

June 29-30, 2024

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Catholic Church

A REDEMPTORIST COMMUNITY

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Mass Schedule

Daily Mass

Mon-Fri 8:00 am

Weekend Mass

Sat Vigil, 4:00 pm
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

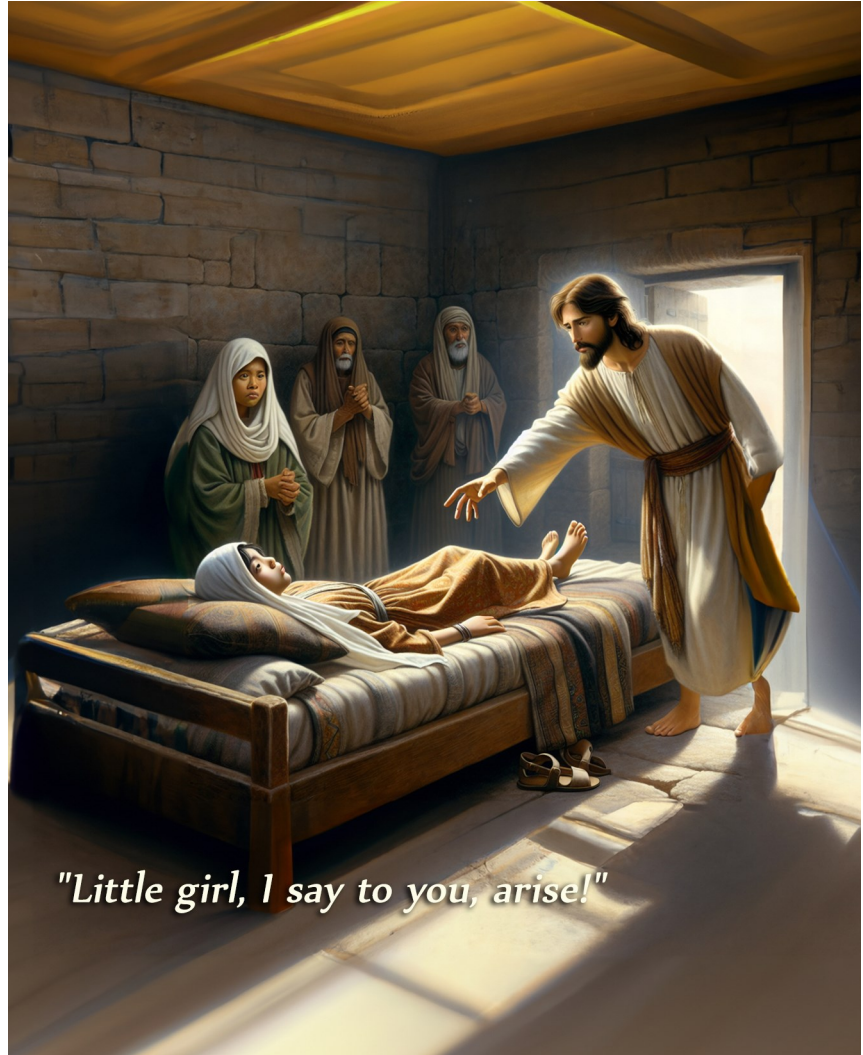
First Friday of the month
at 8:00 am Mass
... or by appointment

Adoration

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

Rosary in the Church

Mon-Fri 7:30 am



"Little girl, I say to you, arise!"

13th 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

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

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

Ministry Meetings and Events for the Week of June 24

Day	Time	Meeting/Event	Location
Mon, Jul 1	10:00 AM	St Vincent de Paul	Marian
	4:00 PM	Music Ministry/choir rehearsal	Church
Tue, Jul 2	9:30 AM	Yoga Faith	Catalina
	5:30 PM	Music Ministry - Bilingual Choir	Church
	6:00 PM	Men's Prayer Group	Marian
	6:00 PM	Women's Prayer Group	Saguaro
Wed, Jul 3	8:30 AM	Eucharistic Adoration	Church
	8:45 AM	Reconciliation	Church
	10:00 AM	St Vincent de Paul	Marian
	1:00 PM	Understanding Sunday Scripture	Catalina
	6:30 PM	R.C.I.A.	Mesquite
Thu, Jul 4	9:00 AM	Fingerprinting	Parish Hall
	4:00 PM	Al-Anon "High Hopes" Meeting	Marian
	7:00 PM	AA Meeting	Marian
Fri, Jul 5			
Sat, Jul 6	2:30 PM	Reconciliation	Church
		Parish Food Drive	Church
Sun, Jul 7	3:30 PM	R.C.I.A.	Mesquite
		Parish Food Drive	Church

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Meet our new Seminarian - Noel Oco, C.S.s.R

Who are you?

