

January 11-12, 2025

# Santa Catalina

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# Catholic Church

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



## The Baptism of the Lord

### 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](http://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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**Please Silence Your Cell Phone** ...at all times inside the Church. Thank you for understanding.



**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 (Jan 13—19)

Day	Time	Meeting/Event	Location
Mon, Jan 13	9:00 AM	Quilt Group Open Sew	Catalina Room
	10:00 AM	St Vincent de Paul	Marian Room
	10:00 AM	Sacred Scripture Study - The Prophets	Mesquite, Ocotillo Rooms
	6:00 PM	New Year Classical Concert	Church
Tue, Jan 14	9:30 AM	Yoga Faith	Catalina Room
	1:30 PM	Arts & Crafts for All	Cholla Room
	2:00 PM	Dignity of Life monthly meeting	Marian Room
	4:00 PM	5 pm Mass Choir Rehearsal	Church
	6:00 PM	Men's Prayer Group	Marian Room
	6:00 PM	Women's Prayer Group	Saguaro Room
Wed, Jan 15	8:30 AM	Eucharistic Adoration	Church
	8:45 AM	Reconciliation	Church
	9:00 AM	Cultivando Mi Fe	Mesquite Room
	10:00 AM	St Vincent de Paul	Marian Room
	1:00 PM	Understanding Sunday Scripture	Catalina Room
	4:30 PM	Faith Formation Classes K-8th	Mesquite, Ocotillo, Cholla Rooms
Thu, Jan 16	9:00 AM	Fingerprinting	Parish Hall
	1:00 PM	Book Bunch monthly meeting	Cholla Room
	4:00 PM	Al-Anon "High Hopes" Meeting	Marian Room
	6:30 PM	Sacred Scripture Study - The Prophets	Mesquite, Ocotillo Rooms
	7:00 PM	AA Meeting	Marian Room
Fri, Jan 17	10:00 AM	Grief Share class	Mesquite Room
Sat, Jan 18	2:30 PM	Reconciliation	Church
Sun, Jan 19	7:30 AM	Parish Pancake Breakfast	Parish Hall
	8:00 AM	Faith Formation Classes K-8th	Mesquite, Ocotillo, Cholla Rooms
	12:15 PM	O.C.I.A. & Confirmation	Conference Room
	1:00 PM	Mental Health Ministry meeting	Saguaro Room

### Catholic Trivia—Just For Fun

**Question:** What is the incense burner used at Mass called?

**Answer:** Thurible or censer. The person swinging the censer during a Catholic Mass is usually called a thurifer.

## Santa Catalina is looking for a Communication Coordinator

In the communications coordinator role, you will work closely with various individuals on the church staff and ministry leaders to ensure that parish news, events, and other essential and timely information is communicated

through the appropriate channels. Success in this role will be demonstrated by effectively delivering the parish's message to the parishioners to encourage participation in achieving the parish mission.

### Job Responsibilities and Duties

- Develops and implements communication plans
- Plans communications strategies
- Ensures all promotional materials comply with the diocesan and parish standards and strategies
- Creates content on multiple platforms such as parish websites, social media platforms and parish bulletins.
- Manages the company website and social media accounts
- Coordinates with cross-functional teams to ensure that they deliver content according to timelines and communication guidelines

### Job Requirements

- Prior experience in a similar role
- Outstanding written, communication, and editing skills
- Time-management and organizational skills
- Proficient in MS Office, web analytics, and various social media applications
- Proficient in Adobe Photoshop and other editing software
- Proficient in web design and content updates
- Creative and innovative ✝



# Jubilee

## ITALY PILGRIMAGE

February  
18-27, 2025

*Join us in Italy during the Jubilee year! We'll walk through the Holy Doors of all four major papal basilicas, symbolizing entering God's presence through Jesus, the "gate." Our journey includes Rome, Assisi, Orvieto, Pompeii, the Papal Palace of Castel Gandolfo, and more!*



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## Arts and Crafts' Upcoming Projects

At the Arts and Crafts group meetings on January 14 and 28, we'll be making fluffy, colorful heart shaped decorations to put on doors and on walls in the Activity Room at the Sabino Canyon Rehabilitation and Care Center.



We'd like to invite you to join us in creating these easy decorations. All you need to bring is scissors, sheets of card stock paper or heavy construction paper, tissue paper (while red, pink, and white are the most commonly used colors for Valentine's Day, feel free to bring any color you like), and a pencil. We'll provide sample heart shapes you can trace and glue. We hope you'll join us in creating this craft project.

