Santa Cruz Roman Catholic Church

1220 S. 6th Avenue • Tucson, AZ 85713

AUGUST 25, 2024

Twenty-First 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. - 9:00 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

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Message from the Pastor . . .

Ave crux, spes unica. - Hail the Cross, our only hope!

Dear Parishioners of Santa Cruz Parish,

The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross is celebrated every year on September 14th. This is our feast day as a parish family. Bishop Weisenburger will be the main celebrant at the Mass on Saturday at 5:30 p.m., September 14. He will help us offer right and worthy worship to God in thanksgiving for the salvation won for us by Jesus Christ on the Holy Cross. We are fortunate to have in our possession a relic of the True Cross, which will be available for public veneration. Memorial crosses and holy cards will be blessed and distributed to those present for this celebration. We should celebrate this day with special devotion and gratitude.

The day commemorates three events: 1) the finding of the True Cross by St. Helena, 2) the dedication of churches built by the Emperor Constantine on the site of the Holy Sepulchre and Mount Calvary, and 3) the restoration of the True Cross to Jerusalem in 629 A.D., by the Byzantine emperor Heraclius.

According to Christian tradition, the True Cross was discovered in 326 by St. Helena, the mother of the Roman Emperor Constantine the Great, during a pilgrimage she made to Jerusalem. The Church of the Holy Sepulchre was then built at the site of the discovery, by order of St. Helena and the Emperor Constantine, (newadvent.org).

For us here at Santa Cruz Parish, the day will be filled with different activities and events. A car show, music, food, piñatas, and DJ dance. This will be an opportunity for us to come together as the parish family of Santa Cruz and enjoy one another's company and fellowship. It is in celebration that we should give God our thanks and gratitude for the gift of our Catholic faith and for the gift of being part of this parish. I hope that you will be present for the celebration of the Mass of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross on Saturday, September 14 at 5:30 p.m.

In Christ,
Fr. Velásquez

Mensaje del Párroco . . .

Ave crux, spes unica. - ¡Salve Cruz, nuestra única Esperanza!

Estimados Feligreses de la Parroquia de Santa Cruz,

La fiesta de la Exaltación de la Santa Cruz se celebra cada año el 14 de septiembre. Este es nuestro día festivo como familia parroquial. El Obispo Weisenburger será el celebrante principal de la misa del sábado a las 5:30 p.m., el 14 de septiembre. Él nos ayudará a ofrecer adoración digna a Dios en agradecimiento por la salvación ganada para nosotros por Jesucristo en la Santa Cruz. Tenemos la suerte de tener en nuestra posesión una reliquia de la Verdadera Cruz, que estará disponible para la veneración pública. Se bendecirán cruces conmemorativas y estampas sagradas y se distribuirán a los presentes para esta celebración. Debemos celebrar este día con especial devoción y gratitud.

El día conmemora tres eventos: 1) el hallazgo de la Vera Cruz por Santa Elena, 2) la dedicación de las iglesias construidas por el emperador Constantino en el sitio del Santo Sepulcro y el Monte Calvario, y 3) la restauración de la Vera Cruz en Jerusalén en el año 629 D.C., por el emperador bizantino Heraclio.

Según la tradición cristiana, la Vera Cruz fue descubierta en el año 326 por Santa Elena, la madre del emperador romano Constantino el Grande, durante una peregrinación que hizo a Jerusalén. La Iglesia del Santo Sepulcro fue construida en el lugar del descubrimiento, por orden de Santa Elena y el emperador Constantino (newadvent.org).

Para nosotros aquí en la Parroquia de Santa Cruz, el día estará lleno de diferentes actividades y eventos. Una exhibición de autos, música, comida, piñatas y baile con DJ. Esta será una oportunidad para que nos reunamos como la familia parroquial de Santa Cruz y disfrutemos de la compañía y compañerismo de los demás. Es en celebración que debemos agradecerle a Dios por el don de nuestra fe católica y por el don de ser parte de esta parroquia. Espero que esté presente para la celebración de la Misa de la Exaltación de la Santa Cruz el sábado, 14 de septiembre a las 5:30 p.m.

En Cristo,
Padre Velásquez

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.

