

August 10-11, 2024

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A REDEMPTORIST COMMUNITY

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Mass Schedule

Daily Mass

Mon-Fri 8:00 am

Weekend Mass

Sat 4:00 pm (Vigil)
Sun 7:00 am
9:00 am
11:00 am (Bi-lingual)

Reconciliation

Wed 8:45-10:00 am
Sat 2:30-3:30 pm
... or by appointment

Anointing

First Friday of the month
at 8:00 am Mass
... or by appointment

Adoration

In church, Wed 8:30-11:00 am
Benediction at 10:45 am.
Chapel hours, Mon-Fri
8:00 am-2:30 pm

Rosary in the Church

Mon-Fri 7:30 am



19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish Mission:

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.

Misión Parroquial:

Como miembros de la Comunidad de Fe de Dios en la Parroquia Católica Santa Catalina, comprometemos nuestras vidas a ser la voz, las manos y el espíritu de Cristo, como nuestra forma de continuar el llamado de Dios al amor y la paz.

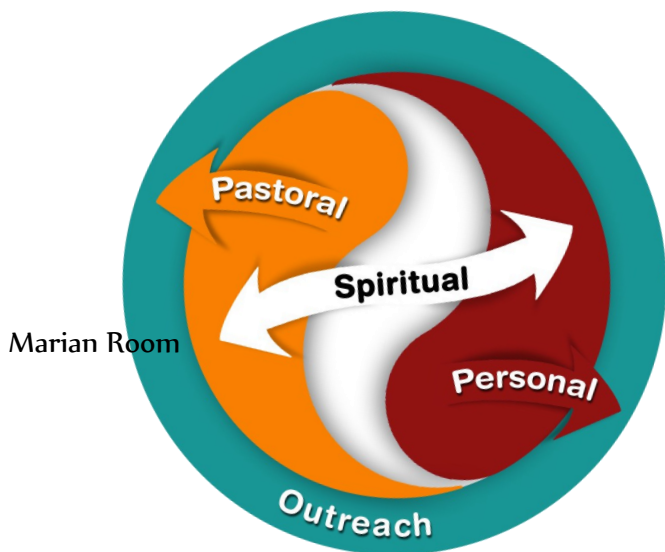
Parish Vision:

Together as a parish, we will strengthen our spiritual and personal lives so we can live out our mission as disciples. Led by the Redemptorist Charism, we will follow Christ the Redeemer, to build communities where all people can encounter the message of plentiful redemption, to serve the most abandoned, to minister to those in need and to be evangelized by them.

Visión Parroquial:

Juntos como parroquia, fortaleceremos nuestra vida espiritual y personal para que podamos vivir nuestra misión como discípulos. Guiados por el Carisma Redentorista, seguiremos a Cristo Redentor, para construir comunidades donde todas las personas puedan encontrar el mensaje de abundante redención, y servir a los más abandonados, ministrar a los necesitados y ser evangelizados por ellos.

THIS IS OUR PARISH — ENGAGE — BE PART OF THE VISION



Spiritual Providing ways for us to enter into a closer relationship with God and be excited & understand our faith	Adoration
	Bible Study
	Daily Rosary
	Hispanic Ministry
	Cultvando Mi Fe
	Matachines
	Society of Our Lady of Guadalupe
	Men's Fellowship Group
	R.C.I.A.
	Religious Education
	Vocations Ministry
Women's Prayer Group	

Personal Providing help for people to care for their bodies and minds	AA
	Al-Anon
	Arts & Crafts Group
	Book Bunch
	Game Night
	Mental Health Ministry
	Outreach Ministry
	Sassy Solos
	YogaFaith

Outreach Serving most in need & abandoned and to be evangelized by them	Dignity of Human Life
	Knights of Columbus
	Monthly Food Drive
	Prayer Shawl Ministry
	Project Linus Quilters
	Social Awareness & Justice Ministry:
	Caring For God's Creation
	Casa Alitas
	Casa Maria
	Christ Child Society of Tucson
	Dress a Girl Around the World
	Local Immersion Ministry
	Poor Box Program
	Prison Ministry
	Refugee Ministry
	Snack Pack Program
Sr. Jose Women s Ministry	
Troubled Youth	
St Vincent de Paul	

