

Catholic Tri-Community Parishes

Sunday August 2, 2026

Pastor: Fr. Balaswamy Kommathoti

Visiting Priest: Msgr. Ambrose

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Mass Times

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

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

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

Wednesday Rosary & 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: -----

Friday-- 6:00pm.

Friday confessions- 5:00-6:00PM.

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

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Father Bala Kommathoti
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Marriage Preparation

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7 days,
Cost is \$5.00



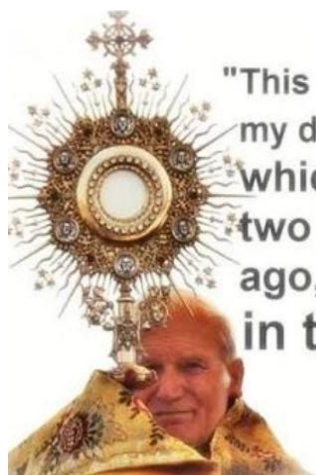
Sunday Gospel Reflection

In Jesus and the Church, Isaiah's promises in today's First Reading are fulfilled. All who are thirsty come to the living waters of Baptism (see John 4:14). The hungry delight in rich fare—given bread to eat and wine to drink at the Eucharistic table.

This is the point, too, of today's Gospel. The story of Jesus' feeding of the 5,000 brims with allusions to the Old Testament. Jesus is portrayed as a David-like shepherd who leads His flock to lie down on green grass as He spreads the table of the Messiah's banquet before them (see Psalm 23). Jesus is shown as a new Moses, who likewise feeds vast crowds in a deserted place. Finally, Jesus is shown doing what the prophet Elisha did—satisfying the hunger of the crowd with a few loaves and having some left over (see 2 Kings 4:42–44).

Matthew also wants us to see the feeding of the 5,000 as a sign of the Eucharist. Notice that Jesus performs the same actions in the same sequence as at the Last Supper—He takes bread, says a blessing, breaks it, and gives it (see Matthew 26:26). Jesus instructed His Apostles to celebrate the Eucharist in memory of Him. And the ministry of Twelve is subtly stressed in today's account. Before He performs the miracle, Jesus instructs the Twelve to give the crowd "some food yourselves." Indeed, the Apostles themselves distribute the bread blessed by Jesus (see Matthew 15:36).

And the leftovers are enough to fill precisely 12 baskets—corresponding to each of the Apostles, the pillars of the Church (see Galatians 2:9; Revelation 21:14). In the Church, as we sing in today's Psalm, God gives us food in due season, opens His hands and satisfies the desires of every living thing. Now, as Paul reminds us in today's Epistle, nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. —Dr. Scott Hahn



"This is the wonderful truth,
my dear friends: the Word,
which became flesh
two thousand years
ago, is present today
in the Eucharist"

- Bl. John Paul II

Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Blessed Sacrament Parish, Mammoth

Holy mass at 9:00AM

Saturday August 15, 2026

St. Helen Parish, Oracle

Holy mass at 4:30PM

Saturday August 15, 2026

St. Bartholomew Parish, San Manuel

Holy mass at 6:00PM

Saturday August 15, 2026

Tri-Community Adoration & Holy Mass

St. Bartholomew Parish San Manuel
Thursday August 27, 2026 @ 6PM

"Every Holy Hour we make so pleases the
Heart of Jesus that it will be recorded in
Heaven and retold for all eternity"

-St. Mother Teresa

"Come to me all you who are weary and
burdened, and I will give you rest."

-Matthew 11:28

Tri-Community Parishes CCD Teacher Retreat

Saturday, August 29, 2026

St. Bartholomew Parish

9:00am-3:00pm

Train up a child

in the way he should go and when he is old

he will not depart from it.

Proverbs 22:6

**We encourage all
CCD teachers to attend
Breakfast & Lunch will be provided**

MASS INTENTIONS

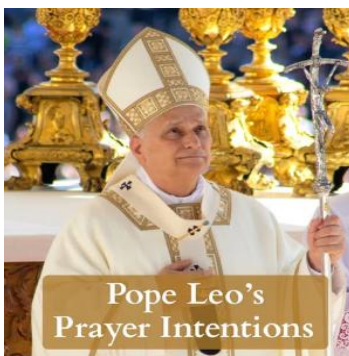
August 1 (Saturday) at 4:30PM-†Danny Garcia
† Estella Chapa

August 2 (Sunday) at 11:00AM-
Chuck Lagneaux (Healing)

Blessed Sacrament Fiesta Saturday September 12, 2026

Donations & Volunteers are needed there will be a list at the back of the church.

For more information contact:
Carol Verdugo 520-275-3209 or
Tracy Alvarez 520-471-2726



For Evangelization In the City

Let us pray that in large cities, often marked by anonymity and loneliness, we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

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St. Bartholomew
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Presented by:

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RSVP 520-544-2285

*Food Provided For All Workshop Attendees

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7/25/26 & 7/26/26 - \$1726.00

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<https://www.sthelenparishoracle.org>

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AUGUST 15

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- ✓ RINGER CONTEST AT 11:00 A.M.
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A Journey from Grief to Healing

A grieving class will start on September 3, 2026 at St. Helen's Parish. There will be 5 sessions. The class will meet every Thursday, starting from September 3, through October 1. The sessions will run from 5:30 to 7:00. All 5 sessions will be at St. Helen's parish hall.

There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church for anyone interested in the class.

The class will be facilitated by Joe Kelly and Janie Sanchez.



Rachels Vineyard

Rachel Vineyard is a safe place to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion.

Upcoming Retreat: August 21-23
St. John Neumann Parish, Yuma, AZ 85367

Susana Godinez 928-261-8322
susanagodinez64@gmail.com



Please pray for the homebound

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

Tony Telles, Gabe Telles, Scott Helgeson, Jerri Defoor, Nick Lopez, Rudy Lara, Rusty Kent, Frank Pierson, Olivia Nugent, Helen V Leavitt, Daniel Rodriguez, E.S., Trevor Bonat, Ron Marchetti, Scott Nugent, Irene Aguirre J. Ellsworth, Sue Simmons, Sue Armbrust, Johnathan David Beavis, Ofelia Delgado, Josie Mendoza, Helen Ramirez, Mary McClure, Jamie Nugent, Stefania Maraston, Karen Vasquez

Saints of the Day Aug 2026

August 3...[St. Lydia...](#)

August 4...[St. John Vianney...](#)

August 5...[Dedication of St. Mary of the Snows..](#)

August 6...[Feast of the Transfiguration...](#)

August 7...[St. Cajetan...](#)

August 8...[St. Dominic...](#)

August 9...[St. Edith Stein...](#)

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