



## Santa Cruz Roman Catholic Church

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**“Go your way;  
your faith has saved you.”**

-Mark 10:52



OCTOBER 27, 2024 • THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### Mission Statement:

*“We, the members of Santa Cruz Parish, diverse in culture and traditions, united with the Body of Christ and guided by the Holy Spirit, follow Christ through faithful witness and discipleship in family and community.”*

*“Nosotros, los miembros de la Parroquia de Santa Cruz, diversa en cultura y tradición, unidos con el Cuerpo de Cristo y guiados por el Espíritu Santo, seguimos a Cristo a través del testimonio fiel y discipulado en familia y comunidad.”*

### Masses / Misas

#### Saturday Vigil Mass

5:30 p.m. - English

#### Sunday / Domingo

6:30 a.m. - English

8:00 a.m. - Spanish

10:00 a.m. - English

12:00 noon - English

6:00 p.m. - English

#### Monday - Friday

#### Lunes - Viernes

6:30 a.m. - English

8:00 a.m. - English

#### Saturday / Sábado

8:00 a.m. - English

### Confessions / Confesiones

#### Friday / Viernes

6:00 p.m.

#### Saturday / Sábado

3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

### Eucahristic Adoration

Every Friday

3:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

### Parish Office / Oficina

Monday - Friday

Lunes - Viernes

8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.



#### Pastor:

Rev. Marcos C. Velásquez

#### Parochial Vicar:

Rev. Simon Muema, S.D.S.

#### In Residence:

Rev. Showri R. Narra

#### Deacon:

Rev. Mr. Ernesto Lujan

## **Message from the Pastor . . .**

Dear Parishioners of Santa Cruz Parish,

This coming Friday is a holy day of obligation for us. November 1st is All Saints Day, a day in which the Church celebrates “the festival of your city, the heavenly Jerusalem, our mother, where the great array of our brothers and sisters already gives You eternal praise (*All Saints Preface*). Why should we celebrate this feast day? The following is from a sermon by St. Bernard:

“Why should our praise and glorification, or even the celebration of this feast day mean anything to the saints? What do they care about earthly honors when their heavenly Father honors them by fulfilling the faithful promise of the Son? What does our commendation mean to them? The saints have no need of honor from us; neither does our devotion add the slightest thing to what is theirs. Clearly, if we venerate their memory, it serves us, not them. But I tell you, when I think of them, I feel myself inflamed by a tremendous yearning.

“Calling the saints to mind inspires, or rather arouses in us, above all else, a longing to enjoy their company, so desirable in itself. We long to share in the citizenship of heaven, to dwell with the spirits of the blessed, to join the assembly of patriarchs, the ranks of the prophets, the council of apostles, the great host of martyrs, the noble company of confessors and the choir of virgins. In short, we long to be united in happiness with all the saints. But our dispositions change. The Church of all the first followers of Christ awaits us, but we do nothing about it. The saints want us to be with them, and we are indifferent. The souls of the just await us, and we ignore them.” (*Sermo 2: Opera omnia, Edit. Cisterc. 5 [1968], 364-368.*)

The next day, November 2nd, is All Souls’ Day, a day in which the Church calls us to pray for the souls of our brothers and sisters who died in God’s grace but still have to be purified from attachment to sin and atone for the temporal punishment due to sin. We pray for the souls in purgatory on this day in a special way, but every day the Church prays for our brothers and sisters who are in need of our prayers and sacrifices. There will be two Masses on Saturday, at 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon. On this day we will also begin a Novena for the Poor Souls in Purgatory at all the Masses.

These feast days remind us of the dogma of the Communion of Saints, which is the Church. Death does not bring an end to our relationships as brothers and sisters in Christ. We continue as a community of faith and love. Let us not forget to pray for the souls in purgatory and to follow the example of the Saints, being inspired to be like them as they were like Jesus Christ.

In Christ,  
Fr. Velásquez

## **Mensaje del Párroco . . .**

Estimados Feligreses de la Parroquia de Santa Cruz,

El próximo viernes es para nosotros día de precepto. El 1 de noviembre es el Día de Todos los Santos, día en el que la Iglesia celebra “la fiesta de tu ciudad, la Jerusalén celestial, nuestra madre, donde la gran multitud de nuestros hermanos y hermanas ya te rinden alabanza eterna” (*Prefacio de Todos los Santos*). ¿Por qué debemos celebrar esta fiesta? Lo que sigue es un sermón de San Bernardo:

“¿Qué significado tiene para los santos nuestra alabanza y glorificación, o incluso la celebración de esta fiesta? ¿Qué les importan los honores terrenos cuando su Padre celestial los honra cumpliendo la fiel promesa del Hijo? ¿Qué significado tiene para ellos nuestro elogio? Los santos no tienen necesidad de honores de nuestra parte, ni nuestra devoción añade nada a lo que es suyo. Es evidente que si veneramos su memoria, nos sirve a nosotros, no a ellos. Pero os digo que cuando pienso en ellos, me siento inflamado por un tremendo anhelo.