Pastoral Meeting the needs of our home, the parish, to support the parishioners	Communion Ministry with the Sick and Homebound
	Finance Council
	Funeral Ministry
	GriefShare
	Liturgical Ministry:
	Altar Servers
	Art & Environment
	Eucharist
	Hospitality
	Lector
	Martha's Kitchen
	Music Ministry
	Pastoral Council
	Stephen Ministry

Ministry Meetings and Events This Week

Day	Time	Meeting/Event	Location
Mon, Aug 12	10:00 AM	St Vincent de Paul	Marian Room
	9:30 AM	Yoga Faith	Catalina Room
Tue, Aug 13	1:30 PM	Arts & Crafts for All	Cholla Room
	6:00 PM	Men's Prayer Group	Marian Room
	6:00 PM	Women's Prayer Group	Saguaro Room
	8:30 AM	Eucharistic Adoration	Church
	8:45 AM	Reconciliation	Church
Wed, Aug 14	9:30 AM	Cultivando Mi Fe	Mesquite, Ocotillo Rooms
	10:00 AM	St Vincent de Paul	Marian Room
	1:00 PM	Understanding Sunday Scripture	Catalina Room
	6:30 PM	R.C.I.A.	Mesquite Room
Thu, Aug 15	9:00 AM	Fingerprinting	Parish Hall
	4:00 PM	Al-Anon "High Hopes" Meeting	Marian Room
	7:00 PM	AA Meeting	Marian Room
Fri, Aug 16	10:00 AM	Grief Share class	Mesquite, Ocotillo Rooms
Sat, Aug 17	2:30 PM	Reconciliation	Church
Sun, Aug 18	3:30 PM	R.C.I.A.	Mesquite

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**Upcoming Word on Fire Seminar -
Faith in the Public Arena - by Jason Adkins**



Day 1 Civic Engagement: A work of Charity that Promotes the Common Good; August 13. 11:00 - 12:15 AM (MST) on Circle Live

Day 2 Christians are Called to Participate in Public Life as Faithful Citizens; August 14. 11:00 - 12:15 AM (MST) on Circle Live

Why does Pope Francis say that a good Catholic “meddles” in politics? Why does he call it one of the highest forms of charity? What does the Church mean when she calls us to be “faithful citizens”? And what

about the separation of church and state? Jason Adkins’s presentation offers a brief introduction about what politics is and is not, and why our participation in social and political life is a call of discipleship—and, for some, a particular calling, or vocation. He will share why politics matters, how we can engage in the political world effectively, and the toolbox of principles (Catholic social teaching) that we bring into public life to build a civilization of love.

A message from Fr. Huy

Dear Santa Catalina Family,

As we prepare for the upcoming year, we invite you to share your special moments with us! We are now collecting submissions for our 2025 Church Calendar. Please send us your:

- *Wedding Anniversaries*
- *Birthdays*
- *Mass Intentions: Living or Deceased*

Your contributions will help us celebrate our vibrant community and keep everyone connected throughout the year.

How to Submit:

- *Send details to Lobby@santacatalinaparish.org.*
- *Drop off your information with Donna at the church office.*

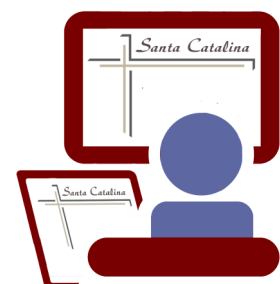
Please submit your information by August 20th. Thank you for being a part of our church family and for sharing your joyous occasions with us!



Reminder - If you have not responded to the Annual Catholic Appeal please visit [Annual Catholic Appeal – Catholic Foundation for the Diocese of Tucson](#) and remember to indicate that you are from Santa Catalina parish.

Keep your eye on the bulletin and our website

September is just around the corner and all kinds of things are going to be happening with our ministries. Make sure you check the bulletin and website every week for information about all the happenings here at Santa Catalina.



Join the Arts and Crafts Ministry on August 13th

The Arts and Crafts Ministry returns from its summer hiatus on August 13th from 1:30 - 3:30 pm and will be working with colored pencils. Two of our members, Linda Lambert and Carol Quarton, have completed workshops focusing on this media and will share their knowledge with us.

Instructors request participants provide a set of colored pencils (Faber-Castell or Prismacolor [24 or more]), a good eraser, and a pencil sharpener. Various types of paper will be supplied for the first class; participants will need to bring their own paper for future sessions (Strathmore 300 Series Bristol [smooth or vellum] or Strathmore 400 Series Toned Gray Sketch Paper [9 x 12"]) for other sessions.

