

Sep 14-15, 2024

Santa Catalina

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Catholic Church

A REDEMPTORIST COMMUNITY

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

Mass Schedule

Daily Mass

Mon-Fri 8:00 am

Weekend Mass

Sat 4:00 pm (Vigil)
Sun 7:00 am
9:00 am
11:00 am (Bi-lingual)
5:00 pm

Reconciliation

Wed 8:45-10:00 am
Sat 2:30-3:30 pm
... or by appointment

Anointing

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

Adoration

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

Rosary in the Church

Mon-Fri 7:30 am



Twenty Fourth 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



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	

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

Meetings and Events This Week

Day	Time	Meeting/Event	Room(s)
Mon, Sep 16	9:00 AM	Quilt Group Open Sew	Catalina
	10:00 AM	St Vincent de Paul	Marian
	10:00 AM	Sacred Scripture Study	Mesquite, Ocotillo
	4:00 PM	Music Ministry/choir rehearsal	Church
Tues, Sep 17	9:30 AM	Yoga Faith	Catalina
	5:30 PM	Music Ministry - Bilingual Choir	Church
	6:00 PM	Grief Share class	Mesquite, Ocotillo
	6:00 PM	Men's Prayer Group	Marian
	6:00 PM	Women's Prayer Group	Saguaro
Wed, Sep 18	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
	1:00 PM	Understanding Sunday Scripture	Catalina
	4:30 PM	Faith Formation class K-8th	Parish Hall
	6:30 PM	R.C.I.A.	Mesquite
Thurs, Sep 19	9:00 AM	Fingerprinting	Parish Hall
	4:00 PM	Al-Anon "High Hopes" Meeting	Marian
	6:30 PM	Sacred Scripture Study	Mesquite, Ocotillo
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Fri, Sep 20	9:00 AM	Friday Faith Fellowship - The Chosen	Catalina, Saguaro
Sat, Sep 21	2:30 PM	Reconciliation	Church
Sun, Sep 22	7:30 AM	Knights of Columbus Blood Drive	Parish Hall
	1:00 PM	Mental Health Focus - Sunday Session	Saguaro
	3:30 PM	R.C.I.A.	Mesquite

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Are you thinking of volunteering at Santa Catalina?

It is important that you go through the volunteer application process.

The Diocese of Tucson requires that all volunteers go through a compliance process in order to volunteer. It is very important to ensure that volunteers, particularly those that might work with vulnerable people, are properly screened and trained.

This process, while not difficult, has several steps and can be time-consuming. If you are still trying



to figure out where you would like to share your talents with the parish, we recommend that you start the process, so that you are approved by the time you are ready to volunteer.

Our Office Administrator, Donna Opsatnick is our Compliance Officer. Please contact her by calling 520-825-9611 if you want to start the process and she can provide the details. You can apply online with the Diocese of Tucson or come to the Parish Office which now has a dedicated

Civility Webinar

As we prepare for the upcoming election, the Fellowship for Social Justice Ministry invites you to join a webinar on Civility and how to engage in helpful communication.

It will be presented via Zoom on October 2nd at 7:00 PM.

You can send an email to FellowshipforSJ@outlook.com or visit: <https://milagrosapadilla.wixsite.com/fellowship4socjust/past-events> for more information.



Catholic Schools' 2nd Collection Sept 21-22

How does your donation help?

This annual second collection helps the Department of Catholic Schools provide the necessary support to our 23 Catholic schools, approximately 548 educators, and 6592 students in the following areas:

- Adult Ministry Certification
- Coordinated Health consulting services
- School Counseling consulting services
- Standardized Assessments
- Scholarship Management Support
- School leadership support and coaching

- Support and resources for pastors of parish schools
- Accreditation training and support
- Elementary Tucson sports league
- Support for the diocesan CARE Student Intervention Process
- Policy Guidance
- Federal Title Programs

Please consider a donation to this most important ministry of the Church – forming the mind and soul of the children we serve!

September Mental Health Focus - "Mental Health and Aging"

How does aging affect your Mental Health? Why is my Mental Health getting worse as I age?

Join the Santa Catalina Mental Health Ministry for its September Mental Health Focus presented by Meira Year, RN, MA, MFT.

The session will be held on Sunday September 22 at 1 pm OR Monday September 30 at 6 PM in the parish hall.. The same presentation will be given at each session, so choose the one that best fits your schedule.