“El recuerdo de los santos nos inspira, o más bien nos suscita, sobre todo, el deseo de gozar de su compañía, tan deseable en sí misma. Anhelamos participar de la ciudadanía del cielo, habitar con los espíritus de los bienaventurados, unirnos a la asamblea de los patriarcas, a las filas de los profetas, al concilio de los apóstoles, a la gran multitud de los mártires, a la noble compagnía de los confesores y al coro de las vírgenes. En una palabra, anhelamos estar unidos en la felicidad con todos los santos. Pero nuestras disposiciones cambian. La Iglesia de todos los primeros seguidores de Cristo nos espera, pero no hacemos nada al respecto. Los santos quieren que estemos con ellos, y nos mostramos indiferentes. Las almas de los justos nos esperan, y las ignoramos.” (*Sermo 2: Opera omnia, Edit. Cisterc. 5 [1968], 364-368.*)

El día siguiente, 2 de noviembre, es el Día de los Fieles Difuntos, un día en el que la Iglesia nos llama a orar por las almas de nuestros hermanos y hermanas que murieron en gracia de Dios pero que aún tienen que ser purificados del apego al pecado y expiar el castigo temporal debido al pecado. Oramos por las almas del purgatorio en este día de una manera especial, pero todos los días la Iglesia ora por nuestros hermanos y hermanas que necesitan nuestras oraciones y sacrificios. Habrá dos misas el sábado, a las 8:00 a.m. y al mediodía. En este día también comenzaremos una Novena por las Almas del Purgatorio en todas las Misas.

Estos días festivos nos recuerdan el dogma de la Comunión de los Santos, que es la Iglesia. La muerte no pone fin a nuestras relaciones como hermanos y hermanas en Cristo. Continuamos como una comunidad de fe y amor. No nos olvidemos de orar por las almas del purgatorio y de seguir el ejemplo de los santos, inspirándonos a ser como ellos, como ellos fueron como Jesucristo. En Cristo,  
Padre Velásquez



“Yes, I am willing to spend one hour weekly with Jesus, who is truly present in the Blessed Sacrament.”

*“Sí, estoy dispuesto a pasar una hora semanal con Jesús, quien está verdaderamente presente en el Santísimo Sacramento.”*

## **Eucharistic Adoration Every Friday**

**3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

3:00 p.m. - Exposition

3:00 p.m. - Divine Mercy Chaplet

**6:00 p.m. - Confessions**

6:00 p.m. - Rosario

7:00 p.m. - Rosary

8:00 p.m. - Benediction

## **All Soul's Day**



## **ALL SOULS' DAY MASS**

The Diocese of Tucson Catholic Cemeteries invites you to the **annual ALL SOULS' DAY MASS at Holy Hope November 2, 2024 at 8:30 AM**. Please join us for a day of prayer and remembrance of all our faithful departed. ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND

## **Anointing of the Sick**

The Anointing of the Sick is available upon request for the faithful who are seriously ill, before major surgery, or advanced age. Please call the parish office (520) 623-3833 to make an appointment.

Sunday Collection - October 19 - 20, 2024

Sunday Collection:	\$5,603.58
On-Line Giving:	\$460.80
Total Sunday Offertory:	\$6,064.38

**Diocesan Collection:**  
(World Mission: \$1,134.64)

**Weekly Expenses:**  

Income:	\$6,064.38
*Expenses:	-\$6,000.25
	\$64.18

\*Weekly operation expenses include utilities, payroll, maintenance and insurance.

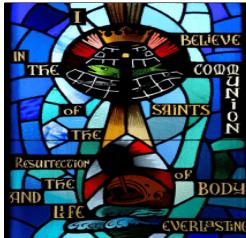
Your generous donations are greatly appreciated and are definitely needed. Thank you and God bless!

The Santa Cruz Adult Faith Formation will be offering a Symbolon Class every Thursday from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Everyone is invited to attend and bring a Catholic Bible and journal.



**Adult Faith Formation  
Symbolon Calendar**

DATE	CLASS	TITLE
10/31		NO CLASS
11/7	9	MARY AND THE SAINT Our Spiritual Mother 7 The Communion of Saints
11/14	10	THE LAST THINGS What Happens After We Die?



**ALL SAINTS DAY**  
**November 1**

**ALL SOULS DAY**  
**November 2**

**All Saints Day, Holy Day of Obligation**  
**Día de Todos Los Santos**  
**Día de Fiesta de Obligación**

Mass Schedule:  
Thursday, October 31st  
6:30 p.m.  
Friday, November 1st  
6:30 a.m.  
8:00 a.m.  
6:30 p.m. Español

**All Souls' Day Remembrance**  
**Conmemoración del Día de los Fieles Difuntos**

Mass Schedule:  
Saturday, November 2nd  
8:00 a.m.  
12:00 noon

A Novena of Masses will be prayed for all of our departed loved ones beginning Saturday, November 2nd through Thursday, November 10th.

