

St. Helen Roman Catholic Parish - Oracle



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SUNDAY, AUGUST 5, 2018

EIGHTEENTH 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.

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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Holy Matrimony

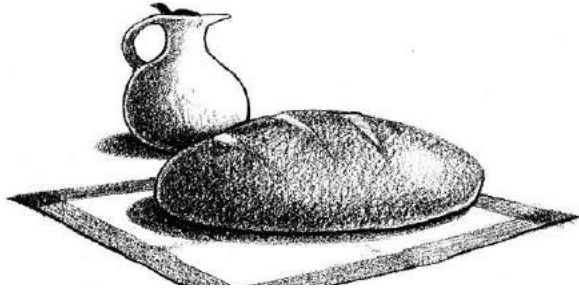
Marriage Preparation
 Diocesan regulations require that you see a priest at least *four months* before your wedding date.

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.



**Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 5, 2018**

Do not work for food that perishes
but for the food that endures for eternal life.

— John 6:27a

GOD’S WORK

We are so busy! Most of us have more than one job to do, and we never seem to have enough time. We are workers, volunteers, parents, friends, and most of us are more than one thing at a time. But which of these is the work of God?

We seldom view our ordinary work as being the work of God. We may think that we have to be ministers or priests, missionaries or charity workers, engaged full-time in works formally identified as being “God’s work.” But everything we do with a faithful heart and with love for others is God’s work. We each have our own role to fill in the world, and many gifts are necessary. We cannot always see the direct connection of our daily work to the plan of God. But we trust and we believe that God leads us to do what is needed, where it is needed. What is “God’s work?” “This is the work of God, that you believe in the one he sent” (John 6:29).

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 5 – 8 a.m. - +Kimberly L. Carter

Monday, August 6 – 8 a.m. +Kimberly L. Carter

Tuesday, August 7 – 8 a.m. +Kimberly L. Carter

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 7/28 & 7/29, 2018

Parish Offertory - \$721.00

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, 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: 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)

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR SUNDAY MORNING SOCIALS

Thank you!

2018 SECOND COLLECTIONS (*Diocesan)

August 4 & 5 – St. Helen Building Fund

August 18 & 19 – St. Helen Maintenance Fund

September 1 & 2 – St. Helen Building Fund

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

FIESTA FUNDRAISER!

There will be a St. Helen Pre-Fiesta Warm Up

Fundraiser 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. All proceeds go to St. Helen Catholic Parish.

Music will be playing from 4 to 8 p.m.! so 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.

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.

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 — I will rain down bread from heaven for you (Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15).

Psalm — The Lord gave them bread from heaven (Psalm 78).

Second Reading — Put on the new self that has been created in God's way (Ephesians 4:17, 20-24).

Gospel — Whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst (John 6:24-35).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9;
2 Pt 1:16-19; Mk 9:2-10

Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Ps 102:16-21, 29,
22-23; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7; Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13;
Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 16:13-23

Friday: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26

Saturday: Hb 1:12 — 2:4; Ps 9:8-13; Mt 17:14-20

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8; Ps 34:2-9; Eph 4:30 — 5:2;
Jn 6:41-51

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: The Transfiguration of the Lord

Tuesday: St. Sixtus II, Pope and Companions, Martyrs; Sixtus II and four deacons (Januarius, Vincent, Magnus, and Stephen) were arrested on 6 Aug. 258 while celebrating the Eucharist in the cemetery of Callistus; by order of Valerian; they were decapitated that same day; Sixtus named in Roman Canon.

St. Cajetan, Priest; died 1547; from Venice; co-founded with Gian Pietro Carafa (Later Pope Paul IV), the Theatines (today the Congregation of Clerks Regular [C.R.]; who number about 175 religious, devoted to reform, prayer, and ministry, especially to the poor and the sick.

Wednesday: St. Dominic, Priest; died 6 August 1221; born in Caleruega, Spain; founded the Order of Preachers, today numbering some 5,770 religious; an elective, fraternal form of community life devoted to contemplation, study, and preaching; sought to bring Albigensians back into the Church through preaching and living evangelical poverty; Order's ideal (coined by St. Thomas Aquinas); *Contemplari et contemplate aliis traderi*; canonized in 1244.

Thursday: St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin, Martyr; Edith Stein was born in Breslau, Germany (Now Wrochow, Poland), in 1891 of Jewish parents. She studied philosophy under Husserl, the leading phenomenologist of his day. Inspired by the writings of St. Teresa of Avila, she taught in various schools from 1923 to 1933 until forced to resign due to anti-Semitic legislation. In 1933, she entered the Discalced Carmelite convent in Cologne where she received the name Teresa Benedicta of the Cross. At the end of 1939, she moved to the convent at Echt, Holland, on account of the Nazi persecution of Jews, but in 1942, during the German occupation of Holland, she was arrested, transported to Poland, and killed 9 August at the Nazi concentration camp at Auschwitz. Her writings include *Finite and Eternal Being*; *An Attempt to an Ascent to the Meaning of Being*; *Philosophy of Psychology and the Humanities*, and *The Science of the Cross*. Along with St. Catherine of Siena and St. Bridget of Sweden, she was declared co-patroness of Europe by Pope John Paul II.

Friday: ST. LAWRENCE, DEACON, MARTYR; died 258, four days after four other deacons and Pope Sixtus II were killed; cared for the temporal welfare of the Roman church; said to have been burned alive on a gridiron; after Sts. Peter and Paul, Lawrence is venerated as patron of Rome; mentioned in the Roman Canon.

Saturday: St. Clare, Virgin; died 1253; disciple of St. Francis; founded the Poor Clares whose first convent at Assisi she directed as abbess for forty-two years; led an austere life, rich in the practice of charity and loving care.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In 1794, a young Irishwoman befriended two widows aboard ship while emigrating to America. They bought a house in Philadelphia and began to live a community life under the direction of a priest. Soon they relocated to Washington. There, the "pious ladies," as the neighbors called them, were asked by their priest friend, by then the president of Georgetown University, to begin a religious community. In 1799 they established a branch of the Visitation Order founded by Saint Jane de Chantal and Saint Francis de Sales in the 1620s.

The unique vision of this order followed a sensible routine, less arduous and more flexible than most traditions, and also accepted widows and older women. Amazingly, this American outpost of the Visitation began without reference to the "rule" of the Order. Most of the European convents had been lost under the "reign of terror," and the rules and customs of the community could not be obtained. A copy of the rule was discovered in 1812, and in 1816 the pope officially established the monastery. By then, some French nuns had regrouped, and they sent a habit and cross to be copied. (No religious wore the habit in public in the United States until after the Civil War.) From the beginning, the Georgetown nuns had an educational mission, even though they discovered in the "rule" that such work was officially off-limits for the contemplative life. In America, the nuns depended on a school for their livelihood, so the rule was adapted. Today, the Academy of the Visitation is a thriving example of excellence in Catholic education, and the adjacent monastery is the oldest monastic foundation in the original thirteen United States.

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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



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 said, "Come away and rest awhile". Give your marriage new life by participating in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend. To apply online, and for weekend dates visit www.wmearizona.com

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