

*March 3, 2024*  
*The Third Sunday of Lent*



*O, Mary  
Conceived  
without sin,  
Pray for us who  
have recourse to  
Thee!*

*Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church*

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# Parish Information

## Deacons:

Reverend Mr. Rick Valencia

Reverend Mr. Tom Adams (retired)

**Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Office**—520-586-3394

Office Hours - Monday - Friday 9:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Please call ahead if you wish to visit with Father Martin

Office Secretary: Peggy Leichty

Office Assistant/Finance: Jennifer Morse

Office Assistant/Compliance: Liz Rutherford

Custodian: Gerald Nelson

For Sacramental Preparation, including:

**Baptism, Religious Education,  
Quinceañeras, Marriage or to schedule a Confession,**  
please call the Parish Office.



## List of Ministry Leaders

### Board of Directors

**President, Fr. Martin Atanga,**

Secretary, Helen Garcia, Treasurer: Al Cesarz

### Finance Council

**Chairman, Dan Garcia,** Secretary, De Wilson

Assistant Secretary, Melissa Tibbitts,

Bookkeeper, Vita Baker-Luna

### Parish Pastoral Council

**Tom Stevenson Chairman, Helen Garcia Secretary**

• **DRE**

**Peggy Leichty and Ray Ruiz—Assistant DRE**

• **Eucharistic Ministers**

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**Marie Smith**

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**Marie Smith**

• **Parish Alive**

**Jennifer Morse**

• **Renovation & Repair**

**Dan Garcia and Kirby Wilson**

• **I.T.**

**Rich Leichty and Matt Brewster**

• **Vocations**

**Greg Mayer and Donna Mayer**

• **St. Joseph, the Worker  
Ministry**

**Dan Garcia**

# **Stations of the Cross Fridays at 5:00 p.m. throughout Lent**

## **REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE**

**SATURDAY 5:00 p.m.**

**SUNDAY 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.**

*Communion Service while Father Martin is away*

**TUESDAY 6:00 p.m.**

**WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY 8:00 a.m.**

**Holy Days of Obligation: Mass at 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.**

**Benediction every Friday following the 8:00 a.m. Mass/Communion Service**

## **CONFESSIONS**

**SATURDAY 4:30 p.m.**

**OR BY APPOINTMENT (call the office)**

## **An Act of Spiritual Communion**

**(for those unable to physically receive Communion)**

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.

## **Scam Alert**

**If you are contacted by anyone claiming to be from the Diocese or Our Lady of Lourdes asking for money or gift cards, please confirm the contact's identity with the Diocese at 520-838-2500 or Our Lady of Lourdes office at 520-58-3394.**

## **What are the Scrutinies?**

The Scrutinies are three special rites that help prepare the Elect, those participating in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), to enter the Catholic Church. They take place during the period of RCIA formation known as Purification and Enlightenment, near the end of their formation. The purpose of the Scrutinies is "to uncover, then heal all that is weak, defective, or sinful" in the hearts of the Elect and to "strengthen all that is upright, strong, and good." These Scrutinies will take place during the third, fourth, and fifth Sunday of Lent during the 8:00 a.m. Mass (at OLOL).

## **The Brother Box/Coffee and More**

**There are those in our community who sometimes need a little help. The Brother Box/Coffee and More funds have been very helpful in supporting our Parish to help meet this need. The box is located in the front of the church on the left in front of the choir loft. The biggest needs recently are for people who have emergency medical appointments and do not have the money to buy gas to get there, and for travelers or others who are hungry and need some assistance. We are grateful for your support.**

## Weekend Mass Intentions

**Saturday March 2, 2024**

**5:00 p.m.**

† Richard Little by Phyllis Little  
† Poor Souls in Purgatory

**Sunday March 3, 2024**

**8:00 a.m.**

Pro Populo

**10:30 a.m.**

† Edgardo Nazario de la Fuente, Erlinda Espiritu, Jaime Quirino Jr, and Jaime Quirino Sr. by Victoria Quirino

**Saturday, March 9, 2024**

**5:00 p.m.**

† Tom and Anne Schmidt by Deacon Ron and Paula Desmarais  
† Nick Frega by Mom  
† Tony Guerra by the Stevensons

