

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

Santa Cruz Roman Catholic Church

1220 S. 6th Avenue • Tucson, AZ 85713

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus observed how the crowd put money into the treasury.

Many rich people put in large sums.
A poor widow also came and put in two small coins worth a few cents.

Mark 12:41-42



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A Parish in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Tucson

Message from the Pastor ...

Dear Parishioners of Santa Cruz Parish,

It is with great sorrow and sadness that we must recognize that Proposition 139, the proposition that amends the Arizona State Constitution to allow abortion at any time during pregnancy and for any reason was approved by the Arizonans by 61.25% (1,555,124 votes) in favor and 38.75% (984,059 votes) against, (*Ballotpedia.org*). We have voted to legalize the murder of children in the womb of their mothers. The amendment even allows for murdering the baby if it survives the abortion, "*The measure also provides for the right to an abortion after, fetal viability if it is done to protect the life, physical, or mental health of the pregnant individual, in the judgment of a treating health care professional.*" How should we as Catholics respond to this legalization of sin in our state?

When Jesus Christ dies upon the Cross, He dies for the sins of all humanity. It is in the Holy Cross that we find redemption and salvation. It is to the Holy Cross that we must go and beg the mercy of God upon us. Doing reparation is to repair. We are called to do reparation and join in the sacrifice which the Lord Jesus offered to our Heavenly Father on our behalf.

"Reparation is a theological concept closely connected with those of atonement and satisfaction, and thus belonging to some of the deepest mysteries of the Christian Faith. This satisfaction was made adequately to God by the Sufferings, Passion, and Death of Jesus Christ, made Man for us. By voluntary submission to His Passion and Death on the Cross, Jesus Christ atoned for our disobedience and sin. He thus made reparation to the offended majesty of God for the outrages which the Creator so constantly suffers at the hands of His creatures. We are restored to grace through the merits of Christ's Death, and that grace enables us to add our prayers, labors, and trials to those of Our Lord "and fill up those things that are wanting of the sufferings of Christ" (*Colossians 1:24*). We can thus make some sort of reparation to the justice of God for our own offences against Him, and by virtue of the Communion of the Saints, the oneness and solidarity of the mystical Body of Christ, **we can also make satisfaction and reparation for the sins of others,**" (*Catholic Encyclopedia*, <https://www.newadvent.org/cathen/12775a.htm>).

The cries of the children in the womb are being heard by God, even if we refuse to hear those cries. I encourage you to embrace doing some acts of reparation for the sin of legalizing abortion. We must not allow the forces of death and sin to prevail. We must join the Lord Jesus in offering spiritual sacrifices in reparation for our sins and for the sins of others.

In Christ,

Fr. Velásquez

Mensaje del Párroco ...

Estimados Feligreses de la Parroquia de Santa Cruz,

Es con gran pesar y tristeza que debemos reconocer que la Proposición 139, la propuesta que enmienda la Constitución del Estado de Arizona para permitir el aborto en cualquier momento durante el embarazo y por cualquier razón fue aprobada por los Arizones con un 61,25% (1,555,124 votos) a favor y un 38,75% (984,059 votos) en contra (*Ballotpedia.org*). Hemos votado para legalizar el asesinato de niños en el vientre de sus madres. La enmienda incluso permite asesinar al bebé si sobrevive al aborto. "*La proposición también establece el derecho a un aborto después de la viabilidad fetal si se realiza para proteger la vida, la salud física o mental de la embarazada, a juicio de un profesional de la salud que la atienda.*". ¿Cómo debemos responder como católicos a esta legalización del pecado en nuestro estado?

Cuando Jesucristo muere en la Cruz, muere por los pecados de toda la humanidad. Es en la Santa Cruz donde encontramos redención y salvación. Es a la Santa Cruz a donde debemos acudir para implorar la misericordia de Dios sobre nosotros. Hacer reparación es reparar. Estamos llamados a hacer reparación y a unirnos al sacrificio que el Señor Jesús ofreció a nuestro Padre Celestial en nuestro nombre.

