# **Catholic Tri-Community Parishes**

Sunday, March 10, 2024

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Pastor: Fr. Balaswamy Kommathoti

### St. Helen



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### Mass Times

Saturday: Confessions—4:00p.m Vigil Mass--.4:30p.m. Sunday: Holy Mass---11 a.m. Weekday Masses: --- 8:00a.m. (Thursday, Friday)

### Parish Board of Directors

Most Rev. Edward J. Weisenburger Fr Bala Kommathoti, President Manuel Navarro, Treasurer Carmen Trejo, Secretary

### St. Helen Offices & Ministries

Office Secretary- Tracy Alvarez.....896-2708 Parish Council Chair- Ellie Brown......237-2086 Finance Council Chair-Manny Navarro.975-2172 Religious Education-Maria Martinez......609-4388 Knights of Columbus-Jose Lopez- 483-3049 

#### Marriage Preparation

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



**Check Mass Schedule or** By appointment 520-349-1696

### Mass Times

Saturday: Vigil Mass---.6:00p.m. Confessions—7:15p.m Sunday: Holy Mass-9:30a.m. Weekday Masses: --- 9:00a.m. (Monday, Thursday, Friday)

### **Parish Board of Directors**

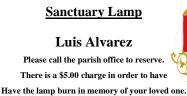
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### INFANT BAPTISMS

Instructions for infant Baptisms are on the first and third Thursday of the month (after initial registration) at 7:00 p.m. in the Church Hall

It is mandatory that parents and Godparents attend.

### **Blessed Sacrament**



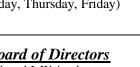
Phone: (520) 487-2451 Email: blessedsacrament@diocesetucson.org

### **Mass Times**

 $1^{st}$  Saturday of the month Rosary & Mass-8:30a.m. Sunday: Confessions-----7:30a.m. Holv Mass-----8:00a.m. 12:30p.m. Wednesday: Confessions—5:30p.m. Holy Mass-6:00p.m.-

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# 4th Sunday of Lent

In the gospel (Jn 3:14-21) Jesus teaches Nicodemus about the two paths available to mankind (light and darkness). He begins, just as Moses lifted up the image of the serpent on a pole so that the Israelites that looked upon it were healed from the punishment (snake bites) for their sin (Num 21:4-9), likewise, the Son of Man must be lifted up (crucified) so all who believe in Him might not perish but have eternal life. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life" (3:16). Jesus clearly states, "Whoever believes in him will not be condemned, but whoever does not believe has already been condemned," because they did not believe in the "name of the only Son of God." For belief leads to following the ways of Christ. Here is the verdict:: the light (Jesus) came into the world, but those who rejected Jesus chose darkness over light because their works were evil. The wicked hate the light and do not come toward it so their works are not exposed. Whoever "lives the truth" comes to the light (Jesus) so that "his works may be clearly seen as done in God." Coming to Jesus causes us to turn away from sin and embrace the way of love and imitation of Christ.

Today we see a pattern of belief in God's solution serpent pole and (the Christ). acknowledging sin (looking at the serpent pole and repentance), and redemption (healing and salvation through Christ). We are children of the light who are striving to "live the truth" (the Faith). We make many mistakes and wrong choices but bring them to Jesus by means of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The Apostle John said, "but if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the expiation for our sins (1 Jn 2:1-2). The love of God the Father surpasses any love we have experienced here, and his fervent desire is that we have eternal life. We accept His gracious forgiveness and return to loving others "in deed and in truth (1 Jn 3:18). "This is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another" (1 Jn 3:18). Is there anything you need to bring to Jesus?

# Lenten Penance Service

# St. Bartholomew Church San Manual Thursday, March 14, 5:30 pm



"Don't be afraid to go to the Sacrament of Confession, where you will meet Jesus who forgives you." - Pope Francis

"Confession is an act of honesty and courage and act of entrusting ourselves, beyond sin, to the mercy of a loving and forgiving God." – St John Paul II

# Sacrament of Reconciliation steps include:

- Sign of the Cross
- State your last confession
- Confess your sins
- Ask pardon for forgotten sins
- · Listen to the priest's advice
- Act of Contrition
- Absolution
- Words of praise and blessing

-Diana Nussberger

### MASS INTENTIONS

March 10 (Sunday) at 8:00a.m.

