

St. Helen Roman Catholic Parish - Oracle



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SUNDAY, JULY 15, 2018

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Pastor: Rev. Msgr. Ambrose O. Nwohu.....520-896-2708
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 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.

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.



**Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 15, 2018**

Truth shall spring out of the earth,
and justice shall look down from heaven.

— *Psalm 85:12*

CALLED BY GOD

Today's scriptures invite us to listen to two calls. The first is the call issued by the LORD to the prophet Amos, the "shepherd and a dresser of sycamores" (Amos 7:14). The second is the call the Lord Jesus issued to the Twelve, whom he sent out "two by two" (Mark 6:7). These faithful people responded to the call, prophesying and preaching to the people to whom they had been sent. Each of us received a call when we were baptized. The second reading invites us to ponder that call as we are reminded that we are chosen in Christ and that, in love, God "destined us for adoption" (Ephesians 1:5). As adopted daughters and sons of God we are called to bring the presence of Christ into our marriages, families, schools, and places of work. Let us be inspired today to say yes to the call we hear once again through God's living word.

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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 7/7 & 7/8, 2018

Parish Offertory - \$836.00
St. Helen Building Fund - \$222.00

Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.

Sanctuary Lamp



+Frank Sandoval 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: Frank Castillo, Baby Gilbert Franco, Mary Anne Davis, Al Gutierrez, Debbie Martinez, Felix Garcia, Cassandra Otero, Robert Muller, Patricio Ortiz, Allison Gomez, Susie Molina, Rosa Santos, Evodio Barrientos, Rico Guerrero, Carmen Garcia, 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: Christopher Salazar, Nathan Jackson

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

JULY 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	526-4557
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
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
Church Cleaning/Furnishings/Environmental Design (Volunteers needed)	

pil-grim-age (pil' gram - ij) a journey made by a pilgrim to a shrine or a holy place; a journey for the heart and soul, to discover God and oneself

Mark your calendar for Sunday, September 16 - a pilgrimage program at the Redemptorist Renewal Center in Tucson. From 1 p.m. until 5 p.m., a day of prayer and devotions honoring our weeping mother, the blessed Virgin Mary, and her appearance at La Salette in France in 1846. Beverages and snacks provided. The day concludes with a Sunday Mass, preceded by a rosary, holy hour, opportunities for healing prayer and for individual confessions. 7101 West Picture Rocks Rd, Tucson 85743. For more information, call the LaSalette Missionaries at 520-797-8838

St. Helen Website

If you haven't visited our parish website we encourage you to do so. The website is updated weekly; it contains the latest information on parish activities, recent bulletins. and much more parish information.

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)
 July 21 & 22 Diocesan Catholic Schools
 August 4 & 5 – St. Helen Building Fund
 August 18 & 19 – St. Helen Maintenance Fund

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

Inquiries regarding the Religious Education program should be directed to the Parish Office. Persons interested in applying for the Director of Religious Education position should speak with Msgr. or contact the Parish Office.

*In Christ we have
redemption*



by his blood

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Our parish's participation in the Annual Catholic Appeal is more than just raising money for the Diocese. We belong to the wider Church – not just our own parish, but in communion with our brothers and sisters in neighboring parishes. It's up to all of us to remember we are living a vision to provide a future full of hope for generations to come.

If you have not yet given, this is a reminder that **St. Helen-Oracle** needs you! **Your personal participation in the Appeal** is vital to our success as a parish in the Diocese, *and if you have not already made a pledge you are encouraged to do so in support of the Annual Catholic Appeal this year.* Thank you.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ANNOUNCEMENTS



"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 — Amos said, “The LORD took me from following the flock, and said to me, Go, prophesy to my people” (Amos 7:12-15).

Psalm — Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation (Psalm 85).

Second Reading — The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing (Ephesians 1:3-14 [3-10]).

