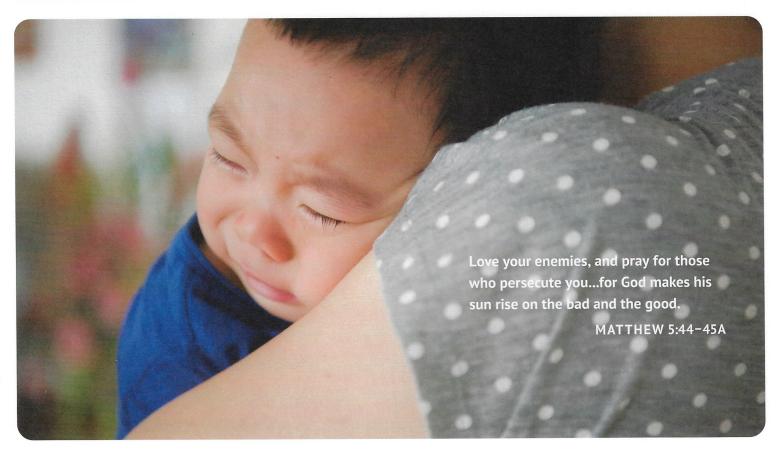
#### Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)







# Like a Sponge

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

o turn the other cheek, to go the extra mile, to love one's enemy, all of that is to absorb and thus stop the evil that can saturate life. When we do that, then evil ends with us, lest it keep escalating like a tsunami that overwhelms life.

Is anyone really willing to absorb the evils of life? Many are. Parents do who walk the floor at night with a crying infant or care for a child sick with a cold and then find themselves suffering the same illness. They absorb the evil in order to bring some comfort and so ease the child's pain. Someone does as well who listens endlessly to a lonely person on the phone or over a cup of coffee. They absorb the loneliness even as it tests their own patience. Those who protest injustice by participating in nonviolent demonstrations and then find themselves mistreated or even dealt with violently, they absorb the hate of others.

"Be holy, for I, the Lord, your God, am holy" (Leviticus 19:2), says the Lord to Moses. Absorbing the evils of life is a different sort of holiness, different than saying more prayers or giving up enjoyments during Lent. Part of our tradition is to do penance during the season of Lent. Perhaps this year a penance might be to become conscious of each day's opportunities to simply absorb someone's suffering, another's pain, a bit of the evil that so often ricochets through our days, always doing so in the image of Jesus. •

#### -Reflect-

When have you ever suffered as you absorbed someone else's pain?

#### St. Rose of Lima Parish

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- Email: st.roselima@gmail.com
- Website: www.SaintRoseLima-Safford.com
- Sunday Masses: 8:00, 11:00 AM & 5:00 PM
- Saturday Vigil Mass: 6 PMWeekday Mass: 8:00 AM
- Confessions: Saturday 4:30 PM
   & by appointment
- Parish Office & Gift Shop:
   9:00 AM-4:15 PM (Mon-Fri)

#### **Board of Directors**

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Membership consists of Representatives from all the Ministries. Contact the Parish Office for more information.

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Office Manager: Sara Garcia-Hott Office Assistant/Gift Shop: Gloria Villalba Maintenance: Marvin Rios

#### **MINISTRY LEADERS:**

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Regent: Helen Romero

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Spanish: Mr. Lupe Munoz
Youth: Jane Villalba

#### Confirmation

Dr. Susan Jones-Hamm

#### Compliance Officer

James Gersitz

#### Cursillo

Parish Office

#### Extraordinary Minister / Homebound Ministry

Adam & Veta Estrada

#### Funeral Luncheon Groups

Millie Torres Group #1 Camilla Gomez Group #2

#### Knights of Columbus #4260

Grand Knight: Paul Dube

#### Lectors

Daily Masses:

Weekend Masses: Veta Estrada

**PreCana**; George & Pam Gonzales

#### Prison Ministry

Prison: Ernie Torrio Federal Prison: John Mayer

#### **Religious Education Director**

Madona Kvale

#### Summer Vacation Bible School

Susan Ortega

R.C.I.A: Veta Estrada

Sacristans: Brian Hott

#### Youth Ministry Groups

High School: Amanda Torrio

#### St. Martin de Porres Mission

50 S Main, Pima AZ 85543

#### Extraordinary Minister

Ophelia Rodriguez

#### Religious Education

Grace Gasca Soccoro Varela

#### St. Vincent de Paul

221 E Main St, Safford, AZ 85546 928.428.0460

Pantry Hours: 10AM- Noon - Tuesday-Thursday

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#### Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish

2257 S 1<sup>st</sup> Ave, Solomon AZ 85551 928.428.0149 Hall: 928.322.8878



- Email: olgsolomon@gmail.com
- Sunday Mass: 9:30 AM
- Parish Office & Gift Shop: 8:00AM-1:00 PM (Mon-Fri)
- Baptisms: 10AM 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday
- San Jose Mission: Baptisms and Marriages available upon request

#### **Board of Directors**

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#### Administrative Assistant

Beatrice Ybarra

Maintenance: Joe Hernandez

#### Extraordinary Minister

#### Religious Education

Angie Ornelas Sandra Jurado

#### Newman Center

Serving Eastern Arizona College 3592 W 4<sup>th</sup> St, Thatcher AZ 85552

Mass: Tuesday 11 AM (when the college is in session)

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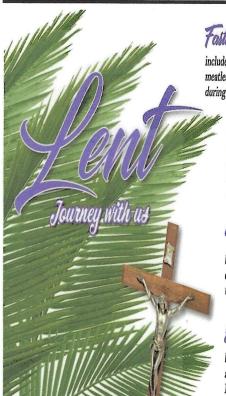
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#### ST. ROSE OF LIMA & OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE NOTICES



# St. Rose of Lima and Our Lady Guadalupe. Seventh Sunday of Ordinary time Welcome Back Father Nicodemus You have been missed





Fasting Days

include Ash Wednesday and Good Friday (one full meatless meal is permitted), and meatless Fridays during Lent (fish and shellfish are permitted).

### The Three Pillari

of Lent are prayer, fasting and almsgiving. In addition to fasting, many also choose to abstain from other comforts during Lent.

# Holy Week

begins with Palm Sunday, April 2, a celebration of Christ's triumphant return to Jerusalem.

#### Easter Triduum

begins with Holy Thursday, April 6, at Sunset, signaling the end of the Lenten season.

#### Safe Environment Program Compliance Process

#### **New Volunteers:**

The volunteer application must be filled out on line: go to <a href="https://www.diocesetucson.org/employment-opportunities">https://www.diocesetucson.org/employment-opportunities</a>

#### Attention all Employees and Volunteers;

all existing, cleared, and active employees and volunteers are required to complete the Safe Environment

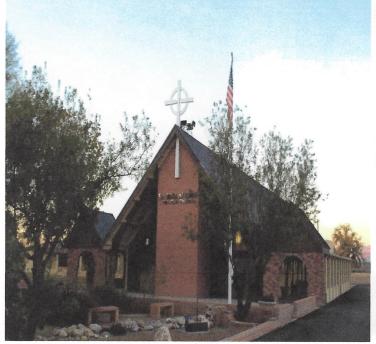
registration process including Account, Personal, and Affiliation details.

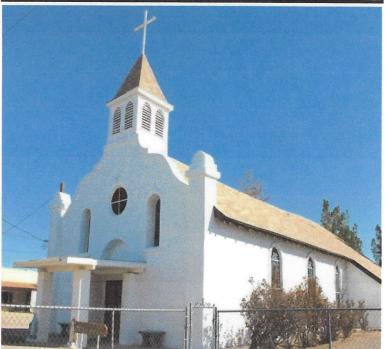
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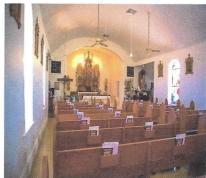
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#### **OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE SHRINE**







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# Our Lady of Guadalupe Church will no longer provide masks at funerals.

