

St. Helen Roman Catholic Parish - Oracle



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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2017 **THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Pastor: Rev. Msgr. Ambrose O. Nwohu.....520-896-2708
 Parish Secretary & Compliance Representative: Gloria Acosta520-896-2708
 Parish Office Hours: Tuesday – Thursday..... 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
 Priest: Tuesday - Friday.....9:30 a.m. - 12 noon & 2 p.m. – 7 p.m.
 Director of Religious Education: Mary Telles: Wednesday.....520-896-2708

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday (Mass of Anticipation).....5 p.m.
 Sunday.....8 a.m. & 10 a.m.
 Monday thru Friday.....8 a.m.
 First Friday of the Month Anointing of the Sick and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.....8 a.m.
 All Holy Days of Obligation.....9 a.m. & 7 p.m.
 Pray the Rosary.....1/2 hour before each Mass



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*****SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION*****

Holy Matrimony

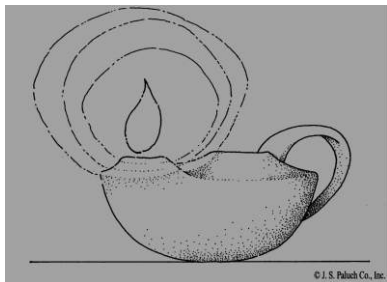
Marriage Preparation
 Diocesan regulations require that you see a priest at least *four months* before your wedding date.

Baptism

Baptismal Preparation
 Please call for arrangements at least *two months* prior to the date of Baptism. Baptisms are scheduled for the third weekend of each month.

Reconciliation

Reconciliation/Confession
 Saturday from 4 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
 Any other time by appointment.



**Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 12, 2017**

Stay awake,
for you know neither the day nor the hour.

— *Matthew 25:13*



WISDOM

We consider wisdom today. The first reading from the book of Wisdom presents this precious gift as a feminine spirit, a very desirable virtue sought by many and graciously present to all who seek her. In today's Gospel, Jesus tells a parable to illustrate wisdom in a practical, measurable way. The wise will conserve their resources, use them prudently, and mark the passing of time. The foolish, on the other hand, not planning ahead, will be in the dark. Both of these readings tell us how accessible wisdom is to all who simply and honestly seek it.

Paul's words to the Thessalonians are not about wisdom, but describe one result of true wisdom: To the wise person of faith even death holds no terror. Our faith in Jesus' resurrection tells us we will all one day rise to new life in Christ.

Deadline for bulletin announcements is 2 p.m. on Tuesday

MASS INTENTIONS

*Offered for our beloved dead as well as our living ones.
May the souls of our faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

VOCATIONS CRUCIFIX

At each Mass, the family taking the crucifix should designate another family to carry the crucifix home the following week.
Please return the crucifix before the beginning of each Mass.

INFANT BAPTISMS

Instructions for infant Baptisms are on the first and third Thursday of the month (after initial registration) at 7:00 p.m. in the Church Hall.
It is mandatory that parents and Godparents attend.

Weekly Collections 11/4 & 11/5 2017

Parish Offertory - \$1,105.92
Building Fund - \$301.25
All Saints Day - \$104.00

Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.



Sanctuary Lamp
Sandoval & Self Families
By Mary Castillo

Please stop by the parish office to reserve dates for the Sanctuary Lamp. The Sanctuary Lamp may be reserved by more than one persons for the same dates.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Ill and/or homebound: Paul and Brenda Bilek, Allison Gomez, Lawrence Ortiz, Martin Romero, Susie Molina, Payton Roberts, Rosa Santos, Evodio Barrientos, Rico Guerrero, Raymond Laase, Tom & Carmen Garcia, Dora Chavez, Lynne Cunningham, Mollie Clark, Michael Hilimire, Bea Marquez, John Hughes

Please help keep our prayer list current. To add or remove a name from the prayer list, please call the parish office. In order to ensure an updated prayer list, names will be listed for two months and then removed.

