



Santa Cruz Roman Catholic Church

1220 S. 6th Avenue • Tucson, AZ 85713

March 3, 2024

Third Sunday of Lent



"Destroy this temple and in three days
I will raise it up."
John 2: 13-25

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

Rev. George Bodziachowski

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,

Next Monday, March 11, 2024, I am calling for the formation of a parish council. What is a parish council? According to the *Code of Canon Law*:

Can. 536 §1. If the diocesan bishop judges it opportune after he has heard the presbyteral council, a pastoral council is to be established in each parish, over which the pastor presides and in which the Christian faithful, together with those who share in pastoral care by virtue of their office in the parish, assist in fostering pastoral activity. §2. A pastoral council possesses a consultative vote only and is governed by the norms established by the diocesan bishop.

In January 2005, Bishop Kicanas mandated that all parishes have a pastoral council according to the Code of Canon Law. The Diocese of Tucson published *Parish Pastoral Council Guidelines*, p. 4, we read:

Nature and Purpose of the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC): The Parish Pastoral Council is to be a representative body of the faithful whose focus is on the whole community – its beliefs, its hopes, its joys, its needs, its sorrows, its concerns, its gifts and its pursuit of the mission of the Church. The work of the PPC is on mission, not on management. As stewards of Christ’s mission in the parish, the main purpose of the PPC is pastoral planning. The work of the council is governed by diocesan norms and the Code of Canon Law.

The task of the Parish Pastoral Council is to give counsel to the pastor. The PPC is called to reflect and consider pastoral issues for the common good and for the future of the parish. The subsequent recommendations of the PPC may be accomplished by seeking consensus, or when circumstances require, obtaining a majority vote. All decisions are then placed in the hands of the pastor. The Pastor should consider carefully the decisions of the council and provide proper explanation to the council when acting contrary to its recommendations.

In the absence of the Pastor, the PPC can discuss matters, but cannot make final recommendations. When a pastor leaves a parish through transfer, retirement or death, all formal activity of the PPC ceases until the new pastor or assigned administrator reconvenes the council.

A new pastor would be wise to seek counsel from the existing council to become more informed about the nature of the community.

Initially, I am asking that a representative or two from each parish group be represented at our first meeting on Monday, March 11 at 7:00 p.m. in Carmelite Hall. Also, I am asking a representative from the Religious Education Program, from the School and from the liturgical ministries of the parish. In addition to these representatives, I strongly encourage any parishioner who loves Santa Cruz Parish and wants to have a voice in the future planning and development of the parish to attend this meeting.

May the Holy Cross be our inspiration for the hope filled future of Santa Cruz Parish.

In Christ,

Fr. Velásquez

Mensaje del Párroco . . .

Estimados Feligreses de la Parroquia Santa Cruz,

El próximo lunes, 11 de marzo de 2024 convoco a la formación de un consejo parroquial. ¿Qué es un consejo parroquial? Según el *Código de Derecho Canónico*:

Norma 536 §1. Si el Obispo diocesano lo considera oportuno, después de haber oído el consejo presbiteral, se constituirá en cada parroquia un consejo pastoral, presidido por el párroco y en el que participarán los fieles cristianos y los que participan en el cuidado pastoral en virtud de su oficina en la parroquia, ayudando a fomentar la actividad pastoral. §2. Un consejo pastoral posee voto únicamente consultivo y se rige por las normas establecidas por el obispo diocesano.

En enero del 2005, el Obispo Kicanas ordenó que todas las parroquias tuvieran un consejo pastoral de acuerdo con el Código de Derecho Canónico. La Diócesis de Tucson publicó las Pautas del Consejo Pastoral Parroquial, p. 4, leemos:

Disposición y propósito del Consejo Pastoral Parroquial (PPC): El Consejo Pastoral Parroquial debe ser un cuerpo representativo de los fieles cuyo enfoque está en toda la comunidad: sus creencias, sus esperanzas, sus alegrías, sus necesidades, sus tristezas, sus preocupaciones, sus dones y su búsqueda de la misión de la Iglesia. El trabajo del PPC es de misión, no de gestión. Como administradores de la misión de Cristo en la parroquia, el objetivo principal del PPC es la planificación pastoral. El trabajo del consejo se rige por las normas diocesanas y el Código de Derecho Canónico.

La tarea del Consejo Pastoral Parroquial es dar consejo al párroco. El PPC está llamado a reflexionar y considerar cuestiones pastorales para el bien común y el futuro de la parroquia. Las recomendaciones posteriores del PPC podrán llevarse a cabo buscando el consenso, o cuando las circunstancias lo requieran, obteniendo la mayoría de votos. Luego, todas las decisiones quedan en manos del pastor. El Pastor debe considerar cuidadosamente las decisiones del consejo y brindarle una explicación adecuada cuando actúa en contra de sus recomendaciones.

