

# Santa Catalina

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Catholic Church

November 23-24, 2024

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 Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

### 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.

**Spiritual**

- Bible Study
- Eucharist Adoration
- Hispanic Ministry
- Religious Education
- Vocations Ministry
- O.C.I.A.
- Daily Rosary
- Men's Fellowship
- Women's Prayer

**Pastoral**


- Altar Servers
- Arts & Environment
- GriefShare
- Eucharist Liturgical Ministry
- Finance Council
- Funeral Ministry
- Pastoral Council
- Communion Ministry Sick & Homebound
- Hospitality Liturgical Ministry
- Lector Liturgical Ministry
- Music Ministry
- Martha's Kitchen
- Stephen Ministry


**Personal**


- Mental Health
- Sassy Solos
- Yoga Faith
- AA
- Al Anon
- Arts & Crafts Group
- Game Night
- Outreach Ministry
- Book Bunch

**Outreach**

- Refugees Ministry
- Care for God's Creation
- Casa Alitas
- Casa Maria
- Prison Ministry
- Christ Child Society
- Dress A Girl
- Parish Food Collection
- Prayer Shawl
- Sr. Jose
- Project Linus
- Quilters Ministry
- Snack Pack Program
- Local Immersion
- Poor Box
- Troubled Youth
- Dignity of Human Life
- Knights of Columbus
- St Vincent dePaul
- SAJM

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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.



## Meetings and Events This Week

Day	Time	Meeting/Event	Location
Mon, Nov 25	10:00 AM	St Vincent de Paul	Marian Room
	4:00 PM	Music Ministry/choir rehearsal	Church
	5:30 PM	Music Ministry - Bilingual Choir	Church
Tue, Nov 26	9:30 AM	Yoga Faith	Catalina Room
	1:30 PM	Arts & Crafts for All	Cholla Room
	6:00 PM	Grief Share class	Mesquite, Ocotillo Rooms
	6:00 PM	Men's Prayer Group	Marian Room
	6:00 PM	Women's Prayer Group	Saguaro Room
Wed, Nov 27	8:30 AM	Eucharistic Adoration	Church
	8:45 AM	Reconciliation	Church
	9:00 AM	Cultivando Mi Fe	Mesquite, Ocotillo Rooms
	10:00 AM	St Vincent de Paul	Marian Room
	1:00 PM	Understanding Sunday Scripture	Catalina Room
	4:30 PM	Faith Formation class K-8th	Parish Hall
Thu, Nov 28	6:30 PM	O.C.I.A.	Mesquite Room
	4:00 PM	Al-Anon "High Hopes" Meeting	Marian Room
	7:00 PM	AA Meeting	Marian Room
Fri, Nov 29			
Sat, Nov 30	2:30 PM	Reconciliation	Church
	4:00 PM	Sub For Santa Donations	Narthex
	7:00 AM	Sub For Santa Donations	Narthex
Sun, Dec 1	8:00 AM	Faith Formation class K-8th	Mesquite, Ocotillo, Cholla Rooms
	12:00 PM	Confirmation class	Conference Room
	3:30 PM	O.C.I.A.	Conference Room

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## Return to Distribution of the Precious Blood at Holy Communion

Dear Parishioners,

As we approach the sacred season of Advent, we are pleased to share an important update with our parish community. Out of respect for everyone's health and comfort, Santa Catalina Parish has waited until now to reintroduce the reception of the Eucharist under both species, offering the faithful to partake of both the Body and the Precious Blood once again during Communion. This decision was made thoughtfully, with everyone's well-being in mind, and we are grateful for your patience and understanding as we reintroduce this cherished practice.

### Receiving the Eucharist under Both Species

Starting on the First Sunday of Advent, the chalice will be available during all Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses. As we reintroduce this practice, we encourage each of you to prayerfully consider participating fully in the sacrament by receiving both the Body and Blood of Christ.

### Health Considerations and Fullness of Grace

For those who may be immunocompromised, experiencing respiratory symptoms, or concerns about illness exposure, we recommend receiving only the host. *Please remember that it is not necessary to receive both species to receive the full grace of the sacrament, as the Catechism of the Catholic Church (No. 1390) assures us: "Communion under the species of bread alone makes it possible to receive all the fruit of Eucharistic grace."* While receiving both species more fully expresses Christ's gift of himself, the Church teaches that Christ is fully present in each form of the sacrament, allowing us to receive its full grace through either the host or the chalice.

