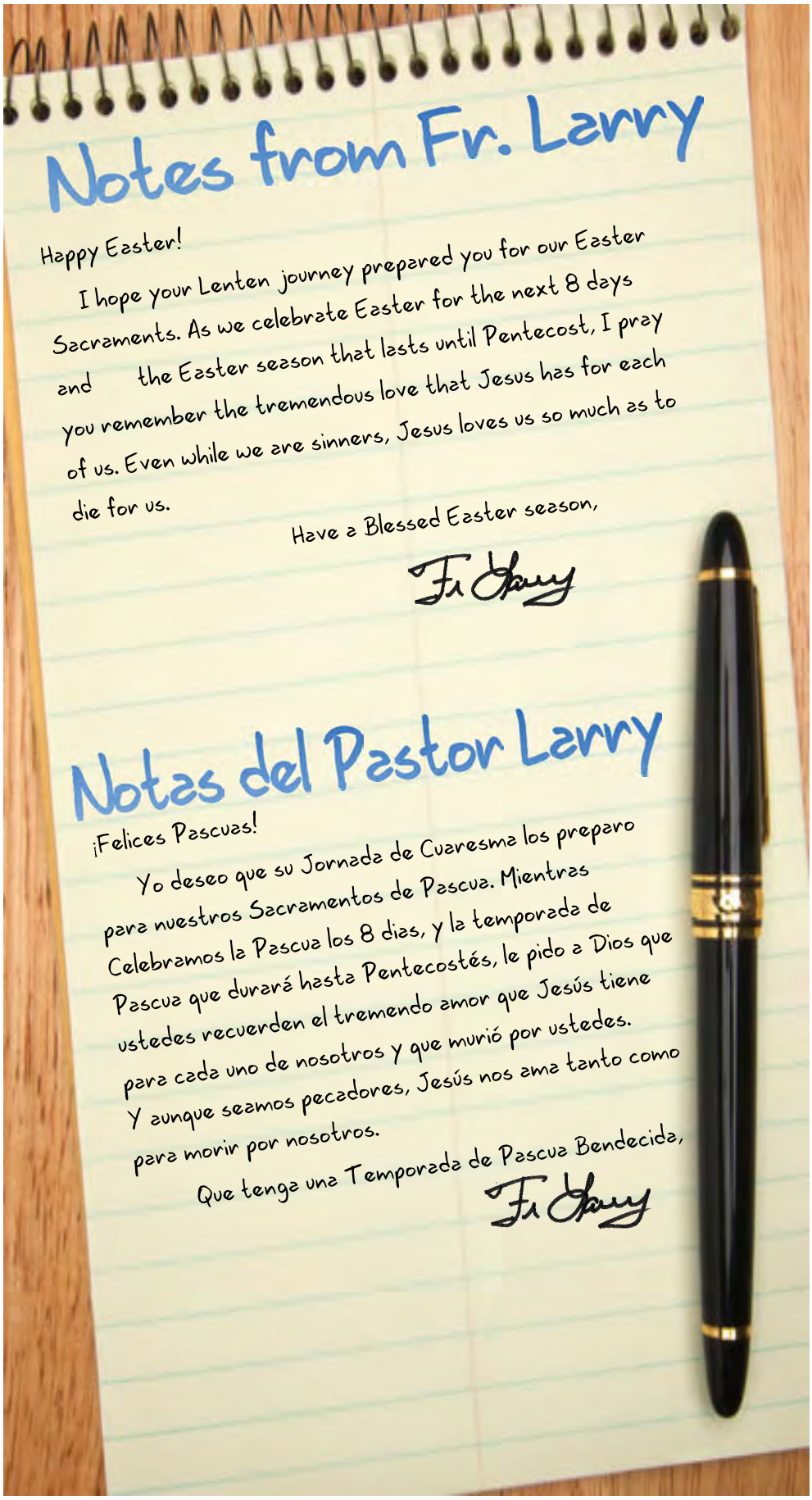
Greg and Shirley Nelson

Ginny Pergantis

Gerry Schreiner

Mike and June Sienkiewicz

Thanks to all of you and special thanks to Fr. Larry for encouraging our parishioners to participate in this wonderful effort.