At the first session, participants will focus on fundamentals, have a few simple blending and shading

exercises and then create a 5 x 7" bluebird picture. For future sessions, participants will each work on a personally selected photo(s) or drawing (s) they will bring. Images from participants' chosen photo(s) or drawing(s) can be "free drawn" or traced (using the graphite method or tracing paper) on colored pencil paper.

Throughout sessions, optional tools will be introduced (e.g., blenders, white gel pens, burnishing tools, etc.). The instructors will share examples showing results achieved by using these tools.



Save the Date - September Mental Health Focus - "Mental Health and Aging"



How does aging affect your Mental Health? Why is my Mental Health getting worse as I age? Join the Santa Catalina Mental Health Ministry for its September Mental Health Focus presented by Meira Year, RN, MA, MFT. The session will be held on Sunday September 22 at 1 pm OR Monday September 30 at 6 PM in the parish hall. The same presentation will be given at each session, so choose the one that best fits your schedule.

Do you know about 988?

The 988 Lifeline is a national network of local crisis centers that provides free and confidential emotional support to people in suicidal crisis or emotional distress 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Get help for yourself or your loved one anytime you need it.



¿Conoces el 988?

El número 988, conocido como "988 Lifeline" es una red nacional de centros de crisis, a nivel local, que brindan apoyo emocional gratuito y confidencial a personas en crisis suicidas o angustia emocional las 24 horas del día, los 7 días de la semana. No espere, obtenga ayuda para usted o su ser querido cuando la necesite.

Al-Anon & AA Meetings

Thursdays in the Marian Room, Al-Anon is 4-5:00 PM, contact Judy at 520-639-8650. AA is 7-8:30 PM, contact Art at 520- 825-5218.





Our Creator is in Control

I wake each morning to a magnificent sunrise. I am in awe when I look into the night sky and behold the billions of stars traversing our universe. And I believe that our loving Creator is in control. Yes, the earth will continue to spin and journey around the sun.

And life goes on. Some days are filled with joy. Yet other days bring burdens that are sometimes too heavy to carry alone. Spiritual crisis, loss of a loved one, loneliness, illness, disability, divorce, broken relationships, job loss, and many other challenges. And we ask – Lord, where are you?

He is always with us, reaching out to us through our brothers and sisters. Stephen Ministers are the voice, hands, and spirit of Christ, caring Christians

who want to make a difference in the lives of those who are hurting. They are compassionate, trustworthy, skilled, and faith-filled people who exercise strict confidentiality, who will not judge, who will listen and walk faithfully with you in a distinctively Christian, one-to-one caring relationship on your journey of healing.

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

GriefShare This Fall

Losing a loved one is very difficult. GriefShare can be of help. It is a Christian-based video program with excellent presenters, professional counselors and psychologists, as well as people who share their stories of how they cope with the loss of loved ones.

During thirteen sessions, participants view and discuss the videos and related workbook material.

There is a \$20 fee for the required GriefShare workbook. You may purchase it when you register at the first session. You may also purchase the workbook on-line and register at griefshare.org



Schedule:

Tuesday 6-8:00 PM
Sept 10 through Dec 3
Mesquite Room

“GriefShare” durante este otoño

Perder a un ser querido es muy difícil. “GriefShare” puede ser la ayuda necesaria. Es un programa en video, de base cristiana, con excelentes presentadores: consejeros y psicólogos profesionales, así como personas que comparten sus historias sobre cómo afrontan la pérdida de sus seres queridos. Durante trece sesiones, los participantes ven y discuten los videos y utilizan el material del libro de trabajo. El libro de trabajo podrá ser adquirido al momento de registrarse para la primera sesión. Este libro tiene un precio de \$20. También se puede registrar en línea y adquirir el libro de trabajo en el sitio de internet griefshare.org

St. Kateri Tekakwitha Men's ACTS Retreat

Aug 29-Sept 1, 2024

ACTS is a four-day, three-night Catholic Retreat, led for men or women by parishioners serving to build a stronger Christian community in your parish.

ACTS stands for Adoration, Theology, Community and Service. ACTS helps reignite our faith by meeting us where we are in our spiritual journey.

The retreat provides an opportunity for a personal, as well as communal encounter with God, and promotes Christ centered discipleship.