### Logistics and Reminders

As we begin offering the chalices at each Vigil and Sunday Mass, please be patient if we run out of the Precious Blood before you come to receive. We will adjust the amount of wine consecrated as we gauge

interest in this renewed offering and work to accommodate all who wish to partake.

To ensure the dignified and safe distribution of the Precious Blood, **our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will be trained in advance to properly purify the chalice after each communicant receives.**

### Important Reminders:

**Intinction:** Dipping the host into the chalice is only permitted for priests and bishops. Others should refrain from dipping their host, as this is considered "*self-communication*," which the Church does not permit.

As we prepare for Advent, may this reintroduction of the chalice deepen our reverence and joy in the Eucharist. Let us open our hearts to God's grace during this season of renewal. We look forward to coming together with hearts full of gratitude and renewed faith.

In Christ our Redeemer,

*Fr. Huy Vu, C.S.C.R.*

Pastor

## Congratulations to the winners of the raffle prizes from the Ministry Fair.

Prizes totaling over \$800 were donated by various ministries. Visitors received free tickets for attending and for each ministry table they visited. They were able to choose which prizes they wanted to try to win.



Prize	Winner	Prize	Winner
Tequila Basket	Joni	Green Plate	Rich Wenshoff
Coffee Basket	Claire	Gingerbread Basket	Eileen Hunt
Omelet Cooker	Bonnie	Lavender Gift Box	Sandy Pomeranian
Wine Basket	Esperanza	Holidays Basket	Connor Edmundson
Wall Hanging	Ruth Larsen	Snack Serve Set	Emily Rafferty
Live Plant Fall Trim	Tricia Meyers	Large Yellow Platter	Val Malik
Lap Quilt	Andy Ferrell	Live Succulent Arrangement	Emma
Wine and Pasta	D. Krutka	Succulent Arrangement	Keylin
4 Lunch with Fr. Huy	Sharon Marchant	Artificial Succulent Arrangement	Carol Guibert

## Coping with the Holidays - A Medical and Spiritual Discussion with Dasa Schmidt and Fr. Huy

The Mental Health Ministry's next Mental Health Focus will be December 8th at 1 pm in the Parish Hall. Fr. Huy and Dasa Schmidt, Treatment Placement Specialist at Acadia Healthcare, will be presenting.



Join us to learn how to understand the difference between the holiday blues and depression, when to get help and how to help a loved one experiencing depression. Learn that it's OK to not be OK during the holidays and get ideas for ways to find new traditions.

We will also discuss the Church's compassionate response, inspired by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' (USCCB) ongoing campaign to end the stigma surrounding mental health. We will explore how the Church is working to support individuals and families affected by mental illness, including those impacted by suicide, offering healing, forgiveness, and hope through God's endless mercy. Learn how our faith community can be a place of understanding, support, and accompaniment for those who are struggling, and discover the Church's commitment to helping those in need.

All are welcome. †

## Cómo afrontar las vacaciones: una conversación médica y espiritual con Dasa Schmidt y el P. Huy

El próximo Enfoque de Salud Mental del Ministerio de Salud Mental será el 8 de diciembre a la 1 pm en el Salón Parroquial. P. Huy y Dasa Schmidt, especialistas en colocación de tratamientos de Acadia Healthcare, harán la presentación.

Únase a nosotros para aprender cómo comprender la diferencia entre la tristeza navideña y la depresión, cuándo buscar ayuda y cómo ayudar a un ser querido que sufre depresión. Aprenda que está bien no estar bien durante las fiestas y obtenga ideas sobre formas de encontrar nuevas tradiciones.

También discutiremos la respuesta compasiva de la Iglesia, inspirada en la campaña en curso de la Conferencia de Obispos Católicos de los Estados Unidos (USCCB) para poner fin al estigma que rodea a la salud mental. Exploraremos cómo la Iglesia está trabajando para apoyar a las personas y familias afectadas por enfermedades mentales, incluidas aquellas afectadas por el suicidio, ofreciendo sanación, perdón y esperanza a través de la infinita misericordia de Dios. Aprenda cómo nuestra comunidad de fe puede ser un lugar de comprensión, apoyo y acompañamiento para quienes luchan, y descubra el compromiso de la Iglesia de ayudar a quienes lo necesitan.