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

### New Year - New You Come to 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. †

### Noche de Juegos Parroquiales - 11 de enero (esta noche)



5 p.m. a 8 p.m. en el Salón Parroquial.  
Noche de diversión familiar, 3 años a 103.

Acompáñanos a disfrutar de una deliciosa cena, juegos de mesa, cartas, mucho de risas y compañerismo.

Por favor, traiga un postre para compartir. †

### Año nuevo - Nuevo Tú vienes a YogaFaith

"YogaFaith" se reúne todos los martes de 9:30 a 10:30 de la mañana en el salón Santa Catalina, ubicado en el Salón Parroquial.

Traiga una colchoneta y use ropa cómoda para que le permita estirarse y moverse en diversas posturas: de pie, sentado, arrodillado y boca abajo. Comenzamos con una oración y pedimos por intenciones especiales. A través de respiraciones purificadoras, le pedimos al Espíritu Santo que esté con nosotros mientras nos estiramos y nos movemos. Todo esto con el fin de realinear nuestra postura cuando estamos parados, el fortalecimiento de los músculos centrales y mejorar nuestro equilibrio.

Todos están bienvenidos. †

### Parish Game Night-Jan 11 (Sat, Tonight)

5 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Family Fun Night, Ages 3 to 103. Join us for a delicious dinner, board games, cards, lots of laughs, and fellowship. Please bring a dessert to share. †

## Stephen Ministry: Help, Hope And Healing

I love those celebrations that bring great hope into our lives. Like Christmas, where Jesus – God made man - humbly entered our world to bring hope to a fallen humanity. And Easter, where through His passion, death, and resurrection, He offered to us the hope of salvation and eternal life in His glorious kingdom. And there is the New Year, where we put behind the “good, bad, and ugly” of the past year and resolve to change in the hope of leading a better life.

Yet the very heavy burdens we sometimes experience can put hope seemingly beyond our reach. Burdens like grief, divorce, strained or broken relationships with family or friends, job loss, spiritual crisis, search for meaning in your life, chronic or terminal illness, rehabilitation, or relocation.

Our loving Lord never abandons us or leaves us without hope. Stephen Ministers are the voice, hands and spirit of Christ who bring His hope and healing to those who are hurting. They are compassionate, trustworthy, skilled, and full of faith - someone who will 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.

Experience the true joy, hope, and peace of Advent throughout this new year. 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](mailto:StephenMinistry@santacatalinaparish.org). All information is held in strict confidentiality. †



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## We Are Seeking Adorers To Sign Up For Adoration

We are seeking dedicated volunteers to support our Adoration Ministry and help ensure the Blessed Sacrament is always attended. As we aim for sustainability in our spiritual practices, we rely on volunteers to commit to specific hours at the church, either weekly or as substitutes. Your presence is a vital part of maintaining this sacred tradition.

Adoration takes place every Wednesday from 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., with hours beginning on the half-hour. We are especially in need of volunteers for afternoon

and evening shifts. If you are interested in helping, please reach out via email at [pc@santacatalinaparish.org](mailto:pc@santacatalinaparish.org).

Everyone is invited to spend time in the presence of our Lord during Adoration. Your support will greatly enhance this powerful ministry, providing a peaceful, prayerful environment for all who come to worship. Thank you for considering how you can contribute to this important part of our faith community. †



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## New Round of GriefShare Scheduled



Losing a loved one is an incredibly difficult and emotional experience.

GriefShare is a Christian-based program designed to provide support during this challenging time. It offers video presentations, workbook materials, and group discussions to help you understand and cope with grief. Participants can register and purchase the required workbook for \$20 at the first session they attend,

receiving valuable resources to guide them through the grieving process.

Thirteen Sessions: Fridays, 10:00AM - 12:00, February 7 - May 9, 2025

No session on Good Friday, April 18, 2025

Call the parish office (520-825-9611) for more information, or pick up a brochure in the narthex. †

## New Scripture Study - The Prophets - Messengers of God's Mercy—Begins this Week



Every Monday at 10:00 AM for 8 sessions starting January 13 or every Thursday at 6:30 PM for 8 sessions starting January 15.

