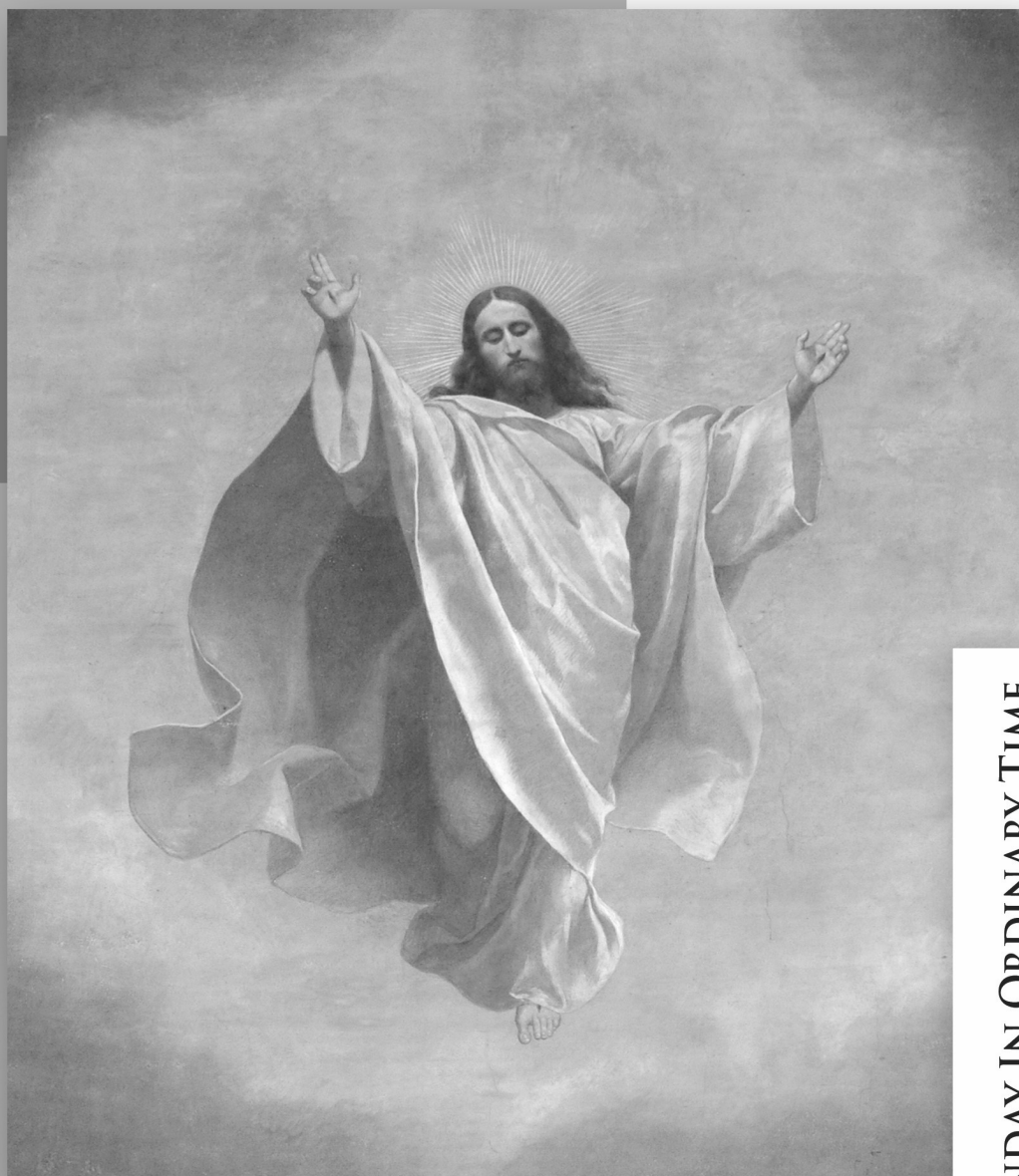




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Jesus said to his disciples,  
“And then they will see  
‘the Son of Man  
coming in the clouds’  
with great power and glory.”

MARK 13:26

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## Reflection for the 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

At this time we are approaching the end of the Liturgical year; next Sunday, November 21<sup>st</sup>, will be the feast of Christ the King and the last Sunday of the current Liturgical year. The following Sunday, November 28<sup>th</sup> is the First Sunday of Advent and the beginning of a new year in the Liturgy.

The readings at Mass during these final days of the year focus considerably on the end of times, on the last judgement but also on the anxieties of the present age. It is not easy to separate one from another so it is no wonder that people think that the end of the world is near. Jesus links the two together

***“Amen I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place”.***

This surely reminds us that each generation has its share of trials, persecutions, anxieties, and fearful happenings that can disturb us but that can also inspire us to put all our trust in the Lord Jesus, our Savior and the Savior of mankind.

Who of us does not wonder about what is happening in the Covid 19 pandemic, climate change, ongoing wars and poverty, and even our western democratic system of governing. We question all these, and as well we are often devastated by personal losses in marriage, in the priesthood, and in lives cut down by violence, drug addiction, and suicide.

Jesus too, in His Sacred Humanity knew well about injustice, abuse of power, violence, and foresaw persecution and even the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem. How do we make sense of all these events? How did the Lord deal with them in His own life? We cannot close our eyes to them or smile our way through them. The death and Resurrection of Jesus which we celebrate at every Mass is a powerful antidote to our feelings of helplessness and towards our tendency to disassociate ourselves from reality.

