

# Santa Catalina

Catholic Church

SANTA CATALINA IS A REDEMPTORIST COMMUNITY  
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May 11-12, 2024

## Parish Pastor

Fr. Huy Vu, C.Ss.R  
vuh@santacatalinaparish.org

Deacon Flavio Sanchez

Deacon Alfonso De LaRiva

## Parish Office

(520)-825-9611

Monday - Friday 9 am - 3 pm

## Mass Schedule

### Daily Mass

Monday - Friday 8:00 am

### Weekend Mass

Saturday Vigil, 4:00 pm

Sunday 7:00 am, 9:00 am,  
11:00 am (Bi-lingual), 5:00 pm

## Reconciliation

Wednesday 8:45 - 10:00 am

Saturday 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm

... or by appointment

## Anointing of the Sick

First Friday of the month  
at 8:00 am Mass

... or by appointment

## Eucharistic Adoration

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

## Rosary in the Church

Monday-Friday 7:30 am



## Solemnity of the Ascension 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, ministrar a los necesitados y ser evangelizados por ellos.

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



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| <b>Spiritual</b><br>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             |

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| <b>Personal</b><br>Providing help for people to care for their bodies and minds | AA                     |
|   | Al-Anon                |
|   | Arts & Crafts Group    |
|   | Book Bunch             |
|   | Game Night             |
|   | Grief & Bereavement    |
|   | Mental Health Ministry |
|   | Outreach Ministry      |
|   | Sassy Solos            |
|   | Stephen Ministry       |
|   | YogaFaith              |

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| <b>Outreach</b><br>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                   |

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| <b>Pastoral</b><br>Meeting the needs of our home, the parish, to support the parishioners | Finance Council                              |
|   | Funeral Ministry                             |
|   | Communion Ministry with the Sick & Homebound |
|   | Liturgical Ministry:                         |
|   | Altar Servers                                |
|   | Art & Environment                            |
|   | Eucharist                                    |
|   | Hospitality                                  |
|   | Lector                                       |
|   | Martha's Kitchen                             |
|   | Music Ministry                               |
|   | Pastoral Council                             |

# This Week's Parish Ministry Meetings and Events

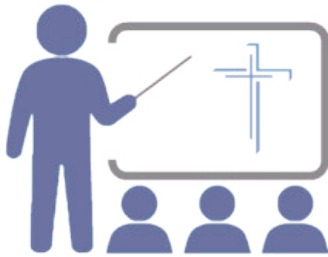
| <u>Day</u>           | <u>Time</u> | <u>Meeting/Event</u>             | <u>Location</u>   |
|----------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Mon, May 13</b>   | 10:00 AM    | St. Vincent de Paul              | Marian Room       |
|                      | 4:00 PM     | Music Ministry/choir rehearsal   | Church            |
| <b>Tues, May 14</b>  | 9:30 AM     | YogaFaith                        | Catalina Room     |
|                      | 1:30 PM     | Arts & Crafts for All            | Cholla Room       |
|                      | 5:30 PM     | Music Ministry - Bilingual Choir | Church            |
|                      | 6:00 PM     | Men's Prayer Group               | Marian Room       |
|                      | 6:00 PM     | Women's Prayer Group             | Saguaro Room      |
| <b>Wed, May 15</b>   | 8:30 AM     | Eucharistic Adoration            | Church            |
|                      | 8:45 AM     | Reconciliation                   | Church            |
|                      | 9:00 AM     | Cultivando Mi Fe                 | Mesquite/Ocotillo |
|                      | 10:00 AM    | St. Vincent de Paul              | Marian Room       |
|                      | 1:00 PM     | Understanding Sunday Scripture   | Catalina Room     |
|                      | 6:30 PM     | R.C.I.A.                         | Mesquite Room     |
| <b>Thurs, May 16</b> | 9:00 AM     | Fingerprinting                   | Parish Hall       |
|                      | 4:00 PM     | Al-Anon "High Hopes" Meeting     | Marian Room       |
|                      | 7:00 PM     | AA Meeting                       | Marian Room       |
| <b>Fri, May 17</b>   |             |                                  |                   |
| <b>Sat, May 18</b>   | 2:30 PM     | Reconciliation                   | Church            |
| <b>Sun, May 19</b>   | 1:00 PM     | Mental Health Focus Session      | Saguaro Room      |
|                      | 3:30 PM     | R.C.I.A.                         | Mesquite          |

