

February 15-16, 2025

Santa Catalina

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A REDEMPTORIST COMMUNITY

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Mon-Fri 9:00 am-3:30 pm

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)
5:00 pm

Reconciliation

Wed 8:45-10:00 am

Sat 2:30-3:30 pm

... or by appointment

Anointing

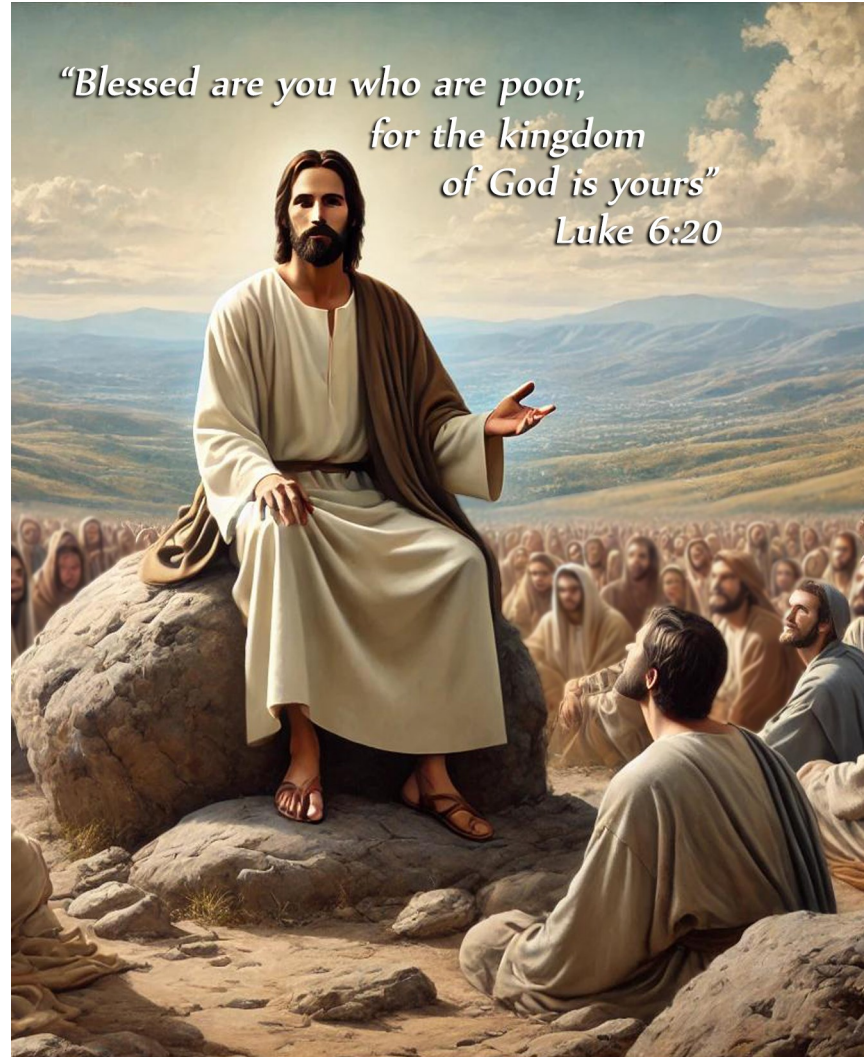
First Friday of the month
at 8:00 am Mass
... or by appointment

Adoration

In Church, Wed 8:30 am -8:30 pm
Chapel hours, Mon-Fri
8:00 am-2:30 pm

Rosary in the Church

Mon-Fri 7:30 am



*"Blessed are you who are poor,
for the kingdom
of God is yours"
Luke 6:20*

Sixth 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, administrar a los necesitados y ser evangelizados por ellos.

Join Our Vibrant Parish Community - Become a Part of Santa Catalina Parish

We invite you to join our dynamic and welcoming parish family. As a member of Santa Catalina Parish, you will find opportunities to deepen your faith, connect with others, and make a meaningful impact in our community.