En ausencia del pastor, el PPC puede discutir asuntos, pero no puede hacer recomendaciones finales. Cuando un párroco deja una parroquia por transferencia, jubilación o muerte, toda actividad formal del PPC cesa hasta que el nuevo párroco o administrador asignado vuelva a convocar el consejo.

Un nuevo pastor haría bien en buscar consejo del consejo existente para estar más informado sobre la naturaleza de la comunidad.

Inicialmente, solicito que uno o dos representantes de cada grupo parroquial estén representados en nuestra primera junta el lunes, 11 de marzo a las 7:00 p.m. en el Salón Carmelita. También solicito un representante del Programa de Educación Religiosa, de la Escuela y de los ministerios litúrgicos de la parroquia. Además de estos representantes, recomiendo encarecidamente a cualquier feligrés que ame la Parroquia de Santa Cruz y quiera tener voz en la planificación y el desarrollo futuro de la parroquia a que asista a esta junta.

Que la Santa Cruz sea nuestra inspiración para el futuro lleno de esperanza para la Parroquia de Santa Cruz.

En Cristo,

Padre Velásquez

Eucharistic Adoration

Every Friday

3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

3:00 p.m. - Exposition

3:00 p.m. - Divine Mercy Chaplet

6:00 p.m. - Confessions

9:00 p.m. - Benediction

New Santa Cruz Parish Council Meeting

March 11, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

A parish council is formed in each parish as a means of communication between the parishioners and the pastoral leadership of the parish. Advisory in nature, the parish council will serve in assisting the pastor in planning for the stability and growth of the parish by attending to the spiritual and moral needs of the people.

All the leaders of the parish groups are asked to attend this meeting. Also any one who is interested in serving as a representative of the parishioners is also asked to attend.



Santa Cruz Parish is offering Fish Fry Friday's sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. Join us every Friday evening during Lent from 5:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. in the Carmelite Hall.



Stations of the Cross

You are invited to join us for Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent at 6:30 p.m. in the church.



Followed by Mass at 7:00 p.m.

Vía Crucis

Los invitamos a que nos acompañen al vía crucis todos los viernes durante la cuaresma a las 6:30 p.m. Seguido por misa a las 7:00 p.m.

Sunday Collection - February 19-26, 2024

Sunday Collection: **\$5,291.21**
 On-Line Giving: **\$ 403.23**
 Total Sunday Offertory: **\$5,694.44**

Weekly Expenses:

* Expenses: **\$6,000.25**
 Income: **- \$5,694.44**
 Deficit: **(\$305.81)**

** Weekly operation expenses include utilities, payroll, maintenance and insurance. Your generous donations are greatly appreciated and are definitely needed. Thank you and God bless!*

Annual Catholic Appeal 2024
 Entire Diocese Goal: \$4 million
 Parish Goal: **\$40,340**
 Donor Participation Goal: **15%**
 Number of Donors **15**
 Pledges to Date: **\$5,580**
 Total Amount Fulfilled: **\$1,555**

4% of Goal



Annual Catholic Appeal 2024

Please make a gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal, today. Together, let us *Live the Mission with a Generous Heart!* Make your gift today at www.cathfnd.org/donate

Campana Católica Anual 2024

Por favor haga una donación a la Campana Católica Anual hoy. *¡Juntos, vivamos la Misión con Corazón Generoso!* Haga su donación hoy en www.cathfnd.org/donate.

Santa Cruz Religious Education

(520) 882-9687 • Office Hours: Monday - Saturday 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Congratulations to our new Catechumen Elect, **Will Howell, IV**. Will was admitted into the Order of the Elect last Sunday, February 18th at the 12:00 noon Mass and was presented to Bishop Weisenburger later that day. Will is preparing to receive the Sacrament of Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist on the Easter Vigil, Saturday, March 30th and will begin the Rites of the Scrutinies the 3rd, 4th, and 5th Sundays of Lent at the 12:00 noon Mass. The Scrutinies are prayers of minor exorcisms the Church performs over the newly Elect to strengthen him against the assaults of evil as he nears the night of his initiation into the One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church. Please keep Will in your prayers and your Lenten sacrifices and if you attend the noon Mass on Sunday, don't hesitate to give him a word of encouragement.



Santa Cruz Parish 67th Fiesta De La Familia 2024
 Saturday, April 20th & Sunday April, 21st

Fiesta Meeting this Thursday, March 7 • 6:30 p.m. in the Hall

Donations are welcomed. The following donations are needed for the Fiesta:

- 400-3 SECTION FOAM PLATES
- 300- PAPER PLATES
- 500-16 oz. SOLO CUPS
- 300-12 oz. FOAM CUPS
- 200- FOAM BOWLS OR BOATS FOR NACHOS
- 2 BOXES OF FORKS
- 5 TO 6 BOXES OF FOIL SHEETS
- 4 BOXES OF EXTRA LARGE TRASH BAGS
- 5 BOXES OF PLASTIC GLOVES
- 10 SMALL INDIVIDUAL HAND SOAP

Enter the Parish Raffle!!!

