

# Catholic Tri-Community Parishes

Sunday March 1, 2026

Second Sunday of Lent

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: Genesis 12:1-4  
2 Timothy 1: 8-10, Matthew 17:1-9

Moses also took three companions up a mountain and on the seventh day was overshadowed by the shining cloud of God's presence. He too spoke with God, and his face and clothing were made radiant in the encounter (see Exodus 24, 34).

But in today's Lenten Liturgy, the Church wants us to look back past Moses. Indeed, we are asked to contemplate what today's Epistle calls God's "design . . . from before time began." With His promises to Abram in today's First Reading, God formed the people through whom He would reveal Himself and bestow His blessings on all humanity. He later elevated these promises to eternal covenants and changed Abram's name to Abraham, promising that he would be the father of a host of nations (see Genesis 17:5).

In remembrance of His covenant with Abraham, He raised up Moses (see Exodus 2:24; 3:8) and later swore an everlasting kingdom to David's sons (see Jeremiah 33:26). In Jesus' transfiguration today, He is revealed as the One through whom God fulfills His divine plan from of old. Not only a new Moses, Jesus is also the "beloved son" promised to Abraham and again to David (see Genesis 22:15-18; Psalm 2:7; Matthew 1:1). Moses foretold a prophet like him to whom Israel would listen (see Deuteronomy 18:15, 18), and Isaiah foretold an anointed servant in whom God would be well pleased (see Isaiah 42:1).

Jesus is this prophet and this servant, as the Voice on the mountain tells us today. By faith we have been made children of the covenant with Abraham (see Galatians 3:7-9; Acts 3:25). He calls us, too, to a holy life, to follow His Son to the heavenly homeland He has promised. We know, as we sing in today's Psalm, that we who hope in Him will be delivered from death. So like our father in faith, we go forth as the Lord directs us: "Listen to Him!"

—Dr. Scott Hahn

Listen to Jesus and follow  
him. That's the message of  
the Transfiguration.

Pope Francis

**Tri Community Healing Mass**  
Blessed Sacrament Church, Mammoth  
Friday March 6, 2026, 9:00AM



**Tri Community First Saturday Devotion**  
**St. Bartholomew Church-San Manuel**  
March 7, 2026, 9:00AM (Rosary & Marian Mass)



## 24<sup>th</sup> 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 8:30AM**  
**Friday March 13, 2026**

Breakfast will be served in the parish hall,

St. Helen Parish  
66 E Maplewood Dr.  
Oracle, AZ 85623

Your loving Brother in Christ,  
Fr. Bala Kommathoti

RSVP by March 9, 2026  
Call the parish Office 520-896-2708

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

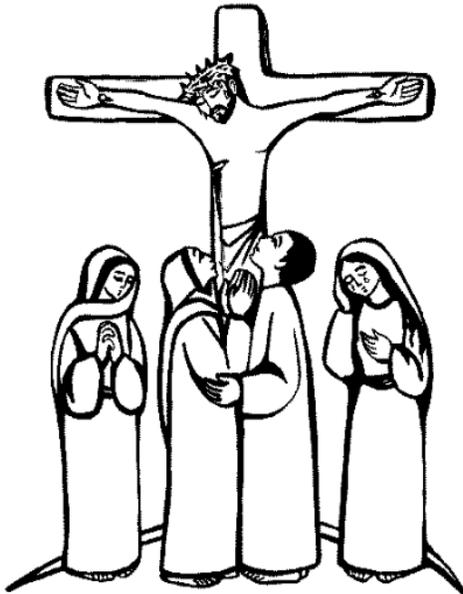
February 28 (Saturday) at 4:30PM –(Healing)  
Richard W. Cross & Margarita Gonzales-Cross

March 1 (Sunday) at 11:00AM-  
Rudy Moreno (87<sup>th</sup> Birthday Blessing)

## **Stations of the Cross**

**Friday, March 6th at 5:30PM**

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



**St. Bartholomew Parish Hall**  
**Friday March 6th, 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**

2/18/26 (Ash Wed) \$391.00  
2/21/26 & 2/22/26 \$1324.57



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!!

## **Family Tree Healing Mass**

**Thursday March 5, at 6:00 PM**

*Generational Healing & Deliverance Prayers  
Through The Power Of Jesus Christ*



Fr. Bala Kommathoti



*Do you want to break free of generational health issues,  
addictions, cancer, depression, and other obstacles in  
your family tree?*

*Please join us for a life changing healing mass.*

**St Christopher Parish**  
**12101 West Moore Road**  
**Marana, AZ 85653**

**Invite your family & friends!**

Prepare for this mass by downloading & filling out a  
**Genogram** from our web site:  
<https://stchristophermarana.org/>

**Tri-Community Lenten Penance Service**  
**Tuesday March 17 at 5:30PM**





## 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, Sue Armbrust

6 th Annual Conference Women Be Blessed 2026  
Saturday, March 7, 2026

Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church  
Hall 844 Sullivan St., Miami, AZ 85539  
Phone: 928-473-3568 or 928-425-3137

Speakers: Patricia Klein, M.Ed.  
Dr. Anne Borik

8:00 am - Registration & Continental Breakfast  
9:00 am - Opening Prayer and Conference activity  
2:00 pm - Closing Prayer and Departure

Cost is \$20.00 per person

### Celebrating Saints:

March 3-St. Katherine Drexel, Virgin  
March 7-Sts. Perpetua & Felicity, Martyrs

### 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

## A Journey from Grief to Healing Cancelled March 6 & 8

### Annual Drawing to Support Local Charities May 2, 2026

**We're Giving Away  
\$30,000!**

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\$10,000.00  
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\$5,000.00  
\$3,000.00  
\$2,000.00  
\$1,000.00  
\$500.00 (4)

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\$20.00 per book of 5  
\$100.00 for 30 tickets



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