As people age, they may experience certain life changes that impact their mental health, such as



copied with a serious illness or losing a loved one. Although many people will adjust to these life changes, some may experience feelings of grief, social isolation, or loneliness. When these feelings persist, they can lead to mental illnesses, such as depression and anxiety.

Mental health is important at every stage of life. Effective treatment options are available to help older adults manage their mental health and improve their quality of life. Recognizing the signs and seeing a health care provider are the first steps to getting treatment. Join us for an informative and therapeutic discussion on mental health and aging.

Suicide Prevention Awareness Month

During this month, mental health organizations around the world are stepping out to help bring awareness to suicide, which may affect anyone, despite age, gender, or background.

We all can help prevent suicide. Now is the time to break down the stigma, shift our perception, and give hope to those who are in suffering.

common, should not be considered normal and often indicate a more serious condition. Suicidal thoughts are often the result of untreated mental health conditions.

Suicidal thoughts, although

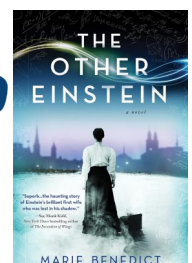
Here is a list of resources:

- **988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline** : Dial 988 to connect to local support for suicide or mental health crisis.
- **Suicide Prevention Resource Center** www.sprc.org
- **Suicide Prevention Lifeline** 1-800-273-TALK (8255) - Includes a Hotline for Veterans
- **Community Wide 24-hour crisis line** 520-622-6000 or 866-495-6735
- **Crisis Text Line:** Text TALK to 741741 - Available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
- **Or if you need to call 911**, tell them its a mental health crisis and ask for a *Crisis Intervention Trained* (CIT) *Officer* who is equipped in handling a mental health crisis situation.

If you are interested in joining Santa Catalina's Mental Health Ministry, send an e-mail to mhm@santacatalinaparish.org instead of "contact the parish office .

Come to the Book Bunch Meeting

...and bring a friend. The Book Bunch is back and will meet on October 10 at 1:00. They will be discussing *The Other Einstein* by Marie Benedict. From beloved New York Times and USA Today bestselling author Marie Benedict comes the story of a not-so-famous scientist who not only loved Albert Einstein, but also shaped the theories that brought him lasting renown. Start reading and join us for a great discussion.



God's glory is for each of us to live our lives to the fullest, to share in His unfathomable love and joy. Yet sometimes we experience difficult times in our lives that test our faith and burden our body, mind, and spirit. Burdens that are too heavy to bear alone - loss of a loved one, prolonged illness, disability, spiritual crisis, divorce, broken relationships, loneliness, job loss, and many other challenges. Indeed, Jesus tells us, "Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows..."

As children of a loving Lord and Redeemer, through faith we know that He does not abandon us in our times of need. Stephen Ministers are members of our parish community who are the "voice, hands, and spirit

of Christ, continuing God's call to love and peace." They are trained, trustworthy lay people whose mission is to bring God's love and healing to those who are hurting. Through a distinctively Christian, one-to-one caring relationship, your Stephen Minister walks with you faithfully on your journey of healing.

Is it time to reach out for help so that you can live life to the fullest? If you or someone you know could benefit from Stephen Ministry, please contact the church office at 520-825-9611, or Judy Rossman at StephenMinistry@santacatalinaparish.org. All information is held in strict confidentiality.



GriefShare Adds A Morning Session For Fall



Losing a loved one is very difficult. Griefshare can be of help.

GriefShare 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 video and related workbook materials.

There is a \$20 fee for the required GriefShare workbook. You may purchase it when you register at the first session. You may also register and purchase

the book on-line at griefshare.org.

Two separate GriefShare groups are being offered as follows.

Tuesdays: 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.,
September 10 through Dec 3, 2024

Fridays: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., Oct 11, 2024
through January 17, 2025

No sessions on November 29 or December 27

GriefShare meets in the Mesquite and Ocotillo Rooms. Questions? Call the Parish Office.

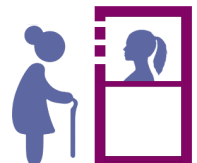
An elderly woman entered her bank, handed the teller her card and requested her to withdraw \$10 in cash. The teller responded that for withdrawals under \$100, customers need to use the ATM. When the woman asked why, the teller responded that it was their rule.