**Sunday, March 10, 2024**

**8:00 a.m.**

Pro Populo

**10:30 a.m.**

† Tom and Anne Schmidt by Deacon Ron and Paula Desmarais



## The intentions of the Holy Father for the month of March 2024

### For the new martyrs

We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

## TODAY'S READINGS

**Sunday, March 3, 2024**

**(according to the Ordo)**

**First Reading:** Ex 20:1-17 *The law was given through Moses*

**Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 19:8-11 *"Lord, you have the words of everlasting life"*

**Second Reading:** 1 Cor 1:22-25 *We proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to many, but to those who are called, the wisdom of God*

**Gospel:** Jn 2:13-25 *Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up*

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK of March 4, 2024

**Monday:** 2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Pss 42:2-3, 43:3-4; Lk 4:24-30

**Tuesday:** Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4bc-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35

**Wednesday:** Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19

**Thursday:** Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23

**Friday:** Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11b, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34

**Saturday:** Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21b; Lk 18:9-14

## February 25, 2024 Collection Summary

### Parish Funds

Parish Offertory \$2,937.72

Facilities Maintenance Fund \$51

Brother Box \$170

Candles \$48

Ash Wednesday \$1

### Funds collected to be sent out

Catholic Relief Services \$10.30

## Upcoming Events

- **The Knights of Columbus** Arizona State Council Annual Drawing to Support Local Charities Raffle Tickets have arrived. The Knights of Columbus will be out in front of the Church beginning Saturday January 20<sup>th</sup> after Mass (and after all the Masses until May 5<sup>th</sup>) offering tickets for donations for a chance to win from 10 Prizes, beginning with first place of \$10,000. The Council designates the Parish to be the recipient of the proceeds.
- **The American Red Cross Blood Drive is this Monday March 4<sup>th</sup>.** All donors please arrive 15 minutes prior to your appointment and hydrate properly. If you have forgotten your appointment time or need to amend it, please call 520-559-1809. The Logan De Rosier Council of the Knights of Columbus express their most sincere gratitude to all donors for your life saving gift. Thank You
- **NEXT FIESTA MEETING:** There will be a Spring Fiesta meeting on Monday, March 4th at 5:30 p.m. in the Monsignor Rosettie Hall. All are welcome to attend. We're always looking for fresh new ideas and help will be needed as always. There are five weeks left until the Fiesta. There will be pizza!
- **Fiesta News: April 6, 2024** - Donations request for Spring Fiesta (yard sale): Items could be lightly used, almost new. There will be no pickup available. All donations will be received on Thursday, April 4 and Friday, April 5, 2024, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., at the Msgr. Rosettie Hall. Thank you for your support of our parish. **More Fiesta News:** Fiesta **raffle tickets** are available outside the Church. Purchasing the tickets is a fun way to help make the Fiesta a success. The **Fiesta T-Shirt** Sign up sheet is at the back of the Church. Don't forget to get your order in.

## Prayer for Vocations

Loving and generous God, we need more vocations to the priesthood. Send us faith-filled servants to minister as dedicated and loving priests in the Diocese of Tucson. Inspire us with your Holy Spirit so that we will encourage and foster a culture of vocations in which many will hear your call to serve your people. Bless our Diocese with men and women who will work together with your priests as deacons, religious, and lay ministers to bring to life the Gospel and to realize the Church's mission in our Diocese. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

For those who may be curious (after reading the article on the back of the bulletin), these are the **Spiritual works of Mercy** :

1. To instruct the ignorant;
2. To counsel the doubtful;
3. To admonish sinners or correct those who err
4. To bear wrongs patiently;
5. To forgive offences willingly;
6. To comfort the afflicted;
7. To pray for the living and the dead.

**CTSO TIME: Together we can save Catholic Education...and it won't cost you a dime! Under Arizona law, taxpayers may contribute their tax liability to a parochial school. This cost you nothing and you receive a dollar-for-dollar tax credit against your Arizona income tax liability. Your dollars can go to the State of Arizona or to support Catholic education through CTSO. Brochures are in the vestibule or visit [ctso-tucson.org](http://ctso-tucson.org) for online giving. Make your contribution by April 15, 2024 for the 2023 tax year.**

## Saints and Special Observances

**Monday:** St. Casimir  
**Thursday:** Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs  
**Friday:** St. John of God, Religious  
**Saturday:** St. Frances of Rome, Religious

The Diocese of Tucson invites you to stay in touch with the Diocese via your phone and/or email.