Our Service Men & Women: Ignacio Madrid, Nathan Jackson, David Navarro, Theo Gordon-Martin

Faithful Departed: Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord and may perpetual light shine upon them

Bishop Kicanas' Monday Morning Memo is an informative update on events taking place in the diocese and what the bishop's busy schedule consists of each week. You can read the weekly memo by visiting the diocesan website; www.diocesetucson.org or by requesting a copy from St. Helen Parish Office. If you have something you want to publicize in the bishop's memo, please e-mail it to bishop@diocesetucson.org or send it to his attention c/o Monday Memo at the Pastoral Center, 64 Broadway Blvd., P.O. Box 31, Tucson, AZ 85702.

NOVEMBER 2017 CALENDAR

Every First Friday – 8 a.m.- Anointing of the Sick and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Holy Days of Obligation – Masses 9 a.m. & 7 p.m.
Adult Formation (Scripture) Classes with Msgr. Ambrose – Tuesdays, 7 p.m.
Choir Practice – Saturdays, 9 a.m.
Womens' Prayer Group – Tuesdays from 12 noon to 1 p.m. 896-9031
Finance Committee – Every 3rd Thursday – 6:30 p.m.
Parish Council – As announced
Liturgy Committee – As announced

Second collection for Building Fund - Every first weekend of the month . Parish Maintenance Second Collection six times/year.

St. Helen Offices & Ministries

Parish Pastoral Council Chairperson – Ellie Brown	896-3530
Finance Council Chairperson – Manny Navarro	896-2469
Compliance Representative – Gloria Acosta	896-2708
Liturgy/Bereavement - Mary Buzan	730-8929
Choir Director – Ellie Brown	896-3530
Sacristan/Altar Servers – Tony Telles	896-9031
Religious Education	
Gr. 1&2	Angelica Saldivar 388-1979
	Vincent Valdez 388 3032
Gr. 3 thru 8	Debbie Gutierrez 896-2711
	Maria Martinez 896-2142
Gr. 4,5,6	Leonor Berumen 241-4793
Gr. 7&8	Allison Lapa 896-2148
	Phyllis David 896-3169
Confirmation Class	Mary & Tony Telles 896-9031
Social Justice – Mary Ellen Kazda	896-2955
St. Helen's Food Bank – Helen Alvarez	404-4817
Knights of Columbus – Johnnie Seballos	896-2589
Cursillo Movement Leaders – Mary & Tony Telles	896-9031
Adult Catechesis – Msgr. Ambrose O. Nwohu	896-2708
Kitchen Angels	896-2589
Church Cleaning/Furnishings/Environmental Design (Volunteers needed)	

Invitation to welcome Bishop Weisenburger

Catholics are invited to join in welcoming Bishop Edward J. Weisenburger as the seventh Bishop of Tucson. All are invited to the Vesper Service on Nov. 28 in St. Augustine Cathedral, 192 S. Stone Ave., Tucson, at 7 p.m.

The Installation Mass the next day is by invitation only, because of the size of the Cathedral. Each parish will receive a small allotment of tickets. Bishop Weisenburger is planning to travel to outlying vicariates after his installation and will visit with members of the Catholic community who could not attend the Installation Mass. The Installation Mass also will be streamed live via the Internet. More information can be found on the diocesan website diocesetucson.org as it becomes available. Parishes with the capability of streaming and hosting the Installation Mass are encouraged to do so.

Our food pantry needs supplies of non-perishable food items. If you know of any family who needs help please call 896-2540. All information will be held strictly confidential. Monetary donations also gratefully accepted.

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR SUNDAY MORNING SOCIALS

Thank you!

2017 SECOND COLLECTIONS (*Diocesan)

November 18 & 19 – Priests' Retirement*
December 2 & 3 – St. Helen Building Fund
December 16 & 17 – St. Helen Parish Maintenance

Envelopes for PARISH special collections in rack back of the church.