If we consider that God is the

Divine Bridegroom and the Church is his Bride, then the prophets can be seen as “spiritual marriage counselors.” They afflict the comfortable and comfort the afflicted, calling us to return to our covenant relationship with God. They urge us to repentance, warn us of the dangers of sin, and announce the blessings of faithfulness. Their prophetic words speak to us even today, as

they draw us closer to our heavenly Bridegroom.

Participants will meet every week to view an engaging video presentation followed by a time of lively group discussion and fellowship. For more information or to register, contact Rogene Small at [ocia@santacatalinaparish.org](mailto:ocia@santacatalinaparish.org) or call the parish office. †

## The Traveling Vocations Cross

... is a weekly program to pray for Catholic vocations. Participating parishioners attend either the 4 PM Mass or the 5 PM Mass. The priest will call the week's participant to the Altar at the

end of Mass to receive the Cross. Participants pray for vocations and return the Cross the following weekend before the appropriate Mass. Members of the Ministry will be outside after

the designated Masses to sign up participants. Please pray to promote Catholic vocations. †



## The Marks We Leave

Mark Sanborn, CSP, CPAE

**A**s time goes on and we reflect on the things we've said and done;

The places we've been, the people we've met and we think of all the

fun. We realize the marks we leave in life aren't made of stone or steel

but rather of the lives we've touched and how we make folks feel.

For people are far more valuable than achievements great and

high, than cars or planes or space shuttles or buildings reaching to the sky.

You and I can leave our mark in life by doing all we can to serve and praise and uplift the lives of children, women and men. †

## Thought for today:

Getting older doesn't mean we become less beautiful. There's a saying that beauty attracts, but holiness inspires. I think about my mom in her 70s or 80s, even when she was 90, she had this glow, this beauty, this peace. When I looked into her eyes, I saw the joy of Christ. She always had a smile on her face. There's so much effort today in healthcare, enhancing our bodies looking young, doing what we can to keep our features in pristine form.

I think our focus should be on keeping our soul young, keeping our spirit vibrant. That's where our glow is going to come from. That's where the joy and the peace will emanate from. That's what the world needs today, not more pretty faces, but more holy faces, more happy faces, more joyful faces that come from loving Christ.

– Fr. Michael Sliney, LC

Fr. Sliney is a Catholic priest who hosts a YouTube channel where he shares videos on spiritual reflections and guidance.

<https://www.youtube.com/c/FrMichaelSlineyLC/videos> †

## The Baptism of the Lord: Reflection

In my second year of theology studies, I went to confession to a priest visiting the seminary for a three-day retreat. My heart wasn't in it. I was going through the motions. I confessed my sins and waited for his response. The priest said, "For your penance, I'd like you to go into the chapel and repeat the words 'You are my beloved Son, with you I am well pleased' (Luke 3:22) until they mean something to you." Easy penance, I thought.

But to my surprise, I struggled to say those words. I sensed a strong interior resistance blocking them. How could God be well-pleased with me? He couldn't be, I thought. A battle within me ensued. Two hours later, the resistance vanished, and I found myself able to speak, and claim as my own, those marvelous words. I



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Si pudiéramos recordar nuestro propio Bautismo, tal vez sentiríamos algo muy especial sobre la invitación de Dios a sentirnos predilectos hijos e hijas amados por Dios. Ahí, en la pila bautismal, ese día tan especial, recibimos el Espíritu Santo. Ojalá, hoy estemos dispuestos a escuchar en nuestro corazón las mismas palabras que Jesús escuchó en el Río Jordán: "Tú eres mi Hijo, hoy te he dado la vida" (Lucas 3:22). Pidamos al Señor que nos ayude a sorprendernos y llenarnos de asombro y alegría, con las cosas pequeñas que Dios pone en nuestro camino cotidiano; sabiendo que el Espíritu Santo nos guía y lleva a tener una relación personal con Dios.

emerged from the chapel with a new, deep, peaceful conviction that I was indeed God's beloved son.

Those words are a precious gift from heaven to all of us. Jesus' baptism, which we celebrate this week, offers them to us. Are we willing to receive these words anew? Many things can block this deepening of our baptismal identity: failings, sins, disappointments, traumas, problems, and so on. Yet God's love is always greater. This week I challenge

you to prayerfully repeat these words over yourself — or perhaps over someone you're struggling to love — until those words find a home in your heart.