• Parishioners

March 10 (Sunday) at 12:30 P.M.

Ryan Sattler

### Blessed Sacrament Church Rummage Sale

Will be on May 4, 2024 We are accepting donations

Contact the Parish Office or Helen Ramirez at 520-237-1773 to open the hall

Congratulations Fr. Bala's 22<sup>nd</sup> Priestly Ordination Anniversary

> Wednesday, March 13, 2024 St. Bartholomew Parish Holy sacrifice mass 5:30PM

The Tri Community Parishes thank you for the years that you've spent leading our church. Congratulations on your anniversary and we thank you for choosing to teach us by the graces of God.



Side Dishes (A-J)

Salads (K-P)

Dessert (Q-U)

Bread (V-Z)

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## Weekly Offering Blessed Sacrament

3/3/24--\$ 776.10 Bldg. Maintenance--\$252.85



Thank you for your Generosity!

### **Knights of Columbus Fish Fry**

St. Bartholomew Parish Hall

(Friday's during Lent) From 4PM-7PM Cost \$10.00

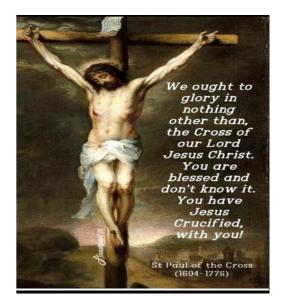


Dine in or Take Out

# **Stations of the Cross** Friday's at 6PM

March 15 March 22

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



Potluck Dinner will follow after the mass

### Please pray for the homebound

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



Patsy Cota, Alan Rubinstein, Leo Gómez-Ramos, Mia Vega

# **Blessed Sacrament Church Fiesta**

Will be on Sept. 14, 2024 4PM-Midnight Volunteers are needed Donations are appreciated

Our Blessed Sacrament Fiesta Committee is seeking volunteers to help with food booths for the upcoming Fiesta in September. If you are interested, add your name and phone number on the sign up sheet at the back of the church and one of the committee members will respond with information. Dear Blessed Sacrament Parishioners,

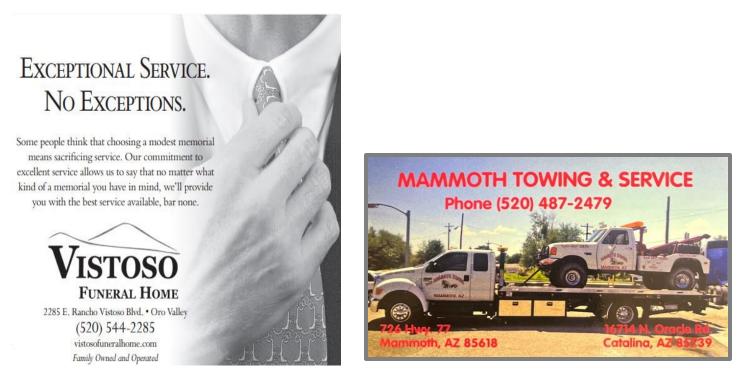
Blessed Sacrament has been notified that the Catholic Foundation Grant Committee and the Catholic Foundation's Board of Directors, including Bishop Weisenburger, approved funding of our 2024 grant request. The award funds will be used to augment the existing A/C unit in the church.

**Thank you** to the Catholic Foundation Grant Committee and the Catholic Foundation's Board of Directors, including Bishop Weisenburger!

Thank You and God Bless!!

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

- 1. Call 911 to make a police report
- 2. Call the Victim Assistance Program of the Diocese of Tucson 1.800.234.0344



Deadline for Bulletin Submissions is Thursday at 5:00p.m. in order to be printed for upcoming weekend masses