

Catholic Tri-Community Parishes

Sunday March 2, 2025

Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time

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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.
First Friday Healing Mass

Office Hours Mon & Wed-Fri 2-5PM

Parish Board of Directors

Most Rev. Edward J. Weisenburger
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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

**Office hours: Mon & Tues 8:00-12:00
Wed 9-11AM**

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Mass Times

Sunday: Confessions-----7:30a.m.
Holy Mass-----8:00a.m.
12:30p.m.

Weekday Masses: -----
Wednesday 6:00pm.

1st Saturday: Rosary & Mass---
8:00a.m. Confessions----- 9:30a.m.

**Office hours: Sun 9-5
Mon 3:30-5:30PM**

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Baptism & Reconciliations

By appointment 520-349-1696

Marriage Preparation

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

“A disciple is not above his
teacher, but everyone when he is
fully trained will be like his
teacher.”

Luke 6:40

Sanctuary Lamp

Maureen Wall

Please call the Parish
Office to reserve. There is a \$5.00
charge in order to have. The lamp
burns in memory of your loved one.



GOSPEL MEDITATION

“A good tree does not bear rotten fruit.”

-Luke 6:43

One of the things that older pastors and younger priests occasionally quarrel about is the proper balance between work and prayer. I know one pastor who complains that his younger associate ignores the people and the parish because he wants to spend more time in prayer. And the young priest complains that the pastor gives him too much work to do and no time to pray. The Lord's words this Sunday speak into this tension with an image that can help us find a proper balance between life and prayer.

Jesus says, “For every tree is known by its fruit. For people do not pick figs from thorn bushes, nor do they gather grapes from brambles” (Luke 6:44). When we are deeply rooted and cultivating our relationship with Jesus, we are going to bear the fruit of that love in our lives. No fruit, no good prayer. How do we know that we are praying well? We are experiencing concrete fruits of love for others in our lives.

Someone who prays well will, sooner or later, burst forth the “figs” and “grapes” of acts of love. But without concrete commitment to deeds of selfless service to others, our prayer time is as useless as thorn bushes and brambles. Let's recommit ourselves to be men and women of prayer and service. And hopefully the pastors will help their associates to pray and serve fruitfully...with minimal quarreling.

—Father John Muir

The fruit of silence is prayer,
The fruit of prayer is faith,
The fruit of faith is love,
The fruit of love is service,
The fruit of service is peace.

-Mother Teresa



Ash Wednesday Schedule March 5, 2025

**“As Lent is the time for greater love,
Listen to Jesus' thirst...
'Repent and believe.”**

-St. Mother Teresa

**Blessed Sacrament Church Mammoth
Holy Mass 7:30AM**

**St. Bartholomew Church San Manuel
Holy Mass 9:30AM**

**St. Helen Church Oracle
Holy Mass 6:00PM**

**Stations of the Cross
Every Friday starting March 7, 2025
at 5:30PM**

23rd Priestly Ordination Anniversary



With immense joy and profound gratitude to God and our Blessed Mother, I cordially invite you to join me in thanking God for the wonders that He has done for me.

**Eucharistic Celebration at 5:30PM
Thursday, March 13, 2025
Dinner will be served in the parish hall**

**Blessed Sacrament Parish
122 Church Dr.
Mammoth, AZ 85618**

*Your loving brother in Christ,
Fr Bala Kommathoti*

MASS INTENTIONS

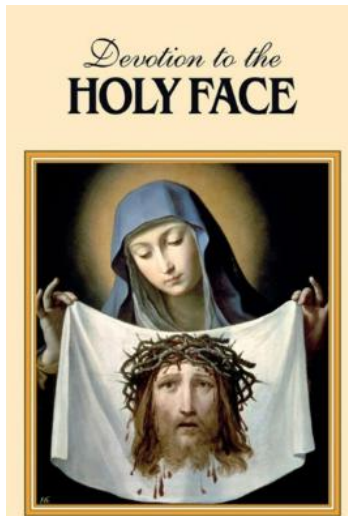
March 1 (Saturday) at 4:30PM – Parishioners

March 2 (Sunday) at 11:00AM-
Bishop Weisenburger

Holy Face Devotion Mass

Blessed Sacrament Parish
(Mammoth)

Saturday March 8, 2025
Rosary & Mass at 8AM



2025 Annual Catholic Appeal



**CATHOLIC
FOUNDATION**
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Our Parish Granted Award: \$10,000.00

Thank you to the Catholic Foundation Grant Committee and the Catholic Foundation's Board of Directors, including Bishop Weisenburger! St. Helen Parish community is very appreciative for the grant that was awarded to our church. May God continue to bless you for your generous Heart.