*The office will be closed on Friday, November 1st for All Saints Day.*

Se rezará una novena de misas por todos nuestros seres queridos fallecidos a partir del sábado, 2 de noviembre hasta el jueves, 10 de noviembre.

*La oficina estará cerrada el viernes, 1 de noviembre en observación de todos los Santos.*



Grupo Guadalupano of Santa Cruz will be selling breakfast this Sunday, October 27, after the 6:30 a.m., 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. morning Masses. They will be serving:  
\$8.00 - Menudo  
\$10.00 - Combination Plate  
\$3.00 - Burritos: chorizo with egg or papas  
\$1.00 - Coffee, Soda, Pan Dulce  
The proceeds of this breakfast event will go towards the continued renovation of the Chapel of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Thank you for your cooperation and generosity.

El Grupo Guadalupano de Santa Cruz estará vendiendo desayunos este domingo, 27 de octubre, después de las Misa de la mañana. Acompáñennos y disfrute de compañerismo y buena comida. Gracias por su cooperación y generosidad.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL # 14139,  
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# THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

**NOVEMBER 2 - 22, 2024**



**Donations Needed**

**Frozen Turkeys, Bags of Potatoes, Canned Vegetables/Fruits, Boxes of Stuffing, Pasta and Sauces, Gravy, Frozen Pies**

**How Can You Help!**

The Knights of Columbus of Santa Cruz are preparing to pack and deliver our annual Thanksgiving food boxes to families in need. We kindly invite you and your family to participate in this charitable effort. Please consider donating food items by placing them in the designated food drive boxes located inside the church and in the patio areas. Any contributions you can make are greatly appreciated! Thank you for your generosity, and may God bless you always!





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Grave plots for sale...  
in prime location facing Prince  
Road  
Holy Hope Catholic Cemetery in  
Tucson, Arizona—Section 8 North  
(close to office and under  
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### Fiesta de La Familia 2025

Each year our church has the Fiesta de la Familia fundraising event that brings our community together to assist in raising funds for the various needs of the church.

This year the Santa Cruz Fiesta Committee is in need and would like to request the assistance of volunteers. If you are interested, please attend our first fiesta meeting on Wednesday, October 30th at 5:30 p.m. Thank you for your time and we hope to see you there.

Cada año nuestra iglesia disfruta el evento de la Fiesta de la Familia para reunir a nuestra comunidad y para ayudar a recaudar fondos para diversas necesidades de la iglesia.

Este año el Comité de la Fiesta los necesita y le gustaría solicitar la ayuda de voluntarios. Si está interesado, asista a nuestra primera junta el miércoles, 30 de octubre a las 5:30 p.m. Gracias por su tiempo y esperamos verlo allí.



Join us for our Youth Group  
meeting **every Sunday** in  
the Carmelite Hall.

**Time: 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.**

New Parishioners are  
Always Welcome!  
Register using forms available in the church.  
**Baptisms:** Information on our Website.  
**Matrimony:** Please call at least six months  
in advance.

**Felizres Nuevos**  
**Siempre son Bienvenidos!**  
Regístrate usando los formularios disponibles  
en la iglesia.  
**Bautismos:** Información en Sitio Web.  
**Matrimonio:** Por favor de llamar con seis  
meses de anticipación.



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### Mass Intentions



#### Saturday, October 26th

- 8:00 a.m. In Honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus/  
In Memory of Carlos & Lily Contreras/R.I.P.  
5:30 p.m. Lionel Wells/R.I.P.

#### Sunday, October 27th

- 6:30 a.m. Santa Cruz Parishioners  
8:00 a.m. Edwin Jonathan Gutierrez/R.I.P.  
10:00 a.m. Juan Amaro/R.I.P.  
12:00 noon Special Int./Victor & Deborah Basurto & Boys  
6:00 p.m. Special Int./Victor & Deborah Basurto & Boys

#### Monday, October 28th

- 6:30 a.m. Special Int./Daniel & Carolina Villascuesa  
8:00 a.m. In Honor of St. Jude/In Memory of  
Carlos & Lily Contreras/R.I.P.

#### Tuesday, October 29th

- 6:30 a.m. Special Int./Joshua & Antoinette Scales & Family  
8:00 a.m. Lionel Wells/R.I.P.

#### Wednesday, October 30th

- 6:30 a.m. Special Int./Joe & Melina Tafoya & Family  
8:00 a.m. Special Int./Estevan & Skylar Rodriguez & Family

#### Thursday, October 31st

- 6:30 a.m. Special Int./Petra Villascuesa  
8:00 a.m. Special Int./Daniel Gabriel Villascuesa

#### Friday, November 1st, All Saint's Day

- 6:30 a.m. Special Int./Michael & Dani Nicholls & Family  
8:00 a.m. Carlota Duran Romero &  
Pedro Estrada Romero/R.I.P.  
6:30 p.m. In Honor of All Saints