#### Masks are required.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Church will continue to follow protocol of mask wearing and social distancing at Mass.



LaTora Turner & Family, Adeline Escobedo, Juanita & Donald Torrio, Marvin & Carmen Escobedo, Kate & Carlos Ornelas, Estella Garcia, Pete Burrell, Rosa Martinez, Mary Crawford, Hermillia Carbajal, Sally Gonzales, Angie Ornelas, Roger De Leon, Daniel Jacinto, Janet Gomez, Maria Blanca Porras, Catherine Maxon, Fernando Aranda, Lillian DeLa Cruz, Mary Maxon, Irene Holguin, Inocente Holguin, Irene Apodaca, Rebecca Montoya, Christina Ybarra, Virgie Romero, Jimmy Holguin, Angela Andazola, David Montez.

#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

#### **GOSPEL REFLECTION:**

In Matthew's Gospel today, Jesus teaches us to share generously with others, giving even more than what is asked. St.Matthew emphasizes that love of God and love of neighbor are the fundamental commands on which all else depend. Because God's love is unconditional, we are to strive to love as God does. We need to love our enemies and pray for our persecutors instead of trying to get even with those who have wronged us.



- Welcome Make this year one of renewed faith and peace. Register your child or grandchild for Religious Education. RE classes are available for allstudents in Grades K-8 at no cost. Please join us on Mondays.
- Daily Prayers Please pray daily, before each meal, and at night. Remember to thank God for all your blessings and prayers answered.

Practice your required prayers: The Sign of the Cross, the Our Father, the

Hail Mary, the Glory Be, the Saint Michael the Archangel Prayer, and the

Act of Contrition. Review and put into practice the Ten Commandments.

- No RE Classes No RE classes tomorrow, Monday, February 20, for Presidents' Day. Classes will resume on Monday, February 27.
- Ash Wednesday Ash Wednesday is on February 22. If at all possible, please do not eat meat on Ash Wednesday, all the Fridays of Lent, or on Good Friday.



# OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE SAN JOSE MISSION WEEKEND COLLECTION

February 12, 2023

Offertory	\$ 601.00
<b>Building Fund</b>	\$ 128.00
Initial offering	\$ 5.00
Church Candles	\$ 80.14
Roof Fund	\$ 60.00

THANK YOUR FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!



#### Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine

San Jose Mission

February 19th 2023 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass Intentions February 19th 2023



#### **February 19,2023**

- +Martha Roybal
- +Joseph Mendez
- +Michael Mendez

#### February 26th 2023

- +Cathy Roybal
- +Jodi Roybal
- +Ernie Roybal

Birthday Blessings

Richard Campos

#### **Second Collection**

Roof Fund

#### **Volunteers**

needed for Money Counters, Sacristans, or other positions of interest. Please contact OLG office at 928-428-0149

Address for mail in contributions, Our Lady of Guadalupe, PO Box 147, Solomon, AZ 85551

Mass Schedule-Sundays 9:30 AM / Weekday Mass Wednesday 9:00 AM

Confession - Wednesdays after Mass. OLG office hours - week days 8:00 am - 1:00 pm OLG Gift Shop is open on weekdays - 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM. Items sold include OLG T-Shirts, Bibles, Saint Statues, Rosaries, Prayer Books, Children's Book, and more.

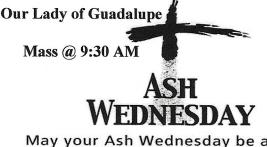
#### 3:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet

If anyone is interested in teaching or helping with the Religious Education Program for next year, 2022-2023 Please call the office at 428-0149. Volunteers are needed to help clean the church, please call OLG office at 428-0149.