The image of the fig tree in today's gospel seems, at first sight, to be out of place. It puts a happy, positive, and hopeful note on our darkest reflections and fears - “When its branch becomes tender and sprouts leaves, you know that summer is near”. (Confer chapter 11 for the account of the barren fig tree and how it withered after Jesus cursed it – verses 12-14 and 20-21).

We find comfort in the words and actions of our beloved Savior, **“Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away”**. Let us renew our faith and trust in His words that enlighten us, set us free, and nourish our hearts and lives in every age and every situation...

He is **“the Way, the Truth and the Life”**.

~Fr. David Costello, O.C.D.

**A Novena of Masses for our Faithfully Departed** will be offered by Fr. Jose Luis Ferroni, O.C.D. from El Carmelo Retreat House from November 15<sup>th</sup> to November 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please write your beloved's names in the book of remembrance and deposit an envelope with your donation in the candle box inside the church.

El Padre Jose Luis Ferroni ofrecerá una **Novena de Misas para nuestros Fieles Difuntos** de la Casa de Retiro en El Carmelo, CA del 15 al 23 de noviembre. Por favor, escriba los nombres de sus seres queridos en el libro de recuerdos y deposite un sobre con su donación en la caja de velas adentro de la iglesia.



The Annual Catholic Appeal – Our **parish goal is \$40,340**, currently we have **collected \$13,080** that is (32% of our goal). We only have 3 months to try and reach at least 50% of our goal, which would be \$7,090, the **Deadline is December 31<sup>st</sup>**. Please prayerfully consider making your pledge to help us meet our parish goal. Thank you and God bless you.

**Text ACA to 41444 ~ OR ~ visit [www.cathfnd.org/donate](http://www.cathfnd.org/donate)**

Campaña Católica Anual – Nuestra **meta parroquial es \$40,340**, actual hemos **colectado \$13,080** esto es el (32% de nuestra meta). Solo tenemos 3 meses para tratar de alcanzar al menos el 50% de nuestra meta, que sería \$7,090, **antes del 31 de diciembre**. Por favor oren y consideren hacer su compromiso para ayudarnos alcanzar nuestra meta. Gracias y que Dios los bendiga.

## Safe Environment Program

### **Santa Cruz Compliance Announcement**

Ministry Leaders and all Ministry Volunteers!  
Santa Cruz Volunteers that did **not complete** the new 3-in-1 Safe Environment Training please call the parish office as soon as possible

The link to the Diocese of Tucson Safe Environment site is <https://tucson.cmgconnect.org>

¡Líderes y todos los Voluntarios de Ministerios!  
Todos los voluntarios de Santa Cruz que **no completaron** el nuevo Programa de Ambiente Seguro 3 en 1 por favor de llamar a la oficina parroquial lo más pronto posible.

El enlace al sitio de Ambiente Seguro de la Diócesis de Tucson es <https://tucson.cmgconnect.org>

Compliance Office 623-3833

### **HOLY HOUR**

Please join us for a Holy Hour in  
Honor of Saint Joseph with  
Evening Prayer and Exposition of the  
Blessed Sacrament every  
Wednesday from 5:00 pm to 6:00  
pm in the church.



### **Religious Education**

Call the Religious Education Office at  
882-9687 Monday to Saturday 8am to 1pm for  
more information.



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**Closed for lunch** 12:45pm - 1:45pm

Pastor: Rev. Stephen Watson, O.C.D.  
In Residence: Rev. Jose Luis Ferroni, O.C.D.  
In Residence: Rev. David Costello, O.C.D.

## *Mass Intentions*

### **Saturday, November 13th**

**8:00am** In Thanksgiving to Saint Joseph

**5:30pm** Deceased Family Members of the Estrada  
Family & Richard & Angie Rodriguez/R.I.P.

### **Sunday, November 14th**

**6:30am** Santa Cruz Parishioners

**8:00am** Special Int./Dr. Manuel Bedoya & Family

**10:00am** Susana Rodriguez & Tilly Cardenas/R.I.P.

**12:00pm** Special Int./Fr. Eugene Mary of the Trinity, O.C.D.

**6:00pm** In Thanksgiving to Saint Joseph

Special Int./Margaret Dillon & Family

**8:00am** In Thanksgiving to Saint Joseph

Ernie & Julia Felix/R.I.P.

**8:00am** Fernando Pina/R.I.P.

In Thanksgiving to the Guardian Angels

**8:00am** Special Int./Albert Felix & Family

Maria Teresa Gonzalez/R.I.P.

**8:00am** Special Int./Edward Felix & Family

In Thanksgiving to the Guardian Angels

**8:00am** Special Int./Michael Cummins & Family

3rd Domingo de cada Mes

Capilla de Guadalupe

8:00 am

Misa Carmelitana



**Parish Collection November 7th, 2021**

**Collection: \$ 5,128.33**

*Thank you and God bless your generosity!  
¡Gracias y que Dios bendiga su generosidad!*

**New Parishioners: Always welcome!**

Please register by using our forms available in the church.

**\*Please note that the 12 noon Mass is following full COVID protocols:**  
social distancing, masks required and distancing in pews

**Masses: Sun. 6:30 am, 10 am, \*12 noon & 6 pm**

**8 am Spanish at Capilla de Guadalupe (409 E. 31st Street)**

Mon. - Fri. 8:00 am, Sat. 8 am & 5:30 pm (Vigil)

**Confession:** Sat. 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm

**Baptisms:** Call the parish office for more information / Llame a la oficina parroquial

**Matrimony:** Please call at least six months in advance.

*Por favor de llamar con seis meses de anticipación.*

Parish Administrative Assistant: Hada Reyes (520) 623-3833

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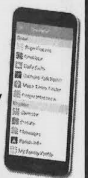


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