Registration for Catechism Classes has begun. Call the office to make an appointment to register your child. Information regarding class times will be given to you when you call. **Classes will begin Saturday, September 7th.**

Educación Religiosa

(520) 882-9687
Horas de Oficina
Lunes - Viernes
8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Sábado y Domingo
8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

La inscripción para las clases de catecismo comenzó. Debe llamar a la oficina de Catecismo para hacer una cita para registrar a su hijo. Se le dará información sobre los horarios de clase cuando llame. **Las clases comenzarán el sábado, 7 de septiembre.**

R.C.I.A. Registration

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults for *Baptism/ Eucharist/Confirmation,* RCIA classes at Santa Cruz Parish is beginning soon. Please call for registration or questions.

Programa de formación en la Fe para Adultos

Mayores de 18 años interesados en recibir los sacramentos del Bautismo/Primera Comunión/Confirmación para el Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos.

Sunday Collection - August 17-18, 2024

Sunday Collection:	$6,328.97
Assumption of Mary Offering:	$1,586.39
On-Line Giving:	$ 452.25
Total Sunday Offertory:	$8,367.61

Weekly Expenses:

Income:	$8,367.61
*Expenses:	$6,000.25
	$2,367.36

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

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

Grupo Guadalupano of Santa Cruz will be selling breakfast this Sunday, August 25, after the 6:30 a.m., 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 12 noon Masses. They will be serving:

$8.00 - Menudo
$10.00 - Combination Plate (Tamales, rice and beans)
$3.00 - Burritos: chorizo with egg or papas
$1.00 - Coffee, Soda, Pan Dulce, Semitas
$1.00 - Raspados

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, 25 de agosto, después de las Misas de la mañana. Gracias por su cooperación y generosidad.

Arizona Rosary Celebration
Sunday, August 25, 2024

"Save the Date" for the Arizona Rosary Celebration. This year's Arizona Rosary Celebration will be held this year in Tucson, Saturday, October 26, 2024, and in Phoenix, Sunday, October 27, 2024. We will be honoring Mary under her title, ***Our Lady, Queen of Peace.*** The Tucson Event will be held at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church located at 8650 North Shannon Road, Tucson. The celebration begins at 10:00 a.m. and ends at 12:15 p.m. The Most Reverend Edward Weisenburger will preside. The guest speaker for this year's event will be Father Zachary of the Mother of God, a member of the Society of Our Lady of the Most Holy Trinity (SOLT). Celebrate our 14th year in the Diocese of Tucson and the 49th year of the Arizona Rosary Celebration tradition. You can support the event through advertising. Donation and Advertising forms can be found on the website, www.AzRosary.net. The advertising deadline is September 15, 2024. For more information, contact Dave Chohon at 1945dwc@gmail.com or 520-539-5528.

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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Holy Hope Catholic Cemetery in Tucson, Arizona—Section 8 North
(close to office and under big tree for shade)
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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.

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.

¡Feligreses Nuevos Siempre son Bienvenidos!

Regístrese usando los formularios disponibles en la iglesia.
Bautismos: Información en Sitio Web.
Matrimonio: Por favor de llamar con seis meses de anticipación.

We ♥ love having you as part of our *flock*

Keep in touch with us via email & text

Sign up for Flock Notes:
Text - santacruzaz to 84576

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

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 24th
8:00 a.m. Frank Ahumada, & Manuela & Edisaldo Aguilar/R.I.P.
5:30 p.m. Ignacio & Hilda Vega & Walter Vega/R.I.P.

Sunday, August 25th
6:30 a.m. Santa Cruz Parishioners
8:00 a.m. Carmen Munguia/R.I.P.
10:00 a.m. Susan & Ruben, Sr. Lowe/R.I.P.
12:00 noon Cecilia Valenzuela/R.I.P.
6:00 p.m. Martha Ramirez Meza/R.I.P.

Monday, August 26th
6:30 a.m. Mary Ann Bravo/R.I.P.
8:00 a.m. Cynthia Allen/Happy Birthday

Tuesday, August 27th
6:30 a.m. Herbert Mahl/R.I.P.
8:00 a.m. Rosemarie Rucker/Happy Birthday

Wednesday, August 28th
6:30 a.m. Stephen Kathure/R.I.P.
8:00 a.m. Beatrice Bustamante/R.I.P.

Thursday, August 29th
6:30 a.m. Stephen Kathure/R.I.P.
8:00 a.m. Alex & Lupe Gallego/R.I.P.

Friday, August 30th
6:30 a.m. Stephen Kathure/R.I.P.
8:00 a.m. Maria Galaz/R.I.P.