Parish News

Arts and Crafts for Seniors

The "Arts and Crafts" class for seniors will be doing landscape paintings on location in various places in Tucson. Therefore, for the next month or more, we will NOT be meeting at the Cholla room as in the past. It is very important that you call Mary to let her know that you are coming. All materials will be provided, unless you already have watercolor paints and small paper that can bring. We have a very lively and fun group that you will enjoy visiting and working with, as well as a variety of craft activities through the year.

Our next class will be on Tuesday, April 7. Time and location to be determined. Please call Mary Bubla at 825-0500 for more information.

We hope to see some new faces. Come join us and bring a friend!

In Memory of

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 families.

Raymond Jackson, March 7

Carol Johnson, March 13

Prayer Shawl Raffle Winners

Prayer Shawl Ministry group is happy to share the names of the winners of their recent raffle. The soft purple shawl went to Joan Rebaza. Deacon Al won the multicolored shawl, and Pat Cote won the cancer awareness shawl. The ministry received $572 in ticket sales and donations. This money will go toward supplies for the group.

We have recently given away about 15 prayer shawls to parishioners who requested them. Thank you for your support of this prayer ministry and for those who hosted the booth.

Arizona Charitable Tax Credit for Southern Arizona

Remember, donations to St. Vincent de Paul are eligible for a Tax Credit using State Form 321 for those who have not yet filed. A special note from the AZ Department of Revenue: Name Change - the name of this credit form was changed from *Credit for Contributions to Charities That Provide Assistance to the Working Poor* **to** *Credit for Contributions to Qualifying Charitable Organizations*.

Learning About the Mass with Kath and Qumen

THE CREED

After the homily the priest invites us to stand and profess our faith. We do this by saying the Creed. There are two Creeds that can be said at Mass: the Apostles' Creed and the Nicene Creed. The Creed tells us simply what we believe as members of the Church. We stand to show that we are proud to be followers and friends of Jesus.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

During this time we pray for all our needs, particularly for the Church, the leaders of our country, those who are sick and in need of God's healing and those who have died. The Prayer of the Faithful is normally spoken by the Minister of the Word on our behalf. At the end of each prayer there is a moment of silence and then the Minister of the Word says: 'Lord hear us' or 'We pray to the Lord', and we answer: 'Lord graciously hear us' or 'Lord hear our prayer.'

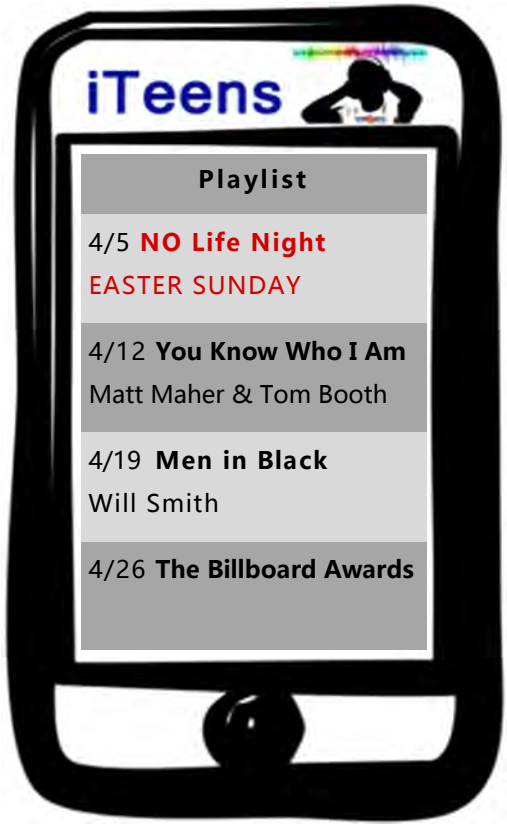
Youth Ministry News

Lupita Parra, Director of Youth Ministry — 825-9611, x108 — YouthMinistry@santacatalinaparish.org