REMINDER - Only candles bought from OLG will be allowed in Church.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Our Lady of Guadalupe website: olgsolomon.com

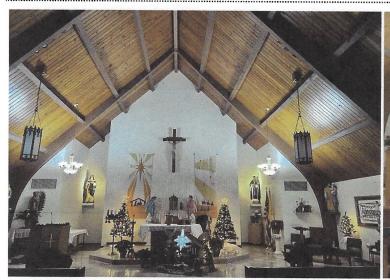


May your Ash Wednesday be a time of reflection and promise.



2022 offertory statements have been mailed out and if you did not receive yours. You can call or see Bea in the office.

# St. Rose of Lima Catholic Parish





#### ST. ROSE OF LIMA PARISH **Mass Hours**



Saturday 6:00 PM

Sunday 8:00 AM 11:00 AM

5:00 PM

MASK & SOCIAL DISTANCING IS REQUIRED AT THE SUNDAY MASS 5 PM (Please bring your own mask)

CONFESSION: SATURDAY'S @ 4:30 PM

#### **JUST A REMINDER!!!**



PLEASE WEAR YOUR Sunday's 5:00 PM Mass is still requiring Face Mask and social distancing. Please do not move the red closure signs and bring your own mask.



#### ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES 02/22/2023

St. Rose of Lima 8 AM **NOON** 5PM

**NEWMAN CENTER** 

11 AM



#### St. Rose of Lima Weekend Collection February 12, 2023

Offertory	\$ 4,656.14
<b>Building Fund</b>	\$ 575.86
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 140.25
Church Candle Offering	\$ 43.75
Newman Center	\$ 10.00
Initial Offering	\$ 25.00
Ash Wednesday	\$ 5.25

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!



For the Family of Denise Henry Angle, Maria Montes & Contreras Family, Eric Regan, Richard Burke, Barbara Chavez, Jaycob Espinoza, Liberty Salazar and Family, Rosemary Martinez, Anthony Aguilar, Albert Romero, Jason Kouts, Erika & Alex Morales, Robert Herrera, Art Estavillo, Don Romero, Cecilia Perez, Alicia & Ruben Jaramillo, D.J Espinoza, Bobbie Merino, Mitzi Trujillo, Marcus Bejarano, Belen Rodriguez, Christina Chavez, Frances Martinez, Annette Graves, Ricky Bejarano, Mark Romero, Braylyn Gojkovich, Sarah Qunitana, Ysidro Rodriquez, Lydia Hernadez, Mrs. Lupe Rivera, Dora Gomez, Nadiko Gonzales, Lanaya Aranda, Terri Aguilar, Mical Marie Espinoza, Eliz-

abeth Hernandez, Esperanza Stanowitz, Abe Lucero, Izabelah Garcia, Joe Valtierra, Orlando Lujan, Armando Rodriguez, Morales Family, Veronica Montes, Venegas Family, Martin Lucero, Jordan Waller, Gloria & Joe Merino, Millie Torres, Lisa Mullen, Marie Espinoza, Jr. Verdugo, James Romero, Margarita Wulftange, Noe Varela, Ronnie, Rodriguez, Jessica & Sandra Dominguez, Ernesto Trujillo, Gabriel Valtierra & Cyrianna Valtierra, Chono & Anita Aranda, Blessie Estrada, Julio Garcia, Moe Villalba, Chris Ramirez, Desmond Ruiz, Sylvia Estavillo, Shelby & Marcus Madrid, Andrew Espinoza, Jesse & Patsy Aguilar, Rene Saenz, George Quintero Jr., Anna Berta Rodriguez, Stevie Medina, Jimmy Villalva, Teri & Louie Barbosa, Clara Carrasco, Armina (Weda) Brisco, Nancy Abalos, Brianna Fulton, Alex Lukats, Linda Bustamante, Leonard R. Tellez, Angelina Rene Rutherford, Damian Dupont, Shirley Rodriguez, Susie Meraz, Maria Blanca Porras, Lacie Luna, Sally Lukats, Abe Villalba, Mark & Becky Schweickert, Charlene Thermers, Rose Rios, Ralph Martinez, Jr., Linda Lesser, Jose Villalba, Allen Thompson, Barbara Lines, Rasco Arrellin, Serapio Gonzales, Frank Terrazas Sr., Linda Sainz, Louie Aranda Sr.

