

# Catholic Tri-Community Parishes

**Sunday May 18, 2025**

**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

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### Mass Times

**Saturday: 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**

### Mass Times

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

### Mass Times

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

**Weekday Masses: -----**

**Wednesday 6:00pm.**

**First Saturday:**

**Rosary & Mass--- 8:30a.m**

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

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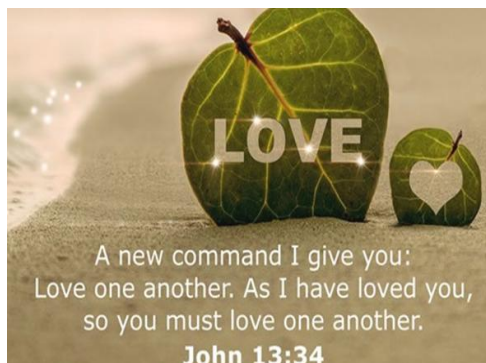
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### Baptism & Reconciliations

**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**

**The lamp burns in memory  
of your loved one for 7 days,  
cost is \$5.00.**



## Gospel Reflection

By God's goodness and compassion, the doors of His kingdom have been opened to all who have faith, Jew or Gentile. That's the good news Paul and Barnabas proclaim in today's First Reading. With the coming of the Church, the New Jerusalem John sees in today Second Reading God is making "all things new."

In His Church, the "old order" of death is passing away, and God is making His dwelling with the human race for all time, so that all peoples "will be his people and God himself will always be with them." In this the promises made through His prophets are accomplished (see Ezekiel 37:27; Isaiah 25:8; 35:10).

The Church is "the kingdom for all ages" that we sing of in today's Psalm. That's why we see the Apostles, under the guidance of the Spirit, ordaining "presbyters," or priests (see 1 Timothy 4:14; Titus 1:5). Anointed priests and bishops will be the Apostles' successors, ensuring that the Church's "dominion endures through all generations" (see Philippians 1:1; note that the NABRE translates episkopos, the Greek word for bishops, as "overseers"). Until the end of time, the Church will declare to the world God's mighty deeds, blessing His holy name and giving Him thanks, singing of the glories of His kingdom.

In His Church, we know ourselves as His "faithful ones," as those Jesus calls "my children" in today's Gospel. We live by the new law, the "new commandment" that He gave in His final hours. The love He commands of us is no human love but a supernatural love. We love each other as Jesus loved us in suffering and dying for us. We love in imitation of His love.

This kind of love is only made possible by the Spirit poured into our hearts at Baptism (see Romans 5:5), renewed in the sacrifice His priests offer in every Mass. By our love we glorify the Father. And by our love all peoples will know that we are His people, that He is our God.

-Dr. Scott Hahn



*Do small things with great love -Mother Theresa*

## ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2025

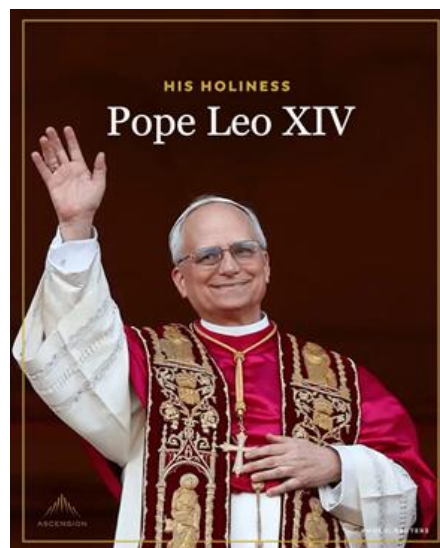
### ONE BODY, ONE MISSION: SERVING IN CHRIST

As we approach May 31<sup>st</sup>, let us keep the momentum going for Annual Catholic Appeal. Every gift matters and brings us closer to fulfilling our mission. **Please show your generosity and make your gift today.**

St. Helen Parish Goal for the Annual Catholic Appeal is **\$9340.00 and 100% Participation.**

Text ACA to 41444 or

visit [www.cathfnd.org/donate](http://www.cathfnd.org/donate)



### Prayer for our new Pope Leo XIV

Loving God, we pray today for our new Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV that he will carry on faithfully the mission entrusted to him. Give him courage, a love for the poor, compassion for all, and a voice for peace throughout the world.

Send your Holy Spirit upon him to accompany him and strengthen him for the work that lies ahead. May that same Spirit give him the gifts of wisdom, understanding, right judgement, and courage in all he undertakes for the good of the Church and the world.