St. Helen's has been approved funding of our 2025 grant request to upgrade our audio/visual system in the church and the parish hall.

Weekly Offering St. Helen Parish



2/22/25 & 2/23/25-- \$1639.00

Bldg. Maint.- \$ 25.00

St Helen's Parish Donor Box is now active online.

To make your donations visit our website at:

<https://www.sthelenparishoracle.org>

Thank you for your generosity!!

**His Cross of Amazing Love
Tri-Community Parishes
Lenten Retreat for Men & Women**

**Saturday – March 15, 2025
8:15 am Doors open – 4:00 pm
St. Bartholomew Parish
609 West Park Place San Manuel, AZ**

To register online: www.vineofgrace.org or
call 520.631.1408

Cost is free. Lunch is included.

A free will love offering will be requested on retreat



**St. Bartholomew Parish Hall
Friday March 7, 2025
From 3PM-6PM**

Cost \$12.00

Dine In or Take Out

Thank You!
Your kindness is appreciated.

Knights of Columbus Thanks You for answering the call to help our Tri Community with the food drive. We are reminded once again what a wonderful, caring, and loving community we live in. Your generous donations during the months of November and December helped us to collect over 1187 pounds of food to support those struggling during these hard times. Your actions and kindness are greatly appreciated.



Please pray for the homebound

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

Veronica Casillas Burrola, Tony Telles, Gabe Telles, N. Discher, Scott Helgeson, Patsy Armenta, Rachel Borquez, Jerri Defoor, Nick Lopez, Eddie Moraga, Ralph Montoya, Toni & Joey Cittadini, Patsy Cota, Benny Cota, Nena Johnson, Harry Clark Sr., Rudy Lara, Rusty Kent, Nicole Castillo, Ysidro Castillo, Helen Ramirez

Saints of the Day March 2025

Mar 3 St. Kathrine Drexel...U.S.A...patron saint of philanthropists and racial justice.

Mar 4 St. Casimer... Poland

Mar 5 St. John Joseph of the Cross...Italy...Franciscan Priest

Mar 6 St. Collette...France...Benedictine

Mar 7 St. Perpetua & St. Felicity...North Africa...Martyrs

Mar 8 St. John of God...Portugal...patron saint of booksellers, printers, firefighters, heart patients, hospitals, nurses and the sick.

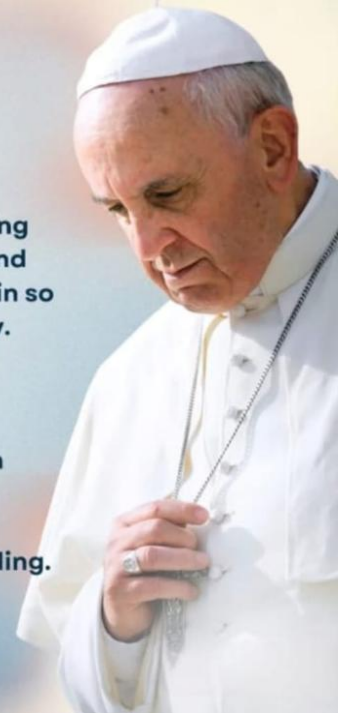
Mar 9 St. Gregory of Nyssu...Bishop...Asia Minor

Prayer for Pope Francis

Heavenly Father,
We thank you for the loving service of Pope Francis and the hope he has inspired in so many in your great mercy.

Have mercy on him in his illness now, we pray, and guide the medical staff in his care.

Grant him peace and healing.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.



2025 Annual Catholic Appeal Our Parish Goal: \$9340.00

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NO EXCEPTIONS.

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