- *Father John Muir*

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De cada uno depende que la semilla sembrada el día de nuestro Bautismo germine y crezca, dando frutos en abundancia para el bien propio, de la familia y de la comunidad. La vida entera de Jesús fue ser reflejo del Padre y hacer su voluntad; siempre fue su prioridad. ¿Qué hago yo para reflejar que Dios existe en mí? ¿De qué modo hago su voluntad en mis acciones? "El Bautismo es el más bello y magnifico de los dones de Dios... lo llamamos don, gracia, unción, iluminación, vestidura de incorruptibilidad, baño de regeneración, sello y todo lo más precioso que hay" (Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica, numeral 1243). Señor, abre mis ojos y mis oídos a tu Palabra para escuchar tu voz y poner en práctica tu amor. ©LPi †



## This Week's Liturgy Schedule (Jan 13-19)

Date:	Mass	Celebrant	Intention	By
Mon, Jan 13	8:00 AM	Fr. Steve Rehrauer	† Marie & Ralph Gates	Ruth Kelly
			Lori Mills (living)	John & Betty Nelson
Tue, Jan 14	8:00 AM	Fr. Huy Vu	† Paul Palma	Rita Quin
			† Joseph Fick	Godela Brosnahan
Wed, Jan 15	8:00 AM	Fr. Brian Johnson	† Lorenzo R. Berumen, Sr	Leonor Berumen
			† Mary Ann Carling	Liz Douglass & John Barthelme
Thu, Jan 16	8:00 AM	Fr. Huy Vu	† Alphonso Petito	Maria Petito
			† Hermina Takacs	Kate Takacs
Fri, Jan 17	8:00 AM	Fr. Steve Rehrauer	† Jill Palma	Rita Quin
Sat, Jan 18	4:00 PM	Fr. Huy Vu	† Leslie Porter	James Kern
Sun, Jan 19	7:00 AM	Fr. Brian Johnson	† Richard Hobbs	MaryJane Carsten
	9:00 AM	Fr. Huy Vu	For Our Lady of Life Ministries	James Kern
	11:00 AM	Fr. Huy Vu	Scott Bieber (living)	Tom & Donna Opsatnick
	5:00 PM	Fr. Brian Johnson	† Sandra Palma	Rita Quin
† Diana Mahoney			Barbara Schultz	

### Today's Readings:

**First Reading:** Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together; for the mouth of the LORD has spoken. (40:5)

**Second Reading:** He saved us through the bath of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. (Ti 3:5)

**Gospel:** After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. (Lk 3:22)

**Psalm:** O bless the Lord, my soul. (Ps 104)

### Readings for the week of January 12, 2025\*

Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 (1)/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Monday: Heb 1:1-6/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9/Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11/Mk 1:40-45

Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mk 2:13-17



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Susann Rein	Stacy Zieminski	Ann Marie Arnold	Ty Vallinoto	Robert Shelby
Bob Stamer	Cheryl Woodward	Sr. Jean Mariani	Nicole Vallinoto	William Pyklla
Margarita Pena	Gino Di Gennaro	Lawrence Breving	Genna Vallinoto	Gary DeVault

## Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments—*By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman*

**Mini Reflection:** It makes perfect sense that everyone thought John the Baptist was the Messiah. He was the guy pouring the water. But the Messiah was the man who came to be baptized. He was the one who descended into the waters, submerging himself in our experience of death and pain and sorrow.

**Beneath the Surface:** When I was seventeen, I wasn't sure that I wanted to be confirmed. It was a rough period in my life, and I was having some intense questions and doubts. It upset my mother, understandably. She knew that, at such a pivotal and difficult moment, I needed the grace of the sacrament more than ever. So, she called our priest and asked him to talk to me.

After that meeting, I made the decision to be confirmed.

To be honest, I can't remember anything he said to me. All I remember is that he sat with me. He listened to me. He let me talk and talk and talk (and

cry). And when he said whatever he said, whatever it is that I cannot remember, it was obvious that he had listened to me.

Reading today's Gospel, it makes perfect sense that everyone thought John the Baptist was the Messiah. He was the guy pouring the water. Of course it seemed natural that he would be "the one." The one they were all waiting for.

But instead, the Messiah was the man who came to be baptized. He was the one who descended into the waters, submerging himself in our experience of death and pain and sorrow — and in doing so, he sanctified it. He made it a means of redemption.