May Pope Leo XIV strive to bring unity to your Church and to the world, be a builder of bridges, a true shepherd, and the face of a Samaritan Church; a Church that serves all especially the littlest and weakest among us.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

**May 17 (Saturday) at 4:30PM —Randy Bartlett**

**May 18 (Sunday) at 11:00AM-Parishioners**



## **Thank You!** **First Holy Communion**



On behalf of St. Helen's Parish, we congratulate our First Holy Communion on receiving their Sacraments.

Thank you to our Sacrament Teachers Debra Fritts and DRE Maria Martinez

Thank you to our Catechism Teachers Diane Polanco and Ann Vega



## **Rachels Vineyard**

**Tucson Area Retreats 2025**  
**May 23-25, 2025**  
**Rachelvineyardtucson.org**

## **Weekly Offering St. Helen Parish**



**5/10/25 & 5/11/25 \$1387.00**

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<https://www.sthelenparishoracle.org>

Thank you for your generosity!!

## **St. Bartholomew Parish Fiesta** **San Manuel**

**Thank You for your Leadership,**  
**Your faithfulness and your heart**  
**May God Bless You!**

Thank you so much for everyone who volunteered to work the Fiesta. Even though you are not in the spotlight, you are the backbone of every event. Please know that we could not do this without your hard work. We are forever thankful for the time you have given. You have made a memorable Fiesta. Our profit was \$8270.78.

The Fiesta was a great success. We appreciate all the volunteers who helped run the booths; those who helped set up, donated, and cleaned up. Without you the Fiesta would have not been possible. We are thankful to the Fiesta Committee & volunteers mainly: Jennie Seballos (Fiesta Chair), Wanda Helgeson, Lori Medrezo, Jose & Gloria Lopez, Erma Najera, Joe Kelly, Robert Estrada, Frank Corona, Terry Corona, Patricia Corona, Crystal Maestas, Ann Vega, Teresa Troop, Debbie Najera, Eddie & Annette Hernandez, Margarito & Norma Ochoa, Maestas Family, Joey & Amy Alvarez, Susie & Stephanie Molinar, Jessica Molinar, Louie & Frances Madrid & Family, Martin & Marianne Ramirez, Maurice Wahlmeir, Mary Estrada, Margie Valencia, Irene Castro, Estella Loyoza, Donna Candelaria, Carmen Trejo, Ellie Brown, Gloria Terrazas, Frank & Dora Pierson, Abram & Amelia Romo, DJ Alma & DJ Johnny G, and Red Hawk Co.

Also thank you to all the Parishioners from St. Bartholomew Parish, St. Helen Parish, and Blessed Sacrament Parish for coming out to support our parish's annual fiesta.



## Saints of the Day May 2025

**May 19 St. Elphege...**Archbishop of Canterbury...Benedictine...Martyr (954-1012)

**May 20 St. Agnes of Montepulciano...**Dominican Nun...italy...(1268-1317)

**May 21 St. Anslem...**Doctor of the Church... Archbishop of Canterbury...Benedictine (1033-1109)

**May 22 Bl. Maria Gabriella...**Trappistine Nun...Italy (1914-1939)

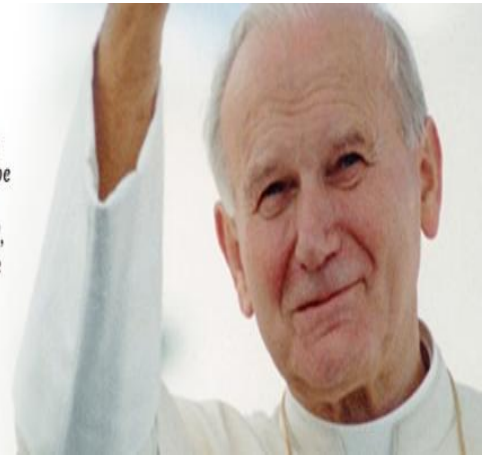
**May 23 St. Giles of Assisi...**Italy Franciscan...d. 1262

**May 24 St. Mary Pelletier...**France (1796-1868)

**May 25 St. Mark the Evangelist...**Apostle & Martyr ...patron saint of lawyers and notaries (d.68)

"Love is never something ready-made, something merely 'given' to man and woman; it is always at the same time a 'task' which they are set. Love should be seen as something which in a sense never 'is' but is always only 'becoming', and what it becomes depends upon the contribution of both persons and the depth of their commitment."

-Saint Pope John Paul II



### Please pray for the homebound

**Please contact us email [sthelensmission@msn.com](mailto: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 Pierson, Mario Hong, Freddy Cota, Dora Mendoza, Rosa Casillas, Olivia Nugent, Sue Simmons

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