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SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 2026



EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ALL WE HAVE.

MATTHEW 14:17

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St Ann's Parish & Its Missions

Our Mission Statement

**As a Roman Catholic Church in the Diocese of Tucson,
our mission is to spread the word of God. Our mission is to promote peace, love and unity
to all the people of our community.
The doors of Saint Ann's Parish and Its Missions
are open to all who wish to enter.**

Pastor

Rev. Joseph Esson

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Summer Office Hours:

Monday– Tuesday–Thursday
9:00 to 1:00 p.m.
Wednesday 10:00 to 1:00 p.m.
Friday 9:00 to 12:00 p.m.

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Sacrament of Penance & Reconciliation

Please contact the parish office



St . Ann's Parish

Saturday at 5:00 p.m.
Sunday's at 9:00 a.m.

Assumption Chapel

Sunday at 11:00 a.m.

St Ferdinand's

Sunday at 1:00 p.m.

Weekday Mass

Every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday &
Friday at 9:00 a.m.

Entrance Antiphon

○ God, come to my assistance;
○ Lord, make haste to help me!
You are my rescuer, my help;
○ Lord, do not delay.

Communion Antiphon

You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven,
endowed with all delights and sweetness in every taste.

Prayer after Communion

Soul of Christ, sanctify me; Body of Christ, save me;
Blood of Christ, inebriate me;
Water from the side of Christ, wash me; Passion of
Christ, strengthen me;
O good Jesus hear me; Within your wounds hide me;
separated from you, let me never be; From the evil
one protect me; At the hour of my death, call me;
And close to you bid me; That with your saints,
I may be praising you forever and ever. Amen.

Announcements/Events from St Ann's & Dioceses



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament St. Ann's Parish

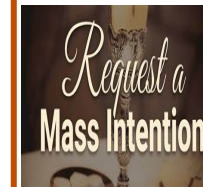
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is held
on the **1st and 3rd Thursdays** of each
month from **4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

All are welcome to come and spend time in
prayer before the Lord.



Important Reminder

Once you have received the host in your
hand, Please **do not** step to the side
and then consume it. You **must**
consume the host **in front** of the
Eucharistic Minister before heading
back to your seat.



Mass Intentions

The practice of requesting a Mass to be offered for loved ones, living or
deceased, is a beautiful and meaningful part of our Catholic tradition. Contin-
uing this long-standing practice, you may remember someone who has
died—whether recently or many years ago. Mass intentions are not only for
the deceased. They also make thoughtful and prayerful gifts for special
occasions such as birthdays, anniversaries, or in thanksgiving for prayers
answered.

To request a Mass intention, please call or visit the parish office. Mass intentions are \$10.00 each.

All Mass intentions must be submitted **at least one week prior to the Mass date** in
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08/02/26 Henry Martinez[†] STA

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July 25 &26

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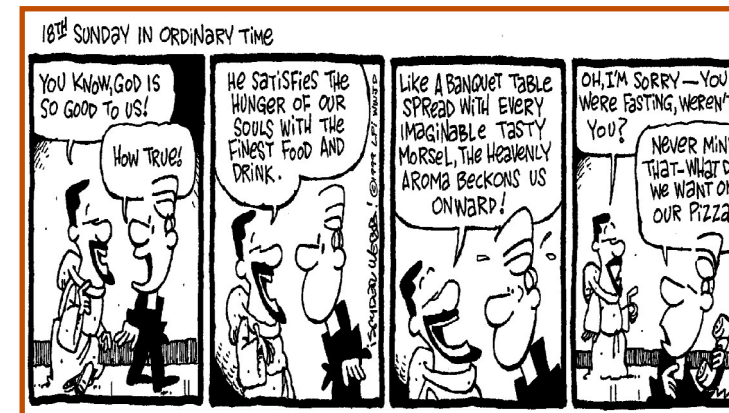
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vulnerable. If the abuse happened in the Diocese of Tucson,
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520-623-0344
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Homebound Communion

For All St Ann's & Its Mission
Parishioners
that are in need of
Homebound Communion brought to them, must first
contact the Parish Office and make the proper
arrangements. 520-398-2646



Announcements/Events from St Ann's & Dioceses

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

Registration for the 2026–2027 Religious Education Program is now open.

Parents are invited to stop by the parish office Monday through Thursday to register their children.