#### ST. ROSE OF LIMA February 19, 2023 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Second Collection** 

02/19/23 St. Vincent de Paul 02/22/23 Ash Wednesday

Daily Divine Mercy Chaplet 3 pm in Chapel

Lady of Fatima First Saturday. Rosary 7:30 am in the church

<u>Compliance Representative</u> Please call James Gersitz at 928-200-0289 for an appointment.

Rosary: prayed daily @ 7:30 am

Private Prayer: Church will be open

Monday - Friday

9:00 AM - 1:00PM (unless Parish office is closed.)

GIFT SHOP WILL BE OPEN FROM 9:00-4:15 PM Closed for lunch.



Mass Intentions Feb. 18th, -25th, 2023

Sat	6 AM	+Connie Bailon For the Health & Well-being of Devyn Sims
Sun	8 AM	+Dominic & +Bernice Giacoletti +Kathy Carbajal
Sun	11 AM	+Barbara, + Walter & +Jessie Lasinky +Steve Maldonado +Birthday blessings for Annette Saenz Urrea
Sun	5 AM	+Joe "T-Bone" Duran St. Rose of Lima Parishioners
Wed	8 AM	For the Health & well-being of Annett Graves



If you request a Mass Intention for a day that Father Nicodemus is not celebrating Mass.

Please rest assure Father is celebrating a personal Mass with your intention.

#### **REQUIREMENTS:**

Baptisms: The parents of the child to be baptized must submit a copy of the baby's birth certificate. Parents and godparents need to attend the parish baptismal class. Classes are given on the second Saturday of the month from 10:00 a.m. until noon. Parents and Godparents must make an appointment to speak with Father prior to setting baptism date. Please call the office to sign up for the next scheduled class. All requirements for the Diocese of Tucson and Saint Rose of Lima will be given to the parents at this time. Baptisms are performed the first and third Saturdays at 10:00 a.m. Our office staff is limited, therefore, sponsors and godparents proof of sacraments, documents must be submitted at least one month before the baptism.

Quinceañera: The candidate and parents must contact the office at least one (1) year or more before the date requested.

Quinceañera's are not performed during Holy Days. Requirements: Must have Baptism, First Holy Communion and be coming to confession, active within the parish, participate in Conformation/Youth Group, Weekend Mass attendance. Candidate and parents will have 6 meetings with Father Nicodemus. Candidate will know how to pray the Rosary, and will read and be able to recite all the books of the bible. Candidate will need to have proof they carried out twenty (20) hours of four (4) different community services. For a quinceañera it will be \$400.00, which includes a non-refundable deposit of \$100.00 to hold the

date. The remining \$300.00 balance must be received in the office one week before the ceremony.

<u>Weddings:</u> The couple must contact office at least 6 months prior to the desired wedding date. An appointment will be made for the couple. At that time it will be determined if the date desired is available, and all requirements for the Diocese of Tucson and Saint Rose of Lima will be given to the couple. For a wedding it will be \$300.00, which includes a non-refundable deposit of \$100.00 to hold the date. The remining \$200.00 balance must be received in the office one week before the ceremony.

Funeral Arrangements: St. Rose and Our Lady have always asked for a donation to the Parish for its service. We also help those who can not afford funeral arrangements. We work with both mortuaries in town to make these arrangement 's as easy as possible. The Priest may wave the donation if the family is in need. Donation to the Priest and Parish is \$300.00.

Use of the Hall: Rental for the hall is \$50.00 along with a \$50.00 refundable deposit. Deposit will be refunded as long as the kitchen is cleaned, trash is thrown, all tables and chairs wiped off, floors cleared of large debris and bathrooms tidied.



## Women Be Blessed Conference 2023 February 25, 2023

Join us for a Motivational, Inspirational & Uplifting event.