Post-Fiesta News:

Teddy Garcia, winner of the \$50 cash prize has generously contributed his prize back to St. Helen. We thank him for his generosity.

Prayer for Souls in Purgatory

Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the masses said throughout the world today, for all the holy souls in purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen.

Cursillo Movement Ultreya

*We invite you to attend a Diocese of Tucson Ultreya to thank Bishop Kicanas for his love and dedication to this Movement. It will be on Sunday, November 19, 2017 from 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Our Mother of Sorrows Parish, 1800 S. Kolb Rd., Tucson. Bring a dish to share. We look forward to seeing you there. For more information contact Nancy Rambaran at (520) 360-9810 or nancycree@outlook.com
All Cursillistas & Guests are invited! De Colores!*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

St. Helen Religious Ed. is having a Bilingual meeting for ALL Parents of CCD children/teens and any interested adult, on Tuesday, Nov. 28 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. At least one parent is required to attend. Confirmation sponsors are also asked to attend. Students do NOT need to attend, the meeting is for parents/adults in English and Spanish. Refreshments will be available. We will take up a "Love offering" for the guest speaker. For questions, contact Mary Telles, 896-2708.

Classes have begun. Still accepting registrations.

**Fees: \$20 for 1 child, \$10 for each additional child
Baptism and First Communion certificates required.**

Call Mary Telles for information – 896-2708

"The Catechist is one who guards the memory of God and who knows how to awaken it in others." – Pope Francis

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Wisdom is easily discerned by those who love her (Wisdom 6:12-16).

Psalm — My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God (Psalm 63).

Second Reading — Since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 [13-14]).

Gospel — Stay awake! You know neither the day nor the hour (Matthew 25:1-13).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Wis 1:1-7; Ps 139:1b-10; Lk 17:1-6

Tuesday: Wis 2:23 — 3:9; Ps 34:2-3, 16-19; Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11; Ps 82:3-4, 6-7; Lk 17:11-19

Thursday: Wis 7:22b — 8:1; Ps 119:89-91, 130, 135, 175; Lk 17:20-25

Friday: Wis 13:1-9; Ps 19:2-5ab; Lk 17:26-37

Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43; Lk 18:1-8 or (for the memorial of the Dedication) Acts 28:11-16, 30-31; Ps 98:1-6; Mt 14:22-33

Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Ps 128:1-5; 1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30 [14-15, 19-21]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin (USA); died in Chicago, 22 Dec. 1917; from Lombardy; youngest of thirteen children; founded the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart; for twenty-eight years labored in U.S. and South America, establishing some sixty-seven institutions (schools, hospitals and orphanages); first U.S. citizen canonized; patroness of immigrants and migrants.

Wednesday: St. Albert the Great, Bishop, Doctor of the Church; died 1280 at Cologne; from Swabia; O.P. master of philosophy, theology, and the natural sciences, especially Aristotle; teacher of St. Thomas Aquinas; Provincial of the German Dominicans, becoming bishop of Regensburg; prolific writer (thirty-eight quarto volumes in print); wrote on the cult of the Sacred Heart; patron of scientists.

Thursday: St. Margaret of Scotland, Virgin; died 1093; from Hungary; wife of King Malcolm III of Scotland and mother of eight children; helped root out paganism; her love for the poor became legendary; patroness of Scotland.

St. Gertrude, Virgin; called the "Great," died 17 Nov. 1301; born in Thuringia; Benedictine mystic of the famous Benedictine abbey of Helfa in Saxony; wrote on the meaning of suffering, the Sacred Heart, the Trinity, and God's love; most important work: *Legatus Memorialis Abundantiae Divinae Pietatis* (The Herald of Divine Love).

Friday: St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious; died 1231 at age twenty-three; wife of Louis VI of Thuringia and mother of three; as a widow she became a Franciscan tertiary, dedicated to the needs of the poor and the sick; canonized only four years after her death; patroness of the Franciscan Third Order and of Catholic charities.