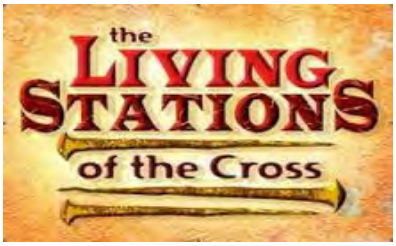
This year's Life Teen theme is MUSIC!
Each week we will use a song title, past or present, that represents the evening's topic.
Stay tuned with our Playlist below!

iTeens Radio Life Nights

Life Teen Mass @ 5 p.m.
Life Nights 6-8 p.m.

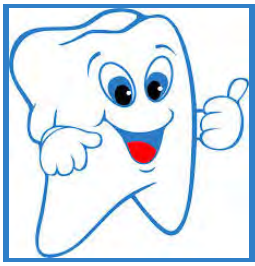


Our parish's youth would like to thank everyone for attending their presentation of *The Living Stations of the Cross*.



Your presence and support of our Youth Ministry events are very much appreciated!

Watch for photos on our Facebook page and in the bulletin.



Also, check back with us next week for an update on our Lenten Service Project. Betty will be back and ready to share her experience about the Dental Brigades trip to Panama and Honduras. She has photos to share, too!

Life Teen Gospel Reflection - (John 20:1-9)

All too often in our lives, we allow Christ to take a backseat. Sure, when we're on a retreat or at a conference (like LTLC or Steubenville), He's number one - no doubt. These periods of equally-on-fire friends and an intimate love of God give us the feeling that the men in the Gospel describe when they say "Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way and opened the scriptures to us?" Once we return home, though, it is all too comfortable to become complacent, and let our faith fall from our hearts. Just like the men from the Gospel, we sometimes don't give Christ's genuine presence in our lives the credit it deserves. The prayer is true: Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ beside me, Christ be in me. We have to bring everything to Him when we come to Mass on Sunday - every flaw, every misstep, every anxiety along with every joy, every smile, every prayer of thanksgiving - this is the truest expression or worship we can offer to the Creator of All Things.

Margaret, 16

Gospel Reflections are provided by Life Teen's Liturgy Planning Guide, 2013

SCCC Schedule of Events

✞ = *Mass Intention*

Dates to Remember

Produce on Wheels With Out Waste

Saturday, April 11

7–10 AM, Parking Lot

Get up to 60 lbs. of fresh produce for a $10 donation. (Previously MOM.)

Just Coffee Sale

Sat. & Sun., April 18 & 19,

After all Masses

Both ground and whole bean, regular and decaf organic coffee – $10 per pound. Look for the Coffee Cart.

Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, April 19

6 AM–2 PM, Parish Hall

The Knights are cooking! Join them in the Parish Hall for scrumptious food and visit with fellow parishioners.

Blood Drive

Sunday, April 19

6 AM–2 PM, Parking Lot

There is a sign-up sheet for appointments in the Narthex or please call 520-230-7295 for a time that is convenient for you.