After a couple moments, the woman handed her card back to the teller and requested that she give her all of the money in her account. The teller looked at her balance, saw the balance was \$300,000 and told her

that the bank doesn't have that much cash on hand. The lady asked how much could she withdraw? \$3000 she responded. The lady asked for the \$3000 in cash. When the teller handed the lady her cash, she put \$10 in her purse and asked the teller to deposit the \$2990 into her account.

Moral: Don't mess with seniors, they have more experience than you.

From Quora.com



The Traveling Vocations Cross Program

The Traveling Vocations Cross runs from September 2024--May 2025. This is a weekly program to pray for Catholic vocations.

We ask participating parishioners to 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 Traveling Vocations Cross.

Participants pray for vocations and return the Cross the following weekend before the appropriate Mass.



Members of the Vocations Ministry will be outside after the above designated Masses to sign up weekly participants. Please pray to promote Catholic vocations.

The Matachines of Santa Catalina

We invite you to be part of the Matachines of Santa Catalina. Join us to dance to Our Lady Queen of Peace in the Arizona Rosary Celebration. Each step of our dance means a prayer of gratitude, of petition, of love to our Mother Mary. Our rehearsals are going to begin on September 22, in the Church after the 11:00 AM Mass. We are waiting for you.



Matachines de Santa Catalina

Te invitamos a formar parte de los Matachines de Santa Catalina. Acompañamos a danzar a Nuestra Virgen Reina de la Paz en la Celebración del Rosario de Arizona. Cada paso de nuestra danza significa una plegaria de agradecimiento, de petición, y de amor a nuestra Madre María. Nuestros ensayos inician en Septiembre 22, en la Iglesia después de la Misa de 11:00 AM. ¡Te esperamos.

Prayer is key to the success of the Arizona Rosary Celebration

Prayer is a key to the success of the Arizona Rosary Celebration (ARC) to be held October 26, 2024. There are many suggestions of ways to pray for ARC's success on the website; www.AzRosary.net. Under the Prayer tab you will find the different prayers included with a Rosary. You will also find the "Prayer Intention" form that you can fill out and drop it in the prayer intention box located in the church. All intentions will be prayed for at the event – October 26, 2024, 10:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. and then taken to the sisters at Santa Rita Abbey in Sonoita, AZ, where they will be prayed for until next year's ARC. Contact: Dave Chohon at 1945dwc@gmail.com or 520-539-5528.



La oración es clave para el éxito de la Celebración del Rosario en Arizona

Hay muchas sugerencias de formas de orar por el éxito de ARC en el sitio web; www.AzRosary.net En la pestaña Oración encontrará las diferentes oraciones incluidas con un Rosario. También encontrará el formulario de "Intención de oración" que puede completar y dejar en la caja de intención de oración ubicada en la iglesia. Se orará por todas las intenciones durante este evento el 26 de Octubre del 2024, de 10:00 a. m. a 12:15 p. m. y posteriormente serán llevadas nuestras hermanas al Convento de Santa Rita en Sonoita, AZ, donde se orará por ellas hasta la Celebración del Rosario del próximo año. Comuníquese con Dave Chohon al 1945dwc@gmail.com o al 520-539-5528.

This Sunday, Jesus invites us to take up our cross and follow him, and begins his message with the question to his disciples: Who do people say I am? Of course he got several responses. But, what is important now is what each of us answers to that question. Many people make a Jesus to suit themselves and even think that they manipulate him and buy him at their whims. However, Jesus is not tied to our tastes or measurements. Jesus always showed himself sincere in proclaiming justice and truth, and it is in the Holy Scripture and in the Tradition of the Church founded by him that we can know and love him more every day.

Then he called all the people and



24° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Este domingo, Jesús nos invita a tomar nuestra cruz y a seguirlo, e inicia su mensaje con la pregunta a sus discípulos: ¿Quién dice la gente que soy yo? Por supuesto que obtuvo varias respuestas. Pero, lo importante ahora, es lo que cada uno de nosotros respondamos a esa pregunta. Muchas personas se hacen un Jesús a su medida y hasta piensan que lo manipulan y lo compran a sus caprichos. Sin embargo, Jesús no está atado a nuestros gustos ni medida. Jesús se mostró siempre sincero proclamando la justicia y la verdad, y es en la Sagrada Escritura y en la Tradición de la Iglesia cimentada por él, que podemos conocerlo y amarlo cada día más.

