

# Catholic Tri-Community Parishes

Sunday February 15, 2026

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pastor: Fr. Balaswamy Kommathoti

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### Mass Times

**Saturday:** Vigil Mass--- 4:30p.m

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

Weekday Masses: --- 9:00a.m.

**First Friday Healing Mass**

**Saturday Confessions: 3:30-4:30PM**

**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**

**Saturday Confessions: 7-8PM**

**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.**

**Wednesday confessions- 5:00-6:00PM.**

**First Saturday:**

**Rosary & Mass--- 9:00a.m**

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

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### Baptism & Reconciliations

**Father Bala Kommathoti**  
**By appointment 520-349-1696**

### Marriage Preparation

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



### Sanctuary Lamp

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



# Sunday Gospel Reflection

Readings: Sirach 15:15-20

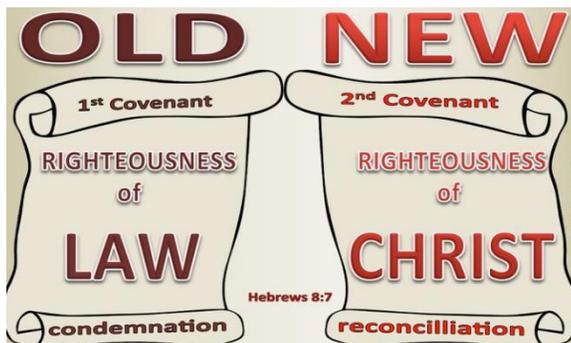
1Corinthians 2:6-10, Matthew 5:17-37

In the Gospel, Jesus illustrates to us what “life choice” looks like. He takes old laws and furthers himself much, much deeper. He’s not content with shallow religion. Like, the old law said, you shall not kill. Most of us can say, “Great! I have not killed anybody today. I am a saint!” We feel good about ourselves, that we haven’t committed any crime.

But Jesus says, “Just wait.” He says that we are guilty even if we become angry with him, insult our brother, and call him an idiot. But why? Because murder begins with anger. You kill a person’s spirit before you kill with a weapon. Jesus wants us to yank the weed by the root. He does the same thing with adultery. The law said, “Don’t cheat your spouse.” But Jesus says, “Don’t even look at anyone with lust.” He knows that an affair doesn’t begin in the hotel room but in the mind. It starts with a look. If we clean up the heart the actions will take care of themselves. I know this is awfully difficult to do. When we read this it may overwhelm us. We might think “Lord, who can live like this?” It is impossible not to get mad or have a bad thought. But here is the thing; Jesus isn’t trying to crush us with impossible rules. He is trying to heal us. He knows that anger is like a poison – inside us. Even if we never hit anybody, we rot our own soul through holding on to that anger. And he wants us free from that poison. St. Paul refers to this as “God’s wisdom” in the second reading. To the world it looks ridiculous to forgive somebody who hurt you. To the world it appears weak to turn the other cheek. But Paul says this wisdom has been “prepared for those who love him.” It is a higher level of living.

Jesus also speaks on the subject of honesty. He says, “Let your ‘Yes’ be ‘Yes’ and your ‘No’ be ‘No.’” We shouldn’t need to swear on the bible and make big promises to be believed. We live in a world full of spin, half-truths, and “fake news.” Imagine how powerful it is to be the kind of person that simply tells the truth. If you say that you will be there, you are there. If you say that you did it, you admit it. That is what it means to be the child of God. So, today, let’s examine what choices face us. Fire or water? Anger or forgiveness? Lust or love? Lies or truth? Don’t be satisfied with “being not bad”. That is a low bar. Choose to be whole. Choose to be healed of heart not just habits by God.

-Catholic Leaf



# Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule February 18, 2026



*“As Lent is the time for greater love, listen to Jesus’ thirst... ‘Repent and believe.’”*

-St. Mother Teresa

## St. Helen Church

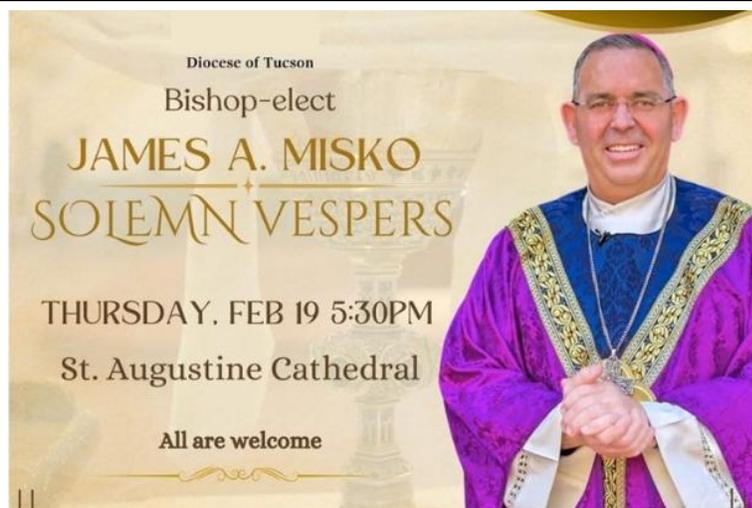
Oracle **Holy Mass @ 7:00AM**

## Blessed Sacrament Church

Mammoth **Holy Mass @9:00AM**

## St. Bartholomew Church

San Manuel **Holy Mass@ 6:00PM**



**LIVE STREAM INVITATION TO**

*Most Rev. James A. Misko*

*Episcopal Ordination & Installation  
Of His Excellency as the Eight Bishop of Tucson*