The retreat will be held August 29-September 1, 2024 at the Redemptorist Renewal Center. We can only take a limited number of retreatants. If you are interested in attending this retreat or know s



someone who is, please contact Michael Steber (520) 245-5858, Arturo Carrillo (915) 309-7260, or Richard Neubauer (906) 250-3705 to register for this retreat.

Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Thursday, August 15th Holy Day of Obligation

This special Marian Solemnity, Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, commemorates the belief that when Mary died her body was "assumed" into heaven.

By contemplating Mary in heavenly glory, we understand that the earth is not the definitive homeland for us either, and that if we live with our gaze fixed on eternal goods, we will one day share in this same glory and the earth will become more beautiful.

We must not lose our serenity and

peace even amid the thousands of daily difficulties. The luminous sign of Our Lady taken up into Heaven shines out even more brightly when sad shadows of suffering and violence seem to loom on the horizon.

We may be sure of it: from on high, Mary follows our footsteps with gentle concern, dispels the gloom in moments of darkness and distress, reassures us with her motherly hand.

Supported by awareness of this, let



continue confidently on our path of Christian commitment wherever Providence may lead us. Let us forge ahead in our lives under Mary's guidance.

(Pope Benedict XVI General Audience, August 16, 2006)

The Living Rosary

"The Living Rosary" is a prayer service where each person represents one of the beads of the rosary and leads the corresponding prayer while reflecting on the mysteries of Jesus's life.

Please join us to pray Rosary for the Health and Peace in our Families, in our community, and around the world.

Sunday, August 18th

12:30 PM-2:00 PM in the Parish Hall

"Give me an army saying the Rosary and I will conquer the world." *Pope Blessed Pius IX*



Del Rosario Viviente

"El Rosario Viviente" es una oración de servicio en la cual cada persona representa una cuenta del Rosario dirigiendo la oración correspondiente, mientras se medita sobre el misterio de la vida de Jesús.

Todos están invitados a rezar con nosotros el Rosario por la salud y la paz en nuestra familia, nuestra comunidad, y en todo el mundo. ¡Acompáñanos a rezar el Rosario!

Domingo 18 de Agosto

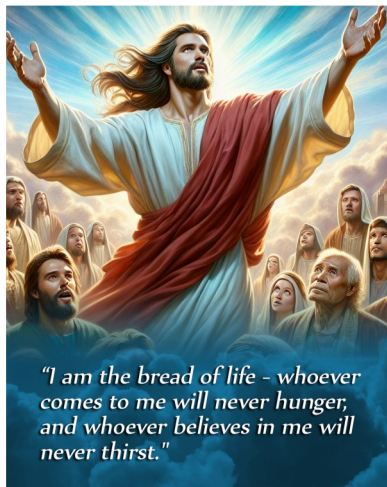
12:30 PM-2 :00 PM en el Salón Parroquial

"Dame un ejército rezando el Rosario y Yo conquistaré el Mundo." - *Pope Blessed Pius IX*

This week we hear Jesus say, *“He that believes in me, has eternal life”* (John 6:47).

These straightforward words, uttered by human lips, sound — how to put this? — insane. Who could possibly say such a thing? Jesus says things that are so high, so demanding, so beyond our capacity to fathom, we hardly know what to do with them and (if you’re like me), they usually go in one ear and out the other. So, let us ask: how can believing in him lead to eternal life?

To believe in something means not just to acknowledge its existence, but also to orient yourself entirely to it. If a football player believes in his team, it means he puts his life totally at the service of that goal. If a student



believes in her dream to become a doctor, she gives everything she has to her studies and preparation for her MCAT test. Belief means to move boldly toward something we love, and trust is possible to attain.

What is the highest possible good at which we can aim? It is God himself, the gift of eternal life without end. Jesus has made this “good” possible in and through his human nature. To believe in him means to have him as our ultimate goal. This week let’s believe the truth of these words and make practical decisions to orient ourselves toward what we see available in him: eternal life.

— *Father John Muir* ©LPi

11 de agosto de 2024 19º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Ya es tiempo que nos demos cuenta que las enseñanzas de Dios, por medio de sus profetas y de su Hijo Jesús, son las que valen la pena. Los últimos domingos, el Evangelio nos muestra de diferentes maneras cómo Jesús es el Pan de Vida, y cómo podemos alcanzar grandes niveles de conocimiento en la fe y cómo vivir los valores auténticos del Evangelio. Sin embargo, la pregunta importante es la siguiente: ¿Qué podemos aprender de Dios y de sus enseñanzas en la época actual? ¿Qué significa para nosotros la Palabra de Dios? La respuesta es personal y amerita una reflexión profunda de parte de cada uno.

