# Catholic Tri-Community Parishes

Sunday, September 15, 2024

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pastor: Fr. Balaswamy Kommathoti https://blessedsacramentparishmammoth.org

## 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. Monday & Friday

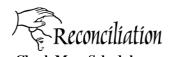
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#### St. Helen Offices & Ministries

#### Marriage Preparation

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



Check Mass Schedule or By appointment 520-349-1696

## St. Bartholomew



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> 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

## Parish Board of Directors

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#### St. Bartholomew Offices & Ministries

## **Blessed Sacrament**



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## Mass Times Sunday: Confessions-----7:30a.m. Holy Mass------8:00a.m. 12:30p.m. Weekday Masses:------Wednesday 6:00pm. Saturday: Rosary & Mass--- 8:30a.m. Confessions----- 9:30a.m.

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#### **Blessed Sacrament Offices & Ministries**



#### Sanctuary Lamp

## Alvaro Alvarez

Alvaro Alvarez Please call the parish office to reserve. There is a \$5.00 charge in order to have

Have the lamp burn in memory of your loved one.

#### 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.

# **GOSPEL MEDITATION**

## "You are the Christ. The Son of Man must suffer greatly," ----Mark 8:27-35

This morning I received a text message that a member of my extended family will likely die of cancer within the next few hours. His name is Luke. He is 45-year-old husband and father of six. Though I am not as close to him as my sister (she is his sister-in-law and knows him well), I wonder: how can we, including Luke himself, manage such a terribly awful and unfair situation?

The words of this Sunday's Gospel offer a powerful and challenging path, Jesus says, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me" (Mark 8:34). Today I see with new freshness the starkness and strangeness of the words take up. The cross stands for suffering which is unjust, absurd, seemingly hopeless, and humiliating. Jesus doesn't say "accept" or "endure" or "tolerate", but "take up". Embrace it, actively. Choose it and lift it up for others to see what terrifies and sickens us. But somehow, for Jesus this is the path to "saving one's life." A new world is breaking in, one in which love is everything, when no relationship can be wounded or die. I trust that in the embraced suffering of Luke and his loved ones, Jesus is taking up his cross and saving us all.

By the time you read this, barring a miracle, Luke will have died. He will be carrying his cross no longer. But we all still face suffering. This week let's not just endure, but take up our crosses, big and small. That's our only hope for saving our lives. ---Father John Muir



# Blessed Sacrament Parish Religious Education 2024/2025 Registrations



Will be on the following Sunday's after 8AM Mass:

# September 22<sup>nd</sup>

Our program offers catechism & sacrament preparation classes for  $1^{st}$  through  $12^{th}$  grade.

We also offer sacrament preparation classes for adults.

Contact DRE Helen Ramirez 520-237-1773 For more details

# St. Helen Parish Entertainment: Mariachi Alma Mexicana: 4PM-6PM

**DJ Johnny Hernandez: 6PM-8PM** 

# Live Band: Hold My Beer 8PM-11PM

Food Booths, Games, & Dancing.

Fun for the Whole Family.

# MASS INTENTIONS

September 15 (Sunday) at 8:00AM +Sara Sims Quintana

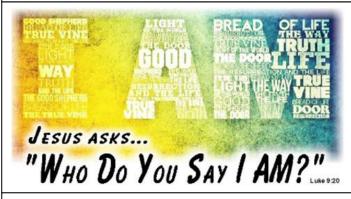
September 15 (Sunday) at 12:30 P.M +Tony Morales + Rosa Cecilia Madrid

# **Upcoming Events**

Classes will begin on September 22, 2024 from 9:30-10:30.

Adult Confirmation will begin on September 29, 2024.

## Contact Helen 520-237-1773



I will say of Jesus.... He is my refuge.

He is my place of safety. He is my fortress, my defense. He is my God, in whom I trust!

Surely He will deliver me from trouble. His faithfulness will be my shield and my protection.

A thousand may fall at my side, ten thousand at my right hand,

But harm will not come near me.

Because I have made Jesus the Christ my dwelling place,

And I acknowledge His Name.

Therefore no harm will befall me.

For He will command His Angels to protect me wherever I go!!

"But what about you?" Jesus asks.

# Weekly Offering Blessed Sacrament

9/8/24- \$ 952.00



Blessed Sacrament Parish Donor Box is now active online. To make your donations, Visit our website at:

https://blessedsacramentparishmammoth.org

Thank you for your Generosity !!

# Arizona Bishops Urge "NO" On Proposition 139

If passed, this initiative threatens to enshrine a constitutional right to virtually unrestricted abortion in Arizona...it would likely:

- <u>Remove most safeguards</u> for girls and women that are currently in place at abortion clinics.
- <u>Permit a minor</u> to obtain an abortion without <u>parental involvement or</u> <u>permission.</u>
- Allow for painful late-term abortions of viable pre-born children.
- From bishopshttps://azcatholicconference.org/colums -and-statements/catholic-bishops-ofarizona-statement-opposing-prop-139/



Please join us in our fight to protect women and the preborn!

## Please pray for the homebound

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

Patsy Cota, Alan Rubinstein, Leo Gómez-Ramos, Mia Vega, Jesusita Borboa, Richard Bencomo, Anita Garcia Victor Borboa, Gerardo Alcaraz, Gonzalo Marco, Frank Martinez, Elivira Rendon, Nena Johnson, Dora Mendoza

#### <u>Procedures to Report Suspected and</u> <u>Alleged Abuse within the Catholic Church</u>

Call 911 to make a police report Call the Victim Assistance Program 1.800.234.0344

# Exceptional Service. No Exceptions.

Some people think that choosing a modest memorial means sacrificing service. Our commitment to excellent service allows us to say that no matter what kind of a memorial you have in mind, we'll provide you with the best service available, bar none.



# Catholic School 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection September 21 & 22, 2024

As you know, this annual collection helps the Department of Catholic Schools provide the necessary support to our 23 Catholic schools, approximately 548 educators, and 6592 students in the following areas:

- Adult Ministry Certification
- Coordinated Health consulting services
- School Counseling consulting services
- Standardized Assessments
- Scholarship Management Support
- School leadership support and coaching
- Support and resources for pastors of parish schools
- Accreditation training and support
- Elementary Tucson sports league
- Support for Diocesan CARE Student Intervention Process
- Policy Guidance
- Federal Title Programs



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