## Contacts

520-825-9611

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| Bulletin          |                            |              | <a href="mailto:bulletin@santacatalinaparish.org">bulletin@santacatalinaparish.org</a>                 |





## Vacation Bible School: Volunteers Needed

Lead children on an exciting adventure through the sacraments at this year's Vacation Bible School! Join us for VBS June 10-14th, 9:00 am-12:00pm.

Volunteers needed for crafts, snacks, games, and more. No experience needed—you will be fully trained! We promise a fun,

faith-filled, joyous week as you work in community with your fellow volunteers to gently lead our children to Jesus!

Contact Katharine at [RE@santacatalinaparish.org](mailto:RE@santacatalinaparish.org) or 505-670-1897 with any questions or to volunteer!



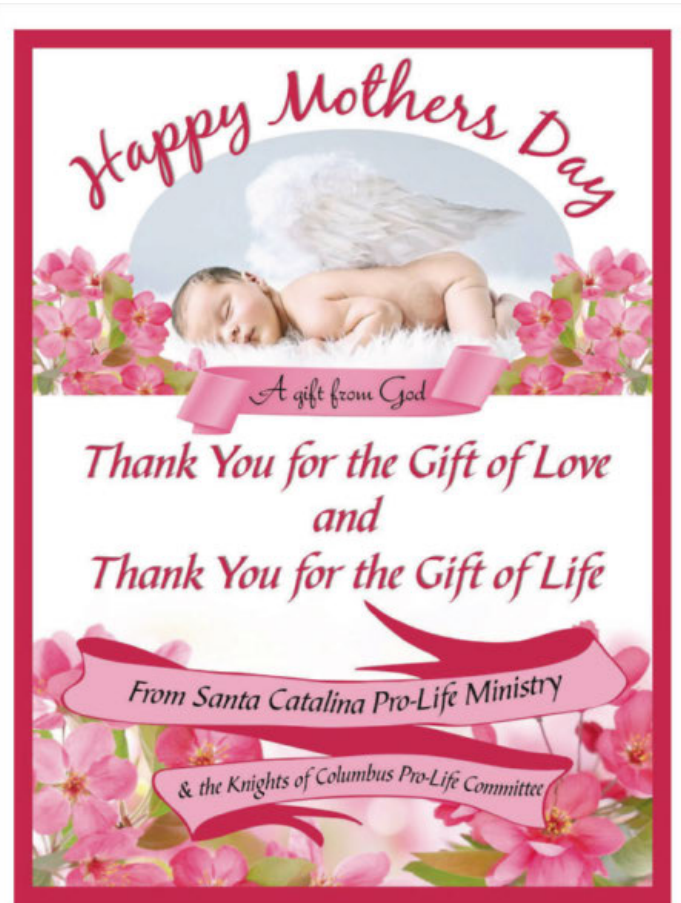
## NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival

Join more than 80,000 Catholics who will be attending the National Eucharistic Congress, July 18-21, 2024, in Indianapolis, Indiana

Our Catholic Church throughout the country has been observing a three-year time of study, prayer, and action to increase our knowledge, love, and life as a Eucharistic community. The concluding event is the National Eucharistic Congress in July 2024.

The program includes celebrations of Mass, prayer, workshops, and activities for all who attend. Various speakers, musicians, and animators will make this a time of excitement and encouragement for all who attend. Scheduling, speakers, and registration information can be found at the link: <https://www.eucharisticcongress.org/register>.

For questions and additional information, contact the registration team at the following email [NECRegistration@euchar.org](mailto:NECRegistration@euchar.org).



## Parish Blood Drive May 26 7:30 - 12:30

Register online at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) or call 1-800-RED-CROSS



## May is National Mental Health Awareness Month

During National Mental Health Awareness Month and every month of the year, your mental health matters. Here are some ways you can take care of your mental health.

