

St. Helen Roman Catholic Parish - Oracle



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SUNDAY, APRIL 15, 2018

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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



Parish Board of Directors
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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.



**Third Sunday of Easter
April 15, 2018**

You alone, O LORD,
bring security to my dwelling.

— *Psalm 4:9*

BELIEVING IN JESUS CHRIST

Throughout the Easter season, all three of the Sunday readings are taken from the New Testament—the Christian scriptures. Together they explore what it means to believe in Jesus as the Christ, the One who fulfilled the prophecies of the Jewish scriptures.

Today’s selections refer to our human weakness, yet they emphasize the forgiveness and peace that are available to those who put their faith in “Jesus Christ the righteous one” (1 John 2:2). In the Acts of the Apostles Peter invites everyone to “repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away” (Acts 3:19). The First Letter of John calls Jesus Christ “expiation for our sins” (1 John 2:2). Finally, in the Gospel Jesus greets the disciples with “Peace” and urges them to preach “repentance, for the forgiveness of sins” (Luke 24:47).

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 4/07 & 4/08, 2018

Parish Offertory - \$1,407.00
Easter Flowers - \$50.00
Sanctuary Lamp - \$20.00
Raffle Tickets - \$247.00

Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.

Sanctuary Lamp



Joey Mallon by Mary Buzan

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: Felix Garcia, Cassandra Otero, Robert Miller, Patricio Ortiz, Allison Gomez, Lawrence Ortiz, Martin Romero, Susie Molina, Payton Roberts, Rosa Santos, Evodio Barrientos, Rico Guerrero, 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: Nathan Jackson, David Navarro

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

+Thomas Garcia

APRIL 2018 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	576-8208
Music Coordinator – Ellie Brown	237-2086
Sacristan/Altar Servers – Tony Telles	896-9031
Religious Education	
Gr. 1&2	Ellie Brown 237-2086
Gr. 3	Angelica Valdez 288-1979
Gr. 4,5,6	Leonor Berumen 419-4051
Gr. 7&8	Allison Lapa 896-2148 Phyllis David 820-0425
Confirmation Class	Mary & Tony Telles 896-9031
St. Helen's Food Bank – Helen Alvarez	404-4817
	Boots Stewart 896-2540
Knights of Columbus – Johnnie Seballos	520-603-5584
Cursillo Movement Leaders – Mary & Tony Telles	896-9031
Adult Catechesis – Msgr. Ambrose O. Nwohu	896-2708
Kitchen Angels	520-400-4404

Funeral Mass for Thomas Garcia
Monday, April 16, 2018
Rosary 10:30 a.m.
Mass 11 a.m.
Santa Catalina Catholic Church

Knights of Columbus Charity Raffle

Remember, half of the local money raised for the Knights of Columbus Charity Raffle comes back to our Tri-Community parishes. The more tickets you buy the more the Knights donate back to our parish. See any Knight for raffle tickets. Deadline is May 15.



*Everything written
about me
must be fulfilled*

We are still collecting supplies of non-perishable food items for our parish food bank. Thanks for your support.

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR SUNDAY MORNING SOCIALS
Thank you!

2018 SECOND COLLECTIONS (*Diocesan)

April 21 & 22 – St. Helen Parish Maintenance
May 5 & 6 – St. Helen Building Fund
May 19 & 20 – Holy Father Collection*

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

LORD TEACH ME TO PRAY

Deepen Your Prayer Life; Help Others Do The Same!
Work for the New Evangelization!

Are you a woman or man of prayer? Are you comfortable working with small prayer groups?
Saturday, April 21 at the Mount Claret Retreat Center in Phoenix there will be a facilitator Training-Retreat for the “Lord Teach Me to Pray Ignation prayer series. No charge for retreat or materials. More information available in the Parish Office.

UPCOMING PARISH FUNDRAISING EVENTS:

Saturday, April 21, 2018

Rummage Sale from 8 a.m.-12 noon. Green chile burros, desserts and beverages will be sold.

We are now collecting items for the yard sale.

