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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus bent down and began to write on the ground with his finger. But when they continued asking him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." - Jn 8:6b-7

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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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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.

Mass- St Ann's Parish

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

Entrance Antiphon

Give me justice, O God,
and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless.
From the deceitful and cunning rescue me,
for you, O God, are my strength.

Communion Antiphon

Everyone who lives and believes in me
will not die for ever, says the Lord.

Prayer after Communion

We pray, almighty God,
that we may always be counted among the members of
Christ,
in whose Body and Blood we have communion.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever

Announcements/Events from St Ann's & Dioceses

Adoration

Adoration of the blessed
sacrament: Every 1st &
3rd Thursday of each
month, St Ann's Parish.



Adoration Thursday, 4:PM to 6:PM
April 17, 2025 (Holy Thursday)
May 1, 2025

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
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Saturday, May 3 2025
Reparation Mass at 9:00 AM followed by
Rosary and prayers
Come and Join Us!
St Ann's Parish



THE SEVEN LAST WORDS
OF CHRIST

1. "Father forgives them for they do not know what they do." (Lk. 23:34)
2. " Truly. I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise." (Lk. 23:43)
3. " Woman, behold your son". " Behold, your mother". (Jn. 19:26-27)
4. " My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" (Mt. 27:46)
5. " I thirst". (Jn. 19:28)
6. " It is finished". (Jn. 19:30)
7. " Father, into your hands, I commit my spirit". (Lk. 23:46)

WHAT WOULD YOUR LAST WORDS BE?

JOIN OUR COMMUNITY FOR AN EVENING OF
MEDITATION AND REFLECTION ON WHAT THESE
WORDS MEAN IN THE LIVES OF SEVEN PEOPLE IN
OUR COMMUNITY.

Friday, April 11, 2025
3:00 PM at St Ann's Parish

Followed by Stations of the Cross
at 5:00 PM.



Questions of the Week

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

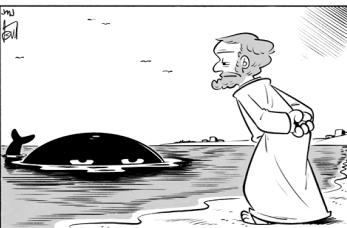
First Reading:
The prophet Isaiah teaches us that the Lord forgets
our sins and offers us a new beginning so that we
might praise him. What could you do today to honor
and praise the Lord?

Second Reading:
Paul tells the believers in Phillipi of his deep desire and
hope to know Jesus and the power of his resurrection.
In what ways have you drawn closer to Jesus during
this season of Lent?

Gospel:
Jesus showed mercy toward the sinful woman when
others were quick to judge her. Is there someone in
your life who you could show mercy over judgment
this week?



"Why couldn't Jonah trust the ocean?"




"Because there was something fishy about it."

PUNCE!
The story of Jonah being swallowed up in the
belly of a whale for three days symbolizes
Christ being in the tomb for three days
before His resurrection from the dead.

Come Join us in praying the
stations of the Cross every
Friday of Lent
5PM at
St Ann's Parish



Station XII
Jesus dies on the cross



The practice of requesting a mass to be offered for loved ones, living or deceased, is a beautiful and wonderful part of our Catholic Tradition. Continuing in this long standing practice, you can remember someone who has died recently or many years ago. But intentions do not have to be just for the dead.


They make beautiful gifts for any special occasion: birthday, anniversary, in thanksgiving for a prayer answered, etc.

You can also offer an intention for †call or come to the parish office to set up a mass intention. Mass intentions are \$10.00 each

All mass intention must be done a week before mass date to be posted in the bulletin.

†Deceased ♥ Health *Special Intention

Weekend of 04/ 05/25 Tom Ferguson † St Ann's
04/06/2025 Earl & Rita Mae Fuhrman Assumption Chapel



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Pope Francis appointed Bishop Emeritus Gerald Kicanas as Apostolic Administrator for the diocese when Archbishop Edward Weisenburger was installed as archbishop of Detroit in March. Bishop Kicanas will guide the church in southern Arizona as we await the appointment of the eighth bishop of the Diocese of Tucson. No one can say when that appointment will come. It will surely be months. Recent experience suggests that it could be more than a year.

Bishop Kicanas has asked us to pray for our next bishop. Here is his prayer:

PRAYER IN PREPARATION FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF OUR EIGHTH BISHOP

Loving and gracious God, bless the Diocese of Tucson with a new shepherd who will be a loving father, a wise teacher, and a holy guide, who will lead us closer to you and inspire us to be missionary disciples intent on healing a broken and divided world.