To Join our parish

- Visit our website at www.santacatalinaparish.org to register online
- Stop by the parish office and ask Donna, to provide a paper registration form

We look forward to welcoming you to our parish family.

To Support our Parish Mission

We rely on your generosity to continue serving our community. There are two easy ways to share your gift with Santa Catalina Parish:

- **Online Giving:** sign up on our website at: <https://osvhub.com/santa-catalina-church/giving/funds>
- **Envelope Program:** Contact our parish office to learn more about our envelope program



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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>.

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.



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This Week's Meetings

Day	Time	Meeting/Event	Room
Mon, Feb 17	9:00 AM	Quilt Group Open Sew	Catalina
	10:00 AM	St Vincent de Paul	Marian
	10:00 AM	Sacred Scripture Study - The Prophets	Mesquite, Ocotillo
	4:00 PM	Music Ministry/choir rehearsal	Church
	5:30 PM	Music Ministry - Bilingual Choir	Church
Tue, Feb 18	9:30 AM	Yoga Faith	Catalina
	4:00 PM	5 PM Mass Choir Rehearsal	Church
	5:00 PM	Knights Pasta Fiesta Dinner/Bingo	Parish Hall
	6:00 PM	Men's Prayer Group	Marian
	6:00 PM	Women's Prayer Group	Saguaro
Wed, Feb 19	8:30 AM	Eucharistic Adoration	Church
	8:45 AM	Reconciliation	Church
	9:00 AM	Cultivando Mi Fe	Mesquite
	10:00 AM	St Vincent de Paul	Marian
	1:00 PM	Understanding Sunday Scripture	Catalina
Thur, Feb 20	4:30 PM	Faith Formation Classes K-8th	Mesquite, Ocotillo, Cholla
	9:00 AM	Fingerprinting	Parish Hall
	10:00 AM	Sr. Karen Berry class	Saguaro
	4:00 PM	Al-Anon "High Hopes" Meeting	Marian
	6:30 PM	Sacred Scripture Study - The Prophets	Mesquite, Ocotillo
Fri, Feb 21	7:00 PM	AA Meeting	Marian
	9:00 AM	Friday Faith Fellowship - The Chosen	Catalina
Sat, Feb 22	10:00 AM	Grief Share class	Mesquite, Ocotillo
	2:30 PM	Reconciliation	Church
Sun, Feb 23	7:30 AM	Knight's Blood Drive	Parish Hall
	8:00 AM	Faith Formation Classes K-8th	Mesquite, Ocotillo, Cholla
	12:15 PM	O.C.I.A. & Confirmation	Conference

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resources for spiritual growth—without the need to download an app or create a login.

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Visit Santacatalinaparish.flocknote.com Stay connected and informed with ease! †

Hand Carved In Bethlehem - This Weekend

Please visit the tables showcasing religious wares, including Nativity sets, rosaries, statues, crucifixes, charms, and more, after all Masses **this weekend**.

Ayman Khair will be representing Christian families from the Holy Land, who have traditionally relied on selling their hand-carved religious items to tourists. Unfortunately, due to ongoing conflict in the Middle East and the war, tourism in the region has come to a halt, leaving these families without a source of income.

help these families sustain themselves. They have turned to Christian communities in the United States to sell their beautiful hand-carved articles, crafted from the sacred Olive tree, a tradition passed down through generations.

This effort aims to provide these families with the means to continue living and surviving in the Holy Land, where the Christian population has tragically decreased from 22% to less than 2% over the last 20 years.

Your support during this critical time is essential to

Thank you in advance for your kind support. †

Free Mission of the Family Video Series from the Knights of Columbus

Men and women, young and old, strengthen and grow in your faith for your families with five short videos produced by the *Knights of Columbus* called the "Mission of The Family". The videos can be found on the *Knights of Columbus* website for free.