Todos son bienvenidos. †

## Don't Forget the Sassy Solos Meeting

The Sassy Solos will meet on December 5th at 11 am in the Ocotillo Room.

Our group encourages a social outlet for our members. Our meetings are open to single women who enjoy getting together for lunches, dinner, plays, local outings and events. †



## Outreach Ministry's Annual Christmas Luncheon For Seniors

All are invited to this year's Christmas Luncheon sponsored by the Outreach Ministry. See old friends, make new ones and enjoy the Sun City Strummers Christmas Music Concert! Dec 3, 11:30-1:30 in the Parish Hall. Please RSVP Beth Stanton (520-825-0456) by November 15. Advise your choice of either turkey or beef croissant. †



## Fr. Mike McAndrew, CSsR, Redemptorist Missionary at all Masses on Nov 23 - 24

On the weekend of Christ the King, November 23-24, Fr. Mike McAndrew, a Redemptorist missionary will preach at all of our Masses. He will speak on Pope Francis' theme for the World Day of Migrants and Refugees, "God walks with His people." Fr. McAndrew works with Catholic Migrant Farmworker Network and the office of Pastoral Care for Migrants, Refugees and Travelers for the United States Conference of Catholic Bishop's. He has published, "Walk with My People, A Life in Migration Ministry." In previous years, he has participated in our parish celebrations for the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. †



Durante el fin de semana de Cristo Rey, del 23 al 24 de noviembre, el padre Miguel McAndrew, misionero redentorista, predicará en nuestras misas. Hablará sobre el tema del Papa Francisco para la Jornada Mundial del Migrante y del Refugiado: "Dios camina con su pueblo". El padre McAndrew trabaja con la Red Católica de Trabajadores Agrícolas Migrantes y la oficina de Atención Pastoral para Migrantes, Refugiados y Viajeros de la Conferencia de Obispos Católicos de los Estados Unidos. Ha publicado "Camina con Mi Pueblo, una vida en el ministerio de migración". En años anteriores, ha participado en nuestras celebraciones parroquiales para la Fiesta de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe. †

## Taizé Prayer Service – December 5<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM in the Church

Prayer is the most powerful way to grow our Faith. Taizé is a prayer service that has been around since 1940 (World War II), originating in Taizé, France.

Taizé Prayer is an evening prayer for all Christian faiths. It is a monastic, simple, meditative form of worship, calling us to dwell deeply on Christ's presence around and within us. Mantra songs (like "Jesus, Remember Me"), prayerful silence, and short bible readings guide the focus of the prayer in a candle-lit environment.

Members from all the Mass choirs, accompanied by instrumentalists and Rouzbeh on the piano, lead us

into a prayerful contemplative state. This is a beautiful way to enhance us both spiritually and physically. Christ has called us to prayer.

Our health providers have encouraged us to meditate. Taizé is both. Come join us on December 5th, at 6 pm in the Church, for a chance to meditate and pray together during this Advent season. †



## Although Thanksgiving Is A National Holiday ...

... its celebration can certainly be enhanced because it echoes the basic orientation of our Christian faith. So let us not only thank God for the abundance of goods and freedoms we share as citizens, but also for the gift of God's abiding presence in our lives.

Thanksgiving for a specific event is common in human experience. Indeed, such thanksgivings have given rise to the characteristic liturgies of both Judaism (the Passover Seder) and Christianity (the Eucharist, Greek for "thanksgiving"). In the Middle Ages, days of special thanksgiving were held to praise God for deliverance

from famine, plague and war. This tradition was preserved by the Puritan settlers of Massachusetts.

The winter of 1620 had devastated the Puritans' colony with famine and disease. Help from the Native Americans and a good growing season resulted in a generous harvest in 1621, an event the colony celebrated by proclaiming a public day of thanksgiving. Thus Thanksgiving was the first holiday celebrated by the Puritan settlers of Massachusetts. In 1789 President George Washington recognized an official day of "sincere and humble thanks." Later, in 1863, Abraham Lincoln proclaimed Thanksgiving a

national holiday to be celebrated on the final Thursday of November. In 1939 Congress changed this to the fourth Thursday.

We celebrate Thanksgiving as Christians and citizens. As we remember all the blessings that come from our faith and from our citizenship, we give thanks and dedicate ourselves to the responsible use all our gifts to do God's will. Thank you, Lord!