SANTA CRUZ PARISH 67th ANNUAL FIESTA
 Celebrating our 105th year!
 APRIL 20th & 21st, 2024
 SAT 1PM TO 11PM • SUN 1PM TO 8:30PM
 1st Prize \$5,000 • 2nd Prize \$1,500
 3rd Prize \$500
 DRAWING ON SUNDAY, APRIL 21ST, 2024
 \$5.00 DONATION (NOT NECESSARY TO ENTER DRAWING)
 WINNER NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN

NAME _____
 PHONE _____

The committee would like to say THANK YOU for any help. Items can be taken to the parish office.

Guadalupano Group will be selling breakfast burritos, menudo, and pastries on Sunday, March 10 after the 6:30 a.m., 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 12:00 noon Masses. The proceeds will go toward expenses for the Fiesta de la Familia where we will be selling Aguas Frescas, Nachos, and Fruit. Thank you for your cooperation and generosity.

El Grupo Guadalupano venderá desayuno de burritos, menudo y postres el domingo, 10 de marzo después de las Misas de 6:30 a.m., 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. y 12:00 del mediodía. Las ganancias se destinarán a los gastos de la Fiesta de la Familia donde venderemos Aguas Frescas, Nachos y Frutas. Gracias por su cooperación y generosidad.

If you are interested in helping with our Homebound Program. Please call the parish office (520) 623-3833.

We are in need of Money Counter Volunteers. If you are interested, please call the parish office (520) 623-3833 for more information.

Historic EL RIO Golf Course

MARCH 16 SATURDAY

Santa Cruz Catholic Parish—Santa Cruz Catholic School

BENEFIT GOLF TOURNAMENT

6:30 A.M. - 7:30 A.M. CHECK-IN AND SOCIAL HOUR
8:00 A.M. SHOTGUN START

- \$90.00 Per Player - Four Person Scramble
- Includes: Golf Fees, Cart, Range Balls and Lunch
- Prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Places
- Longest Drive Contest for Ladies and Men
- Many more Prizes and Raffles
- Early Bird Special

Proceeds will benefit the Santa Cruz Parish and the Santa Cruz Catholic outreach programs.

THE HISTORICAL EL RIO GOLF COURSE
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 For more information
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 520-403-1541
 bob.valencia33@gmail.com

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1 KINGS 19:10

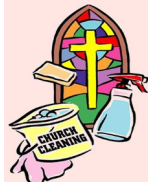
Join us for our Youth Group meeting
every Sunday in the Carmelite
Hall. Time: 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.



2nd Collection
March 9 & 10 will
be designated to
the Catholic
Relief Services

CHURCH DEEP CLEAN
Please help us prepare our church for Easter.
We urgently need volunteers for deep
cleaning on Saturday, March 9th from 9:00
a.m. to 1:30 p.m. We will meet inside the
church. If interested bring a dish to share
for fellowship afterwards.

LIMPIEZA PROFUNDA DE LA IGLESIA
Por favor ayúdanos a preparar nuestra
iglesia para la Pascua. Necesitamos
urgentemente voluntarios para limpieza
profunda el sábado, 9 de
marzo de 9:00 a.m. a 1:30
p.m. Nos reuniremos dentro
de la iglesia. Si está
interesado, traiga un plato
para compartir y tener
compañerismo después.



**Yard
Sale**



Saturday, March 16th
8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

**Disalced Carmelite Shrine
Committee of
Santa Cruz Parish
Main Parking Lot
1220 S. 6th Avenue**



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.



*Mass
INTENTIONS*

Saturday, March 2nd

- 8:00 a.m. Kelly Jimenez/R.I.P.
- 5:30 p.m. Joey Bernal & Fernando G. Burruel/R.I.P.

Sunday, March 3rd

- 6:30 a.m. Santa Cruz Parishioners
- 8:00 a.m. Jeannie Acuña & David Norzagaray/R.I.P.
- 10:00 a.m. Pablo, Lola & Judith Sesteaga/R.I.P.
- 12:00 noon Blanca A. Alabado/R.I.P.
- 6:00 p.m. Bianca Bracamontes/Happy Birthday

Monday, March 4th

- 6:30 a.m. Leylanie Rose Carrillo/R.I.P.
- 8:00 a.m. Henry Pesqueira/R.I.P.

Tuesday, March 5th

- 6:30 a.m. Special Int./Bill & Gail Anderson
- 8:00 a.m. In Thanksgiving to Santa Lucia

Wednesday, March 6th

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

Thursday, March 7th

- 6:30 a.m. Special Int./Brigit Nindi
- 8:00 a.m. Jerry Conell/R.I.P.

Friday, March 8th

- 6:30 a.m. Special Int./James Felix & Joe Felix
- 8:00 a.m. Bert & Angelica Rucker/Wedding Anniversary
- 7:00 p.m. Special Int./Jacinta Showri