

Catholic Tri-Community Parishes

Sunday, Sunday, January 21, 2024
Pastor: Fr. Balaswamy Kommathoti

Third Sunday of Ordinary Time
Resident Priest: Rev. Monsignor Nwohu

St. Helen Roman Catholic Church



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Mass Times

Saturday: Confessions—4:00p.m.

Vigil Mass--4:30p.m.

Sunday: Holy Mass---11 a.m.

Weekday Masses: --- 8:00a.m.
(Thursday, Friday)

Mass Times

Saturday: Vigil Mass---6:00p.m.

Confessions—7:15p.m.

Sunday: Holy Mass—9:30a.m.

Weekday Masses: --- 9:00a.m.
(Monday, Thursday, Friday)

Mass Times

1st Saturday of the month Rosary &
Mass-8:30a.m.

Sunday: Confessions-----7:30a.m.

Holy Mass-----8:00a.m.
12:30p.m.

Wednesday: Confessions—5:30p.m.
Holy Mass—6:00p.m.

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Marriage Preparation

Make an appointment with priest
at least *four months* before your
wedding date.

Third Sunday of Ordinary Time



Sanctuary Lamp

Rudolf Stritzel

Please call the parish office to reserve.
There is a \$5.00 charge in order to have
the lamp burn in memory of your loved one.



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.



Reconciliation

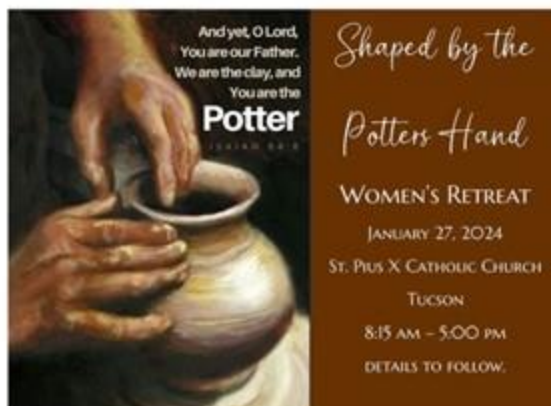
Check Mass Schedule or
By appointment 520-349-1696

Reflection 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

The gospel (Mk 1:14-20) begins with John the Baptist being imprisoned; he will soon lose his life. Then it describes the process of conversion: the call to come (believe), leave behind the old, and follow Jesus (learn and put into action). Jesus' ministry has begun in the region of Galilee which includes Nazareth, the town he grew up in. He proclaims the gospel of God: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." The Jewish people had long-awaited this moment and suddenly it had arrived. As Jesus passed by the Sea of Galilee, he saw the brothers Simon and Andrew fishing with nets and said to them: "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." They believe, abandon their nets, and old life to follow him. The group walked further down the coast and saw James and John in a boat mending their nets. Jesus called to them; they responded to the power of his words, acknowledged his authority, and immediately left their father and the hired men to follow him. It could be said these apostles have left their careers for a new vocation and entered the seminary under the personal tutelage of Jesus.

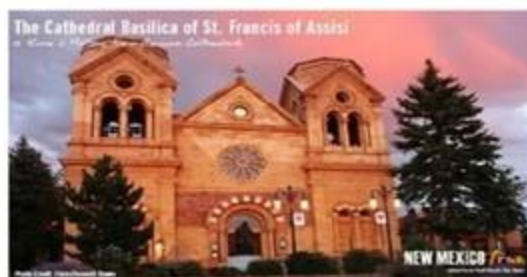
Coming to Christ (conversion) requires turning away from the old ways and renewing the commitment to your new life and purpose in Christ. Some may leave their jobs, friends, and parents behind and prepare for the religious or priestly life. For many, this transformation translates into living our existing life for God better and allowing Him to gradually bring us out of the former ways into His new ways and purpose (wisdom of Christ). As we practice handling family matters His way, prayer, wisdom, and compassion increase. They become more automatic and show up in every area of our life. Proverbs 3:13-17 describe the benefits of pursuing this true wealth. "Happy is the man who finds wisdom, and the man who gets understanding, for the gain from it is better than gain from silver and its profit better than gold. She is more precious than jewels, and nothing you desire can compare with her. Long life is in her right hand; in her left hand are riches and honor. Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace. She is a tree of life to those who lay hold of her; those who hold her fast are called happy." Is the Lord calling you into a deeper conversion?