Here are some self-care tips:

- Get regular exercise.
- Eat healthy, regular meals and stay hydrated.
- Make sleep a priority.
- Stay connected with family and friends.
- Try a relaxing activity. - Schedule regular times healthy activities you enjoy, such as listening to music, reading, spending time in nature, and engaging in low-stress hobbies.
- Self-care looks different for everyone, it may take trial and error to discover what works best for you.



## Mayo es el mes nacional de concientización sobre la salud mental

Su salud mental es importante, durante el mes nacional de concientización sobre la salud mental y durante todos los meses del año. Le ofrecemos algunas maneras en las que puede cuidar su salud mental.

A continuación, se ofrecen algunos consejos de cuidado personal:

- Haga ejercicios con regularidad.
- Consuma alimentos saludables regularmente y manténgase hidratado.
- Haga de su sueño una prioridad.
- Manténgase conectado con familiares y amigos.
- Participe de una actividad relajante. Programe regularmente actividades saludables que disfrute, como escuchar música, leer, pasar tiempo en la naturaleza y participar de pasatiempos sin estrés.
- El cuidado personal es diferente para cada persona; puede que sea necesario tantear posibilidades para descubrir qué funciona mejor para usted.

## Arts and Crafts activities in May

The Arts and Crafts Ministry will have a presentation on Tuesday, May 14, by Jacqueline Cohen, who is known for her dynamic acrylic paintings. She will discuss techniques for painting flowers using acrylic paints. If you would like to attend, we can provide many colors of acrylic paint. Please bring a ¾ inch angle brush, a 9 x 12 canvas or canvas panel (available online or at local art/craft stores), "practice paper" to try out various brush techniques, and a paper plate or palette to mix paints. At our May 28 meeting, we will continue to work on our flower paintings.

The Arts and Crafts group meets in the Cholla Room from 1:30 -3:30.



## Actividades de artes y oficios durante el mes de mayo

El Ministerio de Artes y Oficios tendrá una presentación el martes 14 de mayo brindada por Jacqueline Cohen, conocida por sus pinturas acrílicas en movimiento. Ella discutirá técnicas para pintar flores usando pinturas acrílicas. Si desea asistir, podemos proporcionarle muchos colores de pintura acrílica.

Traiga un pincel angular de ¾ de pulgada, un lienzo de 9 x 12 o un panel de lienzo (disponible en línea o en tiendas de arte/manualidades locales), "papel de práctica" para probar varias técnicas con pincel y un plato de papel o paleta para mezclar pinturas. En nuestra reunión del 28 de mayo, continuaremos trabajando en nuestras pinturas de flores.

El grupo de Artes y Oficios se reúne los últimos martes de mes, en el Salón Cholla de 1:30 a 3:30 de la tarde.

## 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.



As summer approaches, we anticipate the scorching heat of the Tucson summer, as well as the refreshing, cooling rains of the monsoons that replenish life in the desert.

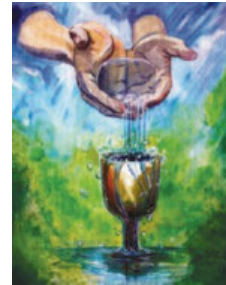
There are times when we experience a dry desert in our lives. Spiritual crisis, loss of a loved one, loneliness, illness, disability, divorce, broken relationships, job loss, and many other challenges. In these times, we thirst for a “cooling cup of water” to revive our body and spirit.

God never intended for us to

thirst alone in our times of need. Stephen Ministers are caring Christians 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

1) Contact the church office at 520-825-9611, or



2) Judy Rossman at cell 206-660-5268; email at [StephenMinistry@santacatalinaparish.org](mailto:StephenMinistry@santacatalinaparish.org), or

3) find us on the Santa Catalina Parish webpage at <https://santacatalinaparish.org/StephenMinistry.html>.

All information is held in strict confidentiality.

## GriefShare This Summer

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

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

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



## “GriefShare” durante este verano

Perder a un ser querido es muy difícil. “GriefShare” puede ser la ayuda necesaria. Es un programa en video, de base cristiana, con excelentes presentadores: consejeros y psicólogos profesionales, así como personas que comparten sus historias sobre cómo afrontan la pérdida de sus seres queridos. Durante trece sesiones, los participantes ven y discuten los videos y utilizan el material del libro de trabajo.