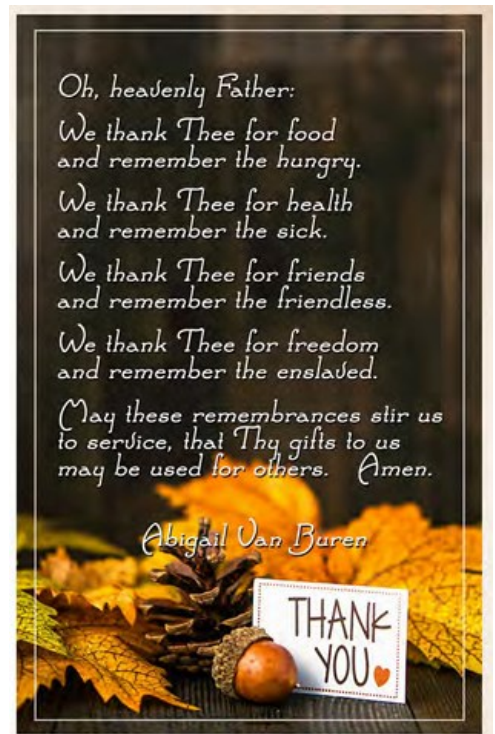
"And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him."

—Colossians 3:17 †

## Grateful Service: A Household Activity

Pope Francis says that "a grateful heart is spontaneously impelled to serve the Lord and to find expression in a life of service." Pope John Paul II also encouraged us to bring "into people's lives the love of Christ received at the Eucharistic table" (*Dies Domini*, #73) and suggested that some ways to do this might be:

- Organize or contribute to a food drive, collecting non-perishable items for local shelters or food pantries.
- Look around in your neighborhood to find people who may need your help the most, for example, the sick, the elderly, children or immigrants who might feel their isolation, their needs and sufferings more intensely on this holiday.
- Invite those who are alone to share a meal.
- Visit the sick.
- Help prepare and serve meals to those in need at a local soup kitchen.
- Organize a neighborhood clean-up to pick up litter and beautify the community.
- Perform random acts of kindness, such as paying for someone's groceries or leaving a generous tip. †



### November 24, 2024: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

When I was a young boy in Burlington, Vermont, my dad had a good friend named Phil who owned a sporting goods store. I loved sports, so meandering the treasure-filled aisles was an unmitigated joy. One afternoon, we were shopping for a baseball glove. Dad said to me, "Hey Johnny, see that man who just walked into the store? That's Phil." I remember being fascinated and a little terrified. I recall thinking, "That man right there is in charge of everything in this store!" He reigned over every ball, sneaker, jersey, and sweatshirt. Phil became a family friend. And he was a good owner. The store flourished, and I found myself even more at peace every time I went there. I felt a new hope and even responsibility for the store to flourish.

To say that Christ is the King of the Universe means that Jesus has

absolute authority over everything in it. It should fill us with awe and fascination. He is in charge. The world and everything in it are finally his. Knowing that he knows and loves us should make us also feel a deep peace at being a part of his universe. This leads us to want his kingdom to flourish, to play some responsible role in it.

We advance his kingdom by promoting the truth. "Everyone who is of the truth hears my voice," Christ the King proclaims. In Phil's store, it was about the truth of athletics. In our world, it's all about the truth of all creation, especially the dignity of the human person, made by and for our loving

God. Let's rejoice that we know the true king and commit to the flourishing of his kingdom. —

Father John Muir ©LPi



### 24 de noviembre de 2024: Nuestro Señor Jesucristo, Rey del Universo

¡Viva Cristo Rey! Viva nuestro Rey, es la forma de expresar el agradecimiento y el amor del pueblo hispano hacia esta gran Solemnidad. Con esta Solemnidad se termina el ciclo litúrgico B y daremos comienzo al ciclo C. Es decir, el próximo domingo daremos comienzo al tiempo de Adviento e iniciamos el nuevo Año Litúrgico. "Dios todopoderoso y eterno, que quisiste fundamentar todas las cosas en tu Hijo muy amado, Rey del universo, concede, benigno, que toda la creación, liberada de la esclavitud del pecado, sirva a tu majestad y te alabe eternamente (Oración Colecta). En la Primera lectura del Profeta Daniel se anuncia su reinado: "Su poder es el poder eterno que nunca pasará; su reino no será destruido" (Daniel 7:14).