said to them: *“Whoever wants to follow me must renounce himself, take up his cross and follow me. For whoever wants to secure his life will lose it, and whoever sacrifices his life (for me and) for the Gospel will save it” (Mark 8:34-35).* Here is the commitment to want to save life, it refers to avoiding the cross that we have to carry together with Jesus. So, we cannot avoid it, we have to do everything on our part to make it bearable and joyful. Following Jesus is a sure path that will lead

us here on earth to a good port and in the future to eternal happiness. Let us not waste time, let us hurry towards his mercy with our supplications for our salvation and that of our brothers and sisters. ©LPi

Después, llamó a toda la gente y les dijo: *“El que quiera seguirme, que renuncie a sí mismo, tome su cruz y me siga. Pues el que quiera asegurar su vida la perderá, y el que sacrifique su vida (por mí y) por el Evangelio, la salvará” (Marcos 8:34-35).* Aquí está el compromiso de querer salvar la vida, se refiere a evitar la cruz que nos toca llevar junto con Jesús. Entonces, no podemos evadirla, hay que poner todo de nuestra parte para que sea llevadera y con alegría. Seguir a Jesús es un camino seguro que nos llevará aquí en la tierra a buen puerto y en un futuro a la felicidad eterna. No perdamos el tiempo, vayamos presurosos hacia su misericordia con nuestras suplicas para nuestra salvación y la de nuestros hermanos y hermanas. ©LPi

This Week's Liturgy Schedule

Date	Mass	Celebrant	Intention	By
Mon, Sep 16	8:00 AM	Fr. Brian Johnson	Scott Bieber (L)	Tom & Donna Opsatnick
Tue, Sep 17	8:00 AM	Fr. Brian Johnson	✠ Nevin Iannuzzi Bianca Rubio (L)	Rita Quin The family
Wed, Sep 18	8:00 AM	Fr. Brian Johnson	✠ Theresa Shirey	The Shirey family
Thu, Sep 19	8:00 AM	Fr. Brian Johnson	✠ Ian William Pierce	Susan McIntyre
Fri, Sep 20	8:00 AM	Fr. Brian Johnson	Angeline Lapinsky (L)	Tom & Donna Opsatnick
Sat, Sep 21	4:00 PM	Fr. Huy Vu	✠ Maria Nieto	Sulma Matias
Sun, Sep 22	7:00 AM	Fr. Steve Rehrauer	✠ Intentions of the Parish	
	9:00 AM	Fr. Charlie Wehrley	✠ Greg Nelson	Gerry Dugan
	11:00 AM	Fr. Huy Vu	✠ Natividad Dominguez	Maria Reyes
	5:00 PM	Fr. Huy Vu	✠ Ruby Buchanan	Michael & Kay Shannon

Readings for the week of September 15, 2024

Sunday: Is 50:4c-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 (9)/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35

Monday: 1 Cor 11:17-26, 33/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17/Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday: 1 Cor 12:31—13:13/Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 12 and 22/Lk 7:31-35

Thursday: 1 Cor 15:1-11/Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28/Lk 7:36-50

Friday: 1 Cor 15:12-20/Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20/Lk 8:1-3



Today's Readings (24th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

First Reading:

I gave my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who plucked my beard; my face I did not shield from buffets and spitting. (Is 50:6)

Second Reading:

So also faith of itself, if it does not have works, is dead. (Jas 2:17)

Gospel:

“But who do you say that I am?” Peter said to him in reply, “You are the Christ.” (Mk 8:29)

Psalm: I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living. (Ps 116) Or: Alleluia.

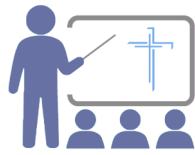
Spiritual



Mario Calbone	Dottie Bentz	Renee Ford	Walter Henrich	Sophie Zvonar	Anne Metelski
Mimi Cuono	Noly Roca	Irma Moran	Phyllis Henrich	Alan Varalli	Diane Clark
David W. Maloney	Linda Slivinski	Bill Terrazas	Mark Cowie	Geri Goralski	Nicole Vallinoto
Albert Diaz	Susann Rein	Rene Terrazas	Anita Garcia	Lucy Sanchez	
Margarita Peña	Frank Reilly	Steven Venizo	Welsh family	Linda Howard	
Edward Peña	Jose Gutierrez	Cliff Bentz	Bob Baker	Robert Shelby	
Kelley Thomas	Scott Bieber	Robert Perry	June Sienkiewicz	Jacqueline McCarthy	