**FEBRUARY 20 AT 2:00 PM  
ST. AUGUSTINE CATHEDRAL**

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## MASS INTENTIONS

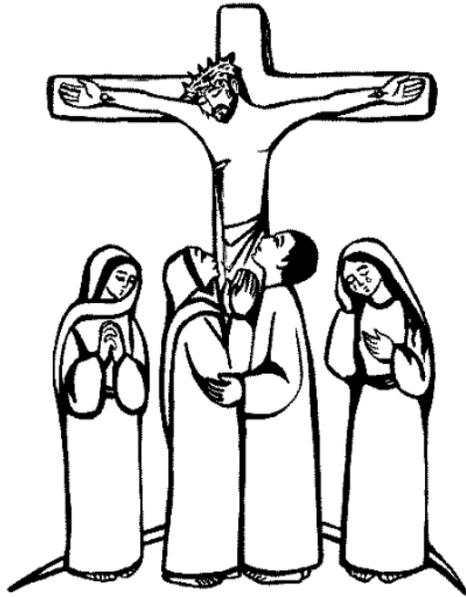
February 14 (Saturday) at 4:30PM –  
†Rosendo Alvarez

February 15 (Sunday) at 11:00AM- Parishioners

## Stations of the Cross

Friday, February 20th at 5:30PM

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



St. Bartholomew Parish Hall  
Friday February 20, 2026  
From 3PM-6PM

Cost is \$12.00 a plate  
Dine In, Take Out, or Delivery

Contact Jose 520-483-3049 or  
Grand Knight Louis Madrid 520-268-5944

All proceeds go to High School Scholarships

## Weekly Offering St. Helen Parish

2/7/26 & 2/8/26 \$1769.71



St Helen's Parish Donor Box is now active online.  
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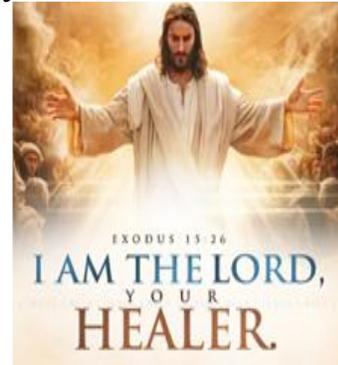
## 2026 Annual Catholic Appeal



Commitment Weekend will be  
Saturday February 14th & Sunday February 15th  
Parish Goal is \$10300.00

## Tri Community Healing Mass

Blessed Sacrament, Mammoth  
Friday March 6, 2026, 9:00AM



Tri Community First Saturday Mass  
St. Bartholomew-San Manuel  
March 7, 2026, 9:00AM



Then Mary said  
Behold  
the maidservant  
of the Lord!  
Let it be  
to me  
according  
to your  
word



## 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**

**Tony Telles, Gabe Telles, Scott Helgeson, Jerri Defoor, Nick Lopez, Ralph Montoya, Rudy Lara, Rusty Kent, Frank Pierson, Olivia Nugent, Helen V Leavitt, Daniel Rodriguez, E.S., Trevor Bonat, Ron Marchetti, Scott Nugent, J. Ellsworth, Sue Simmons**

Santa Catalina Saint Vincent de Paul will be in the St Bartholomew Office again on February 24<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 11am for those with crisis-related expenses who need our help. Person to person meetings are required. "Following Christ through Service" we serve those in need within our local communities regardless of creed, ethnicity, gender or social background. We hope to provide an experience of God's love as we try to help relieve suffering.

As a reminder, our office hours at Santa Catalina Church are from 10am to 1pm every Monday and Wednesday in the Santa Catalina Church's Marian Room.

God Bless You! Office: (520) 825 8288; email: [svdpcatalina@gmail.com](mailto:svdpcatalina@gmail.com)

## Celebrating Saints:

February 17-The Seven Holy Founders of The Servite Order

February 18-Ash Wednesday

February 21- St. Peter Damian, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

**A Journey from Grief to Healing  
Cancelled February 20 & 22, March 6 & 8**

St. Bartholomew Parish Fiesta Raffle Winner for the TV was **Virgie Valenzuela**. Thank you to all who purchased raffle tickets.

St. Bartholomew Fiesta Committee will be selling Breakfast burros on Sunday February 22 after 9AM Mass.

### Procedures to Report Suspected and Alleged Abuse within the Catholic Church

Call 911 to make a police report

Call the Victim Assistance Program 1.800.234.0344

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