

St. Helen Roman Catholic Parish - Oracle



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SUNDAY, AUGUST 19, 2018

TWENTIETH 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.



**Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 19, 2018**

Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man
and drink his blood, you do not have life within
you.

— *John 6:53*

THIS EUCHARISTIC FEAST

Some things about human nature don't change, even over the course of centuries. When we celebrate a holiday, we have a meal; when we celebrate a significant event, we have a feast. In today's first reading, Lady Wisdom is setting a feast, a sign of celebrating the covenant that Israel has with God. Israel's central remembrance of its saving Exodus covenant is the Passover meal. So it is natural—and not coincidental—that the Christian celebration of the new covenant sealed by the blood of Christ on the cross happens at a meal, our Eucharist, offered first by Jesus in the context of Passover remembrance. It is easy for us, sometimes, to forget the very long and rich religious and human origins of our eucharistic feasting on the bread and cup that are the Body and Blood of Jesus. Today, and for the next few Sundays that we hear the "Bread of Life" discourse from John, let us bring to mind the loving covenant that God makes with us, and be filled with great joy at this marvelous feast that we have come to attend!

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.*

Sunday, August 19 – 10 a.m. - +Louise Schlutterhofer by Susan E. Daviess

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 8/11 & 8/12, 2018

**Parish Offertory - \$1,411.00
Fiesta Donation - \$100.00**

Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.

Sanctuary Lamp



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

AUGUST 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)	

The U.S. Bishops urge our participation each Friday in a nationwide Novena for the Legal Protection of Human Life, August 3-September 28. Sign up at www.usccb.org/pray/! Participants will receive weekly e-mail or text reminders to pray and fast, along with little known facts about Roe v. Wade to share with others.

Pilgrimage in honor of Our Lady of La Salette

Join in a day of prayer on Sunday September 16, 2018 at the Redemptorist Renewal Center, 7101 W. Picture Rocks Rd., Tucson. We will celebrate the anniversary of Our Lady's apparition in the French Alps. Beverages and snacks provided. Activities begin at 1 p.m. and conclude at 5 p.m. Included in the day are a rosary, time for private prayer, holy hour, opportunity for confessions, healing prayer service and a Sunday Mass. For information call 520-797-8836.

KNIGHTS CORNER: Local knights are looking for a few good men who want to give back to the church, community, and family.

Knights of Columbus was founded on four principles: Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. Knights and their families have opportunities to participate in a variety of activities that deepen their faith, promote the New Evangelization, and strengthen our parishes. Our charitable activities encompass and include the Family Fun Get Together, Food Drives, Scholarships, Coats for Kids, and many more. **See a Knight for your membership.**

Non-perishable food items for our parish food bank are still being accepted. Thanks for your support.

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR SUNDAY MORNING SOCIALS
Thank you!

2018 SECOND COLLECTIONS (*Diocesan)
August 18 & 19 – St. Helen Maintenance Fund
September 1 & 2 – St. Helen Building Fund
September 15 & 16 – Catholic Campaign Hum.Dev

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

CALLING ALL CATECHISTS AND PERSONS INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATECHIST OR ASSISTANT CATECHIST
Please plan to attend a special meeting with Msgr. Ambrose to discuss a plan for this year's Catechetical Year Program and Student Registration.

Sunday, August 26 at 6 p.m. in the Parish Hall

FIESTA FUNDRAISER!

There will be a St. Helen Pre-Fiesta Warm Up Fund-raiser on Saturday, August 25, 2018 from **4 P.M. to 7 P.M.** Food plate will be available for purchase: **BBQ Meat, Beans, Rice, Salsa, Tortilla and Drink** all for **\$8.00.** Proceeds go to St. Helen Catholic Parish. **Music from 4 to 8 p.m.!** Stop by and enjoy a good BBQ meal and dance it all away! **Bring your own beer!**

FIESTA – SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2018

Donations needed:

Whole beans, rice, salsa, tortillas, hamburger patties, hotdogs, buns for both, lettuce, tomatoes, mustard, mayo, onions, paper plates, napkins, paper towels, canned tomatoes, corn tortillas, lemon, tequila, limes, margarita mix, canned and liters of soda, garlic salt, salt, pepper, tablecloths, ice, water, tin foil, tin foil sheets, to-go containers, plastic serving gloves, children toys for game booths, creamer, sugar, hot/cold cups, string lights, colored napkins (for flowers) or crepe paper, items for gift baskets, baskets, ribbon, shrink bags or shrink wrap, gift certificates. Baked goods will be needed the day before or the morning of the fiesta for the cake walk as well as the bake sale.