Presenters: Julie Madrid & The Women Be Blessed Team



Ladies let us explore: Grace Lord of Hosts Heaven's War Angels Amongst Us



Sponsors:
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Location: Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Hall 844 Sullivan St., Miami, AZ 85539 928-473-3568 (for more information)

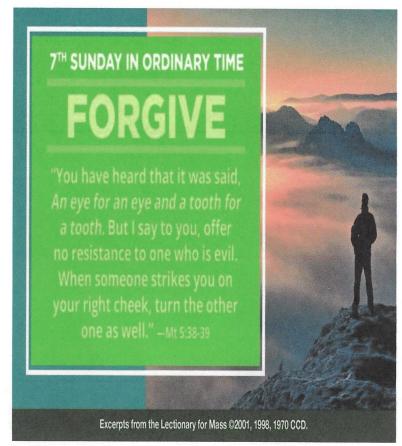
7:00 to 9:00 am Registration & Continental Breakfast 9:00 am – 3:30 pm Conference (lunch - noonish) 6:00 pm Mass at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Church

#### Registration Form

\$20.00 registration fee per person, check, money order, & cash accepted. Please make check payable to: Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament, 844 Sullivan St., Miami 85539.

This event is for Christian women 18 and over, no children please.

Name:		
Phone:	Email Address:	
Address:		
Parish Name/Address:		
Food Allergies:		



#### 2<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

## INTO THE BREACH

HOSTED BY OUR LADY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH

SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER:

#### FR. GREG ADOLF

SATURDAY, MARCH 4<sup>IH</sup> 8AM - 2:45PM

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"AND I SOUGHT FOR A MAN AMONG THEM WHO SHOULD BUILD UP THE WALL AND STAND IN THE BREACH BEFORE ME FOR THE LAND." EZEKIEL 22:30

In the past two decades, more than 14 million Catholics have left the faith. In the face of these losses, Catholic men are called to put aside any hesitation to live a life of mission. Men must enter <u>Into the Breach</u> of the spiritual battle raging around us. To step into the breach requires every man to have faith, bolster his courage, and act for our Church, our family, and ourselves.

As "Iron sharpens iron, one man sharpens another" (Proverbs 27:17). This conference will challenge men to seek greatness and to be heroically virtuous, to have character marked by goodness and truth, strength, and courage. Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament invites you to attend this event featuring...



#### SPEAKER: FR. GREG ADOLF

Fr. Greg is pastor of the St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church in Sierra Vista, Arizona. He is active in retreat ministry, leading participants into a deeper experience of prayer and missionary service. A native of Colorado, Fr. Greg grew up in Phoenix, Arizona. He served as a Lutheran Pastor for 17 years before becoming a Roman Catholic priest. We are eager to hear Fr. Greg's energetic take on building authentic male spirituality! This year's conference themes include: Masculinity, Brotherhood, Leadership, Suffering, and the Sacraments.

# St Rose of Lima Religious Education

If you want your child to receive a sacrament, they need to be going to Mass weekly and have Father sign a bulletin with their name & grade on it, they cannot miss over 6 classes (including the classes they miss if they register late), and they must meet the requirements on the purple agreement sheet.

Be sure to say prayers nightly, so your child learns to talk to God in formal and informal prayer. Practice the prayers for confession so children know them by heart.

#### Sacrament of Penance (confession) requirements:

- ⇒ Student must be Baptized & turn in copy of certificate.
- ⇒ Know the Sign of the Cross, Our Father, Glory Be, Hail Mary, Act of Contrition, Format for Confession, Ten Commandments, and Seven Sacraments.
- ⇒ Attend Religious Education classes with fewer than 6 absences.
- ⇒ Attend Mass weekly and turn in signed bulletins with students full name and grade. (Bulletins must be signed by Father)

#### Sacrament of Holy Eucharist (Communion) requirements:

- Student must be Baptized & turn in copy of certificate.
- Student must have made their first confession (Penance)
- Student must have attended at least one year of RE/religious education classes prior to this year
- Know the Sign of the Cross, Our Father, Glory Be, Hail Mary, Act of Contrition, Format for Confession, Ten Commandments, Seven Sacraments, and know how to receive Communion.
- Attend Mass weekly and turn in signed bulletins with students full name and grade. (Bulletins must be signed by Father)

#### PARENTS PLEASE KEEP IN MIND

If the child's name and grade are not on the bulletin they turn in, there is no way to give them credit. I have many bulletins without a child's name!