Jesus is our Savior, yes. When we dig ourselves a hole of sin and confusion and we can't climb out, he is the one who brings us back to the surface. But he doesn't pull us out; he lifts us. He jumps down into the pit. He looks around. He offers his hand, gives us a leg up, and by his strength and not our own, we are brought back into the light. ©LPi

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## St. Blaise: Blessing of the Throat (Feb 3)

Perhaps it's an example of divine providence that the feast of St. Blaise falls on Feb. 3 — right in the middle of cold and flu season! This fourth-century Armenian saint was a bishop and martyr and is venerated as the patron of those who suffer from illnesses of the throat.

On his feast day, Catholics traditionally receive a blessing of the throat. This blessing is administered

by a priest, deacon or a lay minister who follows the rites and prayers designated for a layperson. During the blessing, the minister takes two candles that were blessed on the feast of the Presentation and makes a cross in front of the throat, saying "Through the intercession of Saint Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat and from every other illness." A priest or deacon will then make the sign of the cross. LPi



## Great Ways to Deal with Life's Stress Burdens:

Accept that some days you're the pigeon, and some days you're the statue.

Always keep your words soft and sweet, just in case you have to eat them.

Always read stuff that will make you look good if you die in the middle of it.

If you can't be kind, at least have the decency to be vague.

If you lend someone \$20 and never see that person again, it was probably worth it.

It may be that your sole purpose in life is simply be kind to others.

Never put both feet in your mouth at the same time, because then you won't have a leg to stand on.

Nobody cares if you can't dance well. Just get up and dance.

Since it's the early worm that gets eaten by the bird, sleep late.

The second mouse gets the cheese.

When everything's coming your way, you're in the wrong lane.

You may be only one person in the world, but you may also be the world to one person.

Some mistakes are too much fun to only make once.

We could learn a lot from crayons... Some are sharp, some are pretty and some are dull. Some have weird names, and all are different colors, but they all have to live in the same box. †



## 2025 March For Life Details

Join the Diocese of Tucson on Saturday, January 18, 2025, for the 52nd Tucson March for Life. The event begins at 9:00 AM with a Mass celebrated by Bishop Weisenburger at St. Augustine Cathedral. The March will follow at approximately 10:15 AM, covering 3.8 miles from the Cathedral to Holy Hope Cemetery (Oracle Road, just north of East Fort Lowell). The walk takes about 1 hour and 15 minutes.

At the cemetery, there will be a brief presentation by the Bishop, followed by a rose ceremony. During this solemn event, participants born in each year that Roe v. Wade was in effect (1973–2022) will place roses at the Shrine of the Innocents.

You're welcome to participate in any or all parts of the event. To carpool, email [prolife12345@aol.com](mailto:prolife12345@aol.com) with your name and phone number. Let us know if you're representing Santa Catalina Parish.

We hope to see you there!

## Outreach

### FAQs

- **Why are we still marching after the AZ Abortion Access Act passed?** The Act allows abortions up to birth. Pro-life advocates must continue opposing this and work to abolish abortion nationwide. Join us in this critical movement.
- **What if I can't finish the March?** Rescue cars will transport participants to the cemetery.
- **Do I have to walk back to my car?** Participants with cars at the cemetery will shuttle others back to the church.
- **Is the March safe?** The route is protected by traffic cones and patrolled by Tucson police to ensure a peaceful experience. †



# Outreach

To date, nationwide, over 10 million quilts have been made to comfort children who are seriously ill, traumatized, or otherwise in need. Start the New Year as a Project Linus “Blanketeer.”

We are so thankful for our “Blanketeers”; they give so much of their time, treasure and talent to this worthwhile cause in community fellowship.

How can you help?

The Catalina Community Quilters usually meet on the 3rd Friday of each month, unless stated otherwise. All levels of quilters are welcome to gather in the Saguaro Room from 9am – 3pm. You may spend the whole day or come when you can.

## Be a Project Linus “Blanketeer”



Please bring a sewing machine, thread and tools. We provide irons, ironing boards and cutting mats. We have a few sewing machines available for your use, as well as blanket quilting kits, fabric, batting and patterns. The Catalina Community Quilters is open to the whole Catalina area community.

Please stop by and visit to see what this ministry is all about. Bring a friend, the more the merrier. We hope that you will join our “Blanketeers”.