Realeza eterna y universal era la visión del Profeta Daniel.

¿Crees que Jesucristo es reconocido en la actualidad como Rey del universo? ¿Es Jesús el Rey de las familias? Si reflexionamos cuidadosamente, nos daremos cuenta de que, a través de los años, pasan los gobiernos, pasan los reyes de las diferentes jerarquías, gobiernan y reinan, pero mueren. Sin embargo, Jesús es el Rey eterno que nunca pasará. Y esto es lo que debe ser enseñado en cada hogar cristiano: "Yo soy el Alfa y la Omega, dice el Señor Dios, el que Es, que era y que ha de venir, el Todopoderoso" (Apocalipsis 1:8). Ojalá, que en cada hogar reine el Señor para siempre y que nos de su bendición y su paz. ©LPi



## This Week's Liturgy Schedule

Date	Mass	Celebrant	Intention	By
Mon, Nov 25	8:00 AM	Fr. Steve Rehrauer	✠ Mariellen Wallace	the Mosman family
Tue, Nov 26	8:00 AM	Fr. Huy Vu	For the safety of all travelers who are traveling this holiday weekend	
Wed, Nov 27	8:00 AM	Fr. Steve Rehrauer	Elizabeth Dieckhoff (L)	Bobbi Cawein
<b>Thu, Nov 28</b> <b>Thanksgiving</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	Fr. Huy Vu	Laura Porter (L)	James Kern
Fri, Nov 29	8:00 AM	Fr. Charlie Wehrley	For those affected by the fires in California and New York	
Sat, Nov 30	4:00 PM	Fr. Huy Vu	✠ William (Bill) Grow	Judy Grow
			✠ William Kilgore	Drew & Sheliah Drewienkowski
			✠ Michael J. O'Connell	Peg O'Connell
Sun, Dec 1	7:00 AM	Fr. Steve Rehrauer	For the Intentions of the Parish	
	9:00 AM	Fr. Steve Rehrauer	For the newly commissioned Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to the homebound	
	11:00 AM	Fr. Huy Vu	✠ Ralph Lemere	Kate Takacs
			✠ Ruben Cajigas, Sr	Gloria Cajigas
5:00 PM	Fr. Huy Vu	✠ Mario Calbone	Don & Leslie Fore	

## Readings for the week of November 24, 2024

Sunday: Dn 7:13-14/Ps 91:1, 1-2, 5 (1a)/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37  
Monday: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 21:1-4  
Tuesday: Rv 14:14-19/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Lk 21:5-11  
Wednesday: Rv 15:1-4/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 7-8, 9/Lk 21:12-19  
Thursday: Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 21:20-28  
Friday: Rv 20:1-4, 11—21:2/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a/Lk 21:29-33  
Saturday: Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 4:18-22



## Today's Readings (November 24)

### First Reading:

His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not be taken away, his kingship shall not be destroyed. (Dn 7:14)

### Second Reading:

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, who has made us into a kingdom, priests for his God and Father, to him be glory and power forever and ever. (Rv 1:5-6)

### Gospel:

Jesus answered, "You say I am a king. For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth." (Jn 18:37)

**Psalm:** The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty. (Ps 93)

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# Spiritual



Mimi Cuono	Edward Pena	Nicole Vallinoto	Margarita Pena
David W. Maloney	Lucy Sanchez	Robert Poleski	Bill Terrazas
June Sienkiewicz	Linda Howard	Tom Burns	Renee Terrazas
Alan Varalli	Robert Shelby	Linda Slivinski	Stacy Zieminski
Geri Goralski	Anne Metelski	Susann Rein	Cheryl Woodward
Gino Di Gennaro	Diane Clark	Bob Stamer	Bob Baker
Frank Di Rosa	Nina Gravlin	Anita Garcia	Ann Marie Arnold
			Jacqueline McCarthy

✠ Mario Calbone
✠ Denise Dickson

## Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

### Citizens of Another Country

I read an article, years ago, about an American filmmaker who decided to step away from a wildly successful film franchise that had been requiring him and his family to live abroad.

It stuck in my mind because of the tongue-in-cheek reasoning he gave for the surprising decision, "My kids were starting to speak in British accents."