Every week the diocese publishes the New Outlook, our local newsletter with links to news, events, and so much more! To sign up, you can text DOT-NEWS to 84576 or go to <https://news.diocesetucson.org/subscribe>  
*Please note: the instructions at the bottom of this page for the OLOL flocknotes remain the same. The above link will connect you to the weekly Diocesan newsletter.*



### **Parish Alive**

When a need arises in our community, as parishioners, we are blessed with the responsibility to do what we can to fulfill that need. Parish Alive is an opportunity to demonstrate our commitment and love to one another, our neighbor.

### **We Care Pregnancy Center**

We Care Pregnancy Center of Benson Arizona is a free pregnancy resource center. They offer compassionate, confidential resources to those who are in a crisis pregnancy situation. They also are a resource for families in our community providing support with diapers, clothing, formula, parenting classes etc. This organization is strictly pro-life and does not promote abortion or provide referrals to abortion clinics. For more information please visit their website [www.wecarebenson.com](http://www.wecarebenson.com). *If you would like to donate items to “We Care”, you may leave them at the church and the office staff will deliver them. Or - you can deliver them yourself!*

**OUTREACH**—Flocknotes are text messages and a way of sharing information about things that are out of the ordinary—for example, if for some reason the church was unable to open, we would send out a Flocknote. Flocknotes are also used for reminders of important things happening. They are short and to the point. To sign up for Flocknotes please call the office and leave your name and phone number. The office staff will add you to our “flock”.

### **Saint Joseph, the Worker Ministry**

Just as St. Joseph took care of Mary and Jesus and worked throughout his life to provide for them, we begin a new Ministry in honor of St. Joseph, the Worker. Members will dedicate their work to St. Joseph while maintaining the grounds surrounding the Church property. Please consider if you feel called to help out on a scheduled basis with the grounds maintenance and/or with projects that need to be completed around the Parish properties. Touch base with Dan Garcia (520) 444-1339.

### **Lighthouse**

Adult and Family Religious reading resources are available in the back of the church (on the right hand far side as you exit) for small donations. They explore anything from one topic to an entire review of a relevant subject. Please have a look every once in a while to see if there is a topic that interests you or if new materials have been added, as this happens frequently!

### **St. Vincent de Paul Society, St. Bernadette Conference, Benson, AZ**

**(520) 586-9438 Maggie Montijo, President**  
**Case Management Phone number is 520-686-1489**  
**(for assistance) Please leave a message!**

Thrift Store Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Tuesday-  
Thursday-Friday and Saturdays

Closed Sundays, Mondays and Wednesdays

The St. Vincent de Paul Thrift store is located at 181 Patagonia Street. (corner of 5th Street and Patagonia Street across from G & F Pizza.)

*The Thrift Store Volunteers thank you for your support!*

## Knights of Columbus Logan De Rosier Council #7521

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

<http://www.ololparish.org/kofc/index.htm>

Meetings are the 2nd Wednesday of each month @ 6:30 p.m. in the Monsignor Rosettie Hall.

All Knights and visiting Knights are encouraged and welcome to attend. Any practicing Catholic gentleman 18 or older wishing to join the Knights of Columbus may contact the membership drive director S. K. Dan Garcia - 520-444-1339 for more information.



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

Mass Intentions upon Father Martin's return.

Father Martin is expected to return this weekend. Please note that we will resume scheduling weekday Masses for the week beginning March 10. We will resume scheduling weekday Mass Intentions for the week beginning Monday, March 11, 2024.

For those curious about the 7 Spiritual Works of Mercy—They are as follows:

1. To instruct the ignorant;
2. To counsel the doubtful;
3. To admonish sinners or correct those who err
4. To bear wrongs patiently;
5. To forgive offences willingly;
6. To comfort the afflicted;
7. To pray for the living and the dead.