El libro de trabajo podrá ser adquirido al momento de registrarse para la primera sesión. Este libro tiene un precio de \$20. También se puede registrar en línea y adquirir el libro de trabajo en el sitio de internet [griefshare.org](http://griefshare.org)

## Announcement for the Traveling Vocations Cross

- The Traveling Vocations Cross program is a weekly activity to pray for Catholic vocations.
- We only ask parishioners who will attend either the 9 AM or the 5 PM Mass to participate.
- Each priest will call the week's participant to the Altar at the end of Mass to receive the Traveling Vocations Cross.
- Participants pray for vocations and return the Cross the following weekend before the appropriate Mass.



## May is Dedicated to Mary

It is a centuries-old custom of Catholics to dedicate the month of May to the Blessed Virgin Mary. May is always part of the Easter season, the fifty days we celebrate in the liturgy the Resurrection of Our Lord, a time of awaiting the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.

At the Visitation, Elizabeth said to Mary: "Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled". Our Lady is blessed not only because she was the Mother of Jesus, but because she believed in the Lord's words. She believed with all her heart and said "yes" to become the Mother of the Messiah and Son of God. She allowed herself to be led by God's grace throughout her life, rooted in a deep faith in God. She became her Son's first and most perfect disciple.

We hope to walk always with Mary at our side. She is our model of faith and she helps us with her prayers to live by faith. She teaches us to

believe as she believed. Many churches and schools have celebrations of the crowning of images of Our Lady. This is a beautiful custom that expresses our love for the Mother of God as our Queen. Other Marian devotions are particularly fitting in the month of May. Of course, the holy rosary is always a wonderful prayer to enter more deeply into the mysteries of Christ's life with Mary. It is a Gospel Prayer.

All honor that we give to Mary is ordered to, and leads to, the adoration of God. Devotion to Mary fosters within us a faithful adherence to her Son. When we crown images of Mary, we are honoring her. In honoring Mary, we are ultimately praising God for the grace He bestowed on her. We all have our favorite images of Mary as well as our favorite devotions. They help us to know the virtues of Mary and remind us to turn to her for help.

May the Blessed Virgin Mary intercede for us and draw us closer to Christ her Son.

*- Submitted by Tania Hawley*





## This Week's Gospel Reflection

A few months ago, I had the singular privilege of a private meeting with Pope Francis. We were a small group of pastors, composed largely of non-Catholics. The Holy Father wished to discuss our work for Christian unity. The phrase I remember him saying with greatest frequency was: *Tutti dentro*. It means, "Everyone in." He clearly wanted us to emphasize that the Church is made for the whole human race, not a select few. At the center of his concern was unity. We are all brothers and sisters, he said multiple times. The Church's primary longing is for everyone to join Her.

This longing is at the heart of this Ascension feast day. We hear the longest recorded prayer of the one whom Pope Francis




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En este pasaje del Evangelio de Juan, Jesús deja su testamento plasmado en la oración. Aboga por todos nosotros ante el Padre: "Yo les he dado tu mensaje y el mundo los ha odiado porque no son del mundo, como tampoco yo soy del mundo. No te pido que los saques del mundo, sino que los defiendas del Maligno" (Juan 17:14-15). Esta oración también es llamada oración sacerdotal. El Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica en el número 2747 lo explica de la siguiente manera: "La tradición cristiana acertadamente la denomina oración sacerdotal de Jesús. Es la oración de nuestro Sumo Sacerdote, inseparable de su sacrificio, de su paso, {pascual} hacia el padre donde él es consagrado enteramente al Padre".

represents. Jesus' concern is unity, praying to the Father, "that they may be one, even as we are one" (John 17:11). The deep unity of all people in Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit is what Jesus most desires. It is what he ascends to accomplish.

Do we have this same burning desire in our hearts, too? Or do we see Christian unity as an unrealizable dream? Or worse, as something that threatens our own narrow tribal interests? This feast is a wonderful time to consider our attitude

toward Christian unity, and to commit to do whatever we can to foster it. It is the Pope's desire because it is that of Jesus — and it should be ours, too.

