



Santa Cruz Roman Catholic Church
1220 S. 6th Avenue • Tucson, AZ 85713

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

JULY 21, 2024



THE APOSTLES REPORTED ALL THEY HAD DONE AND TAUGHT. JESUS SAID TO THEM,

“Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while.”

MARK 6:30, 31

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.

Eucharistic 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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A Parish in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Tucson

Message from the Pastor . . .

Dear Parishioners of Santa Cruz Parish,

It was one year ago, on July 1, 2023, that I was officially named as pastor of Santa Cruz Parish taking over from the Discalced Carmelite Friars, who had served, not only at Santa Cruz Parish, but in much of the Diocese of Tucson since they arrived in 1912. I officially arrived as the Carmelite Friars were leaving in August. I want to thank you, the parishioners of Santa Cruz Parish, for making Fr. Simon and myself feel welcome as we took over the pastoral care of the parish. Conscious of the legacy of the Carmelites, I tried to move slowly, respecting the customs and traditions of the parish. I also wanted to take the year to assess the strengths of the parish and the areas that could be improved and discern where new programs, etc., might benefit the parish.

I am grateful to all the parishioners who responded positively to the call to increase your financial support of the parish. It reflects your love and appreciation for what Santa Cruz Parish means to you. It expresses your gratitude to God for providing a parish where the Catholic faith is taught, the sacraments are celebrated and fellowship with family and friends is fostered. While my main focus will always be the worthy and dignified celebration of the Holy Mass and the preaching of the Gospel, I also want to encourage the on going formation of the spiritual life of the people. We need to increase the number of children in the Religious Education Program, as well as the attendance of the youth in the youth group, and we certainly could use more altar servers. People have been asking me when we are going able to offer the Precious Blood at Mass again. I am willing to restore that practice but we will need to double or triple the number of Communion ministers we currently have. There are many areas of the parish life that need to be renewed and revived.

In a couple of weeks we will be having a Ministry Fair (August 3-4), an opportunity to learn more about the different ministries of the parish. This will be an opportunity to consider how you might become more involved in the life of the parish. After each of the Masses that weekend representatives from each parish group and ministry will be on hand in the courtyard with information and to answer any questions you might have.

Developing the ministerial and spiritual life of the parish is one of the most important aspects of the life of a parish but it is not the only one. Administratively speaking, another important area is the maintenance of the physical plant of the parish. Next week I want to address some of the maintenance and updating issues that are facing the parish, as well as plans for future improvements for the parish.

In Christ,
Fr. Velásquez

Mensaje del Párroco . . .

Estimados Feligreses de la Parroquia de Santa Cruz,

Hace un año, el 1 de julio de 2023, fui nombrado oficialmente párroco de la Parroquia de Santa Cruz, en reemplazo de los Frailes Carmelitas Descalzos, que habían servido, no solo en la Parroquia de Santa Cruz, sino en gran parte de la Diócesis de Tucson desde que llegaron en 1912. Llegué oficialmente cuando los frailes carmelitas se iban en agosto. Quiero agradecerles a ustedes, los feligreses de la Parroquia de Santa Cruz, por hacer que el padre Simón y yo nos sintiéramos bienvenidos al asumir el cuidado pastoral de la parroquia. Consciente del legado de los carmelitas, traté de avanzar lentamente, respetando las costumbres y tradiciones de la parroquia. También quise tomarme el año para evaluar las fortalezas de la parroquia y las áreas que podrían mejorarse y discernir dónde nuevos programas, etc., podrían beneficiar a la parroquia.

Estoy agradecido a todos los feligreses que respondieron positivamente al llamado a aumentar su apoyo financiero a la parroquia. Refleja su amor y aprecio por lo que la Parroquia de Santa Cruz significa para ustedes. Expresa su gratitud a Dios por proporcionar una parroquia donde se enseña la fe católica, se celebran los sacramentos y se fomenta la comunión con familiares y amigos. Si bien mi enfoque principal siempre será la celebración digna de la Santa Misa y la predicación del Evangelio, también quiero alentar la formación continua de la vida espiritual de las personas. Necesitamos aumentar el número de niños en el Programa de Educación Religiosa, así como la asistencia de los jóvenes al grupo de jóvenes, y ciertamente podríamos usar más monaguillos. La gente me ha estado preguntando cuándo podremos ofrecer la Preciosa Sangre en la misa nuevamente. Estoy dispuesto a restaurar esa práctica, pero necesitaremos duplicar o triplicar el número de ministros de la Comunión que tenemos actualmente. Hay muchas áreas de la vida parroquial que necesitan ser renovadas y revividas.