Holy Saturday/Easter Vigil, April 4

9-10:30 AM — R.C.I.A. - Preparation Rites/Practice in Chapel

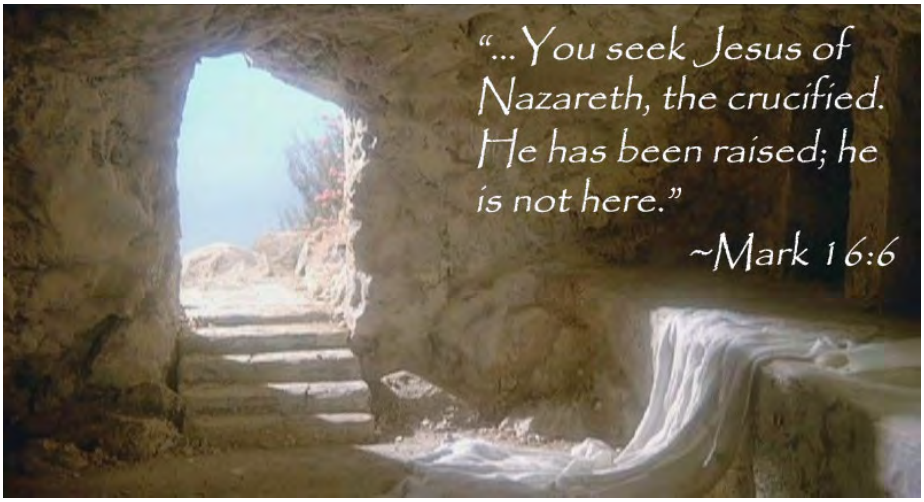
7 PM Easter Vigil Mass — Fr. Larry

9:30-11 PM — Celebration for R.C.I.A. Candidates, Cholla & Ocotillo Rooms

Genesis 1:1-2:2 — Genesis 22:1-18 — Exodus 14:15-15:1 — Isaiah 54:5-14

Isaiah 55:1-11 — Baruch 3:9-15, 32-4:4 — Ezekiel 36:16-28

Romans 6:3-11 — Mark 16:1-7



Easter Sunday, April 5

7 AM Easter Mass — Fr. Charlie Wehrley

9 AM Easter Mass — Fr. Larry

9 AM Easter Mass — Fr. Charlie Wehrley (overflow in Parish Hall)

11 AM Bilingual Easter Mass — Fr. Greg May

11 AM Easter Mass — Fr. Larry (overflow in Parish Hall, English only)

Acts 10:34,37-43 — Psalm 118:1-2,16-17,22-23 — 1 Corinthians 5:6-8 — John 20:1-9

Monday, April 6

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

1-2 PM — Prayer Shawl Meeting, Catalina Room

5-6:30 PM — Spanish Choir Practice, Church

6-8 PM — Spanish Prayer Group, Cholla Room

6-9 PM — Knights of Columbus Business Meeting, Parish Hall

7-9 PM — Alienated Catholics Meeting, Mesquite Room

Acts 2:14,22-33 — Psalm 16:1-2, 5, 7-11 — Matthew 28:8-15

Tuesday, April 7

8 AM Mass — Fr. Larry

✞ *For Mary & Ted Handrigan (d) — Jim & Cathy Handrigan*

1-3:30 PM — Arts & Crafts for Seniors, Cholla & Ocotillo Rooms

5:30-8 PM — Variety Show Auditions, Church

6-10 PM — Spirit of Motherhood Class, Cholla & Ocotillo Rooms

7-8 PM — Men's Prayer Group, Saguaro Room

Acts 2:36-41 — Psalm 33:4-5,18-20,22 — John 20:11-18

Wednesday, April 8

8 AM Mass — Fr. Bob Brazaskas
✞ *For Anna Wallace (d) — Fr. Bob Brazaskas*
8:45-11 AM — Eucharistic Adoration, Church
10 AM-1 PM — St. Vincent de Paul, Marian Room
12-1 PM — B.Y.O.L. Bible Study w/Fr. Larry, Catalina Room
4-5:30 PM — Religious Education (Grades K-5), Meet in the Parish Hall
6:30-8 PM — Religious Education (Grades 6-8), Meet in the Parish Hall
6:30-8 PM — Foundations & Confirmation Classes, Parish Center
7-9 PM — R.C.I.A. Meeting, Catalina Room

Acts 3:1-10 — Psalm 105:1-4,6-9 — Luke 24:13-35

Thursday, April 9

8 AM Mass — Fr. Larry
✞ *For Laverne & Emmet Paulson (d) — Georgiann Schwetz*
1-2:30 PM — Social Awareness Meeting, Saguaro Room
2-3:30 PM — ALOHA Meeting, Cholla & Ocotillo Rooms
4-5:30 PM— Al Anon Meeting, Mesquite Room
5-5:45 PM — Children's Choir Practice, Catalina Room
6:30-8:30 PM — English Choir (9 AM) Practice, Catalina Room
7-8:30 PM —AA Meeting, Mesquite Room