Gospel — Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two (Mark 6:7-13).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 1:10-17; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 10:34 — 11:1
Tuesday: Is 7:1-9; Ps 48:2-8; Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16; Ps 94:5-10, 14-15; Mt 11:25-27
Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Ps 102:13-14ab, 15-21; Mt 11:28-30
Friday: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Is 38:10-12abcd, 16; Mt 12:1-8
Saturday: Mi 2:1-5; Ps 10:1-4, 7-8, 14; Mt 12:14-21
Sunday: Jer 23:1-6; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: Our Lady of Mount Carmel. The scriptures speak of the beauty of Mount Carmel in Galilee where the prophet Elijah defended the faith of Israel in the living God. There, at the beginning of the 13th c., under the role of “St. Mary of Mount Carmel,” the Order of Carmelites (today numbering about 1,975 religious) had its formal beginning.

Wednesday: St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest (USA); died 1614 at Rome; born at Chieti in the Abruzzi in 1550; soldier addicted to gambling; his conversion led him to found a society (Camillians [M.J.]), today numbering 1,130 religious, which established hospitals and cared for the sick with affection and diligence; patron of nurses; of the sick, and of hospitals.

Friday: St. Apollinaris, Bishop, Martyr; died 1st c.; early accounts report that he was ordained bishop by St. Peter himself and sent as a missionary bishop to Ravenna during the reign of the emperor Claudius. Renowned for his power to heal in the name of Christ, he was frequently exiled, tortured, and imprisoned for the faith, and finally martyred.

Saturday: St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest; died 1619; Capuchin, linguist, military chaplain, diplomat, and minister general; learned exegete, forceful preacher, and controversialist; fifteen volumes of his writings are extant.
Blessed Virgin Mary

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

At the time of the Reformation, although England broke away from papal authority under Henry VIII, a silent majority clung to the Catholic faith. Henry's eldest daughter, Mary, restored the “old religion” in a fierce persecution of Protestants (she is called “Bloody Mary” for good reason.) His youngest daughter, Elizabeth, rejected papal ties. Under her reign, beginning with legislation in 1593, Catholics were persecuted again, and only the very wealthy could afford the fines for not attending Anglican services on Sunday. They were called “recusants,” from a Latin word meaning “refuse,” since they refused to attend the liturgy of the Church of England. Many families maintained Catholic tradition in secret, and today their descendants claim “Recusancy” as a mark of family pride. For generations they sent their young people abroad to be educated in convents and monasteries. It is not surprising that the first monastery in colonial America springs from Holland with the daughters of patrician English recusant families. Port Tobacco, Maryland, proved fruitful soil for the Carmelite tradition.

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Diocese of Tucson

Bishop Weisenburger's *Wednesday Update* is available to view on the Diocesan website. The *Update* is an informative communication about the bishop's schedule and events currently occurring within the diocese. Log in to the diocesan website: www.diocesetucson.org and under the *Bishop's* heading click on the following links: *Departments*; then *Office of the Bishop*; then *The Wednesday Update*. Call St. Helen Parish Office for help or more information.

Employment opportunities in the Diocese of Tucson

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

<u>Parishes:</u>	<u>Openings</u>
• Bookkeepers	4
• Parish Staff	7
• Maintenance/Custodial	3
<u>Schools:</u>	
• School Principals	2
• Elementary Teachers	58
• High School Teachers	6
• School Staff	12
• Maintenance/Custodial	4

RETROUVAILLE & MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER RETREAT NOTICES



A Retrouvaille Weekend can help struggling couples rediscover hope and purpose in their 4 Stages of Marriage – The 4 stages of marriage are: (1) Romance, (2) Disillusionment, (3) Misery and (4) Awakening. Many marriages experience the first 3 Stages. Marriages that end in divorce never make it to the 4th Stage of Awakening. Don't give up without learning about the 4th Stage of Awakening. If your marriage suffers from Disillusionment or Misery please contact Retrouvaille. marriages. Register for Weekend Program beginning Friday evening, August 17 - Sunday, August 19. For confidential information Call 520-686-1598, Email: rtvdavis@hotmail.com or Visit: www.retrouvaille.org



Jesus is asking us to go out two by two and proclaim His good news. 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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