En la Eucaristía, Jesús se nos da como alimento; nos da la fuerza necesaria para continuar en el camino que aún nos queda por recorrer. Aprendamos a recibirla con respeto y veneración: *“Yo soy el pan vivo que ha bajado del cielo. El que coma de este pan vivirá para siempre. El pan que yo daré es mi carne, y lo daré para la vida del mundo”* (Juan 6:51). Pidamos al Espíritu Santo, que nos ayude a comprender la inmensidad del amor de Jesús al darse como alimento. El Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica, en el numeral 1324, no enseña lo siguiente: *“La Eucaristía es la fuente y la cima de toda la vida cristiana. Los demás sacramentos, como también todos los ministerios eclesiales y las obras de apostolado, están unidos a la Eucaristía y a ella se ordenan. La Sagrada Eucaristía, en efecto, contiene todo el bien espiritual de la Iglesia, es decir, Cristo mismo, nuestra Pascua”*. ©LPi

This Week's Liturgy Schedule

Spiritual

Date	Mass	Celebrant	Intention	By
			† Charles Barrett	Sandy Pomerantz
Mon, Aug 12	8:00 AM	Fr. Steve Rehrauer	† Marcia Lane Sylvia Fischer (living)	Michael & Kay Shannon by her sisters
Tue, Aug 13	8:00 AM	Fr. Huy Vu	† Nancy & Giuseppe Valentine	Nick Valentine
			† Herbert L. Hoffman	wife Theresa Hoffman
Wed, Aug 14	8:00 AM	Fr. Brian Johnson	† Wally Peszek	Drew & Sheliah Drewienkowski
			† Lloyd Hardy	Michael & Kay Shannon
	5:00 PM	Fr. Huy Vu	Peace for Santa Catalina Parish	
Thu, Aug 15	9:00 AM	Fr. Huy Vu	† Edward Zvonar	Sophie Zvonar
<small>Holy Day of Obligation</small>			† The Kurcz family	Dave & Diane Wisniewski
Fri, Aug 16	8:00 AM	Fr. Brian Johnson	Peace for Santa Catalina Parish	
			† Edward Zvonar	Sophie Zvonar
Sat, Aug 17	4:00 PM	Fr. Lester Mendonsa	† Marie Peaker	the Oczak family
			† Mary Sloan	Gerry Dugan
	7:00 AM	Fr. Huy Vu	For the Intentions of the Parish	
Sun, Aug 18	9:00 AM	Fr. Huy Vu	† Irene Ryan	Diane Sterle & Gail Venegas
	11:00 AM	Fr. Huy Vu	Peace for Santa Catalina Parish	

Readings for the week of August 11, 2024

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (9a)/Eph 4:30—5:2/Jn 6:41-51
 Monday: Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Mt 17:22-27
 Tuesday: Ez 2:8—3:4/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
 Wednesday: Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 18:15-20
 Thursday: *Vigil*: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14/1 Cor 15:54b-57/
 Lk 11:27-28 *Day*: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/
 1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56
 Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Mt 19:3-12
 Saturday: Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 19:13-15



Today's Readings (19th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

First Reading:

He got up, ate, and drank; then strengthened by that food, he walked forty days and forty nights to the mountain of God, Horeb. (1 Kgs 19:8)

Psalm:

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord. (Ps 34)

Second Reading:

So be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us. (Eph 5:1-2)

Gospel:

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." (Jn 6:51)

Spiritual



Dottie Bentz	Mark Cowie	Jose Gutierrez	Denjal Noval	Susann Rein	Mary Sloan (Deceased)
Cliff Bentz	Mimi Cuono	Walter Henrich	Margarita Peña	Noly Roca	
Scott Bieber	Albert Diaz	Phyllis Henrich	Edward Peña	Linda Slivinski	
Mario Calbone	Renee Ford	David W. Maloney	Robert Perry	Bob Stamer	
Diane Clark	Anita Garcia	Irma Moran	Frank Reilly	The Welsh family	
Bill Terrazas	Rene Terrazas	Kelley Thomas	Steven Venizo	Bob Baker	

Mass Intentions



One of the greatest acts of charity is to pray for the living and the dead and the most powerful prayer we have is the Mass. For this very reason, having a Mass offered, what the Church calls a Mass Intention, for loved ones who have died, for the living who have a special

need or celebration, or in thanksgiving to God, the Church is able to intercede for us and apply special graces from God upon that individual, blessings, or thanksgiving. To request a Mass Intention, call the office at 520-825-9611 or lobby@santacatalinaparish.org.