Please bring the following documents when registering:

•Child's Birth Certificate

•Copies of any Sacrament Certificates previously received (Baptism, First Holy Communion, etc.)

Returning Families:
If your child attended our Religious Education program last year, you only need to review and update your existing records.

To help us prepare class rosters and materials, please complete your registration by Wednesday, August 05, 2026.

If you have any questions, please contact the parish office. We look forward to another wonderful year of growing together in faith!

REGISTRATION OPEN!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

BACK TO SCHOOL

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Supply Tree

Help Our Religious Education Students Start the Year Ready to Learn!
Our Religious Education program is preparing for another wonderful year of sharing the Catholic faith with our children, and we need your help!

Beginning this weekend, you will find a Back-to-School Tree in the back of the church. Each card on the tree lists an item that our Religious Education students and classrooms need.

YOU MAY ALSO CHOOSE TO:

SPONSOR A STUDENT'S REGISTRATION \$35.00 per student

MAKE A MONETARY DONATION to support our Religious Education Program.

Your generosity helps provide our children with the materials they need to grow in faith, knowledge, and love of Christ.

Help Pay for a Registration \$35.00 per student

Monetary Donation Any amount is greatly appreciated!

PLEASE RETURN ALL DONATED SUPPLIES to the church or the parish office.

Thank you for supporting the children of our parish!
"Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it..."
PROVERBS 22:6

Notebook Paper

Pencils

Crayons

Construction Paper

Water Bottles

Other Classroom Supplies

Monetary Donation

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

everyone born in the month

AUGUST

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18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

HIS HEART WAS MOVED WITH PITY FOR THEM.

The Eucharist is the sacrament of love: it signifies love, it produces love

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

Respect

TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

August Week 1

Monday:
INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK — When Jesus multiplied the loaves and fishes, he didn't create only what was needed — there were leftovers that could be saved and shared again. God is lavish in bestowing His grace upon us. He always gives enough to share.

Tuesday:
QUESTION OF THE WEEK —
In the first reading this past weekend, Isaiah speaks of the Lord's invitation to all to join in His feast of rich food and drink without cost. To whom can you show generosity to this week?

Wednesday:
Virtues, EXPLAINED!
Respect, wrote the theologian Fr. Romano Guardini, is the “everyday form of reverence.” It is an admiration of the sacredness of a thing, and so respect for those made in God's image flows naturally from our primary respect for God himself's discernment.

Thursday:
Today is the Feast of the Transfiguration of Jesus. Take time to meditate on Christ's spiritual transformation and shining divinity. You could pray:
"Lord, please transform my heart and mind to better love Your word and commandments."
<Insert any special parish information for this feast day here.>

Friday:
At Mass this weekend, we'll learn about how Peter musters the courage to step out onto the water when Jesus calls him. What are some fears the Lord could help you face?

See you at Mass!

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:
Thus says the LORD:
All you who are thirsty,
come to the water! (Is 55:1)

Psalm:
The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs. (Ps 145)

Second Reading:
For I am convinced that neither death, nor life,
nor angels, nor principalities,
nor present things, nor future things,
nor powers, nor height, nor depth,
nor any other creature will be able to separate us
from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Rom 8:38-39)

Gospel:
Taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven,
he said the blessing, broke the loaves,
and gave them to the disciples,
who in turn gave them to the crowds. (Mt 14:19)

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Live The Liturgy

Inspiration of the Week

When Jesus multiplied the loaves and fishes, he didn't create only what was needed — there were leftovers that could be saved and shared again. God is lavish in bestowing His grace upon us. He always gives enough to share.

Observances for the week of August 2, 2026

- Sunday:

Tuesday:

Wednesday:

Thursday:

Friday:

Saturday:

Next Sunday:
- 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. John Vianney, Priest

The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major

The Transfiguration of the Lord

St. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs; St. Cajetan, Priest

St. Dominic, Priest

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Virtues, Explained!

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Blessing of God's Provision

Dear God,
Thank You for the ways You have always provided in the past, and be with us in these days as well. Bless our community — every family, every home, every person entrusted to our parish's care. Provide for our needs — bodily, emotional, financial, mental, and spiritual — in Your holy and sacred name.
Amen.

(PRACTICING)
CATHOLIC

The Miracles We Don't See

“Why aren’t there miracles anymore?”