Sometimes, we just want to go home, don't we?

Returning from a recent family vacation, I burst into tears at the airport, overcome with relief when I saw my sister's van pulling into the pickup lane. It didn't matter that I had had fun on this trip and that I was even looking forward to taking another one. In that moment, I was so tired, and all I wanted was my own bed. The smell of my own house. The feeling of not

being "away."

If Jesus is our king, and his kingdom is not of this world, then we live our lives as perpetual aliens. This should reassure us in some ways. The world so often feels cold and cruel and strange to us because it is. We were not made for this world. We were made for heaven. We were made to yearn for the face, the presence, the protection of our King.

But this understanding of ourselves as strangers in a foreign land should also be a caution to us.

We can't get too comfortable here. We cannot become too wrapped up in the world and its temptations, its rewards, its comforts. We cannot start speaking in the language, the accent of our adopted homeland. Not if we ever want to return home and belong there.

Our King looks for our return. ©LPi

## The Traveling Vocations Cross Program

... 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. ✠



## Stewardship

Weekend Nov 2-3	Totals	Attd.
Offertory	\$21,897	1118
Major Maintenance	\$930	
All Saints/Souls	\$1,515	
Total	\$24,342	
Last Year's Offertory	\$22,262	1058
Parish Rectory	\$808	

## A Letter from Bishop Edward Weisenburger

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Holy Father released an Encyclical Letter last week, *DILEXIT NOS "On the Human and Divine Love of the Heart of Jesus Christ."* The document is deeply inspiring, taking for his reference point the timely image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. I am especially moved by his reflection on how the sufferings of a radically secular world can be met only by encounter with the living God—made evident so beautifully in the traditional image of the divine love that flows from the Heart of Jesus.

I would note that previous papal letters from earlier decades and centuries could be challenging for the average faithful to read and appreciate. It was as though they were written by professional theologians to be read and studied by other professional theologians. Our Holy Father writes to us like a true pastor. He uses language and concepts that—while profound and rich—are nevertheless written with each of us in mind. As I began reading the document, I slowed down, wanting to savor the images he presents and linger with the wisdom he offers. I hope you will want to do the same.

You can find link on the Diocesan webpage.

May God bless you abundantly,

+Edward J. Weisenburger  
Bishop of Tucson

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,

La semana pasada, El Santo Padre publicó su Carta Encíclica, *DILEXIT NOS sobre "El Amor Humano y Divino del Corazón de Jesucristo."* El documento es profundamente inspirador, y toma como referencia, la evocadora imagen del Sagrado Corazón de Jesús. Me conmueve especialmente su reflexión, sobre cómo los sufrimientos de un mundo radicalmente secularizado, sólo se pueden afrontar mediante el encuentro con el Dios vivo, tan bellamente manifestado en la imagen tradicional del amor divino que brota del Corazón de Jesús.

Quisiera señalar que las cartas papales de siglos y décadas anteriores podrían resultar complicadas de leer y apreciar. Eran como si hubieran sido escritas por teólogos profesionales para ser leídas y estudiadas por otros teólogos profesionales. Nuestro Santo Padre nos escribe como un verdadero pastor. Utiliza un lenguaje y unos conceptos que, aunque profundos y enriquecedores, están escritos pensando en cada uno de nosotros. Cuando empecé a leer el documento, me detuve, queriendo saborear las imágenes que presenta y deleitarme en la sabiduría que ofrece. Espero que ustedes también deseen hacer lo mismo.

Puede encontrar el enlace en la página web diocesana.

Que Dios los bendiga abundantemente,

+Edward J. Weisenburger,  
Obispo de Tucson

## Members of Santa Catalina Attend Arizona Rosary Celebration

The 49th Annual Arizona Rosary Celebration was held on Saturday, Oct 26, 2024 at St Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church. Santa Catalina Parish was represented by several groups, including our Matachines, and members of the SAJM. It was exciting to line up outside of the Church and watch parishes from all over Southern Arizona assemble with their banners. There were over 1,000 participants.

Every year, since 1976, the Arizona Knights Of Columbus have

arranged statewide Rosary Celebrations to honor Our Lady. The Rosary Celebration was led by our Bishop, The Most Reverend Edward Weisenburger and included a blessing procession and an appearance by the Matachines. This year's guest speaker in Tucson was Fr. Zachary of The Mother Of God, Society Of Our Lady Of The Most Holy Trinity. This year, Mary was honored under Her Title, Our Lady Queen of Peace.