I'm entering my fourth year of Theological Studies in San Antonio, Texas at the Oblate School of Theology. I was born in the Philippines and my family immigrated to Canada in 1996 where I finished my high school.

Why do you want to become a Redemptorist?

It all started when I decided to pray about what God wanted me to do in life after working for a technology company in Toronto, Canada. It led me to volunteer in a Redemptorist Parish (St.

Patrick's) where a Redemptorist priest asked me if I thought of becoming a Redemptorist. I said, "NO," because I didn't know who the Redemptorists were back then. I then read a book about St. Alphonsus that inspired me to go on retreat St. Anne de Beaupre in Quebec where I met retired Redemptorist priests and the many pilgrims in the area. Next, I discovered the connection of the Redemptorist to the Mother of Perpetual Help Icon which we had as a family growing up. Finally, when I read the life of St. Clement Hofbauer, I knew in my heart with



lots of prayer, that I wanted to follow God as a Redemptorist.

Fun Fact:

I play 3 sports: ping-pong, tennis and pickleball. I'm always looking for other people to play with for recreation.

Help Us Meet our Parish Goal

The Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) represents more than 51% of the support needed to fund the diocesan ministries each year.

There are over 26 on-going ministries and services of the Church. These very important ministries and services are beyond the resources of any single parish. Coordinating programs at the Diocesan level, such as religious education,

seminarian education and vocations, lay ministry formation, youth and young adults ministry, prison ministry, etc., eliminates duplication, provides consistency, and saves both time and money.



The Bishop asks Catholics in the Diocese to generously support these important and on-going ministries.

2024 Annual Catholic Appeal

	Goal \$	Fullfiled to Date	% to Goal Fullfilled
	\$ 140,000	\$ 69,091	49%
Donors	400	181	45%

You can make your donations to ACA through Santa Catalina. Make check payable to Santa Catalina with Memo "DOT-ACA 2024" and drop it in the Sunday collection basket or go on-line to <https://www.cathfnd.org/donate/>.

This week's Stewardship report is found on page 10 as usual.

Do you or someone you love struggle to live with a mental illness?



The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) of Southern Arizona has several classes for people living with mental illness and their families.

NAMI Basics

A no-cost, 6 class education program developed specifically for caregivers of children and adolescents who have either been diagnosed with serious mental illness/serious emotional disturbance or are experiencing symptoms but have not yet been diagnosed. NAMI Basics is available online.

Family to Family

A no-cost, 8 class course for families, partners, and friends of individuals with serious mental illness. For more information on the above two classes contact Daniela Peralta at dperalta@namisa.org.

Peer to Peer

A no-cost, 8 class, peer-led, recovery education course is open to any person with serious mental illness.

For more information contact Yazmin Garcia at ygarcia@namisa.org

¿Usted o alguien a quien ama lucha por vivir con una enfermedad mental?

La Alianza Nacional sobre Enfermedades Mentales (NAMI) del sur de Arizona, tiene varias clases para personas que viven con enfermedades mentales y sus familias.

Conceptos básicos de NAMI

Es un programa educativo de 6 clases, sin costo, desarrollado específicamente para cuidadores de niños y adolescentes, a quienes se les ha diagnosticado una enfermedad mental grave, un trastorno emocional grave o que experimentan síntomas, pero aún no han sido diagnosticados. El curso básico de NAMI está disponible en línea.

Familia a familia

Un curso gratuito de 8 clases para familias, parejas y amigos de personas con enfermedades mentales graves.

Para obtener más información sobre las dos clases anteriores, comuníquese con Daniela Peralta a dperalta@namisa.org.

De igual a igual

Un curso educativo de recuperación, sin costo, de 8 clases, dirigido por pares, abierto a cualquier persona con una enfermedad mental grave.

Para más información contacte a Yazmin García en ygarcia@namisa.org

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.



Pastoral

We are blessed to be part of such a caring community here at Santa Catalina Parish. It reminds me of the words of Saint Paul in 1 Corinthians, where he declares, "For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ." This should give us great comfort in our times of trial, which we know will come to all of us in our lives. For Paul goes on to say, "If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together." And that, brothers and sisters, is the core of Stephen Ministry.