Saturday: The Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss. Peter and Paul; St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin (USA); died 1852 at age eighty-three at St. Charles, Missouri; from Grenoble, France; founded the first American house of the Religious of the Sacred Heart; opened the first American free school west of the Mississippi; known for her courage and desire to serve Native Americans, esp., the Potawatomi who called her "the woman who prays always."
Blessed Virgin Mary

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

We had sixteen hundred years' experience with one Eucharistic Prayer in our repertoire, and the liturgical reforms of the Council of Trent shaped the way we worshiped for four hundred years. In the last years of the Tridentine Mass, the early 1960s, we tended to see children as miniature adults. Fully rooted in the Sunday assembly by the decision of Pope Saint Pius X to push Communion back to the age of seven or so from the standard age of twelve to fourteen years during the early 1900s, children were still more tolerated than acknowledged. The Mass was in Latin, and by the 1960s the people had begun to regain their voices in the "dialogue Mass," so the focus was on training little children to recite or sing in Latin.

The new attention to the experience of children, their ability to enter into ritual, their spontaneity, their ability to grasp key concepts in faith, felt "untraditional." Yet we can trace in our tradition the ways in which children have long been given a special place in the assembly. From earliest times, boys have served in choirs and certain ministries in monasteries and in parish churches. Girls were sometimes entrusted to nuns, learning liturgical chants and the arts. Yet, in our day, the formation of a Lectionary for children and Eucharistic Prayers suited to them are truly tremendous breakthroughs in our treasury of prayer.

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Diocese of Tucson

...employment opportunities at the Diocese

The following are employment opportunities currently available in the Diocese of Tucson. To view the job descriptions and information on how to apply, persons interested should refer to www.diocesetucson.org (Employment Opportunities).

Diocese of Tucson Pastoral Center:

Office of Corporate Matters, Tucson, AZ – Executive Assistant

• Schools & Parishes:

- **St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Yuma, AZ – Full-Charge Bookkeeper**
- **Santa Cruz Catholic School, Tucson, AZ**
 - Kindergarten Teacher
 - 3rd Grade Teacher
- **Santa Cruz Parish, Tucson, AZ – Cook (Part-time)**
- **San Martin de Porres Parish, Sahuarita, AZ – Office Assistant (Temporary, Part-time)**
- **Santa Cruz Catholic School, Tucson, AZ – 6th Grade Teacher**
- **St. Joseph Catholic School, Tucson, AZ – 4th Grade Teacher**
- **St. Joseph Catholic School, Tucson, AZ – Teachers, K-4**
- **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School, Tucson, AZ**
 - 3rd Grade Teacher
 - 6th Grade Teacher
- **San Xavier School, Tucson, AZ – Receptionist (Part-time)**
- **Immaculate Heart Academy, Oro Valley, AZ – Computer Teacher (Part-time)**
- **Our Lady Queen of All Saints, Tucson, AZ – Parish Secretary**
- **St. John Catholic School, Tucson, AZ – Second Grade Teacher**
- **St. Cyril of Alexandria Catholic School, Tucson, AZ**
 - **Girls Volleyball Coach (Part-Time)**
 - **Boys Volleyball Coach (Part-Time)**
- **St. Thomas the Apostle Pre-school, Tucson, AZ**
 - **Pre-Kinder (4 year-old) Teacher**

RETRouvaille & MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER RETREAT NOTICES



Retrouvaille provides marriage help! A Retrouvaille Weekend can help struggling couples rediscover hope and purpose in their marriages. Register for Weekend Program beginning Friday evening, January 19 - Sunday, January 21. For confidential information Call 520-686-1598 or Visit: www.retrouvaille.org



Discern how to give thanks to God for our spouses by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME) weekend. The next weekend is on November 3-5 in Phoenix. To apply online, and for weekend dates visit www.wwmearizona.com

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