En un par de semanas tendremos una Feria de Ministerios (3 y 4 de agosto), una oportunidad para aprender más sobre los diferentes ministerios de la parroquia. Esta será una oportunidad para considerar cómo podría comprometerse más en la vida de la parroquia. Después de cada una de las misas de ese fin de semana, representantes de cada grupo y ministerio de la parroquia estarán disponibles en el patio con información y para responder cualquier pregunta que pueda tener.

El desarrollo de la vida ministerial y espiritual de la parroquia es uno de los aspectos más importantes de la vida de una parroquia, pero no es el único. Administrativamente hablando, otra área importante es el mantenimiento de la planta física de la parroquia. La próxima semana quiero dirigir algunos de los problemas de mantenimiento y actualización que enfrenta la parroquia, así como los planes para futuras mejoras para la parroquia.

En Cristo,
Padre Velásquez



Have you moved? Do you have a new address or phone number? Updating this information helps us serve the Parish more effectively and saves on the cost of returned postage.

Please call the Parish Office at 520-623-3833 to update your information.

SANTA CRUZ COMMUNITY & VOCATIONS COMMITTEE Annual Recruitment Fair Saturday, August 3 & Sunday, August 4 after every Mass:

**5:30 p.m. • 6:30 a.m. • 8:00 a.m.
10:00 a.m. • 12:00 noon • 6:00 p.m.**

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| •Vocations | •Knights of Columbus |
| •Young Adult Group | •Fiesta Committee |
| •Altar Servers | •Grief Support |
| •Lector/EM | •Catechism |
| •Grupo Guadalupano | •Usher |

Santa Cruz Religious Ed.

Registration for Catechism Classes will begin in **August**. Call the Religious Education Office (520) 882-9687, to make an appointment to register your child. Information regarding class times will be given to you when you call. Classes will begin in **September**. The Religious Education Office is open for questions about our Catholic Faith. Give **Martin** a call.

La inscripción para las clases de catecismo comenzará en **agosto**. Debe llamar a la Oficina de Catecismo (520) 882-9687, para hacer una cita para registrar a su hijo. Se le dará información sobre los horarios de clase cuando llame. Las clases comenzarán en **septiembre**. La Oficina de Educación Religiosa está disponible para preguntas sobre nuestra fe católica. **Llamé a Martín.**



Sunday Collection - July 13-14, 2024

Sunday Collection: \$5,050.16
On-Line Giving: \$ 423.11
Total Sunday Offertory: \$5,473.27

Weekly Expenses:

*Expenses: \$6,000.25
Income: -\$5,473.27
Deficit: (\$526.98)

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

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



URSILLO

Calling all Cursillistas
Mark your Calendars
Santa Cruz Parish Ultreya
1220 S. 6th Avenue

on Saturday, July 27, 2024

9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Carmelite Hall

Spiritual talk – Fr. Velásquez

Fourth Day talk – Sally Clack

Potluck:

A - J, bring a desert dish

K - S, bring main dish

T - U, bring side dish or salad



*Make a friend,
Be a friend,
Bring a friend to Christ*



TALLERES DE ORACION Y VIDA
Una Nueva Evangelización

Do you want to learn to achieve silence and peace? To free you from anguish and fear? Come, learn to live, attend the Prayer and Life Workshop

A Prayer and Life Workshop is a method of learning how to pray. Here you learn to pray by praying. We learn and practice how to pray. Step by step one learns how to enter into a personal relationship with the Lord, from the first steps to the depths of contemplation.

***¿Quieres aprender a lograr el silencio y la paz?
¿Para liberarte de la angustia y el miedo?***

Ven, aprende a vivir, asiste al Taller de Oración y Vida

Un Taller de Oración y Vida es un método para aprender a orar. Aquí se aprende a orar, orando. Aprendemos y practicamos cómo orar. Paso a paso se aprende a entrar en una relación personal con el Señor, desde los primeros pasos hasta la profundidad de la contemplación.