Religious Education begins Sept 18th Register Today

- K-8th and First Communion
 - Wednesdays, 4:30-5:30 PM
 - Monthly Kids' Club and Children's Mass
 - Scan QR code to register online
- Email Katharine with questions:
RE@santacatalinaparish.org



<https://www.osvhub.com/santa-catalina-church/forms/familyfaith-2024-1-1>

Stewardship



Weekend Aug 31-Sep 1	Totals	Attendance
Offertory	\$19,436	845
Major Maintenance	\$975	
Total	\$20,411	
Last Year's Offertory	\$17,402	1128
Parish Rectory	\$2,878	

Religious Education Needs Volunteers

Will you evangelize to the children and families of our Santa Catalina community?

When we support Santa Catalina's families, we are evangelizing to our entire community. We need just a few more volunteers to ensure every child at our parish can attend religious education class.

No experience? No problem.

Catechists teach in pairs and all training and materials are provided.

The most important qualities of a family faith formation (religious education) volunteer are a deep faith commitment and a desire to share one's Faith.

Email Katharine at RE@santacatalinaparish.org with questions or to volunteer.



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>.



Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Take Up Your Cross

When I'm interviewing people for my job as a staff writer at an archdiocesan newspaper, I like to ask them this question: at the end of your life, when you meet God, what do you want to hear Him say?

I've gotten a lot of interesting answers.

"I called and you listened."

"What tee time would you like tomorrow?"

"What were you thinking?"

"Your service made things better."

It's a question I've thought a lot about, personally. What I want to hear God say when I finally see His face is this: "You can put it down now."

When Jesus asks his disciples "Who do you say that I am?" he is not just asking them to verbalize an answer. He is asking them to do something: pick up the cross. Find the problems in this world, in this life, and throw your arms around them. Drag them to God, even if it kills you. It's not enough to stand by the sidelines, watching Christ ascend to Calvary,

nodding your head in approval. *Yes, I agree. Yes, I believe. Yes, Jesus, good job!* You have to follow in every bloody footprint he leaves in the dust. Set your face like flint. And when you meet him at the top, you better not be empty-handed. He has a cross, he will expect you to have one, too.

I hope that I can do it. I hope that I am strong enough. I am not one of those great, hardy souls. I stumble terribly under the weight of my very small cross. I grumble as I shift it from shoulder to shoulder. But every time I have been almost at the point of giving up, almost ready to lay it down, there is something — Someone — who supports my drooping arm. The Lord God is my help.

If, at the end of everything, I hear the words, "You can put it down now," then I will know I have made it. I will know I have not failed: I took up the cross.

"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." Matthew 16:24

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How Do I Dispose of Blessed Religious Items?

Here are the proper methods:

Donating: If the item is still intact and usable, consider donating it to Santa Catalina or someone who might need it. Please drop them off at the Parish Office if you wish to donate your blessed items. Please *do not* leave them randomly in the church for someone else to deal with.

Burning: Items like rosaries, palm branches, and altar cloths can be burned. Burning them is considered a respectful way to dispose of your religious items that were blessed by a priest. After burning, the ashes should be buried.

Burying: If burning is not feasible, the items can be buried directly in the ground. This act is deemed a

respectful way to part with blessed items, honoring their sacred significance.

If devotionals *have not* been blessed, such as some of the holy cards and such that come through the mail, those are simply pictures and can be thrown away. If you feel uncomfortable throwing them away, you can burn or bury them as well.

The underlying principle is to return these sacred objects to the earth, reflecting their sanctified purpose. It is important to handle these items with care to maintain their sacredness. If you're unsure whether an item has been blessed, it's best to treat it as if it has been. What has been dedicated to God should be returned to God. Never should one "throw out" what has been dedicated to God.

Outreach



Save the Date - Blessing of the Pets - October 4th



The Care for Creation Ministry will be sponsoring a Blessing of the Pets on October 4th at 9 am.

Plan to bring your pets to Fr. Huy for a special blessing on the patio.

Hope to see you and your pets there!



Sept Blood Drive at Santa Catalina

When: Sunday, September 22, 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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Come Join Us for Mexican Fiesta Dinner and BINGO September 24 at 6 pm.