— Father John Muir

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El Catecismo continua en el número 2748: "En esta oración pascual, sacrificial, todo está recapitulado en Él. Dios y el mundo, el Verbo y la carne, la vida eterna y el tiempo, el amor que se entrega y el pecado que lo traiciona, los discípulos presentes y los que creerán en Él por su palabra, su humillación y su Gloria. Es la oración de la unidad". El secreto aquí está en no dejarnos llevar por el maligno, por el pecado que todo lo descompone, lo divide y lo pudre. No dejemos que la división reine en la familia, la sociedad y en el mundo. Luchemos siempre por la paz. Pidamos, en este domingo, que seamos signos visibles de esperanza, sabiendo que tú Señor, no nos has dejado solos en el mundo. ¡Ven Espíritu Santo!

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# This Week's Liturgy Schedule

| Date        | Mass     | Celebrant           | Intention   | By   |
|-------------|----------|---------------------|---|--|
| Mon, May 13 | 8:00 AM  | Fr. Brian Johnson   | ✠ Shirley Lester  | Susan & Mark Allen<br>& Leann & George Leuer |
| Tue, May 14 | 8:00 AM  | Fr. Charlie Wehrley | For the 2024 graduating class of Canon del Oro                        | Pia Smith                                    |
| Wed, May 15 | 8:00 AM  | Fr. Steve Rehrauer  | For the 2024 graduating class of Ironwood Ridge High School           | Pia Smith                                    |
| Thu, May 16 | 8:00 AM  | Fr. Charlie Wehrley | ✠ Paul Palma<br>✠ Mary Ann Victor                                     | Rita Quin<br>Pat Wilkins                     |
| Fri, May 17 | 8:00 AM  | Fr. Brian Johnson   | ✠ Tom Sieverding<br>✠ Theresa Shirey                                  | Joe & Deb Sieverding<br>The Shirey Family    |
| Sat, May 18 | 4:00 PM  | Fr. Charlie Wehrley | ✠ Veronica Schaefer   | Sophie Zvonar                                |
| Sun, May 19 | 7:00 AM  | Fr. Huy Vu          | ✠ Joseph & Anna Opsatnick   | Tom & Donna Opsatnick                        |
|             | 9:00 AM  | Fr. Huy Vu          | ✠ Robert & Marlene Opsatnick  | Tom & Donna Opsatnick                        |
|             | 11:00 AM | Fr. Huy Vu          | For Parish Intentions   |  |
|             | 5:00 PM  | Fr. Charlie Wehrley | For those discerning a vocation to the priesthood and religious life. |  |

## Readings for the week of May 12, 2024

- Sunday:** Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/ Eph 4:1-13 /Mk 16:15-20.
- Monday:** Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/Jn 16:29-33
- Tuesday:** Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/Jn 15:9-17
- Wednesday:** Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68: 29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab/Jn 17:11b-19
- Thursday:** Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Jn 17:20-26
- Friday:** Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/Jn 21:15-19
- Saturday:** Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7/Jn 21:20-25



Readings in English



Readings in Spanish

# Spiritual



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|-----------------|----------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Albert Diaz     | Diane Clark          | Margarita Pena    | Phyllis Henrich  |
| Bill Terrazas   | Dorothy Fuerstenberg | Mario Calbone     | Rachel Flint     |
| Bob Bernal      | Dottie Bentz         | Mark Cowie        | Renae Terrazas   |
| Carolina Soule  | Edward Peña          | Mary Sloan        | Robert J. Shelby |
| Chris Machado   | Gregg Sciabica       | Maureen Schlosser | Robert Perry     |
| Cliff Bentz     | Kelley Thomas        | Mimi Cuono        | Steven Zenizo    |
| David W Maloney | Leland Bracy         | Molly McCabe      | Susann Rein      |
| Dawn Sciabica   | Linda Slivinski      | Peter Maher       | Walter Henrich   |

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| Norma Jean Deskus | March 21 |
| Diego Zell        | March 24 |
| Eva Gutierrez     | March 25 |
| Annamarie Mudd    | March 28 |
| Ronald Knudson    | April 18 |

## Women's ACTS Retreat

**ACTS** (Adoration, Community, Theology Service) is a four-day, three-night Catholic Retreat led by parishioners, to build a stronger Christian community in your parish. ACTS helps reignite our faith by meeting us where we are in our spiritual journey. It

provides an opportunity for a personal, as well as communal encounter with God, and promotes Christ centered discipleship. The retreat will be held May 16-19, 2024, at Redemptorist Renewal Center. If you are interested please contact:



Angela Schneider 520-400-4447,  
Veronica Ortiz 520-248-0189 or  
Eva Dorame 520-808-0326.