The videos can be found at <https://www.kofc.org/en/campaigns/into-the-breach.html>. The five videos are less than 14 minutes in length. †



Women Be Blessed Conference 2025

Saturday, March 8, 2025, Dr. Patricia Hughes, D.Min, will present *Trust + Hope = Transformation*. Prayer, Music, quiet time and reflections on the Wedding Feast of Cana will be the content of the day. The retreat is being offered at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish, 844 Sullivan St., Miami, AZ 85539.

Register by calling one of the following phone numbers: 928-473-3568 or 928-425-3137. The cost is \$20.00 for breakfast, lunch and additional resources. †

Knights of Columbus Free Pancake Breakfast, This Sunday in the Parish Hall.

Friday Night Lenten Soup Suppers



Make your first Lenten resolution. Plan to attend these wonderful (and delicious) fellowship evenings.

Our Santa Catalina Ministries will prepare crockpots of meatless soups each Friday evening in Lent. So, grab your bowl and spoon and join us in the Parish Hall on March 7th,

14th, 21st, 28th, April 4th and 11th. Come to the Stations of the Cross in the Memorial Garden at 5 pm and then come for soup.

Stations of the Cross booklets are available at the Garden and downloadable from our website:

<https://santacatalinaparish.org/index.html#Stations> †



Create Animal Portraits With the Arts and Crafts Group

In February and March, members of the Arts and Crafts Group will focus on creating animal portraits. For this project, you can choose the art medium you would like to use: graphite or colored pencils, pastels or charcoal, pen and ink, collage, scratch board, or any type of paint (watercolor, acrylic, or oil). Bring a picture of the animal you'd like to create and the necessary materials (i.e., appropriate paper and tools).

We'll have members who can show you how to use a grid or light board to transfer your picture to the paper. Come learn from each other as we create animal portraits!



The Arts and Crafts group meets the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month from 1:30 – 3:30 in the Ocotillo Room. †

Join Us for YogaFaith



YogaFaith meets every Tuesday from 9:30-10:30 in the Santa Catalina room located in the Parish Hall.

Please bring a mat and wear comfortable clothing that allows you to stretch and move in various standing, sitting, kneeling and

prone postures. We begin with a prayer and ask for special intentions. Through cleansing breaths, we ask the Holy Spirit to be with us as we stretch and move to realign our standing posture, strengthen our core and improve our balance.

All are welcome. †

Why Do We Walk the Stations of the Cross?

Catholics visit the Stations of the Cross as a devotional practice, especially during Lent and Holy Week, to meditate on the suffering and sacrifice of Jesus Christ. This tradition allows us to spiritually accompany Jesus on His journey to Calvary, reflecting on His passion and death.

The Stations allow us..

- **To Deepen Our Connection with Christ's Suffering**
Walking through the Stations, which depict key moments of Jesus' Passion, helps us reflect on His love and sacrifice for

humanity.

- **To Express Gratitude and Repentance**
By meditating on Christ's suffering, we recognize the depth of His sacrifice and express **contrition** for our sins.
- **To Strengthen Our Faith**
The Stations remind us of the power of self-sacrifice, perseverance, and trust in God, even in suffering.

Walking the Stations of the Cross dates back to the early Christians who traveled to Jerusalem to retrace Jesus' final steps. In the



Middle Ages, when travel became difficult, churches began setting up their own Stations of the Cross.

Ultimately, we visit the Stations of the Cross to grow closer to Christ, reflect on our own struggles, and renew our commitment to live out His teachings. †

Meet the Pastoral Council - Maritza Pham

I grew up in the small town of Brule, Nebraska, attending the University of Wyoming and graduated from Portland State University. After working full time for 33 years, I retired three years ago. My husband Manh and I make SaddleBrooke our winter home and spend our summers in Olympia, WA.

We joined the Santa Catalina Parish as



MARITZA PHAM

we felt a strong sense of connection, community, and welcoming that pulled us to get involved in our parish. As a member of the Pastoral Council, and the Social Awareness and Justice (SAJM), Prayer Shawl, and YogaFaith ministries, I am blessed to work along side many kind and wonderful members of our church. I look forward to joining other ministries and serving you and our community. ✝

The Relic of Santa Catalina

When a church is consecrated in the name of a saint, a relic from that saint is placed within the church. Santa Catalina Catholic Church was consecrated on November 1, 1981, marking the day it officially became Santa Catalina Catholic Church.