"La reparación es un concepto teológico estrechamente relacionado con los de expiación y satisfacción, y por tanto perteneciente a algunos de los misterios más profundos de la fe cristiana. Esta satisfacción fue hecha adecuadamente a Dios por los sufrimientos, la pasión y la muerte de Jesucristo, hecho hombre por nosotros. Mediante la sumisión voluntaria a su pasión y muerte en la cruz, Jesucristo expió nuestra desobediencia y pecado. De este modo, hizo reparación a la majestad ofendida de Dios por los ultrajes que el Creador sufre tan constantemente a manos de sus criaturas. Somos restaurados a la gracia por los méritos de la muerte de Cristo, y esa gracia nos permite añadir nuestras oraciones, trabajos y pruebas a las de nuestro Señor "y completar lo que falta de los sufrimientos de Cristo" (*Colosenses 1:24*). "Podemos así hacer algún tipo de reparación a la justicia de Dios por nuestras propias ofensas contra Él, y en virtud de la Comunión de los Santos, la unidad y solidaridad del Cuerpo místico de Cristo, **también podemos hacer satisfacción y reparación por los pecados de los demás**" (*Encyclopedia Católica*, <https://www.newadvent.org/cathen/12775a.htm>).

Los gritos de los niños en el vientre materno están siendo escuchados por Dios, incluso si nos negamos a escuchar esos gritos. Les pido a que acepten hacer algunos actos de reparación por el pecado de legalizar el aborto. No debemos permitir que las fuerzas de la muerte y el pecado prevalezcan. Debemos unirnos al Señor Jesús para ofrecer sacrificios espirituales en reparación por nuestros pecados y por los pecados de los demás.

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

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We are seeking volunteers for seasonal cleaning at the church, once or twice a week. Volunteers must be in compliance here at Santa Cruz. If you are interested please contact the parish office at 520-623-3833

Estamos buscando voluntarios para la limpieza de la iglesia, una o dos veces por semana. Los voluntarios deben estar en cumplimiento con las normas de Santa Cruz. Si está interesado, comuníquese con la oficina parroquial al 520-623-3833.



Santa Cruz Religious Education

(520) 882-9687

Office Hours

Monday - Friday

8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday

8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

The Religious Education Confirmation students and Godparents will be processing in and attending the 12 noon Mass on Sunday, November 17th.

Please pray for them.



Sunday Collection - November 2 - 3, 2024

Sunday Collection:	\$4,972.20
On-Line Giving:	\$515.39
Church Maintenance:	\$1,132.85
All Saints Day:	\$850.46
All Souls Day:	\$585.00
Total Sunday Offertory:	<u>\$8,055.40</u>

Weekly Expenses:

Income:	\$8,055.40
Expenses:	-\$6,000.25
	<u>\$2,055.15</u>

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

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



Journey with Mary and Joseph – An Advent Parish Mission

Join us for 3 nights on December 2, 3, and 4 from 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m., in the Carmelite Hall, as we journey through Advent

with Mary and Joseph.

Confessions will be offered each night.

El Ministerio de Retiros de Santa Cruz te invita a una Misión de Adviento los días 2, 3, y 4 de diciembre, de 6:30 p.m. a 8:30 p.m. en el Salón Carmelita. Acompáñanos en una jornada de Adviento con María y José. Reserva la fecha e invita a tu familia y amigos.

Se ofrecerán confesiones cada noche.

Carmelite Shrine Committee -

The Shrine Committee has had to reschedule the drawing for the big screen Smart TV until February 15 - unfortunately due to low ticket sales. We very much appreciate and thank you for your continued support.

El Comité del Santuario Carmelita tuvo que reprogramar el sorteo del Smart TV de pantalla grande hasta el 15 de febrero, lamentablemente debido a la baja venta de entradas. Apreciamos y agradecemos mucho su continuo apoyo.

Basket Raffle FUNDRAISER

All proceeds benefit Santa Cruz Parish.
Drawing will be held December 25th, 2024.
Winner not need to be present.

**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!



All Volunteers - Compliance Renewal

We would like to draw your attention to an important matter regarding your compliance certification. It has been 3 years since we started the compliance process through CMG Connect and some of you may have received emails from CMG Connect indicating that your certification is approaching its expiration date. We would like to reassure you that CMG Connect is a legitimate platform utilized by the Diocese of Tucson for initial and renewal compliance certification.

