

Catholic Tri-Community Parishes

Sunday April 6, 2025

Fifth Sunday of Lent

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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

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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.



Sanctuary Lamp

**Maureen Wall
Bruce Riederer**

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

“Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her”

-John 8:7

“The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery and made her stand in the middle” (John 8:3). Why do they make her stand in the middle? Why not expose her on the periphery? The reason is something that affects us practically every day.

The center is what stabilizes a community’s identity. We humans tend to center ourselves around an accused and condemned victim — though we rarely admit it. This renews our fragile communities and our power as those who weaponize the accusation. This is effective because it is often a victim who represents something truly dangerous for the group. In this case, adultery stands for the breakdown of a community and those within it, because it forces questions like: who is my father? Whose child is this? Is this child one of us, or that of an outsider? The accusers place the adulteress in the center because their community, like most, is built around turning an enemy into a victim.

Once you understand this, you’ll see it almost anywhere humans group together (families, politics, workplaces, sports, schools, etc.). The good news is Jesus exposes this dynamic by deftly pointing out the sin-infected hearts of everyone besides the woman. They all leave, symbolizing the breakdown of the old order, and she is “left alone before him.” A new community has begun, structured around the merciful love of Christ. What is in your center? What is in the center of our parish and family communities? Strive to center on Christ’s forgiveness, and we experience the new, lasting community we call the Church.

-Father John Muir

**Be ashamed when you sin,
don't be ashamed when you repent -
Sin is the wound,
repentance is the medicine.
Sin is followed by shame;
repentance is followed by boldness
Satan has overturned this order
and given boldness to sin
and shame to repentance.**

St John Chrysostom (347-407) Father & Doctor of the Church

Holy Week & Easter Schedule

St Helen Parish, Oracle

Saturday Vigil Mass April 12th, at 4:30 PM



Palm Sunday April 13

Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem.

Holy Mass at 11:00 AM



Maundy Thursday April 17

Commemorates the foot washing and Last Supper of Jesus Christ with the Apostles.

Holy Mass at 6:00 PM



Good Friday April 18

Commemorates the Crucifixion of Jesus and His death at Calvary.

Passion & Liturgical Rites at 1:00 PM



Easter Vigil April 19

Dying He destroyed our death. Rising He restored our life.

Holy Mass at 7:00 PM



Easter Sunday April 20

Celebrates the resurrection of Jesus from the dead and his Victory over death.

Holy Mass at 11:00 AM

Message from Our Pope Francis,



“Living Holy Week following Jesus means learning how to come out of ourselves to reach out to others, to go to the outskirts of existence, to be the first to move towards our brothers and sisters, especially those who are forgotten, those who are most in need of understanding, consolation and help. There is so much need to bring the living presence of Jesus, merciful and full of love.”

MASS INTENTIONS

April 5 (Saturday) at 4:30PM –Olivia Nugent

April 6 (Sunday) at 11:00AM-Parishioners

Stations of the Cross Friday, April 11th at 5:30PM

St. Bartholomew Church (San Manuel)
Blessed Sacrament Church (Mammoth)
St. Helen Church (Oracle)

Lent Prayer For Renewal

Precious Lord,

Thank you for your guidance and protection
Thank you for giving me the strength to go
through this Lenten season

I pray that by the end of this lent period, I
will be made anew in you

Help me not to be the same person I was
before the season began

Renew my mind and my heart, Lord, teach
me your ways

Help me understand your word

My soul yearns for you, dear Lord, fill me
with your spirit

and draw me closer to you

Strengthen me when I'm weak, fill me when
I feel empty

Renew my body and grant me the grace to
do everything I do



Forgiveness Prayer For Lent

Father Lord in heaven,

During this period, I lay my soul bare to you.

I present all my imperfections at your feet.

I admit I am a sinner. I have cheated my
neighbor and taken his cloth. I have

deceived those I love in my own selfish
interest. I have sinned against my body and
treated your temple with filth. I am not
worthy to look for your grace or favor.

Today, I ask that you cleanse me of my filth.
Take my sins away and forgive me. Purge
me of my jealousy, anger, unfaithfulness,
greed, and deceit.

Take me back into your arms. Forgive my
wrongdoings. Make me worthy again. For
each day during this period let me wake up
with remorse and let me offer myself clean
to you in prayer and supplication

Weekly Offering St. Helen Parish



3/29/25 & 3/30/25-- \$

Bldg. Maint.- \$

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

To make your donations visit our website at:

<http://www.sthelenparishoracle.org>

Thank you for your generosity!!

CHILDREN FREE EASTER BASKET DRAWING St. Helen Parish Oracle



There will be a container at the back of the church for our kids to drop their name for a drawing of an Easter basket. One for boy and one for girl every time they attend mass. If attending mass at a different church, they can have a bulletin signed by the priest or another parishioner other than immediate family.

We will have them fill out a ticket in class and we will make sure it is placed in the raffle container. Please help them participate in this Easter basket drawing. Drawing will be on **April 13 Palm Sunday**. Contact Maria for more information.



St. Bartholomew Parish Hall Friday April 11, 2025 From 3PM-6PM

Cost \$12.00

Dine In, Take Out, or Delivery

Delivery for Oracle contact
Manny Navarro 520-975-2172

Delivery for Mammoth contact
Martin Madrid 520-289-7788



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, Steve Chavez, Frank Delgado, Clara Salas & Family

Saints of the Day April 2025

April 7 St. John Baptist de la Salle...Patron of Teachers...France...d. 1719

April 8 St. Julia Billiart...Sisters of Notre Dame...France...d. 1816

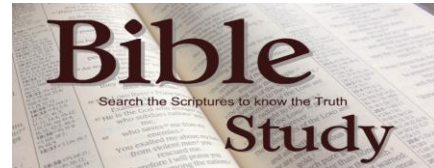
April 9 St. Mary of Cleophas...Friend and follower of Jesus

April 10 St. Michael de Sanctis...Patron saint of cancer;...Spain...d 1625

April 11 St. Marguerite of 'Youville...Canada...Grey Nuns...d. 1771

April 12 St. Teresa of Los Andes...Chili...Carmelite...d. 1920

April 13 St. Martin I....Bishop of Rome...Martyr...d. 655



Blessed Sacrament Parish Hall
Mammoth

Study & Reflect on the Acts of the Apostles

5:00pm-6:00pm

Wednesday, April 9th & 23rd

Wednesday, May 7th & 21st



Rachels Vineyard

Tucson Area Retreats 2025

May 23-25, 2025

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