As you enter the church, you will find Santa Catalina's picture on the left side. Below her picture, on the lower left, is her relic. It is very small and can be difficult to identify, but it is a piece of her clothing.

We are fortunate to have Deacon Al De LaRiva, who was present at the time of the church's consecration. He has provided valuable insight into the origin of the relic.

Contributed by GyGy Somogyi ✝



La Reliquia de Santa Catalina

Cuando una iglesia es consagrada en nombre de un santo, se coloca una reliquia de ese santo dentro de la iglesia. La Iglesia Católica de Santa Catalina fue consagrada el 1 de noviembre de 1981, marcando el día en que se convirtió oficialmente en la Iglesia Católica de Santa Catalina.

Al entrar en la iglesia, encontrará la imagen de Santa Catalina en el lado izquierdo. Debajo de su imagen, en la parte inferior izquierda, está su reliquia. Es muy pequeña y puede ser difícil de identificar, pero es un pedazo de su ropa.

Somos afortunados de tener al Diácono Al De LaRiva, quien estuvo presente en el momento de la consagración de la iglesia. Él ha proporcionado información valiosa sobre el origen de la reliquia.

Contribuido por GyGy Somogyi ✝

New Round of GriefShare Scheduled

Losing a loved one is one of life's most difficult and emotional experiences. GriefShare is a Christian-based program designed to offer support and guidance during this challenging time. Through video presentations, workbook materials, and group

discussions, participants gain understanding and tools to help navigate the grieving process.

Participants can register at their first session and purchase the required workbook for \$20, receiving valuable resources to support them on their journey.

GriefShare®

Program Details:

Thirteen Sessions – Fridays, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM, February 7 - May 9 (No session on Good Friday (4/18).

Information: (520) 825-9611, brochure in the narthex.. ✝

Saints Who Fostered Vocations to the Priesthood.

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Saint Arnold Janssen (Died: 1909) (Feast: January 15)



“The Lord challenges our faith to do something new, precisely when so many things are collapsing in the Church”. Arnold Janssen was born in Germany in 1837 and ordained a priest in his mid-twenties. He

taught math and science for many years. Because of his deep devotion to the Sacred Heart, he was appointed director of the Apostleship of Prayer, in which position he developed a growing concern for the universal mission of the Church.

He set out to help rekindle the missionary spirit of his German homeland. During the late 1800s, Bismark’s anti-Catholic Kulturkampf drove many priests out of Germany. Janssen thought to have these priests reassigned to foreign missions. And despite much opposition, he founded the Divine

Word Missionaries in the Netherlands to enable this work. He resigned from teaching and spent much time producing publications to promote the order’s work and communities.



He also established the Holy Spirit Missionary Sisters. A contemplative offshoot emerged, the Sister Servants of the Holy Spirit of Perpetual Adoration, whose task was to pray for the missions. His work bore tremendous fruit. Today, the Divine Word Missionaries are active in over eighty countries. Arnold died at seventy and was canonized in 2003.

Prayer: Almighty Father, through the prayers of Saint Arnold Janssen and the power of Eucharistic Adoration, renew and sustain missionary vocations. ✚

Join the Friday Faith Fellowship

Join us for Friday Faith Fellowship starting Friday, February 7, 2025, immediately following Mass in the Parish Hall. We’ll be watching Season 1 of The Chosen, a widely acclaimed series that brings the life of Jesus and his disciples to the screen in a fresh and inspiring way. It’s Bible study without the

homework! Enjoy fellowship, snacks, and meaningful discussion as we deepen our faith and grow together in community. All are welcome—come and bring a friend. ✚



Sign up to take The Weekly Vocations Cross Home

The Weekly Vocations Cross program invites you to pray for Catholic vocations. If you attend the 4 PM or 5 PM Mass, you can take the cross home for a week and pray using the provided pamphlet.

