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November 21st, 2021 • Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Pilate said to him, "Then you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say I am a king. For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

On the last Sunday of the liturgical year, we celebrate the **Feast of Christ the King**. It is a recent addition to our Roman Catholic calendar. It was instituted in 1925 by Pope Pius XI in response to growing secularism and nationalism in the aftermath of World War I. (Before the renewal of the liturgical calendar, Christ the King was celebrated on the last Sunday of October). The first monument in honor of Christ the King in Arizona was erected at Holy Family Parish the same year, 1925, by the Discalced Carmelite Friars.

Pope Pius XI introduced the Feast of Christ the King by means of an encyclical letter. In the letter of the Pope, he wrote: "Many evils in the world are due to the fact that the majority of people had thrust Jesus Christ and his holy law out of their lives; that these had no place either in private affairs or in politics." Further on he says, Our Lord reigns "in the hearts of men," both by reason of the keenness of his intellect and the extent of his knowledge, and because he is very truth, and it is from him that truth must be obediently received by all humankind. Finally, addressing the laity, his encyclical says, "The faithful, moreover, by meditating upon these truths, will gain much strength and courage, enabling them to form their lives after the true Christian ideal."

After the Mexican Revolution, the largest conflict in Mexican history, a new Constitution practically outlawed the Catholic Church. A period of peaceful resistance to the enforcement of the anticlerical provisions of the Constitution by Mexican Catholics unfortunately brought no result. Thus began an armed resistance. The government called the "rebels" *Cristeros* since they invoked the name of Jesus Christ under the title of "Cristo Rey" or *Christ the King*. The Catholic Church has recognized several of those killed in the Cristero War as martyrs, including Blessed Miguel Pro, a Jesuit who was shot dead without trial by a firing squad on November 23, 1927. His feast day is this week, November 23, the day he of his execution.

One of the central meditations of the *Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola* is The Call of Christ the King. Ignatius calls us to ponder the call of an earthly king and his stirring speech as he inspires his citizens to join him on a noble campaign for a just cause. Then St. Ignatius asks us to turn our minds to Christ, who also has called us to suffer hardships with Him before entering into glory with Him. He wants to bring the good news to all people, but this campaign will bring with it many difficulties. At the conclusion of the meditation, Ignatius has a prayer to help us make our own response to the call of Christ the King:

Eternal Lord of all things, in the presence of Thy infinite goodness, and of Thy glorious mother, and of all the saints of Thy heavenly court, this is the offering of myself which I make with Thy favor and help. I protest that it is my earnest desire and my deliberate choice, provided only it is for Thy greater service and praise, to imitate Thee in bearing all wrongs and all abuse and all poverty, both actual and spiritual, should Thy most holy majesty deign to choose and admit me to such a state and way of life.

What is Jesus saying as He calls you? What happens when you ponder these words? What is the response you want to give to Him?
Viva Cristo Rey.

Let us journey together in faith, ~Fr. Stephen

Give thanks

*to the Lord, for
He is good; His love
endures forever.*

Psalms 107:1



Thanksgiving Day Masses

Thursday, November 25th

8:00 am & 10:00 am in the Church

The parish office will be closed

Thursday & Friday,

November 25th & 26th

in observance of Thanksgiving.

Misas del Día de Acción de Gracias

Jueves, 25 de Noviembre

**8:00 am y 10:00 am adentro
de la Iglesia**

La oficina parroquial estará cerrada el
jueves 25 y el viernes 26 de noviembre
en observación del Día de
Acción de Gracias.



The Annual
Catholic Appeal –
Our parish goal
is **\$40,340**,
currently we
have **collected**

\$16,435 that is (41% of our goal).

We only have a little over 5 weeks
to try and reach at least 50% of
our goal, which would be \$3,735.

The Deadline is December 31st.

Please prayerfully consider making
your pledge to help us meet our
parish goal. Thank you and God
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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.



Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 20th

8:00am Special Int./Gilbert Aguayo & Family
5:30pm Fredrick Joseph/R.I.P.

Sunday, November 21st

6:30am Santa Cruz Parishioners
8:00am Mary Magdalene/R.I.P.
10:00am Special Int./Michael & Ana Abeyta & Family
12:00pm Oscar & Frank Leon/R.I.P.
6:00pm Special Int./Ernie Aguayo & Family

Special Int./Nellie Morales

8:00am Delma Bustamante Huggins/R.I.P.

Special Int./Thomas Carta

8:00am In Honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus/
Int. Nieves Ortiz & Family

Special Int./Wayne Scott & Family

8:00am Special Int./Jim Click & Family

In Thanksgiving to the Virgin Mary/Special Int. Khoi Tran

8:00am Special Int./Rick Murray & Family

Special Int./Irene Acuna & Family

8:00am In Thanksgiving to Our Lord Jesus Christ/
Int. Reyes Family

3rd Domingo de cada Mes
Capilla de Guadalupe

8:00 am

Misa Carmelitana



Parish Collection November 14th, 2021

Collection: \$ 4,834.74

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

Most Rev. Edward J. Weisenburger
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Sign up for Flock Notes text [santacruzaz](https://tucson.cmgconnect.org) to 84576

Business Hours Monday - Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm

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

Pastor:
In Residence:

Rev. Stephen Watson, O.C.D.
Rev. David Costello, O.C.D.

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)

Confessions: 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

Religious Education: Martin Doe, Director (520) 882-9687

Santa Cruz Catholic School: (520) 624-2093

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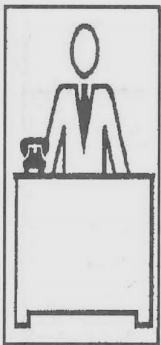
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