I’ve heard people say this more than once. Usually, it is someone who is a believer in Christ but not a Catholic, because Catholics understand that miracles happen at every Mass, to say nothing of the other miracles the Church recognizes. But even some Catholics often find themselves wondering why it’s been so long since God gave us a good show. A good sundance in the sky. A good, flashy reason to believe.

I don’t know what it looked like when the loaves and the fishes were multiplied. I believe it happened, and I have envisioned it often, but I just can’t picture it. Did everyone blink and there was a giant pile of food? Did they just keep finding more? Was it all the same kind of bread, or did Jesus mix it up?

I think the Gospel is deliberately vague on this to test the patience of pathologically nosy people like myself. It’s not important what it looked like. If those details mattered, they would be spelled out in Scripture.

How often we find ourselves unsatisfied with the answers God has for us.

I wonder if that’s what Christ was thinking when he savored those last few minutes of solitude on the boat, where he had gone to be alone after hearing the crushing news of his cousin’s execution. Was he imagining the crowds gathering on shore? Was he contemplating their enormous expectations for God — for him! — and anticipating their disappointment when every wish could not be granted?

Maybe. But that’s not what the Scripture says.

“His heart was moved with pity,” we are told. I think of him looking at them all, so weary and uncertain and hungry. Pity — this is what he felt. Not resentment, exhaustion or frustration. Pity. And his precious heart was moved.

What a miracle. No details, no explanation. No dancing sun. But what a miracle.

— Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that?
Catholic Life Explained

Question:

If God is eternal and infinite, how can He have a mother? Why don’t we call Mary just the mother of Jesus?

Answer:

The title of “Mary, Mother of God” can be confusing. We aren’t implying that Mary existed from eternity or that she is divine herself. We aren’t promoting some kind of Marian superpowers. The Church has fought for this title throughout the centuries for one simple reason: Christ’s identity is at stake.

As the Church grew in the early centuries, theologians wrestled with what it meant for Jesus to be both God and man. Many distortions of his identity began to emerge. One of these was propagated by a man named Nestorius. Nestorius and his followers denied that Jesus’ human nature and his divine nature were inseparable. Following that logic, Mary could have only conceived Jesus’ *human* nature. But people don’t give birth to a “nature.” They give birth to a whole person. For Jesus, his whole person is both human and divine. In 431 A.D. the Council of Ephesus denounced Nestorius. The bishops affirmed that Jesus is both fully human and fully divine and proclaimed Mary *Theotokos*. Translating the Greek to English, that means “God-bearer.” Note that this isn’t “God-generator” or “God-creator.” Mary bore Jesus, God and man, in her womb and gave him birth. She is mother to the whole person, the whole Jesus, and therefore Mother of God.

Readings for the week of
August 2, 2026

Sunday:
Is 55:1-3/Ps 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18/
Rom 8:35, 37-39/Mt 14:13-21

Monday:
Jer 28:1-17/Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102/
Mt 14:22-36

Tuesday:
Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21,
29, 22-23/Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday:
Jer 31:1-7/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/Mt 15:21-28

Thursday:
Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/
2 Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9

Friday:
Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Dt 32:35cd-36ab,
39abcd, 41/Mt 16:24-28

Saturday:
Hb 1:12-2:4/Ps 9:8-9, 10-11, 12-13/
Mt 17:14-20

Next Sunday:
1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12,
13-14/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33



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Gospel Meditation
Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

In his song, “Lose Yourself,” the artist Eminem raps, “**the mood all changed.**”

We all know that moment when the mood changes, when life turns from lighthearted to deadly serious. That happens in today’s Gospel. Jesus has just heard that John the Baptist, his cousin, forerunner, and friend, has been murdered. As Matthew tells us, “**When Jesus heard of it, he withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself.**” Until now, he had been teaching in parables and healing quietly. But John’s death signals a new phase. The shadow of the Cross begins to fall. Evil shows its teeth.

And how does Jesus respond? Not with rage or despair. He goes to a lonely place to go into deep communion with his Father. From that silence comes action. He feeds the multitude. Out of grief comes generosity. Out of sorrow, life.

This is the rhythm of every disciple’s life. When tragedy or violence breaks our hearts, we face a choice. We can react, or we can retreat into prayer — like and with Christ. This is the hidden place where pain becomes compassion and compassion becomes self-gift.

Lord Jesus, when life intensifies, draw me into Your quiet strength. In that hidden place with You and the Father, turn my heartbreak into the bread of love for the world. Amen.

— Father John Muir