During Mass, the priest presents the cross to you at

the altar. You then display it in your home and return it before the same Mass the following week.

Sign up for this meaningful opportunity to support vocations! Sheets are available in the Narthex. ✚

I craved four things as a teenager: success in sports, food, fun and the attention of popular people. However, I noticed that as I acquired them, I was more unsatisfied than before. So, I'd strive even more energetically, achieve more, and the sense of emptiness was greater still. These four things started to feel like burdens or even curses. Soon after, I encountered Christ in my high school youth group. Experiencing his love was totally different than anything those four things previously produced. It produced a lasting happiness.

Jesus utters a kind of four-fold curse in this week's Gospel of Saint Luke's "woes": **"Woe to you who are rich...who are filled now...who laugh now...who are well-spoken of"** (cf. Luke 6:24-26). How marvelous that these



Luchar por el bien común es la respuesta que debemos dar al evangelio de este domingo. No hay otra manera, y el mensaje es muy claro, no existe manera de suavizarlo. Lucas mira un solo punto, y es la justicia. La escena del evangelio nos narra que Jesús desciende del cerro y se detiene en un llano. Hay mucha gente de diferentes partes, muchos esperan ser curados por Jesús. Entonces, Jesús, dirige su mirada a sus discípulos y comienza su discurso. Les habla de la importancia de ser felices. Sí, Jesús llama felices a los pobres y a los enfermos. ¿Cómo podemos entender y asimilar ese llamado a la felicidad? ¿Que acaso no es contradictorio?

El mensaje está en que, al ver la pobreza, el hambre, la enfermedad, la guerra, la oportunidad, la

correspond perfectly to the four things that obsessed my teenage soul: riches, food, laughter and good reputation. The "woes" the Lord speaks are warnings: when those things are the *purpose* of your life, you'll be miserable. He is saying, "You'll be happy, or blessed, in the measure that these things do not determine the shape of our lives, and the kingdom of God does."

To some degree, we're all spiritual teenagers, addicted to one or more of those four "woes." How splendid that the Lord wants his to bless us — that is, to satisfy us, make us laugh with joy, and in the kingdom of God, offer us what will truly satisfy us. But first let's admit what is causing our "woes."

— *Father John Muir* ©LPi
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educación, por mencionar algunas injusticias en el mundo del tiempo de Jesús y el tiempo nuestro, estemos dispuestos a dar la vida por la justicia y la paz. Entonces, es que el Reino de Dios florecerá para todos. Y esa es la verdadera felicidad que la Palabra de Dios hoy nos menciona. Pidamos al Señor que nos incomode la injusticia, que nos mueva a tener empatía para entender los problemas y sentimientos de los demás. Porque, de esa manera seremos felices e incansables luchadores del bien común. La recompensa es grande, es el cielo, es la promesa de Jesús. El sacrificio bien llevado y con intención recta, desde el fondo del corazón, es la felicidad. ¿Lo has experimentado? ©LPi ✠

This Week's Liturgy Schedule

Date	Mass	Celebrant	Intention	By
Mon, Feb 17	8:00 AM	Fr. Charlie Wehrley	✠ Deacon Bill Krueger	Dennis & Laura Blackall
Tue, Feb 18	8:00 AM	Fr. Charlie Wehrley	✠ Edward Bender	Theresa Sheridan
Wed, Feb 19	8:00 AM	Fr. Brian Johnson	✠ Bob Grainger	Pat Lotker
			✠ John Antoniotti	Bobbi Cawein
Thu, Feb 20	8:00 AM	Fr. Huy Vu	✠ Patricia Eckebrecht	Gloria Johnson
Fri, Feb 21	8:00 AM	Fr. Steve Rehrauer	✠ Jack Luhrsen	Dennis & Laura Blackall
Sat, Feb 22	4:00 PM	Fr. Huy Vu	✠ Donna Goode	Gerald Goode
			✠ Leslie Fore (living)	Ginny Pergantis
			✠ Vincent Luciano	Timothy Hegarty
Sun, Feb 23	7:00 AM	Fr. Charlie Wehrley	✠ Maritza Pham (living)	Patti & Roy De Barbieri
			✠ Dick Partridge	Ron & Geri Tuscany
	9:00 AM	Fr. Charlie Wehrley	✠ Emil (Chris) & Jean Christofferson	John & Carol Harrison
			✠ Jason Leaeno (living)	Marge Post
	11:00 AM	Fr. Huy Vu		For those who have experienced physical and mental abuse
5:00 PM	Fr. Huy Vu	✠ Deacon Bill Krueger	SVDP	