May the Holy Spirit guide our Holy Father to send us a good shepherd who truly cares for each of us and is attentive to the needs of all in our community.

Lord in your love for us, give us a shepherd who will lead us in being Christ's heart of mercy, voice of hope and hands of justice in our day and in our time.

Throughout our 120 years, Lord, you have abundantly cared for our Diocese with bishops who have nurtured and strengthened us in the faith.


May our eighth bishop continue the work of his predecessors and model for us what it means to be one who serves. We ask this through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.

Yours truly in the Sacred Heart,
Fr. Pat


Join Us.....

April 9, 2025 at 5:PM, St Ann's Parish

There will be several priest available for confessions in both English & Spanish.



Easter Flowers



If you would like to honor a loved one in a special way this Easter season, we are accepting donations to help decorate the Sanctuary.

Your donation may be made **in honor of** or **in memory of** a loved one or friend.

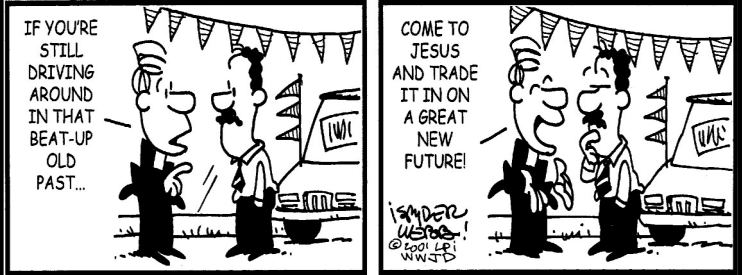
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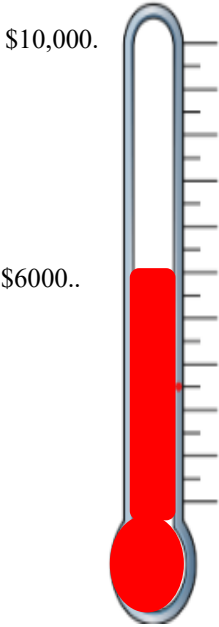
If you would like to donate by cash or check, please use an envelope and fill out the back with the name of your loved one. Be sure to **print clearly** and indicate whether the donation is **in memory of, in honor of,** or for a **special occasion.**

You can drop it in the basket.

5th SUNDAY OF LENT



GOAL!



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We want to extend our heartfelt **thanks** to all our parishioners for their generous contributions to the 144 Envelope Fundraiser. With your kindness and support, we have already raised \$6,000!

We are truly grateful for your continued help as we work toward reaching our goal of \$10,000. Every contribution brings us one step closer, and we deeply appreciate your generosity and commitment to our parish community.

Let's keep the momentum going! Together, we can achieve great things.

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:
Thus says the LORD,
who opens a way in the sea
and a path in the mighty waters. (Is 43:16)

Psalm:
The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy. (Ps 126)

Second Reading:
Just one thing: forgetting what lies behind
but straining forward to what lies ahead,
I continue my pursuit toward the goal,
the prize of God's upward calling, in Christ Jesus. (Phil 3:14)

Gospel:
Then Jesus straightened up and said to her,
"Woman, where are they?
Has no one condemned you?"
She replied, "No one, sir."
Then Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you.
Go, and from now on do not sin any more." (Jn 8:10-11)

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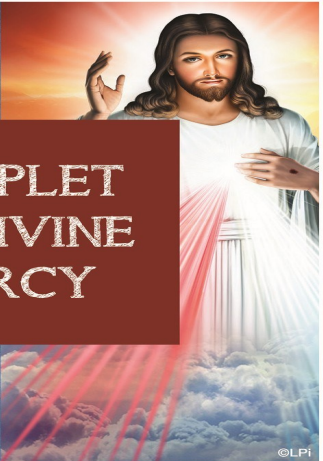
Live The Liturgy

Inspiration of the Week

"Go, and sin no more," Jesus tells the woman caught in adultery. Her life, like ours, has been saved. She, like us, has a chance for a new beginning. So he begs her, and he begs us: be changed by it. Let the mercy transform you. Go, and sin no more.

Observances for the week of April 6, 2025

Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Lent
Monday: St. John Baptist de la Salle, Priest
Friday: St. Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr
Next Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord




CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

Devotions, Explained!

Prayed with an ordinary five-decade Rosary, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy is an intercessory prayer invoking God's mercy on the world, utilizing words drawn from the text of The Diary of St. Faustina Maria Kowalska.

