

Catholic Tri-Community Parishes

Sunday August 9, 2026

Nineteenth 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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Sunday Gospel Reflection

How do we find God in the storms and struggles of our lives, in the trials we encounter in trying to do His will?

God commands Elijah in today's First Reading to stand on the mountain and await His passing by. And in the Gospel, Jesus makes the disciples set out across the waters to meet Him. In each case, the Lord makes Himself present amid frightening tumult—heavy winds and high waves, fire and earthquakes.

Elijah hides his face. Perhaps he remembers Moses, who met God on the same mountain, also amid fire, thunder, and smoke (see Deuteronomy 4:10–15; Exodus 19:17–19). God told Moses no one could see His face and live, and He sheltered Moses in the hollow of a rock, as He shelters Elijah in a cave (see Exodus 33:18–23). The disciples, likewise, are too terrified to look on the face of God.

Today's Gospel is a revelation of Jesus' divine identity. Only God treads across the crest of the sea (see Job 9:8) and rules the raging waters (see Psalm 89:9–10). And the words of assurance that Jesus speaks—“It is I”—are those God used to identify Himself to Moses (see Exodus 3:14; Isaiah 43:10). Even Peter is overcome by fear of imitating his Lord. His fears, Jesus tells him, are a sign of his lack of faith. And so, it often is with us. Our fears make us doubt, making it hard to see His glory dwelling in our midst.

Yet, we should know, as we sing in today's Psalm, that His salvation is near to those who hope for Him. By faith we should know, as Paul asserts in today's Epistle, that we are heirs to the promises made to His children, Israel. We must trust that He whispers to us in the trials of our lives—that He who has called us to walk along the way of His steps—save us whenever we begin to sink. —Dr. Scott Hahn

NO STORM IS GREATER
THAN HIS PRESENCE.
FAITH FIXES OUR EYES ON
JESUS, NOT THE STORM

MATTHEW 14:22–33



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.

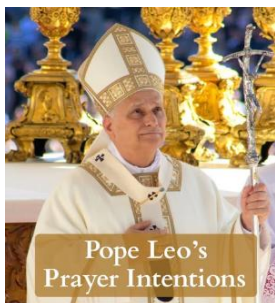
Proverbs 22:6

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

MASS INTENTIONS

August 8 (Saturday) at 4:30PM-Parishioners

August 9 (Sunday) at 11:00AM- †Jacque Wilson



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.



Saturday, September 12, 2026

Fiesta Mass at 3:00PM

Music 4-6PM by DJ Rocky

Mariachi Valenzuela 6-8PM

Special Guest:

Banda Suavecito 8-12AM

Games, Raffles, Food & Drinks

Horseshoe Tournament

Registration at 10:00 AM

Shoes Fly at: 11:00 AM

\$20.00 per Person

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Sponsored by:

La Familia Horseshoe Club

For Information contact:

Carol 520-275-3209 or Robert 928-379-2687

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8/1/26 & 8/2/26 - \$705.00

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<https://www.sthelenparishoracle.org>

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St. Helen Parish



Religious Education

Sunday, August 16th, 2026

12:00PM-1:00PM

Classes will begin on Thursday

September 17th, 2026



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

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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

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.

Saints of the Day Aug 2026

August 10...[St. Lawrence...](#)

August 11...[St. Clare of Assisi...](#)

August 12...[St. Jane Francis de Chantel...](#)

August 13...[St. Maximus the Confessor...](#)

August 14...[St. Maximillian Mary Kolbe...](#)

August 15...[Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary...](#)

August 16...[St. Stephen of Hungary...](#)

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