Please contact Ellie Brown, 237-2086, Manny Navarro, 975-2172 or Al Trejo, 235-2336 if you have questions.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

"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 has built her house; she has dressed her meat, mixed her wine, yes, she has spread her table (Proverbs 9:1-6).

Psalm — Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34).

Second Reading — Be filled with the Spirit, giving thanks always and for everything (Ephesians 5:15-20).

Gospel — I am the living bread that came down from heaven (John 6:51-58).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ez 24:15-24; Dt 32:18-21; Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10; Dt 32:26-28, 30, 35cd-36ab; Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Ez 36:23-28; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51

Saturday: Ez 43:1-7a; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 23:1-12

Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Ps 34:2-3, 16-21; Eph 5:21-32 [2a, 25-32]; Jn 6:60-69

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Bernard, Abbot, Doctor of the Church; died 1155; Cistercian abbot of Clairvaux; reformer and spiritual author (e.g., *On loving God*; eighty-six sermons on the Canticle of Canticles); preached against the albigensians; founded sixty-eight monasteries; preached the 2nd Crusade; denounced injustice and worked for peace; known as Doctor Mellifluus; patron of Gibraltar.

Tuesday: St. Pius X, Pope; died 20 August 1914; undertook liturgical and canonical reforms especially communion for children and frequent communion for adults; condemned Modernism in *Lametabili* and *Pascendi dominici gregis* (1907); wished “to renew all things in Christ”; patron of sick pilgrims.

Wednesday: The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary; today's Memorial, prescribed in 1954 by Pope Pius XII for 31 May, is now fittingly celebrated on the octave day of the Assumption.

Thursday: St. Rose of Lima, Virgin; died 1617 at age thirty-one; Peruvian mystic; nicknamed “Rosa” because of her beauty; O.P. tertiary who lived a life of penance and solitude, caring for the homeless, elderly, and sick; first declared saint of the New World; patroness of the Philippines and of South America, especially Peru; also of florists and gardeners.

Friday: ST. BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE; died 1st c.; probably a surname in the synoptic gospels, meaning “son of Tolmai”) known as Nathaniel in John's gospel; associated with St. Philip; said to have preached the gospel in India and Armenia where, according to tradition, he was flayed alive.

Saturday: St. Louis IX of France, died 1270; model ruler and father of eleven children; Franciscan tertiary who cared especially for lepers; built Sainte Chapelle in Paris as a reliquary for the crown of thorns; while on his second crusade, died of the plague near Tunis; patron of masons and sculptors.

St. Joseph Calasanz, Priest; died 1648; from Aragon; founded Clerics Regular of Religious Schools; today numbering some 1,300 religious; dedicated to helping poor children; faced many trials and calumnies for his work, including the temporary suppression of his Institute; patron of all Christian schools dedicated to assisting the poor.

Blessed Virgin Mary

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Sometimes the heat of summer translates into unrest in a city's streets. In the summer of 1834, popular sentiment against the presence of the Ursuline nuns near Boston reached a boiling point. An influx of Irish laborers had an impact on the work force in the city, and a deep-seated resentment against Catholics fueled the fire. The nuns supported themselves with a school, and most of the young women students were drawn from patrician Protestant families. Nevertheless, rumors fed by the saga of an unhappy junior sister and a later episode of a senior sister fleeing the place increased tensions. The city's selectmen were given a tour by the disgruntled sister, who by then had returned, and found all things in good order. That didn't please the mob, and the mother superior didn't help matters when she said that the bishop had platoons of Irishmen at hand, twenty thousand strong, to do marauders harm. By August 11, the convent had been invaded, ransacked, and burned to the ground. The nuns fled to Maine and Canada. The diocese attempted to recover losses, but the commonwealth offered only ten thousand dollars, which was rejected. Years later, a legislative bill for the state to rebuild the convent and school was roundly defeated. Yet the enterprise of Catholic education had great resilience, and in 1946, more than a hundred years after the riots, the Ursulines returned to Boston to re-establish an academy that endures to the present day.

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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>	Openings
• 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



The first phase of Retrouvaille involves a weekend together. We are pleased to announce that 19 couples have taken a giant step forward towards putting their marriage back together by participating on the weekend of August 18-19! Please pray for these couples.



Taste and see the goodness of the Lord. Put Christ's love into your relationship by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend. To apply online, and for weekend dates visit www.wmearizona.com

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