Please donate *gently* used items. Electronics must be in working condition. *Deliver items in large bags or boxes.* Do not bring items that need washing or heavy cleanup.

Raffle tickets for a liquor basket and coffee basket - \$1.00 each or six for \$5.00

Questions? Call Ellie Brown or Jennie Seballos.

DEADLINE for dropping off of goods for the rummage sale is WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18, 2018.

If working the rummage sale on April 21, 2018, please report to the hall by 7:00 a.m. Thank you!

- **May Spring Basket Raffle Tickets Go On Sale Saturday, April 14, 2018. \$1 Each, 6 For \$5, 12 For \$10 And 24 For \$20. Drawing Will Be On Sunday, May 13, 2018.**
- **Pink Cloth Basket Includes: 14k Diamond Pendant (Value Alone At \$250), Gold Canyon Sugar Cookie Candle, Mudd Pie Ceramic Cross, Vintage Rose Fragrance Sachets, Earth Therapeutic Face Masks, Sheer Lavender Body Butter, 30 Sp Sun Lip Balm, Pink Flowered Make-Up Bag, Angel Earrings, Rose Bath Petal Flowers.**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFIRMATION WEDNESDAY, MAY 23, 2018, 6:30 p.m.
BISHOP EDWARD WEISENBURGER

“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 — The God of our fathers has glorified his servant Jesus (Acts 3:13-15, 17-19).

Psalm — Lord, let your face shine on us (Psalm 4).

Second Reading — The way we may be sure that we know Jesus is to keep his commandments (1 John 2:1-5a).

Gospel — Jesus stood in their midst and said to them, “Peace be with you” (Luke 24:35-48).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday: Acts 7:51 — 8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69

Sunday: Acts 4:8-12; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18



SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Third Sunday of Easter

Tuesday: Income Tax Day

Saturday: St. Anselm, Bishop, Doctor of the Church; died 1109; abbot of Bec in Normandy, later archbishop of Canterbury; twice exiled for defending the rights of the Church; theologian and philosopher; *fides qucerens intellectum*; authored *Prosologion*, *Cur Deus Homo*, and *The Procession of the Holy Spirit*; known as the “Father of Scholasticism.”

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

There are many ways in which religious communities are organized. Some have a central authority in a congregation, and others have a “rule” that is shared by all the members, but are a kind of federation of independent houses. Sometimes, congregations with distinct histories and ministries decide to merge. Several years ago, one of the largest mergers on record took place. Seven independent congregations of Dominican women religious, most in the Midwest, are now one new congregation enfolding more than seven hundred members spanning thirty-six states. The oldest of the founding groups, the so-called “Kentucky Dominicans,” began as a frontier community in 1822. Other communities have European roots. To get to this historic moment, the sisters spent many years in conversation, and approved the new structure by a two-thirds majority vote. This was then ratified by the Holy See. The merger allows the sisters to pool their resources in order to be more effective in ministry. They are living the Paschal Mystery, experiencing Christ’s dying and rising in an inspiring way.

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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 Tribunal, Tucson, AZ – Tribunal Notary
- Office of Corporate Matters, Tucson, AZ – Executive Assistant
- Schools & Parishes:
- St. Augustine Catholic High School, Tucson, AZ – Bus Driver (Part-time)
- San Xavier Mission School, Tucson, AZ – Custodian (Part-time)
- 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

RETRouvaille & MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER RETREAT NOTICES



Retrouvaille - **Eleven Families say “Thank You!”**. This is just a short note to say Thank You! The Retrouvaille Weekend held in Tucson and completed Sunday, January 21st was attended by 11 couples. That’s 11 families who now have a fighting chance. By running the Retrouvaille announcement in your bulletin and with your prayers, you helped give them that chance!



Like in the gospel today, sometimes our minds need to be opened to know what God has done for us, and what he wants for us in our marriage. Deepen your communication, strengthen your relationship, rekindle your romance and renew your sacrament by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend. To apply online, and for weekend dates visit www.wmearizona.com

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