Stephen Ministers are caring Christians, the voice, hands, and spirit of the Body of Christ, who want to make a difference in the lives of 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. If you or someone you know could benefit from Stephen Ministry, please contact the church office at 520-825-9611. Or

We Are One Body in Christ



call Judy Rossman at cell 206-660-5268; email StephenMinistry@santacatalinaparish.org. You will also find us on the Santa Catalina Parish webpage at www.santacatalinaparish.org/stephenministry. All information is held in strict confidentiality.

Are you called to Ministry?

The Catholic church defines ministry as "The service or work of sanctification performed by the preaching of the word and the celebration of the sacraments by those in Holy Orders." The word "ministry" can be equated to mean the work that the Church does in the world. Therefore, anyone who does "ministry" is a minister.

The Catholic Church calls people to the responsible stewardship of their time and talent in support of the Catholic Church. This often takes the form of

volunteering for a specific lay ministry.

Liturgical lay ministries include lectors who proclaim scriptural passages during the Liturgy of the Word, altar servers and acolytes who assist in the presider at the altar, cantors and music ministers who lead the singing, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion who serve during Mass and/or who take Holy Communion to the sick and homebound, and ministers of hospitality who greet people as they come to Mass, direct them to seating and the procession of the assembly.



Currently, Santa Catalina Parish has over 50 ministries that serve our church or community. If you are being called to serve and want to find out how to bring forward your talents please contact the Parish office, or seek out any pastoral council member for a list of ministries. We look forward to serving beside you to strengthen our community in love, service, and Faith.

Saint of the Week: Venerable Antonietta Meo

Venerable Antonietta Meo (1930-1937), affectionately nicknamed Nennolina by her family, was a child born in Rome. Her family was deeply Catholic and sent her to a nursery school run by Catholic sisters. As a very young child, she had an unnaturally deep understanding of Christ's love.

When Antonietta was 6, she had a leg amputated due to bone cancer. From this moment on, she experienced varying degrees of chronic pain. Shortly after the amputation, while she was still in the hospital, her father asked her if she was in pain. Antonietta replied, "Daddy, the pain is like fabric, the stronger it is, the more value it has." All those who overheard were astounded.

From this moment, Antonietta frequently offered her pain and suffering to Jesus. Even at such a young age, her profound understanding of prayer and suffering was inspiring to everyone who knew her. She was fitted with a prosthetic leg and of her experience of it she said, "May each step that I take be a little word of love."

Impressed by her maturity and spiritual

knowledge, her family priest recommended she receive her First Communion earlier than most children. She was ecstatic at the opportunity and received her First Communion on Christmas night of 1936. Afterward, she spent an hour kneeling in prayer. She took Confirmation only a few months later, however the amputation had not stopped the spread of the cancer and her health went downhill swiftly following these sacraments.

During the entirety of her short life, Antonietta wrote hundreds of letters to Jesus and Mary. Pope Pius IX, who had heard of them from a friend, was impressed and sent an emissary to her house to ask her to pray for him. After her death, she was declared Venerable, and her writings persist to this day at the Basilica of the Holy Cross of Jerusalem in Rome. Venerable Antonietta Meo, pray for us!



Today's Readings (June 30, 2024)

First Reading:

But by the envy of the devil, death entered the world. (Wis 2:24)

Psalm:

I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me. (Ps 30)

Second Reading:

Not that others should have relief while you are burdened, but that as a matter of equality your abundance at the present time should supply their needs, so that their abundance may also supply your needs, that there may be equality. (2 Cor 8:13-14)

Gospel:

He took the child by the hand and said to her, "Talitha koum," which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise!" (Mk 5:41)

This Week's Gospel Meditation

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sin isn't given its due these days. Downplaying sin is dangerous. But there is also another spiritual misstep in which we make way too big a deal out of sin. It happens, for example, when we persistently wonder if our confessed sins are "really" forgiven, or suspiciously ponder what God "really" thinks about us, behind His merciful face. Or when someone returns to Church, and we question whether his or her conversion was genuine. Or when we commit some sin and put on a sad face for days, thinking, "Maybe my sins are too great for God to deal with." God save us from that attitude!