We kindly urge you to renew your certification before its expiration date. Failure to complete the renewal on time will necessitate restarting the application process on the Diocese's website to retain your eligibility as a volunteer. We appreciate your understanding and prompt attention to this matter, as it facilitates a smoother process for all parties involved. Thank you for your continued dedication and support.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please feel free to reach out to Karen Estavillo, our Compliance Officer.

Todos los Voluntarios - Renovación de Cumplimiento

Quisiéramos llamar su atención sobre un asunto importante relacionado con su certificación de cumplimiento. Han pasado 3 años desde que iniciamos el proceso de cumplimiento a través de CMG Connect y algunos de ustedes pueden haber recibido correos electrónicos de CMG Connect indicando que su certificación se acerca a su fecha de vencimiento. Nos gustaría asegurarnos que CMG Connect es una plataforma legítima utilizada por la Diócesis de Tucson para la certificación de cumplimiento inicial y de renovación.

Les pedimos a que renueven su certificación antes de su fecha de vencimiento. Si no completan la renovación a tiempo, deberán reiniciar el proceso de solicitud en el sitio web de la Diócesis para mantener su elegibilidad como voluntario. Agradecemos su comprensión y atención inmediata a este asunto, ya que facilita un proceso más fluido para todas las partes involucradas. Gracias por su continua dedicación y apoyo.

Si tiene alguna pregunta o necesita ayuda, no dude en comunicarse con Karen Estavillo, nuestra Oficial de Cumplimiento.

Support our Parish

Are you interested in advertising your business and promoting your company with a trusted resource that parish families use every day? If you are, please contact Hada Reyes, your bulletin publisher here at Santa Cruz (520-623-3833)



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Tucson, Arizona—Section 8 North
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HOW TO REPORT ABUSE

- Call 911 to make a report.
- If the abuse happened in Arizona, call the Police or Sheriff's Office in the specific area. If the abuse happened in any other state, call the Police or Sheriff's Office in the specific area of that state.
- Call the diocese in which the abuse happened. If the abuse happened in the Diocese of Tucson, call the Victim Assistance Program of the Diocese of Tucson 520-623-0344 or (1-800-234-0344 in Arizona) and/or the Office of Child, Adolescent and Adult Protection of the Diocese of Tucson at 520-838-2513.

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.

SANTA CRUZ CATHOLIC CHURCH
Elijah's Knights
"WITH ZEAL HAVE I BEEN ZEALOUS FOR THE LORD GOD OF HOSTS"
KINGS 19:10

Join us for our Youth Group meeting **every Sunday** in the Carmelite Hall.
Time: **7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.**

2nd Collection Sunday, November 17th will be designated to the 2024 Catholic Campaign for Human Development
Thank you for your generous support.

La segunda colecta del domingo, 17 de noviembre se destinará a la Campaña católica para el desarrollo humano 2024

Gracias por su generoso apoyo



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Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 9th

- 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. Derek Cancino/Happy Birthday

Sunday, November 10th

- 6:30 a.m. Santa Cruz Parishioners
8:00 a.m. Rosemary Hernandez/R.I.P.
10:00 a.m. Daniel Amaro/R.I.P.
12:00 noon Special Intention/Pueblo High School,
Administration & Community
6:00 p.m. Frank G. Garcia/R.I.P.

Monday, November 11th

- 6:30 a.m. Loraine Vega/Happy Birthday
8:00 a.m. Sylvia Valenzuela Gonzalez/Happy Birthday
Mass at Capilla de Guadalupe
7:00 p.m. Liliana Gamboa/R.I.P.

Tuesday, November 12th

- 6:30 a.m. Jose Tolano/R.I.P.
8:00 a.m. Carlos Estrada & Richard Rodriguez/R.I.P.

Wednesday, November 13th

- 6:30 a.m. Fr. Jose Luis Ferroni, O.C.D./Happy Birthday
8:00 a.m. Ralph Lanik/R.I.P.

Thursday, November 14th

- 6:30 a.m. Jose Tolano/R.I.P.
8:00 a.m. Special Intention/Susan Felix & Salem Felix

Friday, November 15th

- 6:30 a.m. Jose Tolano/R.I.P.
8:00 a.m. Special Intention/James Felix & Joe Felix