Today's Readings:

First Reading: Blessed is the one who trusts in the LORD, whose hope is the LORD. (Jer 17:7)

Second Reading: If the dead are not raised, neither has Christ been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, your faith is vain. (1 Cor 15:16-17)

Gospel: "Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours." (Lk 6:20)

Psalm: Blessed are they who hope in the Lord. (Ps 1)

Readings for the week of February 16, 2025*

Sunday: Jer 17:5-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6, (40:5a)/1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/Lk 6:17, 20-26
 Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25/Ps 50:1 and 8, 16bc-17, 20-21/Mk 8:11-13
 Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Ps 29:1a and 2, 3ac-4, 3b and 9c-10/Mk 8:14-21
 Wednesday: Gn 8:6-13, 20-22/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mk 8:22-26
 Thursday: Gn 9:1-13/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23/Mk 8:27-33
 Friday: Gn 11:1-9/Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15/Mk 8:34—9:1
 Saturday: 1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6/Mt 16:13-19



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Prayers for Our Parishioners

Lawrence Breving	Ronald Fuhrmann	Sr. Jean Mariani	Robert Perry	Rene Terrazas
Gloria Carbajal	Anita Garcia	Manuel Martinez	William Pylkka	Ty Vallinoto
Diane Clark	Fr. Pat Grile	Bertha Martinez	Jaime Santiago	Nicole Vallinoto
Kayla Cunningham	Julie Halvas	John Melkun	Robert Shelby	Genna Vallinoto
Mimi Cuono	Billy Higgins	Molly Minke	Linda Slivinski	Jeffrey Van Slyae
Gary DeVault	Linda Howard	Cecilia Montano	Bob Stamer	Bernie Vertnik
Leslie Fore	David W. Maloney	Joseph O'Connor	Bill Terrazas	Robert Perry

How Are Carnivale and Mardi Gras celebrations linked to Ash Wednesday?

Ash Wednesday is the beginning of the forty days known as Lent. Every year, Christians highlight this penitential season as a time of self-examination, reformation of one's life, and continued development of a deeper spiritual life. The recommended practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving become the focus of Lenten activity and ritual. Each of these spiritual practices is aimed at personal discipline as well as continued concern for the other, especially the poor or alienated.

Forty days is a symbolic biblical period of time, during which personal transformation occurs and out of which people surface as more spiritual, ready to carry out God's mission. Relying on God's providence and care, no matter how difficult life

becomes, is crucial to Lenten spirituality. Fasting was initially stricter, permitting only one simple meal a day without meat, fish, or other delicacies. Such things were not even allowed in the house.

In order to prepare for this in an age of no refrigeration, people gathered to consume whatever was not allowed during Lent. This led to parties or celebrations originally referred to as Carnivale, literally meaning "goodbye to meat," or Mardi Gras, literally meaning "Fat Tuesday." The eating and celebrating ended on the Tuesday just before Ash Wednesday.

Today we focus more on moderation in all things, as well as a strong concern for the poor. ©LPi

Just What is Evangelization?

Evangelization is the act of sharing the Gospel and spreading the message of Jesus Christ. It is central to Christianity, fulfilling Christ's command: "Go into all the world and preach the Gospel" (Mark 16:15).