## Stewardship

| Weekend April 27-28   | Totals           | Attendance |
|-----------------------|------------------|------------|
| Offertory             | \$ 13,747        | 1218       |
| Major Maintenance     | \$ 320           |            |
| <b>Total</b>          | <b>\$ 14,067</b> |            |
| Last Year's Offertory | \$ 24,042        | 1070       |
|                       |                  |            |
| Parish Rectory        | \$ 870           |            |



## 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal

| Goal \$      | Fullfilled to Date | % to Goal Fullfilled |
|--------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| \$ 140,000   | \$ 54,799          | 39%                  |
| # Donors 140 |                    |                      |

## With the Lord, There is Plentiful Redemption.

## Spiritual

Those words from Psalm 130 are the motto of the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer (the Redemptorists). Saint Alphonsus Liguori, the founder of the Redemptorist, chose those words to guide the Congregation because they expressed his most profound experience of God: God loves us lavishly and extravagantly. God's love is manifested most amazingly in the Incarnation of Jesus Christ, who gave himself entirely for God and for humanity—a self-gift that reached its highest point in his death on the cross.

In recent years, Redemptorists have come to a renewed and deeper understanding of the Church as the communion of believers entrusted with carrying on the redeeming mission of Jesus. The Church is the people of God, embracing all the baptized and inviting all to share in its evangelizing mission. So, Redemptorists have been seeking ways to involve others—laypeople especially—in their part of the mission of Jesus and the Church.

In North America, the desire has grown among the faithful to share in Redemptorists' spirituality and mission. The Redemptorist North American Commission for Partnership in Mission has fostered and nourished that desire in this Spirituality Series. We hope the series will deepen your understanding of Redemptorist's spirituality and, more importantly, deepen their Christian spirituality and communion with God.

*[In the synagogue at Nazareth, Jesus] unrolled the scroll and found the passage where it was written: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor...liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free...."*

*Isaiah 61*

Redemptorist spirituality is centered around apostolic and missionary practices. The scripture passage from Isaiah plays a crucial role in Redemptorist spirituality and prayer. Our pastoral compassion is directed towards the most abandoned as we strive to evangelize them while being evangelized by them.

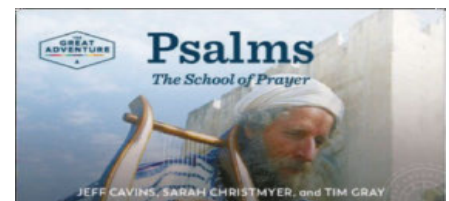
According to the Hebrew Scriptures, the nearest blood relative or the redeemer is responsible for making things right. Jesus, the Redeemer, is at the core of all our prayers. The Eucharist is particularly precious to us as it renews and makes present the saving death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. As a communal celebration, it highlights the importance of community in Redemptorist apostolic life. We hold Mary, the Mother of God, in high esteem, particularly under the title of Our Mother of Perpetual Help, following the example of St. Alphonsus. All of this fills us with the desire to give our lives for plentiful redemption.

- From the *Living Redemptorist Spirituality Series*

## Spiritual-Bible Studies

I attend the Psalms study currently being held at Santa Catalina. The first lesson had us read Psalm 1 and meditate on it. Psalm 1 references the happy/blessed man who delights in the law of the Lord (scripture). We also recently looked at CCC104 which states "In sacred Scripture the Church constantly

finds nourishment and strength". I am reminded that we are the church and although I am not sure that I always "delight" in reading scripture because sometimes I find it difficult to understand, but I certainly do find "nourishment and strength." I encourage you to sign up for the upcoming



classes offered, not only to study God's Word but I also delight and find strength and nourishment in the friendships I have made.