Acts 3:11-26 — Psalm 8:2,5-9 — Luke 24:35-48

Friday, April 10

Parish Office Closed
8 AM Mass — Fr. Greg Wiest
✞ *For Richard Balsbaugh (d) — Barbara & Allan Cairns*

Acts 4:1-12 — Psalm 118:1-2, 4, 22-27 — John 21:1-14

Saturday, April 11

7-10 AM — POW-WOW, Parking Lot
3:30-3:45 PM — Reconciliation, Church
4 PM Mass — Fr. Greg May ✞ *For Bob Cruse (d) — Alice Cruse*

Acts 4:13-21 — Psalm 118:1,14-15-21 — Mark 16:9-15

Sunday, April 12

7 AM Mass — Fr. Larry
✞ *For Joseph Sallmann (d) — Barbara & Allan Cairns*
9 AM Mass — Fr. Larry
✞ *For the intentions of the Parish*
11 AM Mass — Fr. Greg May
✞ *For Jeanette Culhane (d) — Chris & Camy Culhane*
12:30-2 PM — First Communion Class, Saguaro Room
12:30-3 PM — Stephen Ministry Training, Mesquite & Ocotillo Rooms
1 PM Spanish Mass — Fr. Greg May
✞ *For William Haynes (d) — Margaret Haynes*
2:30-3:30 PM — Divine Mercy Sunday Service, Church
5 PM Life Teen Mass — Fr. Jim Modeen
✞ *For Bill Herrschaft (d) — Alice Cruse*
6-8 PM — Life Teen, Parish Hall

Acts 4:32-35 — Psalm 118:2-4,13-15,22-24 — 1 John 5:1-6 — John 20:19-31

Parish Classes & Group Meetings

ARTS & CRAFTS FOR SENIORS
Every First/Third Tuesday, 1–3:30PM
Cholla & Ocotillo Rooms
Learn new art skills. Art supplies are provided. Bring a friend.

DIVINE MERCY CENACLE
Every Second Tuesday, 9–10:30AM
Saguaro Room
Prayer and study group promoting the Divine Mercy message.

DRESS A GIRL AROUND THE WORLD
Every Second Wednesday, 10–11AM
Cholla Room
All are welcome to join us. Stop by and learn how you can sew simple dresses for girls around the world!

OUTREACH MINISTRY
Every Third Thursday 2–3PM
Catalina Room
Everyone is invited to attend.

PRAYER SHAWL GROUP
Every first Monday from 1–2PM
Catalina Room
Bring your knitting needles and crochet hooks, yarn is provided.

SASSY SOLOS
Every First Thursday, 11AM–12PM,
Mesquite Room
All single women are invited to attend this planning meeting.

SOCIAL AWARENESS MEETING
Every First Thursday, 1–2:30PM
Saguaro Room
Everyone is invited to attend.

SPANISH PRAYER GROUP
Every Monday, 6–8PM
Cholla Room
All are welcome to join us for prayer and music.

What's Happening at Santa Catalina

Easter Memorial Flowers

If you would like to remember your loved ones by making a donation towards the Holy Thursday and Easter flowers for the church, please complete the form below and return it to Santa Catalina.

Cut out this form and include with your contribution in an envelope marked Easter Flowers and place it in the Sunday Collection Basket or bring/mail it to the Parish Office. Please only put one name per form and print clearly so that we are able to list your loved ones name in our bulletin after Easter.

Flores Memoriales de Pascua

Si a usted le gustaría recordar a sus seres queridos por medio de las Flores de decoración de nuestra Iglesia durante la Semana Santa y el Domingo de Resurrección, por favor llene la forma adjunta y regrésela.

Córtela y regrésela con su contribución en un sobre ponga en el sobre que es para la decoración de la Iglesia y póngalo en la canasta de la colecta del Domingo, la puede traer a la oficina o enviarla por correo.