This mission involves proclaiming God's love, living as a witness, and inviting others to a personal relationship with Christ. Evangelization can take many forms, including preaching, teaching, acts of charity, and media outreach.

A key part of evangelization is the New *Evangelization*. New Evangelization is a term emphasized by St. John Paul II, focusing on re-evangelizing baptized Christians who have drifted away from their faith and sharing Christ's message in a modern world.

Ultimately, evangelization is about living and sharing Christ's love, bringing others closer to Him through both words and actions. ✚

In the End, Does it Matter? – By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

When I was a teenager, the priest I would go to for confession used to tell me, over and over: “In the end, we all get the same dirty hole in the ground.”

What he meant was, it doesn’t matter how rich or smart or well-liked we are. We’re all heading to the same place. This life comes to an end for every man. All the money he earns, all the *stuff*, all the worldly esteem, will at some point be of no further use. We all get the same dirty hole in the ground.

It was an important message for me to hear, because at the time, it all seemed so *important*: my after-school job and my FAFSA application and my grades. The admiration of my friends and teachers. I was so consumed with *what* I was going to become that I wasn’t spending a lot of time thinking about *who* I was going to become. But the

who is the only thing that lasts until the next life.

And to be honest, it’s all still too important to me. Avoiding sadness and disappointment. Saving money and being liked. Focusing on “the five-year plan” when it comes to career, house plans, and a whole bunch of other things I can’t take to my dirty hole in the ground.

Jesus was radical in his teaching that the “stuff” in life wasn’t all that important. It was radical for him to say that the worldly signs of success — wealth, popularity, pleasure — did not amount to a whole lot in the grand scheme of things and that suffering could sanctify us. It was radical in the ancient world, and it’s radical today.

Are we ready to be radical, too? ©LPi ☩

March 5 - Ash Wednesday

9:00 AM – Mass
 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM – Reconciliation
 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM – Adoration
 12:00 PM – Ash Service
 5:30 PM – Bilingual Mass

March Lenten Calendar

Fridays in Lent

8:45 AM - 10:00 AM – Reconciliation
 5:00 PM – Stations in the Garden
 6:00 PM – Soup Supper
 (Bring your own bowl and spoon)

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Wednesdays in Lent

8:45 AM - 10:00 AM – Reconciliation
 8:30 AM - 8:30 PM – Adoration

March 18 – 20

Lenten Mission: 'Pilgrims of Hope, Anchoring in Hope' (Presenter: Fr. Peter Hill C.Ss.R.)

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM in the church
 - Tuesday – 'Anchoring in Love'
 - Wednesday – 'Anchoring in Prayer'
 - Thursday – 'Mary, Our Mother of Hope'
 (with Mass)

National Make a Blanket Day

National Make a Blanket Day (MABD) is a day set aside in February by Project Linus and our chapters to bring awareness to our mission. National MABD began in 1999 after the terrible events that took place at Columbine High School. We found that suddenly we were in need of a very large number of blankets, and quickly. Our chapters came to the rescue, holding “blanket bees” all over the country and then sending those blankets to our local chapters in Denver. It was a huge success, and we learned that we had a national network of people who could and would help. It was decided that we would hold an annual MABD where each chapter could host activities in their area to promote Project Linus and to increase their inventory of warm cuddly blankets. Generally, we can attribute the collection of 75,000 to 100,000 blankets to

National MABD!

Project ♥ Linus



If you LOVE to sew, and would like to “bee” part of our group, come spend the whole day or part of it to make a blanket to comfort a child. Do not forget your lunch! Bring your sewing machine, thread and quilting tools. We do have a few sewing machines, irons, tools, fabric and kits available for your use. The Catalina Community Quilters is open to the whole Catalina area community. The day goes by so quickly, I guess you could say we are “busy as a bee” sewing all day!

Please stop by and visit to see what this ministry is all about. For more information, contact us by phone: 520-825-9611, or email: lobby@santacatalinaparish.org. †

Would You like to find out how you can help the homeless in Tucson?