Well, he does just that, this week, in the raising of Jairus' daughter. The dead twelve-year-old's house is filled with a spirit of excessive moaning and groaning, tumultuous weeping



El Evangelio de hoy nos narra las historias de dos mujeres, una mayor y una niña, unidas por el dolor de la enfermedad. Una de ellas fue curada por su gran fe, y la pequeña, al tomarla Jesús de la mano, volvió a la vida. A la mayoría de las personas les da pavor el pensar que están enfermas y peor aún que pueden morir. ¿Qué podemos decir a tanta persona enferma y triste? ¿Cómo podemos consolarlas en sus tribulaciones? Una manera es acompañarlas y escucharlas, estar con ellas mostrándoles interés y ayudarlas en sus necesidades. Otra forma es tomando el ejemplo de la mujer que buscó y se acercó a Jesús para ser curada. Busquemos a Jesús con la misma fe que ella lo hizo. Venció los obstáculos del miedo y de la distancia y tocó su manto. Sólo Dios puede y tiene

and wailing. They even laugh at Jesus in a mocking tone. It's shocking how easy it is for him to raise the dead child. It is equivalent to gently waking a kid from a light nap. And then he sends her off to get some lunch. No big whoop. The overactive drama is actually part of the problem, and removing it is a key part of the miracle.

Friends, sin can and does kill, but Jesus is always ready and able to raise us back to life, often without much hullabaloo. His ease of forgiving should never be a pretext for presumption, minimizing sin, or taking lightly the cost he pays for our sins on the cross. But for God's sake, we

often need Jesus to put out the weepers and wailers. He's the Lord. And remember, the girl is not dead, she's just sleeping.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

el poder de sanar nuestros corazones y renovar nuestra vida.

Jesús pasó su vida haciendo el bien, curando y perdonando, y siempre al final de sus milagros daba una recomendación. A la mujer enferma le dijo: "Hija, tu fe te ha salvado; vete en paz y queda sana de tu enfermedad" (Marcos 5:34). Y a la pequeña: "Tomándola de la mano, dijo a la niña: Talitá kumi, que quiere decir: Niña, te lo digo, ¡levántate!... y les dijo que dieran algo de comer a la niña" (Marcos 5:41-43). No se ha terminado el tiempo de los milagros, sigue en pie, solo que ahora nos toca a nosotros los bautizados seguir haciéndolos. ¿Cómo? Sencillamente, compartiendo lo que tenemos y acompañando de corazón a los que sufren a nuestro alrededor. ©LPi

This Week's Liturgy Schedule

Date	Mass	Celebrant	Intention	By
Mon, Jul 1	8:00 AM	Fr. Charlie Wehrley	† Fedora Fischer Rubio	by daughters
Tue, Jul 2	8:00 AM	F. Lester Mendonsa	Tom & Donna Opsatnick's 41st Wedding Anniversary	Donna Opsatnick
Wed, Jul 3	8:00 AM	F. Lester Mendonsa	† Alice (Yafanaro) Schwartz	Chris & Agnis Wolf
			† Harry Goralski	Geraldine Goralski
			† Fedora Fischer Rubio	by daughters
Thu, Jul 4	8:00 AM	Fr. Lester Mendonsa	† Wayne Scheible	Jack Sheerin
Fri, Jul 5	8:00 AM	Fr. Lester Mendonsa	† Fedora Fischer Rubio	by daughters
Sat, Jul 6	4:00 PM	Fr. Charlie Wehrley	For the Intentions of the Parish	
Sun, Jul 7	7:00 AM	Fr. Brian Johnson	† Judith A. Moncencicz & Vincent Bellian	Paul & Susan Moncevicz
			† Gerry Fox	Joe & Deb Sieverding
	9:00 AM	Fr. Lester Mendonsa	All discerning a vocation to the priesthood	
	11:00 AM	Fr. Lester Mendonsa	All who are suffering from storms and floods in the US	
	5:00 PM	Fr. Lester Mendonsa	† Adoldo Sanchez	Socorro Sanchez

Readings for the week of June 30, 2024

Sunday: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13 (2a)/2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15/

Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43

Monday: Am 2:6-10, 13-16/Ps 50:16bc-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23/Mt 8:18-22

Tuesday: Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12/Ps 5:4b-6a, 6b-7, 8/Mt 8:23-27

Wednesday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 20:24-29

Thursday: Am 7:10-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 9:1-8

Friday: Am 8:4-6, 9-12/Ps 119:2, 10, 20, 30, 40, 131/Mt 9:9-13

Saturday: Am 9:11-15/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 9:14-17