In Memory of: _____

Gifted by: _____

Donation Amount: _____

Santa Catalina Music Ministry & Liturgy Presents

Black & White

Dinner Dance & Silent Auction

Friday April 17, 2015 in the Parish Hall

6 PM – 10 PM

3 Course Dinner with Live Music, Dancing, and Silent Auction

$50 per person or $500 per table

Semi-Formal Attire

This weekend is your last chance to buy tickets!

All proceeds to benefit sound system upgrades in the Church building at Santa Catalina Church. Proceeds above the upgrades will be donated to the Youth Ministry Program

New Parish Bereavement Class Begins Soon

"Shared joy is joy doubled; shared sorrow is sorrow halved."

Swedish proverb

With this in mind, Santa Catalina is again offering 5 weekly sessions beginning Monday, April 13, from 1-3 PM in the Parish Center. It will end May 11.

It is a safe, confidential setting in which information about the process of grief is shared as well as elements of healing. The group will share experiences, prayer and rituals. Gloria Brown and Judy Rossman, Stephen Ministers, will lead this group. These sessions is designed for someone who has lost a loved one, recently or during the past few years.

Registration is required and attendance at each session is requested. Please call Judy at 825-9611, 104 to register or for more information.

What's Happening at Santa Catalina, con't.

Divine Mercy Sunday

We all know that today, Easter Sunday, is the most important and greatest Feast day of the year. This is why we celebrate for eight full days…praising, worshiping and thanking God for our redemption & salvation.

But the eight day, the Octave of Easter, is the climax of the entire Easter celebration. And on the eight day we will celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday.

Our Lord, through St. Faustina stated: It is My desire that on the eight day, which is the first Sunday after Easter, The Feast of Mercy (Divine Mercy Sunday) be solely celebrated.

On Divine Mercy Sunday, a day chosen by Jesus Christ to be a day of extraordinary graces… a complete outpouring of God's mercy upon all who approach Him with great trust and expectant Faith.

On this day Our Lord promises to grant complete remission of sins and punishment to the souls that will meet the conditions He set forth:

1. Celebrate the Feast of Mercy on the first Sunday after Easter.
2. Repent of all sins & be free from all attachments to sin.
3. Go to confession during Lent or the Easter Season before the Feast Day.
4. Receive Holy Communion on the Feast of Mercy (be in the state of sanctifying grace)
5. Venerate the image of the Merciful Jesus (Divine Mercy Image).
6. Strive to be merciful and performs acts of mercy to others, in Deed, Word and Prayer.

Let us prayerfully continue our journey through Easter and prayerfully prepare to approach the Fount of Life. Our Divine Mercy Holy Hour on April 12 begins at 2:30 Pm, in the Church, and will be co-celebrated by our own three deacons.

Take this time to learn & thank God for His infinite Mercy and plan to join us for a very special Divine Mercy Sunday Holy Hour. Let our prayer always be… Jesus, I Trust in You.

Attention Alienated/Inactive Catholics:

A six-week series of Alienated Catholics Anonymous will begin after Easter on Monday, April 6.

Please share this information with your family or friends who have been hurt or feel unwelcome by the church.

These classes are for those who have entered into a non-sacramental marriage or who feel in conflict with the Church. We would like to help people who have been away and to welcome them back to the Church.

Classes will be held in the Mesquite Room from 7-8:30 PM.

Fr. Bob Brazaskas, a retired diocesan priest, will conduct the series, which is free and open to all.

For information call 825-9611.