Stewardship

Weekend July 20-21	Totals	Attendance
Offertory	\$14,198	859
Major Maintenance	\$162	
Total	\$14,360	
Last Year's Offertory	\$15,177	939
Parish Rectory	\$1,270	

2024 Summer weekend Mass Schedule July 14 - Sept 8th

Saturday: 4:00 PM
 Sunday: 7:00 AM
 9:00 AM
 11:00 AM

Would You Like to Have Your Loved One Remembered in Our Memorial Garden?

Our Beautiful Memorial Garden Wall has six large brick panel walls with the names of deceased parishioners engraved on a beautifully designed bronze plaque.

If you are interested in ordering a plaque for your loved one, please contact Madeline Rugama at 520-825-9611 ext. 104.

A \$500 donation is asked to cover the cost of the plaque for continued maintenance and beautification of the Memorial Wall and Garden.

The plaques will be blessed at our All Souls Day Mass on November 2, 2024.

Orders must be placed by August 29, 2024.

Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman (©LPi)

Murmurings

When people whisper, what they whisper usually is not flattering. It's also usually not accurate. If it was either of these things, it probably wouldn't have to be whispered.

"Stop murmuring among yourselves," Jesus tells the community in today's Gospel, and I think I detect a hint of impatience in his voice — or is that just my own bias? Maybe, maybe not. But it's true that what they were whispering about wasn't particularly flattering, and it also wasn't very accurate: *Did you hear what he said? That he's the bread of life?*

Do they disbelieve, or are they simply confused? Resentful? Afraid? Overwhelmed? We don't know, but we do know that they're not bringing their questions into the open. They're whispering them, trading them secretly, like contraband candy.

We know this guy. Who does he think he is? Well, if you ask me...

And then we get to what is usually the true purpose of a whispered opinion: the desire to make oneself out as

the correct and unchallenged judge of the matter at hand.

In many ways, we have become a Church of murmurers. *Did you see what Bishop So-and-So said to Such-and-Such newspaper? Did you hear what Fr. Whatshisname said in his homily? Who does he think he is? Well, if you ask me...*

Perhaps it was always this way, even before modern times. Perhaps this Gospel shows us that this is no new thing.

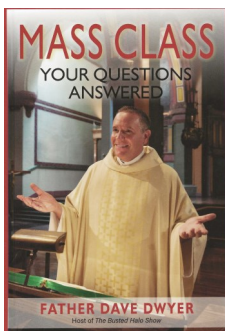
Today, we see Jesus respond to his sulking critics by drawing their attention back to the truth at the heart of his teaching. *Everyone who listens to my Father and learns from him comes to me.* And that is the end of their murmuring.

The truth is like a brick wall, and it knocks them over — or rather they, hurling themselves against it, knock themselves over.

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever." — John 6:51

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Are we supposed to genuflect or bow when we come into the church?



Visit the parish [website](#) to read Fr. Dave Dwyer's response.

If you are reading an electronic copy of the bulletin, click the QR code. If you are on a printed version, use your phone's camera to scan the QR code. On your computer, visit: <https://santacatalinaparish.org/Mass-Class.html>



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Report Abuse

If you or someone you know is a victim of abuse Contact law enforcement (911), call the Victim Assistance Program of the Diocese of Tucson (520-623-0344) or visit <https://diocesetucson.org/reportabuse>.



Outreach

Meet the Ministry - Casa Alitas Ministry - An SAJM Ministry

Casa Alitas, with the help of a few dedicated staff, hundreds of committed volunteers, and the support of Catholic Community Services (CCS), has provided invaluable humanitarian aid to refugees and asylum seekers who have been brought to them by ICE and Border Patrol. Most are families: parents, children and pregnant women; most are from Central America and Mexico.

Due to funding and federal policy changes, the numbers of asylum seekers and thus the need for support is always changing. A new larger facility and other sites in addition to the Welcome Center, opened last year to accommodate larger numbers. Casa Alitas guests are provided clothing, showers, shelter, information, basic medical services, and travel assistance as they are reunited with families and sponsors across the United States. We, at Santa Catalina, have generously supported Casa Alitas with

financial donations, clothing, a sock and underwear drive and securing and assembling activity kits for children.

