

Catholic Tri-Community Parishes

Sunday, August 20th, 2023

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pastor: Fr. Balaswamy Kommathoti

St. Helen Roman Catholic Church



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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, Thursday, Friday)

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)

Mass Times

Sunday : Confessions---7:30a.m.

Holy Mass---8:00a.m.

12:30p.m.

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Marriage Preparation

Diocesan regulations require
that you see a priest at least
four months before your
wedding date.

Holy Matrimony



Reconciliation/Confession Check Mass Schedule



Reconciliation

Any other time by appointment.

**BACK TO
SCHOOL**

Blessing

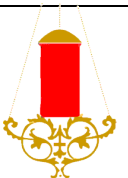


Sanctuary Lamp

**Johanna Stritzel
Jacob Breier**

Please call the parish office to reserve.

There is a \$2.00 charge in order to 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.

MASS INTENTIONS St. Helen

8/19--4:30p.m.--Father Mark Beard
8/20--11a.m.-----Jesse Medina
+Jacob Breier
8/21---8a.m.-----Debbie Gutierrez
8/24---8a.m.---Rudolf & Helen Weigl
8/25---8a.m.---Holy Souls in Purgatory

MASS INTENTIONS St. Bartholomew

8/19-6:00p.m. --- +Helgeson Family
+Louis & Carl Wahlmeier
Wanda Helgeson Birthday
8/20--- +Samantha Svejksky

MASS INTENTIONS Blessed Sacrament

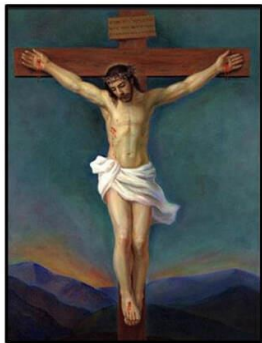
8/20---8:00a.m.-----Parishioners
8/20---12:30----- +Stella Cota Garcia

Alive in Christ

Exaltation of the Cross (Holy Mass)

Thursday September 14, 6:45pm (New Time)

"He himself bore our sins in His body upon the cross, so that, free from sin, we might live for righteousness. By His wounds you have been Healed."
-1 Peter 2:24



- ❖ Lively Praise & Worship
- ❖ Praise reports
- ❖ Prayers for all your intentions



Fr. Bala Kommathoti

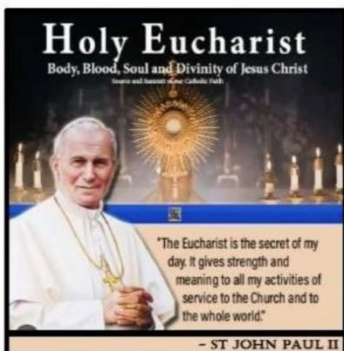
Bring your family & friends!

- Attend in person at: Our Lady of La Vang Parish, at St. Frances Cabrini Church, 3201 E. Presidio Rd., Tucson
- Or join on Zoom at: **Meeting ID: 814 4930 0841**
Passcode: 352734

Eucharistic Revival Conference 2023

Saturday, September 30th at 9AM to 2 PM

High Desert Middle School
4000 High Desert Dr, Globe AZ



GUEST SPEAKER
BISHOP EMERITUS
GERALD KICANAS

- ❖ Registration at 9:00 AM
- ❖ Introduction at 9:30 AM
- ❖ 1st Session at 10:00 AM
- ❖ Break
- ❖ 2nd Session at 11:00 AM
- ❖ Lunch
- ❖ Holy Eucharist 1:00 PM

- ❖ Free Admission
- ❖ Praise and Worship
- ❖ Fellowship
- ❖ Refreshments
- ❖ Complimentary Meal

Invite your family & friends!

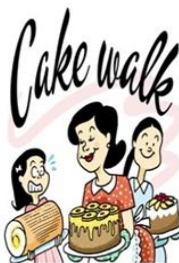
Blessed Sacrament Catholic Parish, Mammoth

Invites your family & friends to the



Saturday, Sept. 16th
4:00 PM – MIDNIGHT

FUN and GAMES



BOOTHS

FOOD & SODA

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Readings for the week of August 20, 2023

Sunday:

Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (4)/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28

Monday:

Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab and 44/Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday:

Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday:

Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 20:1-16

Thursday:

Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Jn 1:45-51

Friday:

Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday:

Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Mt 23:1-12

Weekly Offering St. Helen

8/12 & 8/13-----Offering: \$1,070.10

8/26&8/27 -2nd Collection for
Eucharistic Revival Conference--Globe

Thank you for your Generosity!



Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

All who keep the sabbath free from profanation
and hold to my covenant,
them I will bring to my holy mountain
and make joyful in my house of prayer (Is 56:6-7)

Psalm:

O God, let all the nations praise you! (Ps 67)

Second Reading:

For God delivered all to disobedience,
that he might have mercy upon all. (Rom 11:32)

Gospel:

Then Jesus said to her in reply,
"O woman, great is your faith!
Let it be done for you as you wish." (Mt 15:28)

St. Helen BURRO SALE SEPTEMBER 1st!!!

Red--\$5.00

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ORDER AND PAY

BEFORE AUGUST 25th

By 2p.m. in parish office &

2-5p.m.- in hall on the 25th.

Call in order:520-896-2708

PICK UP SEPTEMBER 1st 4-7p.m. in St. Helen hall!



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You are invited to
Region 10 Fall Encounter

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2023

Pastoral Center at Cathedral Square
192 S. Stone Ave, Tucson AZ 85701
RSVP with Angelica @ 602-802-3862
\$35.00 Registration Fee



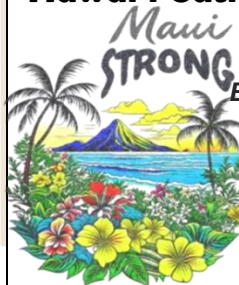
Saint of the week

Venerable Mother Celestina Bottego was born in Ohio. She went on to be the foundress of the Xavier Missionaries Sisters of Mary in Italy. The Sisters rejected the traditional habit commonly worn by religious women in favor of wearing the same clothing styles as those they served.

Prayer

Almighty and merciful Father, You placed in the heart of Mother Celestina Bottego the ardent desire that Your Kingdom spread throughout the world and made her capable of giving all of herself for the creation of a missionary Family. We humbly ask You to allow us to imitate her holiness of life and, through her intercession, to grant us the grace that we confidently ask of You.

Hawai'i Catholic Community Foundation



<https://tinyurl.com/MauiCatholic>

Brothers and Sisters, let us remember
to pray for those affected by the
devastating wildfires in Maui.
Thank for your prayers and
support!

Most Reverend Edward Weisenburaer

Reflection ...

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's gospel (Mt 15:21-28) Jesus rewards the faith of a Gentile woman who sought Him out for the welfare of her daughter. Finding Jesus and the disciples, she calls out: "Have pity of me, Lord, Son of David! My daughter is tormented by a demon." Jesus ignores her plea until the disciples approach and ask him to send her away due to her persistence requests. Jesus replies: "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. The woman shows respect for the "Son of David" by laying at the feet of Jesus and begs, "Lord, help me." Jesus denies her again: "It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs." Although, the gospel would be preached to the world throughout generations, it was Jesus' intention to begin with the Jewish people. Convinced Jesus alone could help her daughter she pleads: "Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters." Jesus relents: "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." At that very moment the woman's daughter was healed.

Jesus made it possible for all who believe in Him to be children of God and enter His kingdom. Faith is the only way to please God (Heb 11:16). St. Paul tells us Jewish and Gentile (branches) are grafted in the Tree of Life "because of faith" (Rm 11:20, 23). Faith in Jesus is our connection to God and what changed things for the woman in today's gospel. She knew who Jesus was (the prophesized Son of David) and worshipped him. No matter how much resistance she encountered even from Jesus she remained steadfast in her petition. She met every denial with another petition until she got what she wanted. Our petitions are presented in prayer. Jesus taught us to be persistent in prayer because it will be rewarded (Lk 18:1-8). Despite every impossible-looking circumstance, how conflicted we feel, how much resistance looms, how much time has passed, faith and persistence in prayer will prevail. St. Padre Pio advised: "Pray, hope, and don't worry. Worry is useless. God is merciful and will hear your prayer." Are you praying or worrying?