Next Sunday: Ez 2:2-5/Ps 123:1-2, 2, 3-4 (2cd)/2 Cor 12:7-10/Mk 6:1-6a



Spiritual



Dottie Bentz	Anita Garcia	Arianna Peralta
Scott Bieber	Allen Grandel	Frank Reilly
Gail Buick	Jose Gutierrez	Susann Rein
Mario Calbone	David W. Maloney	Noly Roca
Diane Clark	Ana F. Marquez	Linda Slivinski
Mimi Cuono	Denjal Noval	Mary Sloan
Albert Diaz	Margarita Peña	Bob Stamer
Renee Ford	Edward Peña	Kelley Thomas

Prayer for Inner Peace

Jesus, Speak your command of “Quiet! Be still!” into the dark recesses of my mind — my fears, concerns, and anxieties.
Be with me, at every moment, no matter the storm. Fix my eyes upon you. Amen.

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 June 15-16	Totals	Attendance
Offertory	\$14,176	974
Major Maintenance	\$1,048	
Total	\$15,224	
Last Year's Offertory	\$18,162	1105
Parish Rectory	\$2,150	

2024 Summer Mass

Schedule July 14 - Sept 8th

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

Sunday 5:00pm Mass will resume on Sept 8th.



The Parish Office is closed Thursday & Friday July 4-5 in observance of America's Independence Day.

Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

The Touch of Christ

For a long time, I didn't understand why the virtual Masses of the pandemic were so wearisome to me. Theoretically, shouldn't it be a tired mother's dream, fulfilling her Sunday obligation from the couch, not having to worry how much noise the kids are making?

But it wasn't. Seeing Mass without experiencing it left me hungry. It left me starving.

Then a wise priest explained it to me. "Watching virtual Mass is like taking a virtual shower," he said.

Grace might not be something we can see with our eyes, but it is very much something that is transmitted physically. Jesus has a human body for a reason. He needs to touch people.

We see that nowhere more clearly than in this Gospel. The crowds are pressing on him, everyone trying to get close, everyone trying to share his space. The hemorrhaging woman claws her way through, desperate to make physical contact with him, any part of him, even his cloak. The synagogue official begs Jesus to come and "lay hands" on his daughter,

knowing that this is the only way for her to survive. He doesn't ask for Jesus' good thoughts or approving gaze. He knows that isn't what he needs.

In the Gospels, Jesus saves people chiefly through his own touch because he wants to show us — you and me, sitting in the pews — something very important about how we are saved.

But where do you and I find the touch of Jesus Christ? Where do you and I find salvation?

It's in the water flowing over the infant's forehead. It's in the Host dissolving on our tongues. It's in the oil that is pressed to the skin of the confirmand, the dying man, and the brand-new priest. It's in the embrace of the newly married couple. It's in the extended hand of the priest as he says, "Your sins are forgiven."

It's still here, two thousand years later. It's still waiting for us to reach out and grasp it.

"If I but touch his clothes, I shall be cured." Mark 5:28

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Question: In today's digital world, do we really need to be face-to-face with a priest to confess our sins? Would Facetime or Zoom ever be allowed?

Answer: The question of whether or not Catholics can celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation virtually (via social media, by phone, or in some other way) is a question that has actually been around for several years. The recent COVID-19 pandemic brought the question back in a new way, especially as many parishes were forced to introduce a sort of "social distanced" confession, with the sacrament being celebrated outdoors.

In reflecting on this question, however, there are a couple points that we want to keep in mind. First, as the Code of Canon Law observes in different places, the faithful have a right to the sacraments of the Church and the Church's ministers have a responsibility to make them accessible. At the same time, however, we always have to be sure that we respect the nature of the sacraments themselves.

Although modern forms of technology and communication can help us in our work of evangelization catechesis, the Pontifical Council for Social Communication has reminded us that, "Virtual reality is no substitute for the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist, the sacramental reality of the other sacraments, and shared worship in a flesh and blood human community. There are no sacraments on the internet" (The Church and the Internet, no. 9).

Although our encounters with others on the internet and via social media can be considered "real" in one sense, in the sacraments we encounter Christ in a personal and ecclesial way. It is never just a private experience but is always grounded in the life of the Church and this means that it must truly be personal, including the contact between the confessor and the penitent. While the convenience or ease of online celebrations might be appealing for many reasons, at heart, we always want to keep in mind the fullness of the Church's tradition and the meaning of the sacraments. ©LPi

Poor Box - Helping Those In-Need in Tucson

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. A recent recipient is The Homing Project.