Volunteers typically spend a few hours to a half day and offer support by providing hospitality, (distributing clothes, toiletries, and food, working with children's activities, laundry, etc.) as the guests await their journeys to reunite with family across the country.

This ministry also holds donation drives for school supplies and activity items in the fall and underwear and socks in the winter. When asked, the Volunteer coordinator stated that their greatest need, without exception, is volunteers! If you are interested in volunteering, Contact Ida Androwich at sajm@santacatalinaparish.org.



Thank You for your wonderful response to the request for Rosaries

Catholic Community Services' St. Jeanne Jugan Ministry with Elders is very grateful for over 150 donated rosaries they have received so far from SCCC. They will be distributed to residents in Nursing Homes, Hospice and patients in Hospitals.
SCCC Contact: Deb Auclair 585-309-9064



Santa Catalina Parish



Spiritual Adoption

Jesus, Mary and Joseph
I love you very much.
I beg you to spare the life
of the unborn child that I
have spiritually adopted who is
in danger of abortion.

...Bishop Fulton J Sheen



A reminder to say your Spiritual Adoption Prayer daily - Dignity of Human Life Ministry

St Vincent de Paul is Here to Help



Do you know someone struggling financially to make ends meet due to an unforeseen circumstance? Santa Catalina Saint Vincent de Paul compassionately supports individuals in need regardless of race, religion or origin.

Our office hours are Mondays and Wednesdays from 10 am to 1 pm in the Parish Hall's Marian Room. Call (520) 825 8288 or email svdpcatalina@gmail.com for more information.

San Vicente de Paúl está aquí para

¿Conoce a alguien que lucha financieramente para llegar a fin de mes debido a una circunstancia imprevista? El ministerio San Vicente de Paúl de la parroquia Santa Catalina, apoya con compasión a las personas necesitadas sin importar su raza, religión u origen. Nuestro horario de oficina son los lunes y miércoles de 10 am a 1 pm en el Salón Mariano del Salón Parroquial. Para obtener mas información, llame al (520) 825-8288 o envíe un correo electrónico a svdpcatalina@gmail.com.

Sr. Jose Women's Ministry Needs Your Help.

The Sr. Jose Ministry honors the legacy of Sister Jose' Women's Center to care and nurture homeless women within our community, and to support their vision "where every homeless woman has a safe harbor and a path to a sustainable life."

Sister Jose's Women's Center provides:

- 1) Sisters Helping Sisters Day Program, which offers homeless women three meals, showers, laundry, clothing, and personal hygiene products.
- 2) A Safe Place for Women Night Program, which offers approximately 45 women with

hot meals and a safe place to sleep.

- 3) Moving Forward Program, which provides case managers who help women enter the rental or job markets with a 70% success rate.

This past year, the Center is seeing more women than ever before and more women with significant challenges, including a more elderly population. Some of these women have never been on the street and need their help. One reason for increased homelessness is rental price increases that women on a fixed income cannot pay. That was the story of an 80 year old who



found the shelter (35% of the guests are 55 or older).

The 2023 numbers compared to 2022 numbers show the dramatic increase. In 2023, the center provided 23,690 guest visits (a 17% increase), 14,463 overnight stays (a 19% increase), 32,264 breakfasts (a 29% increase) and 14,463 dinners (a 19% increase).

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Sally Sample at sajm@santacatalinaparish.org.

Helping the homeless and disadvantaged in South Tucson

Members of the *Casa Maria Ministry* go to Casa Maria Soup Kitchen to serve meals the mornings of the third

Wednesday and Friday of every month. If you are interested in volunteering, send an e-mail to sajm@santacatalinaparish.org.



Outreach

We all know how blessed we are and may be wondering how to express appreciation for our blessings and give to those in greater need. There are many opportunities in the Social Awareness and Justice Ministry.

From an hour once a month packing weekend nutrition bags for the school children at a nearby school, making sandwiches for Casa Maria, serving meals at Sr.Jose, packing travel snacks for the immigrants at Casa Alitas, gardening in our memorial prayer garden, to name a few, involvement can vary from an hour a month to

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weekly activities.

If you are interested, send an e-mail to sajm@santacatalinaparish.org and we will be happy to discuss options with you.

Thank you for considering joining us to be the hands and feet of Christ.