Please review this list and let the Office Staff know of any changes or additions that are needed.

Please Pray for Our Men and Women in the Military and their Families

**ARMY:** Brian Curd, Chris Krug, Matthew Lawrence, Richard McMillian, Tommy Montijo, Benjamin Nolting, Richard Matthew Simpson CPT, Colby Tigges, Joseph James Simpson ENS, Quentin Tigges, Kenal Hestand, Matthew Castagno, Joseph Agay, Nicholas Pecina, Andrew Pecina, Jared Romero, Hannah Amavisca, Norman Richard Scroggins, Gordon Molina, Nicolas Amavisca, Faith Daniels

**MARINES:** Anthony Contreras, Antonio Agay, Eddie Zazueta, Jordan Sanud, Jerry Gordo, Rolando Carrillo Jr, Gabriel Contreras, Gabe Osuna, Popeye Contreras, Rolando Carrillo II

**AIR FORCE:** Miss Alyx Lynn, Sean Lynn, Matthew Nolting, Stefan Olivas, Richard Restorff, Sabrina Moore, Annissa Daniels, Brayden Moore

**COAST GUARD:** Steve Macias, Justin Vivian

**AIR NAT'L GUARD:** Ryan Erskine

**NAVY:** Bradley Maxwell Jonathan Martell II, Eddy Sisneroz, Dylan Bernal, Steven Coauetto, Jake Thoutt, Mackenzie Kirkpatrick, Devin Vivian, Daniel Kaleb Wenrick, Tatianna Quezada, Randy Suprenant

**Space Force:** Nicole Flint - Space Force Guardian

## What are the 7 Corporal Works of Mercy?

The Catholic Church has always preserved the teaching of Christ that both faith and works are important in living out our faith. We prove our faith by imitating Jesus' good works and His command to serve one another—and by living out our values in real, practical ways. When He told the story of separating the sheep from the goats on the day of judgement, He said to the sheep, "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me" (Matthew 25:40). The goats were those who did not perform these works of mercy. Thankfully, the Catholic Church provides us with a summary of the works of mercy to help us serve the least of Christ's brethren. The Catechism of the Catholic Church defines these works of mercy as "charitable actions by which we come to the aid of our neighbor in his spiritual and bodily necessities."

We have the **spiritual works of mercy** (works that help a person's soul) and also the **corporal works of mercy** (works that provide for someone's physical needs).

The seven **corporal works of mercy** are:

1. **Feed the hungry**
2. **Give drink to the thirsty**
3. **Shelter the homeless**
4. **Visit the sick**
5. **Visit prisoners**
6. **Bury the dead**
7. **Clothe the naked**



We can do corporal works of mercy in both small and large ways. Sometimes our daily lives get so busy that we can't spend the day volunteering at a homeless shelter, or we can't afford large donations to alleviate many people in poverty. That's when we find small ways to administer the corporal works of mercy. We can stop by a hospital or nursing home to say hello to a lonely patient or buy a meal for a homeless person on the street. Even giving just five dollars to a local charity counts! These simple acts can make a great difference. St. Catherine of Sienna's famous quote is a great reminder of the good God can do through you; "Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire." (From Get Fed and the Catholic Store)

### Online Giving Now Available!

Visit Our Lady of Lourdes Giving Page at [www.osvhub.com/ololparish/giving/funds](http://www.osvhub.com/ololparish/giving/funds), scan the QR code below, or visit [ololparish.com](http://ololparish.com). View upcoming collections, set reminder notifications, make one time gifts or set up recurring offerings, view and / or download tax statements at any time. Safe, secure, and easy. Make offerings to all collections or use it for mass intentions, religious articles, brother box, etc. You can set up your account or simply give as a guest. If you would like assistance or have any questions regarding online giving, please contact Jennifer Morse at the parish office.



### Religious Articles

**Stop in to the office to see the available religious articles for donation or purchase.**  
**Available during office hours.**

### Website Updates

Please visit our website for new updates that include a message from Pope Francis, online giving, bulletins, and introducing a Parish Calendar under the Parish News tab. You may add to the Parish Calendar by emailing the office at [olol@ololparish.com](mailto:olol@ololparish.com).