Santa Rosa de Lima Mission
2015 N. Calle Central Tucson, AZ
Santa Rosa Hall - Tuesdays/Martes
July/Julio 23 – November 5, 2024 - 6:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.
Contact: **Martha Flores, 520-704-5047,**
Spanish Workshop/Taller en Español

HOMEBOUND EUCHARIST

If you have a family member or know of a parishioner in the Santa Cruz Church area in need of having the Eucharist brought to them regularly, please contact the Parish Office at (520) 623-3833.

Annual Catholic Appeal 2024

Thank you to everyone who has responded generously to the 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal.

To date 92 families of Santa Cruz Parish have given \$17,306, 43% of the Annual Catholic Appeal goal of \$40,340.

If you have not yet made your gift, please consider doing so. Completed envelopes can be placed in the offertory basket or dropped in the mail. You may also text ACA to 41444. or visit www.cathfnd.org/donate.

Together, let us Live the Mission with a Generous Heart!

Campaña Católica Anual 2024

Agradecemos a todos los que han respondido con generosidad a la Campaña Católica Anual 2024.

Desde hoy 92 familias de nuestra parroquia han donado \$17,306, 43% de la meta de \$40,340 de la Campaña Católica Anual de 2024. Gracias por su generosidad.

Si aun no han hecho una donación, por favor considérenlo. Completen un sobre de participación y entréguelo en la canasta del ofertorio o envíelo por correo. También pueden enviar un mensaje de texto a ACA al 41444 o visitar www.cathfnd.org/donate.

¡Juntos, vivamos la Misión con un Corazón Generoso!

Alive in Christ

Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday August 8, at 6:45 PM

“Every Holy Hour we make so pleases the Heart of Jesus that it will be recorded in Heaven and retold for eternity.”

- St Mother Teresa



- ❖ Lively Praise and Worship!
- ❖ Reflection on the Assumption of Our Lady
- ❖ Eucharistic Adoration
- ❖ Healing Prayers



Fr Bala Kommathoti

Bring your family & friends!

- **Attend in person at: Our Lady of La Vang Parish
St. Frances Cabrini Church, 3201 E. Presidio Rd., Tucson**

- **Join on Zoom at: Meeting ID: 814 4930 0841
Passcode: 352734**

View this using Zoom app on a computer / tablet / smart phone,
Or listen on a traditional phone: Dial (346) 248 7799 or (669) 900 9128 *(not toll-free)*
- If you have problems joining the meeting, please text Diana at: 520-981-8800.
- For Zoom training videos, and videos of past meetings, go to TucsonCCR.org



Santa Cruz Adult Faith Formation
Presents Symbolon
The Catholic Faith Explained
1220 S. 6th Avenue, Tucson, AZ 85713

**This is a 10-week Course:
From Thursday, September 5th
to Thursday, November 14th
Class time – 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

For more information and to sign up for the sessions please send a text message or leave a voice message at 480-268-6909.

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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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.

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

Saturday, July 20th

- 8:00 a.m. Holy Souls in Purgatory, most in need of our prayers/R.I.P.
- 5:30 p.m. Ramon Mendibles, Jose 'Joey' Bernal & Deanna Altamirano/R.I.P.

Sunday, July 21st

- 6:30 a.m. Santa Cruz Parishioners
- 8:00 a.m. Carmen Munguia/R.I.P.
- 10:00 a.m. Isaiah Cancino/Happy Birthday
- 12:00 noon In Honor of the Holy Spirit/Advocate for Us
- 6:00 p.m. Rebecca Carranza/Happy Birthday

Monday, July 22nd

- 6:30 a.m. Holy Souls in Purgatory, most in need of our prayers/R.I.P.
- 8:00 a.m. Delma Huggins/R.I.P.

Tuesday, July 23rd

- 6:30 a.m. Holy Souls in Purgatory, most in need of our prayers/R.I.P.
- 8:00 a.m. Holy Souls in Purgatory, most in need of our prayers/R.I.P.

Wednesday, July 24th

- 6:30 a.m. Holy Souls in Purgatory, most in need of our prayers/R.I.P.
- 8:00 a.m. Kathy Gonzales/R.I.P.

Thursday, July 25th

- 6:30 a.m. Frank Tadeo/R.I.P.
- 8:00 a.m. Brian Rucker/Happy Birthday

Friday, July 26th

- 6:30 a.m. Patricia Armenta/R.I.P.
- 8:00 a.m. In Honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus/
In Memory of Carlos & Lily Contreras/R.I.P.



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.