The Homing Project has been working with cities across the country to create villages of *very* tiny prefab houses (64 or 100 sq ft) to rapidly house homeless individuals and families. They are now partnering with the city of Tucson.

These very tiny houses are each easily assembled in less than an hour. They have heating, cooling, excellent insulation, 1-2 beds in single units, windows, a self-contained solar energy system, and a secure lock.

Dining, laundry, and bathrooms are shared facilities in order to simplify utility installation and to provide opportunities for social interaction. The community is enclosed.

In addition to rapid housing, by clustering homeless people with conditions such as mental illness and addiction, appropriate services can be efficiently provided for these conditions as

well as job training and placement.

The initial pilot in Tucson will serve survivors of domestic abuse who are younger than 25 or older than 50. Support services like medical, dental, mental health, and substance abuse counseling will be established by Catalytic Health Partners, along with employment assistance for residents.

They hope to have the pilot in place by the end of 2024 and are scouting places in Tucson where they can put more facilities.



Care For Creation: I Am Thirsty

"The future of our humanity depends on our ability to safeguard and share clean water," decreed Pope Francis on World Water Day. Living in the desert we are constantly reminded of water's importance. Try taking a walk, playing golf or planting a garden without water.

How can you conserve water to build our groundwater supply? Landscapes use about 40% of a household's water budget. Most homeowners run their irrigation too often. It is

better to water deeply and less often to encourage deep root growth. Group plants with similar water needs together and discover more desert plants to grow. planting native trees can provide shade for people, plants and wildlife. The temperature will be 10 to 20 degrees cooler under the tree.

The University of Arizona has lots of information on irrigation (<https://waterwise.arizona.edu>).

Jesus came to bring" living water." Let us make choices that



will benefit our fellow man and planet, insuring clean, abundant water for all.

If you are interested in joining the Care for Creation ministry, please send an e-mail to sajm@santacatalinaparish.org.

Meet the Ministry: Troubled Youth Ministry

The Troubled Youth Ministry works with two organizations that help youth in our area.

Sycamore Canyon Academy (SCA) is a residential treatment program located in Oracle. It offers young men involved in the juvenile justice system opportunities to build productive and meaningful futures for themselves and their communities. SCA is operated by Rite of Passage, a leading national provider of evidence-based therapeutic and educational programs for youth. SCA provides a safe high school environment where students develop their skills with the help of supportive faculty and staff. Their graduates get jobs, succeed in school and return to alumni events, proud to tell them of what they have accomplished. You may have seen some of the boys in green shirts at the 11:00 am mass on Sundays. Currently, four of our parishioners are tutors for the boys at SCA.

Youth On Their Own (YOTO) is a dropout prevention program that supports the high school graduation and continued success of youth experiencing homelessness in Pima County. They support youth in grades 6-12 who are enrolled in a public, private, charter, or alternative school in Pima County. One of the many services YOTO provides for over 2,100 youth, is a Mini Mall which

is a place students can come to access all the basic needs items their parents would normally have provided for them. It's also where students come to get guidance and support from YOTO staff and access the many services YOTO

provides. Students are eligible to receive a monthly stipend of up to \$160 which provides a safety net in managing daily needs. To be eligible to receive a stipend, students must have passing grades in all classes (A's, B's, or C's) and meet school attendance requirements (minimum 80% attendance).

The students helped by YOTO have an 82% graduation rate. YOTO also offers a Workforce Readiness Program that helps students prepare for life after high school. Without the stability of a family and the lack of parental guidance, most of the youth in the program cannot imagine what the next day of their life will bring... let alone plan their future career paths.

If you are interested in working with the Troubled Youth Ministry, please send an e-mail to sajm@santacatalinaparish.org.



July Blood Drive at Santa Catalina

Join us at camp do good—give blood.

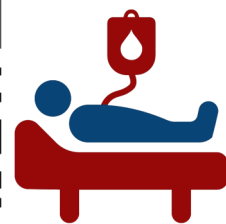
When: Sunday, July 28, 7:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Where: Santa Catalina Parish Hall

How: To schedule your appointment or for more information, please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit redcrossblood.org and use Sponsor Code: sancta



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Be a force for good: Come give blood in July for a Fandango Movie Ticket by email to see TWISTERS on us. Terms at rcblood.org/Twisters.

Outreach

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 ayudar

¿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.



Parish Food Drive July 6-7

Please bring non-perishables items and leave them on the carts outside the church doors.