At least half of the 77 parishes in the Diocese and over 1,000 people

participated. The Knights took good care of everyone and even made sure everyone had a Rosary! New friends were made by all as we joined together in our mission to honor Our Lady. Prayer petitions were delivered to the Santa Rita Abbey near Sonoita. The Sisters will pray for each intention.

Make plans to attend this wonderful, spiritual event next year — Mary will be honored under Her Title, Our Lady Of Guadalupe. ✠

# Outreach

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

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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. †

## Blood Drive at Santa Catalina Reminder (This Sunday)

**When:** Sunday, November 24, 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](http://redcrossblood.org) and use Sponsor Code: sancta †



## Sub For Santa - Tags available this weekend

The Social Awareness and Justice Ministry (SAJM) is sponsoring a Sub for Santa project (also known as a Giving Tree) to benefit families in need. Last year we helped 100 children. This year we have been asked to help 30-40 more children than last year. Please

join us in supporting these needy children and their families.

Recipient information will be available in the Narthex beginning November 23, 2024.

The Gift Tags include specific packaging and tagging information.

The tag ensures the gift is delivered to the correct recipient.

We will need you to complete a form with your contact information and which tag/s you take in case we need to contact you.

There will be envelopes available for gift card donations. \$25 and up for the families to purchase Christmas dinner supplies and other needed items. Walmart, Visa, or Mastercard gift cards are requested. Gift cards will be collected before/after each mass by volunteers.

**Please return your wrapped and tagged gifts and gift cards to the Narthex by 1pm on Sunday, December 8, 2024.**

If you would like to help with this project or have questions, please contact the parish office at 520-825-9611. Your message will be forwarded to the SAJM project lead. Thank you . †

## Pro-Life Celebration of Birth - Collection this Weekend

Santa Catalina Parish Dignity of Human Life Ministry announces that our Spiritual Adoption Program for 2024 will be concluded in November. To help us celebrate the culmination of this important program, our ministry will be collecting donations at all Masses on Nov 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>.

Many of our parishioners and their families have been praying for spiritually adopted babies for almost nine months. Our spiritual babies will soon be born. The completion of this nine months of prayer signifies the true birth of each child for whom we have prayed. Moreover, our prayers continue to embrace not just the new babies but also very importantly, the special parents of these newborns. They chose life and their choice will soon be reflected in the birth of their child. Truly, we all stand in solidarity and reverence for the sanctity of human life.

Even if you did not participate in our Spiritual Adoption program by remembering in prayer a special unborn child, please know that you are invited to celebrate new life with us by your generosity.



Please bring unwrapped new baby items to donate. There is a list of requested items below. These needed items can be dropped off at the church entrance or on the patio on Nov 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. Monetary donations are also gladly accepted and such gifts will be donated to the pro-life women's centers in our area.

Checks should be made out to the parish with Reachout Women's center or Family First in the memo section. †

### Baby Shower Suggested Gifts

Baby Bottles (4 & 8 oz)	Hooded Baby Bath Towel Set or	Quilt Set (include 1-2 receiving blankets)
Baby Formula	Baby Bathrobe	Shampoo, Lotion, or Baby Wash
Bath Towels and Wash Clothes	Infant Car Seats	Sippy Cups
Burp Cloths	Infant Hats	Sleepers or Pajamas 3 mos/6 mos
Children's Books	Onesies 3 -6 mos	Sweater, Jacket, or Bunting (winter only)
Clothes 18 mos. to 3T	Outfits 3 mos/6 mos	Wipes (zip-locked packages) †
Diapers Newborn sizes 4,5,6	Pacifier 0-6 mos. or smallest size available	
Diaper Rash Ointment	Pair Booties or Soft Shoes	
Fleece Gown or Sleep Sack,	Pair Infant Socks 3 mos	
Swaddle		

### Monthly Food Drive: Weekend of Dec 7-8

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

Most needed items include: peanut butter, rice and pasta, canned stews and soups, canned meat and fish, juice boxes, and lunch snacks. All food donations go to Casa Maria, Impact of Southern AZ, and the TriCommunity Food Bank. These organizations are very grateful for your assistance. †



# Outreach

## SAJM Needs Volunteers

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



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

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

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