— Diana Nussberger



Please register at vineofgrace.org.
Questions call 520.631.1408 or email:
vineofgrace@ATT.net

New Pilgrimage in 2024



Missions of New Mexico May 21 – 29, 2024

Discover the holy sites of The Land of
Enchantment
hosted by Erin Blanchette, Vine of Grace
Retreat Ministry

with Spiritual Director Father Bala Kommathoti

TREASURES OF ITALY PILGRIMAGE 11 Days: October 7 – 17, 2024

Visiting

Assisi • Lanciano • San Giovanni Rotondo

Sorrento • Monte Cassino • Rome

Hosted by Erin Blanchette, Vine of Grace
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MASS INTENTIONS

January 20 (Saturday) at 4:30PM

- Parishioners

January 21 (Sunday) at 11:00a.m.

- Parishioners

Weekly Offering

1/13/24 & 1/14/24--Offering: \$1039.00

Building/Maintenance: \$60.00

Thank you for your Generosity!



For I know the plans I have for you,
declares the Lord
plans to PROSPER you and not to
harm you, plans to GIVE you
hope and a future.
-Jeremiah 29:11

My Dear Spiritual Family,

Our church invites us today to start our calendar year by recalling Mary's Motherhood. The mystery of 'Emmanuel- God with us 'was foreshadowed long before in the first formal blessings in the Bible, that of Aaron to the children of Israel. We find it in our first reading today that the face of God shines on you and brings you peace.

"The LORD bless you and keep you!
The LORD let his face shine upon
you, and be gracious to you!
The LORD look upon you kindly and
give you peace!
So shall they invoke my name upon the Israelites,
and I will bless them." (Numbers 6:24-27)

I assure my prayers for you and for your families.
I wish you a happy and very fruitful New Year 2024.

With prayers and blessings,

Fr Bala Kommathoti

January 2024 Prayer

Dear Lord,

As we enter January 2024, we seek Your
comfort and strength. In our challenges,
we remember Your promise in Psalm 46:1,
"God is our refuge and strength, an ever-
present help in trouble."

Help us to trust You as Philippians 4:6-7
teaches, finding peace in prayer and
thanksgiving. May we have the courage of
Esther, trusting in Your plans for us as
declared in Jeremiah 29:11.

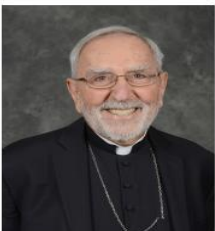
In our struggles, we hold onto Psalm 34:18,
knowing You are close to the
brokenhearted. Guide us according to
Proverbs 3:5-6, to trust in You and not lean
on our own understanding.

Thank You for Your love and mercy every
day. Help us to face each day with faith,
knowing You are with us.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

World Day of the Sick Mass

Most Rev. Gerald F. Kicanas, DD
Bishop Emeritus of the Diocese of Tucson



Anointing of the Sick
Blessing of Caregivers
Petitions to Our Lady of Lourdes

Saturday, February 10th, 2024
10:00 AM

St. Thomas the Apostle
5150 N. Valley View Rd.
Tucson, AZ 85718





Please pray for the homebound

Please contact us email sthelensmission@msn.com or parish office to add a name to our prayer list

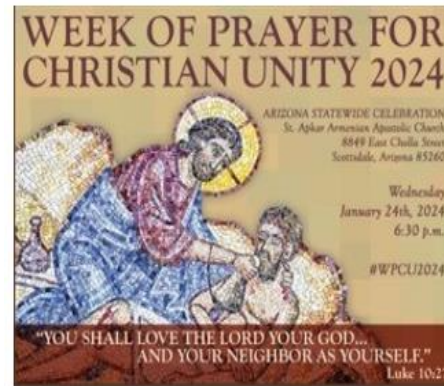
Patsy Cota, Alan Rubinstein, Leo Gomez-Ramos, Sara Quintana

Prayer for Vocations

GOD OUR FATHER, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, and consecrated persons. Send your Holy Spirit to help others to respond generously and courageously to your call. May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth and young adults. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Wednesday, January 24, 2024, 6:30 PM



Please join Bishop Weisenburger and other church leaders

Procedures to Report Suspected and Alleged Abuse within the Catholic Church

1. Call 911 to make a police report
2. Call the Victim Assistance Program of the Diocese of Tucson, 1.800.234.0344



Santa Catalina Saint Vincent de Paul Conference

Neighbors in Need are helping the poor in our local communities. If you have questions or need more information contact us at (520) 825-8288 or email svdpcatalina@gmail.com

EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE. NO EXCEPTIONS.

Some people think that choosing a modest memorial means sacrificing service. Our commitment to excellent service allows us to say that no matter what kind of a memorial you have in mind, we'll provide you with the best service available, bar none.

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