Doors open at 5:30 PM in the Parish Hall. Tickets are \$30 in advance and being sold after all masses. You can also get tickets at the Parish Office. Tickets will be \$35 at the door.



In addition to a delicious dinner, your ticket gets you a 3 pack of cards for 6 games. Beer, wine and soft drinks will also be available. **Winning games receive up to \$100 gift card.** There will also be a 50/ 25 -25 Drawing. Hurry and get your ticket, seating is limited.



Support Knights of Columbus #12345 Santa Catalina. Have a blast playing this exciting sweepstakes based on college football. Get your game cards and WIN. Get one game card

and play all 10 weeks of the fundraiser. You get 3 new teams each week. If your three teams score the most to fewest total points...you win! When you enter the Football Mania sweepstakes, you are eligible to win up to \$400 in each of the 10 weeks of the Football Mania season.

Tickets are \$20 a piece and will be on sale after mass August 27 - September 15. You can also scan the QR code to buy tickets.

Please contact the parish office if you have questions.



Chicken Soup for the Soul

There is nothing more rewarding for the soul than making a comforting quilt for a child who is seriously ill, traumatized, or otherwise in need. Our small group of Catalina Community Quilters, which gathers here at Santa Catalina Church, make over 200 quilts a year to help support the Project Linus Tucson chapter deliver blankets to all of Pima County.

They are distributed almost immediately to hospitals, shelters and social service agencies. We love that our quilts are blessed by Father before they leave here to comfort a child.

Catalina Community Quilters welcomes all quilters in the Catalina area. All levels of quilters are never turned away. You can spend the whole day or come when you

can (bring a lunch or snacks). Please bring your sewing machine and your quilting tools.

For your use, we have irons, ironing boards, cutting mats and tools, as well as a few sewing machines available, blanket quilting kits and fabric. A well spent day here is like Chicken Soup for the Soul.

Please stop by on Monday, September 16 (9:00 AM to 3:00 PM, Saguaro Room) to see what this ministry is all about.

Contact: 520-825-9611, x110,
lobby@santacatalinaparish.org

Project ♥ Linus



Tips for Buying Food for a Food Bank

Here are some tips and guidance if you donate to food pantries derived from feedback by those who use them:

- ☺ Boxed milk is a treasure, as kids need it for cereal.
- ☺ Canned veggies and soup are awesome, but please buy pop tops.
- ☺ Oil is a luxury but needed for things like Rice a Roni which they get a lot.
- ☺ Spices or salt and pepper would be a real Christmas gift.
- ☺ Tea bags and coffee make them feel like you care.
- ☺ Sugar and flour are treats.
- ☺ Tuna and crackers make a good lunch.
- ☺ Canned meats are always appreciated.
- ☺ Cake mix and frosting makes it possible to make a child's birthday cake.
- ☺ Dish Soap / Dishwashing detergent is very expensive and is always appreciated.
- ☺ Feminine hygiene products are a luxury and women will cry over that.
- ☺ Everyone loves Stove Top Stuffing.
- ☺ Everyone donates pasta sauce and spaghetti noodles.
- ☺ They get lots of peanut butter and jelly but usually not sandwich bread.
- ☹ Hamburger Helper goes nowhere without ground beef.
- ☹ Everyone donates Kraft Mac & Cheese, but they can rarely use it because it needs milk and butter which is hard to get from regular food banks. Please buy brands that come with a cheese sauce (like Velveeta).



Outreach

Santa Catalina Saint Vincent de Paul's Annual Jim Click Raffle



Saint Vincent de Paul will once again be selling tickets during the month of October. directly to our own SVDP conference to do God's work for the neediest among us.



This key fundraiser helps us provide crucial help to our local friends-in-need. This year, First Prize is a brand new 2024 Jeep Rubicon 4xe Plug-in Hybrid, Second Place prize is two first class airline tickets to anywhere in the world and Third Place is \$5000 cash. But, as always, the REAL prize is that all proceeds go

Santa Catalina Church has always answered the call. Tickets are \$25 each or 5 for \$100. Tickets will be available outside every Mass and in the Church Office beginning October 1st and throughout the month of October.

Christ Child Society of Tucson Layettes of Love Collection

Weekend of October 26th and 27th at all Masses, CCST will welcome your donations of baby items (or financial gifts) for their Layettes of Love program which aids Tucson's new mothers in need of support. More details to follow. www.christchildtucson.org