Contact 520-825-9611 or [lobby@santacatalinaparish.org](mailto:lobby@santacatalinaparish.org) †

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## Knights of Columbus Breakfast

**Sunday, January 19th after 7am & 9am Masses**

In the parish center next to the church. Pancakes, eggs, hashbrowns, sausages, biscuits and gravy, Coffee and Juice. †



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## Foster Teen Hygiene Item Collection Event

**Save the weekend dates of Feb. 8-9, 2025**

The Christ Child Society of Tucson’s Wings Program is dedicated to supporting foster children in the Tucson area through partnerships with Aviva Children’s Services, the Children’s Advocacy Center, and Casa de los Niños. These organizations serve children who have been displaced from their homes, often under traumatic circumstances, by addressing their immediate basic needs. Through the generosity of parishioners, who donate essential items, and the dedication of skilled seamstresses, we are able to provide over 750 teenagers each year with specially curated drawstring bags.

Each bag contains essential toiletries,

undergarments, and Sarah Young’s inspirational devotional, Jesus Calling, offering daily spiritual encouragement. These care packages are designed to meet immediate physical needs while providing a source of comfort and hope. By combining compassion, community effort, and faith, the Wings Program helps ensure that foster teens facing crises receive both practical support and spiritual guidance during difficult times.

Contact: Deb Auclair  
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## The Poor Box

Every quarter, the Social Awareness and Justice Ministry (SAJM) recommends local organizations that serve the poor to receive \$500 each from the “Poor Box” funds. Fr. Huy approves the recipients. Thank you for your generous donations.



Two of our most recent recipients:

### Arizona Diaper Bank

As the first diaper bank in the nation, Arizona Diaper Bank has been at the forefront of the diaper bank movement, bringing over 30 years of invaluable experience and leadership to our cause. It stands out as one of the rare diaper banks offering essential adult incontinence supplies to individuals in need. These supplies are distributed primarily through our network of 55 partner agencies across Arizona. Ensuring access to these vital products promotes independence, dignity, and overall health for adults managing incontinence.

#### Diapers

3 in 5 parents miss work or

school because they cannot afford diapers.

Without diapers, babies cannot participate in Early Childhood Education and parents cannot go to work.

3,326,196 diapers distributed in 2023.

#### Adult Incontinence

1 in 3 individuals are impacted by incontinence daily, surpassing the combined prevalence of cancer, diabetes, and asthma.

15-20% of adults over 65 experience incontinence.

This program specifically caters to the needs of the elderly, individuals with disabilities, those recovering from surgeries, and

over half of women who have given birth.

301,167 incontinence supplies distributed in 2023.

#### Period Poverty

2 in 5 people have struggled to purchase period products

1 in 3 low income people reported missing work, school or similar events due to lack of access to period supplies

220,949 period products distributed in 2023.

For every \$1 dollar donated, we can distribute \$3 worth of diapers, incontinence supplies or period supplies to Arizona families!

### La Paloma Family Services

La Paloma Family Services has been working with the Department of Child Services foster care community, foster families and children placed in their care, since 1980. Helping to train, educate, and ultimately support individuals who are willing to open their homes to foster children located in Pima County. La Paloma works with not only foster, kinship, and adoptive families, they work with other community partners to help these

families find the resources they need. Their staff works closely with foster families to help improve present relationships and circumstances for the foster youth in their homes and further ensure that these children’s physical, emotional, educational, and recreational needs are being met. The agency also actively works to help inform the community on what the needs are for children in foster care and families involved with the child welfare system. †

# Outreach

## Please Pray for Whetstone Prison Ministry Retreat Jan. 10-12, 2025

Please pray for the residents, asking that

- They allow God to work in their lives, remain strong in faith, seek forgiveness, and avoid harmful influences.
- Pray for their relationships, that they stay connected with family despite separation, find reconciliation in broken bonds, and offer friendship
- Lift up the volunteers ministering to them, that their lives reflect Jesus's love, their actions inspire faith, and their words bring hope to those doubting God's forgiveness. May this ministry bring healing, restoration, and a deeper connection with God for all involved. †

to the lonely and discouraged.

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## K of C Teams with the Diocese of Tucson's Catholic Tuition Support Organization

Your Knights of Columbus are teaming with the Diocese of Tucson's Catholic Tuition Support Organization (CTSO) again this year to help the children and grandchildren of Santa Catalina members with the high cost of Catholic school tuition. The

Knights will be on the patio after all masses the weekend of January 11 - 12 with brochures and to answer any questions you have. Thank you for supporting your fellow parishioners. †