February 20, Monday: There are no RE Classes on President's Day.

Feb. 22: Ash Wednesday is the start of Lent. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast (small meals & amp: no snacks for those 18 yr. to not yet 60) and abstinence (no meat, age 14 or older). Abstinence from eating meat or another food is for all Fridays. Students will be bringing a Lenten offering box home. Encourage them to give, then return the box to class to be sent in to the needy.

February 27-9: Children who have made their first confession, can go to confession during class.

March 7: RE Committee Meeting from 5-6 pm in Room St. Matthew for all teachers and aides, plus Father.

St. Rose of Lima Youth Group **Burrito Fundraiser** Saturday, Feb. 25th **EAC STEAM** (at Eastern Arizona College)

Please come support the Youth Group.

**FROM 9-2** 



We will be selling Green Chilli \$5 Mixed \$5 Bean \$4 **Breakfast Burritos** Sodas and Waters



High School Teens we have one spot for Summer Camp available. If you are interested call Amanda Torrio at 928-228-6474 by Feb 23rd. Camp Date July 16-21 Camp Golden State

#### RCIA

No RCIA class 19th, No Confirmation class Feb 19th. Remember your Recommendation Letters and Community Service hours.



#### A Reflection and Prayer for Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday is the start of the Lent season, traditionally observed as 40 days of prayer, fasting, and repentance in the days before Easter. In Ash Wednesday services, participants receive a blessing of ashes on their foreheads as a reminder of our mortality. Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return. (Genesis 3.19)

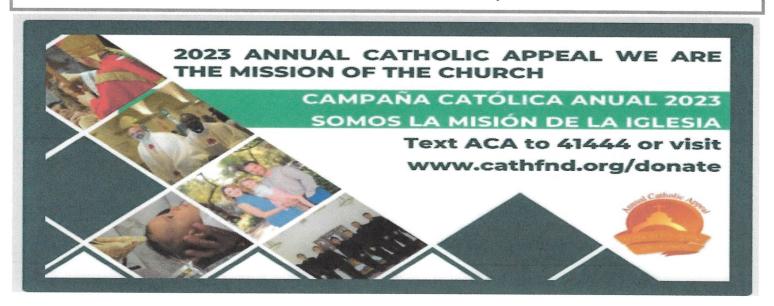
Whether your church offers an Ash Wednesday service or observes Lent, you can enter into this seas with prayer, reflection, and repentance. Taking a season each year to reflect on your life, confess your sins to God, and recommit to walking in God's way is a powerful way to enter into Easter.

As we begin this Lenten season, take a few minutes to reflect and pray on Ash Wednesday (and maybe stop by a church for your ashes). Then, consider observing a Holy Lent with prayer, fasting, reflection, and repentance.

To help you prepare for a Holy Lent, below are several resources with ideas, prayers, and devotionals

- 15 Meaningful Things To Give Up For Lent (besides chocolate)
- Prepare Your Heart: A 40-Day Lenten Devotional Using Anglican Prayer Beads
  10 Holy Week Activities To Make Easter More Joyful
  Holy Week Prayers to Prepare for Your Heart for Easter
- Journey to the Cross Devotional

# Diocese of Tucson Notifications



IT NOT TO LATE...TOGETHER WE CAN SAVE CATHOLIC EDUCATION AND IT WILL NOT COST YOU A DIME!