Join the next Local Immersion Tour on March 26th or 28th from 8:00 - 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. †

Dear Santa Catalina Parishioners,

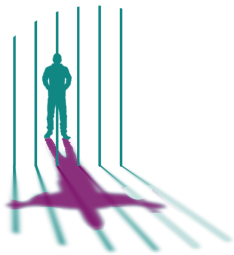
Reachout Women's Center wants to thank the very, very generous parishioners and Fr. Huy of Santa Catalina Church for the overwhelming response to in-kind and money donations! We received diapers and baby material with an estimated value of \$2,600 in 2024!

We are beyond blessed with your donations! We are so grateful for your generosity and especially your prayers.

Thank you for supporting Reachout Women's Center and for Walking with Moms in Need.

The Staff and Volunteers of Reachout Women's Center
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Resident Encounter Christ (REC) Retreats: A Powerful Experience at Whetstone - Part 3



This is the third article about Resident Encounter Christ (REC) retreats, which have been held in New York State since 1982. For the first time in REC history, Tom, our co-rector with 43 years of experience and over 50

facilitated retreats, witnessed something truly remarkable during Whetstone REC01.

Commanding Officer Scott Falk delivered a moving testimony, encouraging the men to use their time in prison to grow closer to the Lord. He shared that when officers interact with inmates, they refer to them by six-digit numbers rather than names. He reminded the men that they are so much more than a number. His words had a profound impact, and the energy in the room noticeably shifted in response.

Acts of Gratitude and Generosity

The men in orange deeply appreciated the kindness

of volunteers, with many expressing a desire to give back. On the last day of the retreat, Tex, an inmate, surprised the volunteer team with a box of 24 homemade cookies—and they were delicious! The creativity and resourcefulness the men display is inspiring. If these cookies were on the market, they would be a bestseller!

Join Us in Prison Ministry

If you're interested in learning more about prison ministry, please contact SAJM@santacatalinaparish.com.

On June 13, 2025 (the Friday before Father's Day), we will host Get on the Bus AZ, a special event bringing children of incarcerated men to Whetstone Prison for an afternoon of pizza, Father's Day cards, and visiting. We invite you to be part of this meaningful initiative!

Come prepared with tissues. ✝

This poem was shared at the Whetstone reunion (2 weeks after the REC event.)

The Game of Life by L. Satcher

Life – it's not about the wins and losses
 Nor the struggles along the way.
 It's Christ living in you.
 It's how the game is played.
 It's about your relationship with Him, in the end.
 He's your All, your Everything, your Teacher, your Friend.
 He's your Savior, your Father, and mostly your Coach.
 He guides you, protects you and must not be reproached.
 It's how we respond to life's ebbs and flows.
 It's how other witness our ultimate lows.
 We must remember; spectators are watching the game.
 When it's all over, "will we have struggled for fame?"

The questions I'll ask,
 "Will they see, Jesus in us?"
 "Will they want to know more and learn to trust?"
 "Will other see a difference in how we played the game?"
 I've learned far more from losses, than from any win attained.
 It's during the crossroads, dead-ends, and pitfalls where everything is gained.
 Character is built. Integrity is earned.
 Nothing could replace all that I've learned.
 Put me in Coach. I'm ready to play.
 All by the rules of your Book today. ✝

Outreach

Save the Date: The Dignity of Human Life Ministry

The Dignity of Human Life Ministry will be presenting the Spiritual Adoption Program again on March 1 & 2, 2025.

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. †



Reminder: BINGO Night Sponsored by the K of C Feb 18th at 5 PM in the Parish Hall

Get your tickets for \$30! Includes a Pasta Fiesta dinner and a three-pack of cards for six games (limited seating). At-the-door price: \$35.



- Winning games: Up to a \$100 gift card. 50/25-25 drawing.
- Beer, wine, and soft drinks available.
- Tickets are available after Masses and in the parish office. †