Our Catholic Faith & Traditions

Treasures From Our Tradition

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Our tradition has a way of honoring age-old customs, and is patient with how practices unfold in different places. The name of today's feast illustrates this well. English is a Germanic language, and our word "Easter," or German "Oester," points back to the pagan goddess Eoestre, the star of the vernal equinox feast. The Greek title "Pasch" reaches back in a more helpful manner to the Hebrew "Pesach," or "Passover." "Paschal Triduum" may be slow to replace "Easter" in our vocabulary, but it is clearer about the mystery we celebrate today, the culmination of three days laden with mystery and meaning. You can hear the older term, and the resistance to English influence, in the Irish "Casca" and Scottish "Pask." Romance languages stay close to the deep paschal tradition, with the French "Pâques," Spanish "Pascua" and Italian "Pasqua." Memories of our pagan past with "Oester" will not soon fade away: even Japanese Christians are under her spell, for today's feast is called " I-suta." Swahili, a young language, takes the more traditional route with "Pasaka." Each language yields a rich insight into the feast. Spanish includes a sense that today is a "big Sunday" by adding the designation "Pascua" to the greatest feasts, such as "Pascua de la Natividad" (Christmas). Once Christ is risen, every step of life's journey is illuminated by the light of the Pasch!

– Rev. James Field

Tradiciones de Nuestra Fe

A veces los cristianos preguntamos: ¿qué le pasó a Cristo, durante los tres días de su muerte? La Iglesia de Asia Menor (la actual Turquía) respondió a esto decorando sus templos con murales bizantinos mostrando escenas principales de la vida de Jesús para instruir a los fieles. Una de estas escenas era la de Jesús entre los muertos. Según los evangelios, a la muerte de Jesús muchas tumbas se abrieron y muchos cuerpos de santos resucitaron (Mateo 27:52-53). El símbolo (Credo) de los Apóstoles declara que Jesús descendió a los infiernos. Imágenes antiguas muestran a Jesucristo entrando triunfalmente al infierno, rompiendo las cadenas de los ahí presentes, tomándolos para llevárselos al cielo. El imaginario cristiano normalmente pinta a Jesús con Adán y Eva. Los toma no de las manos sino del pulso, simbolizando que los tiene bien agarrados y nadie, ni el mismo diablo, se los puede quitar. Jesús comparte con todos los difuntos la victoria de su resurrección.

– Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM

dear Padre

April 5, 2015

Why is the story of the empty tomb inconsistent among the gospels?

In the Gospel of Luke, the three women who discover the empty tomb are greeted by two men. However, Mark says they were greeted by one man, Matthew says one angel, and John says two angels. Why the discrepancies?

When considering the contents of the gospels, we need to remember a few key points.

First, the Scriptures as we know them developed out of an oral tradition that was later written to preserve it. The process of actually getting them in writing took many years.

In addition, the Gospels were written by different authors who had different audiences with different needs. So it's understandable that there may be minor discrepancies on minor details between the different accounts.

However, it's important to note that the *substance* of the accounts remains essentially the same across the versions we have from the different gospel authors.

The detail of whether there was one man or two angels at Lord's tomb—or 5,000 or 3,000 fed at Jesus' multiplication of the loaves, to give another example—isn't as important as the fact that the Lord had risen or that the multitudes were fed by him.

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Community News

Al-Anon and AA meetings are held at Santa Catalina by the respective sponsoring organizations. If you or someone you know is interested in an Al-Anon meeting, join us every Thursday in the Parish Hall at 4 p.m. For details, call Wanda at 825-7124. AA meetings are also held on Thursday in the Parish Hall at 7 p.m. For more information on AA meetings, call Art at 825-5218.

St. Vincent de Paul provides compassion and support to individuals in need, regardless of race, origin, or religion. Their office hours are Monday and Wednesday, 10am-1pm, in the Parish Hall. For more information, please call 825-8288.

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The Adult Loss of Hearing Association (ALOHA) Oro Valley Support Group monthly meeting will be held Thursday, April 9 at 2 p.m. in the Cholla and Ocotillo Rooms. Our speaker will be Judy Katz Esbit. Before moving to Arizona, Judy was in the entertainment business in California. After moving to Tucson, Judy went to work for CaptionCall Phone as a Trainer, and is now an Account Manager. She will explain and demonstrate the use of the phone. Judy is a very good speaker. CaptionCall is available to all qualified users as a fulfillment of the Americans with Disabilities Act. For further information contact Joan Eddy at eddyjoan@comcast.net or 520-825-8630.

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