Find out how you can help save Catholic education through Arizona's Catholic Tuition Support Organization (CTSO). Please pick up a brochure in the vestibule that will explain how you can get a dollar-for-dollar tax credit or visit the CTSO website at www.ctso-tucson.org. Make your contribution by April 15, 2023, for the 2022 tax year

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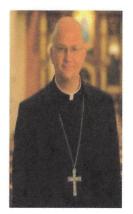
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# World Day of the Sick Mass

Most Rev. Edward J. Weisenburger, J.C.L. Principal Celebrant



ARIZONA'S

Anointing of the Sick Blessing of Caregivers Petitions to Our Lady of Lourdes

Saturday, February 25th 10:30 AM

St. Thomas the Apostle 5150 N. Valley View Rd. Tucson, AZ 85718



ASH WEDNESDAY

40 Days of Lent Begins

#### An Ash Wednesday Prayer

Cimighty and Merciful God, Ash Wednesday marks the first day of the holy season, Lent. I ask that it be a time for reflection of myself and a time of renewal for my faith.

During these forty days, let me be aware of the needs of others and of our church. By self-examination, prayer and fasting, allow me to repent for the sins that I have committed and regret any sign of contempt that I have shown towards those who differ from me.

Let these weeks leading up to Good Friday and the glory of Your Resurrection show me how much You suffered for me and how much You love me. Grant that these ashes, remind me of my own mortality and the realization that only through You can I receive everlasting life.

In Your Name I pray

Amen.

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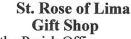
MAY GOD REBUKE HIM, WE HUMBLY PRAY,
AND DO THOU, O PRINCE OF THE HEAVENLY HOSTS,
BY THE POWER OF GOD, THRUST INTO HELL SATAN,
AND ALL THE EVIL SPIRITS, WHO PROWL

ABOUT THE WORLD SEEKING THE RUIN OF SOULS.

AMEN.

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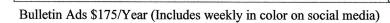
My Jesus, I believe that You are present
in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



In the Parish Office

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# Dear Padre,

I am wondering why Ash Wednesday is sometimes in February and sometimes in March. Who decides when Lent begins, and why is it always different?

The beginning of Lent is determined by the date of Easter. which is a movable feast, unlike Christmas, which is always on December 25. Easter falls on the first Sunday following the first full moon of spring. The first Sunday of Lent is six weeks before, and the Wednesday before the first Sunday of Lent is Ash Wednesday.

This subject has caused division in the Church since the second century, because the Eastern Church and the Western

during this Lent for the unity of Christians everywhere.

Church had different calendars. So, the calculations of the first full moon of spring differed and therefore the date

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of Easter and Ash Wednesday were different. Sometimes on a calendar you will see both Easter and Orthodox Easter listed on different Sundays. It is hard for most of us to appreciate why the differences between East and West are so important. Remember the prayer of Jesus, that we all may be one. We can honor our Lord's desire for unity and pray

Go to *DearPadre.org* to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

MONDAY February 20 Weekday Sir 1:1–10	<b>TUESDAY</b> February 21 <i>Weekday</i> Sir 2:1–11	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> February 22 Ash Wednesday Jl 2:12–18	<b>THURSDAY</b> February 23 St. Polycarp, Bishop and	FRIDAY February 24 Friday after Ash Wednesday	SATURDAY February 25 Saturday after Ash Wednesday	SUNDAY February 26 First Sunday of Lent
Mk 9:14-29	Mk 9:30-37	2 Cor 5:20—6:2 Mt 6:1–6, 16–18	Martyr Dt 30:15–20 Lk 9:22–25	ls 58:1–9a Mt 9:14–15	Is 58:9b-14 Lk 5:27-32	Gn 2:7-9, 3:1-7 Rom 5:12-19 or Rom 5:12, 17-19 Mt 4:1-11



#### A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

If we want to call ourselves Christians, this is the only way; there is no other. Having been loved by God, we are called to love in return; having been forgiven, we are called to forgive; having been touched by love, we are called to love without waiting for others to love first....

HOMILY IN BARI (ITALY), FEBRUARY 23, 2020