- By Diana Nussberger

Welcome Bishop Edward Weisenburger to St. Bartholomew Feast, San Manuel



**Thursday
August 24th
Holy Mass
at 5:30 PM**

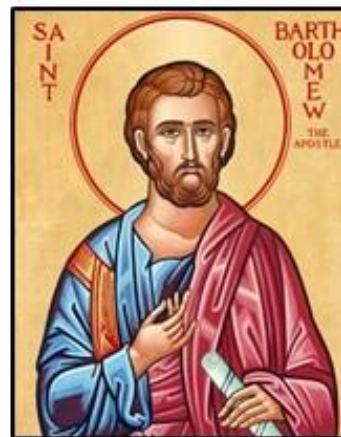
**Presided by Bishop
Edward Weisenburger**

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We would like to invite your family and friends to celebrate our patron Saint Bartholomew's Feast Day. **"Give thanks to the Lord for He is good, His mercy endures forever!" (Ps 107:1).** Let's joyfully celebrate this special day.

After Mass we will have a feast day dinner together in the Parish Hall. Everyone is welcome to join us. Please RSVP on the sign-up sheet (at the back of the church) include the number of guests attending the dinner, or please call the Parish office. so, we can plan accordingly for dinner.

Yours Sincerely in Christ,
Fr Bala Kommathoti and the Parish Community



"St Bartholomew stands before us to tell us that attachment to Jesus can also be lived and witnessed to without performing sensational deeds"

- Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

PLEASE PRAY FOR ,ill and/or homebound:

Ralph Sanchez, P. David, Y. Hinojos, M & T Martinez, Bob Stewart, Al Trejo, Gerardo Alcaraz, Tony Telles, R. Amado, Colleen Juhara, Elaine Mendibles, Warren Perow, Frank Castillo, Debbie Martinez, Felix Garcia, Patricio Ortiz, Susie Molina, Carmen Garcia, Lynne Cunningham, Bea Marquez, Bill Hero, Rick Arnold, A. Alvarado, Jack Crane, P. Gaona, Richard Dell, Alan Rubinstein, Alfred Ramirez

Please help keep our prayer list current. To add or remove a name from the prayer list, please call the parish office. In order to ensure an updated prayer list, names will be listed for two months and then removed.



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May God bless you abundantly! Bishop Edward J. Weisenburger

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St. Helen's Religious Education Program begins the week of September 19th!

Registration Dates:

• Sunday August 20th:

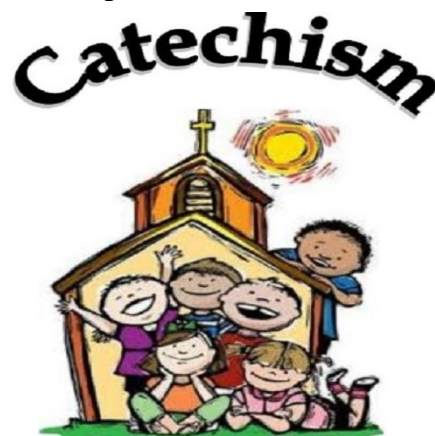
After Mass

Saturday August 26th: After Mass

August 27th: After Mass

• Tuesday September 5th:

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm



Registration will be held in the Parish hall. Registration fee is \$30.00 per student. Immediate Family Fee is \$30.00 for first child, \$5.00 each additional child.

Adult Sacrament Preparation Classes will be established as needed. Any adult in need of the Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, and/or Confirmation are welcome to register.

For more information, please contact Lorena Candelaria at (520) 896-2708.

Procedures to Report Suspected and Alleged Abuse Within the Catholic Church

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2. If the abuse happens in any other state, call the Police or Sheriffs Office in the specific area of that state.p

Call the Victim Assistance Program of the Diocese of Tucson, 1.800.234.0344 and/or the Office of Child, Adolescent and Adult Protection at 520.838.2513 Many under victims of human trafficking are students. No community, school, socioeconomic group is immune. Case of child trafficking are found in every area of the county-rural, suburban, and urban settings alike. Be alert. U.S. Catholic Sisters against Human trafficking is a 501 c (3) organization, 2039 N Geyer Road, St. Louis, MO 63131 (sistersagainsttrafficking.org)

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