Prayer of Community

O God,
Help us to see each other as
You see us, not by our faults or failings, but by our identity as Your own. Give us Your eyes to see, Your heart to love.
Amen.



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Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of April 6, 2025

Sunday:
Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/
Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11 *Scrutiny:* Ez 37:12-14/
Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom 8:8-11/
Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Monday:
Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Jn 8:12-20

Tuesday:
Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/
Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday:
Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/
Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42

Thursday:
Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59

Friday:
Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/
Jn 10:31-42

Saturday:
Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/
Jn 11:45-56

Next Sunday:
Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/
Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/
Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14-23:56 or 23:1-49



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Gospel Meditation Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

“The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery and made her stand in the middle” (John 8:3).
Why do they make her stand in the middle? Why not expose her on the periphery? The reason is something that affects us practically every day.

The center is what stabilizes a community’s identity. We humans tend to center ourselves around an accused and condemned victim — though we rarely admit it. This renews our fragile communities and our power as those who weaponize the accusation. This is effective because it is often a victim who represents something truly dangerous for the group. In this case, adultery stands for the breakdown of a community and those within it, because it forces questions like: who is my father? Whose child is this? Is this child one of us, or that of an outsider? The accusers place the adulteress in the center because their community, like most, is built around turning an enemy into a victim.

Once you understand this, you’ll see it almost anywhere humans group together (families, politics, workplaces, sports, schools, etc.). The good news is Jesus exposes this dynamic by deftly pointing out the sin-infected hearts of everyone besides the woman. They all leave, symbolizing the breakdown of the old order, and she is **“left alone before him.”** A new community has begun, structured around the merciful love of Christ.

What is in your center? What is in the center of our parish and family communities? Strive to center on Christ’s forgiveness, and we experience the new, lasting community we call the Church.

— Father John Muir

Liturgical Life

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

Mini Reflection: Too often, we don’t care about righteousness or truth. We just care about being right. We have a terrible tendency to see only decisions, and in doing so we dehumanize the people behind them. But when God looks at us, he sees more than the worst decisions we’ve ever made.

The Allure of Being Right
It wasn’t a real question.

“The law of Moses says we should stone her. What do you say?” the Pharisees asked Jesus as they brought the adulterous woman before him. But they weren’t *really* asking. They didn’t care what Jesus’ answer was. They didn’t ask his opinion because they wanted to know. They asked because they wanted to use his words against him.

Righteousness, truth — that wasn’t the goal. The goal was being right.

And in the middle of the whole scene, dragged before Jesus, used as a literal prop in this staged drama, is a woman. A real flesh-and-blood woman.

I find myself wanting to know more about her. She had been “caught in the act,” they claimed, but I wonder what that even means. With whom was this act committed, and what were the reasons for her participation in it? Was she coerced? Was she scared? Was she confused? Was it really a cut-and-dry, black-and-white situation of adultery, of lust, of making the wrong decision?

We will never know the answers to these questions, and it doesn’t matter — it’s not our business. God knows the answers. God knows the truth of the matter: what she did, what she chose, what she felt. Because she wasn’t a prop to Him. She was a person.

When God looks at us, he sees more than the worst decisions we’ve ever made.

I worry that we use one another as props even today, when we try like the Pharisees to illustrate “What is Right.” We have a terrible tendency to see only decisions, and in doing so we dehumanize the people behind them.

Too often, we don’t care about righteousness or truth. We just care about being right.

— Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:
If someone is interested in becoming a priest, how does he go about it?

Answer:
Discerning a vocation can happen in any number of ways. It might come as a surprise to the person called or to family or friends. Sometimes it is a gradual process, and other times it is as quick and bright as lightning. Regardless of how it starts, a vocation to the priesthood or religious life requires a process of discerning, testing, and preparing. The best place to begin would be with lots of prayer, receiving the sacraments, and attending daily Mass whenever possible. Then talk to your pastor or a priest you know and trust. Your diocese may have a vocation director who can provide you with guidance and information. The Serra Club is also a great resource for information and contacts to help you discern if indeed God is calling you.

Remember that many young Catholic men have considered the priesthood. Some are ordained and others realize this is not their calling. However, we are all called to be of service to others as we practice our faith. These are extraordinary times in which we live, and they require an extraordinary witness to faith and to God’s presence in the world. Our work, our ministry as Catholics, is to be the body of Christ with and for others. The Church needs priests. If God calls you to ordained service in the church, He will provide the grace, direction, and support you need. Just listen and respond with all your heart, mind, and soul.