- submitted by Laura Blackall



## Bi-annual Quilt Blessing

Our *Project Linus* quilts Blessing will be held on May 19th, at the 9am Mass. These quilts are to be on display at all of the weekend Masses. The quilts will then be picked up by the Project Linus Tucson Chapter, who will distribute them to 33 different recipient locations in the Tucson area. The Catalina Community Quilters, which gathers here at Santa Catalina Church, was established to support this needed mission. In the past few years, the demand for blankets has been very high! 650 blankets are delivered per month in the Tucson area!

Come join our group of quilters while helping children in need!

Saguaro Room 9am - 3pm  
Monday, May 20th

Spend the entire day (bring a lunch) or part of the day. Bring your sewing machine, thread, and quilting tools. We provide blanket quilting kits and fabric, irons, ironing boards, cutting tools and mats. We have a few sewing machines and some sewing supplies here at church. Please stop by to see what this ministry is all about.

For information contact us by phone: 520-825-9611 or by email: [lobby@santacatalinaparish.org](mailto:lobby@santacatalinaparish.org).

We meet every third Monday of the month, unless otherwise stated.

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## Helping the homeless and disadvantaged in South Tucson

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

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



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## Donations Needed for Refugees



The Refugee Ministry needs help with donations to set up apartments for refugees approved by the United Nations to come to the U.S. The following items are needed:

Dishes, plates, cups, bowls, kitchen supplies. Furniture like sofas, kitchen tables and chairs, coffee tables, chairs. Items to setup a "home" that has nothing,

No used linens or towels please, these items must be new.

Volunteers are needed to help collect donations and deliver them to Lutheran Social Services.

Please send an e-mail to [sajm@santacatalinaparish.org](mailto:sajm@santacatalinaparish.org) to help or donate.

Monetary donations accepted at [lss-sw.org/donate](http://lss-sw.org/donate)

## Know Before You Recycle

The *Caring for God's Creation Ministry* would like to remind you:

**No** food, **No** liquids, **No** straws, **No** plastic cups or plastic dishware in the recycling bin.

**Never** put your recyclables in plastic bags and never put any plastic bags in your recycling bin. Plastic bags and wrap get jammed in recycling processing equipment, which causes recycling to be expensive to process.

**Do Not** put cheesy, oily pizza boxes in your recycling

bin. Clean pizza boxes are fine.

**No need** to wash, however, please empty and scrape out the food or materials from all bottles, jars, containers, and cans before putting them in the recycling bin. For instance, if you have a peanut butter jar, just scrape it as clean as possible, but no need to wash it. Labels are ok, but please remove all metal lids from glass jars and recycle plastic containers with the lid on.

**Do** recycle clean paper and all clean and flattened cardboard boxes. If you have time, please

remove all tape and plastic wrap that might be attached to the cardboard.

**No** flexible packaging like chip bags and juice or soup pouches.

When in doubt—throw it out.



## Encouraging the homeless teens at Youth On Their Own (YOTO)

One of our parish's confirmands, Cielo Del Valle, helped with the collection for YOTO. She also made these amazing notes of encouragement for the teens that YOTO serves. She has made the day of several kids.



## Your generosity helped a family in need

A grandmother came in who was supporting her daughter and two grandchildren as a caregiver. She had lost her client and her rent was due. One grandchild is severely autistic and his mother cannot work because she cares for

the child. St. Vincent de Paul was able to pay the rent to keep a roof over their heads. They were living in a run down trailer that had no beds. One of the Vincentians was aware of a live-in caregiver position and recommended her for a job interview. She got the job and she has now moved her family into a nice apartment.



# Outreach



## Knights / CTSO Tuition Assistance Application Deadline May 20

The deadline to return applications for tuition assistance through the Knights of Columbus program with the CTSO is May 20.

Applications are available in the Narthex and should be returned to the parish office. The Knights are very grateful to all of the Santa Catalina parishioners who are supporting our fellow parishioners by participating in the program this year.

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

Join the next Local Immersion Tour on May 15th and 17th 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](mailto:sajm@santacatalinaparish.org).



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