

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

Santa Cruz Roman Catholic Church

1220 S. 6th Avenue • Tucson, AZ 85713

September

29
2024

Any who give you a
cup of water to drink
because you belong to Christ,
amen, I say to you,
will surely not lose their reward.

Mark 9:41

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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A Parish in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Tucson

Message from the Pastor . . .

Dear Parishioners of Santa Cruz Parish,

October is the month of the Holy Rosary, a month that we as Catholics are called to renew our devotion to praying the Rosary. One of the reasons that October has been chosen to honor the Holy Rosary has to do with the sea battle known as the Battle of Lepanto on October 7, 1571, between the Moslems and the Christians. The Christian forces were outnumbered by the Turks-Moslems. Pope St. Pius V called for all of Europe to pray the Rosary for victory. At the hour of victory, St. Pope Pius V, who was hundreds of miles away at the Vatican, is said to have gotten up from a meeting, went over to a window, and exclaimed with supernatural radiance: "The Christian fleet is victorious!" and shed tears of thanksgiving to God, (<https://www.newadvent.org/cather/09181b.htm>).

We know that Our Lady of Fatima first appeared to the children of Fatima beginning in May and concluded on October 13th. When asked her name, she said: "I am the Lady of the Rosary." One of the desires of Our Lady of Fatima was for all Catholics to pray the Rosary every day for peace in the world and for the conversion of sinners.

"America Needs Fatima (ANF) is a special campaign to spread the message of Fatima in the United States. The goal of America Needs Fatima is to win the heart and soul of America for Mary by spreading Our Lady's Fatima message and promoting devotion to Her Immaculate Heart. America urgently needs the prophetic messages of Our Lady of Fatima. Above all, America needs a clear direction, a great purpose, and the means to achieve it. The admonitions, requests, and warnings of Mary Most Holy can rightly be called a heaven-sent survival manual," (<https://americanneedsfatima.org/>). Santa Cruz Parish will be organizing a public square Rosary for Sunday, October 20, 2024, following the 12:00 noon Mass, at approximately 1:15 p.m. We will pray the Rosary on the corner of 22nd Street and 6th Avenue as witness to our love for Our Lady and the Rosary, and to ask God to have mercy on our country. I hope you will make plans to be present for this event and to invite family and friends to join us.

As I wrote last week, October is dedicated to Respect Life and the Rosary. The two issues are definitely related: prayer increases our faith in God and makes us grateful and appreciative of the gift of life. If you haven't prayed the Rosary in a while or only pray it occasionally, or don't have the devotion to the Rosary, maybe this month could be the beginning of a devotion that will help you grow in your spiritual life.

In Christ,
Fr. Velásquez

Mensaje del Párroco . . .

Estimados Feligreses de la Parroquia de Santa Cruz,

Octubre es el mes del Santo Rosario, un mes en el que nosotros como católicos estamos llamados a renovar nuestra devoción de rezar el Rosario. Una de las razones por las que se ha elegido octubre para honrar el Santo Rosario tiene que ver con la batalla naval conocida como la Batalla de Lepanto el 7 de octubre de 1571, entre los Musulmanes y los Cristianos. Las fuerzas Cristianas fueron superadas en número por los Turcos-Musulmanes. El Papa San Pío V llamó a toda Europa a rezar el Rosario para obtener la victoria. Se dice que en la hora de la victoria, San Pío V, que estaba a cientos de millas de distancia en el Vaticano, se levantó de una reunión, se acercó a una ventana y exclamó con resplandor sobrenatural: "¡La flota Cristiana ha vencido!" y derramó lágrimas de agradecimiento a Dios (<https://www.newadvent.org/cather/09181b.htm>).

Sabemos que Nuestra Señora de Fátima se apareció por primera vez a los niños de Fátima a principios de mayo y concluyó el 13 de octubre. Cuando le preguntaron su nombre, ella dijo: "Soy la Señora del Rosario". Uno de los deseos de Nuestra Señora de Fátima fue que todos los católicos rezaran el Rosario todos los días por la paz en el mundo y por la conversión de los pecadores.

"America Needs Fatima (ANF) es una campaña especial para propagar el mensaje de Fátima en los Estados Unidos. El objetivo de America Needs Fatima es ganar el corazón y el alma de América para María propagando el mensaje de Nuestra Señora de Fátima y promoviendo la devoción a Su Inmaculado Corazón. América necesita urgentemente los mensajes proféticos de Nuestra Señora de Fátima. Sobre todo, América necesita una dirección clara, un gran propósito y los medios para lograrlo. Las admoniciones, peticiones y advertencias de María Santísima pueden llamarse con razón un manual de supervivencia enviado por el cielo" (<https://americanneedsfatima.org/>). La Parroquia de Santa Cruz organizará un Rosario en la plaza pública para el domingo, 20 de octubre de 2024, después de la Misa de las 12:00 del mediodía, aproximadamente a la 1:15 p.m. Rezaremos el Rosario en la esquina de la Calle 22 y la Avenida 6 como testimonio de nuestro amor por Nuestra Señora y el Rosario, y para pedirle a Dios que tenga misericordia de nuestro país. Espero que hagan planes para estar presente en este evento e invite a familiares y amigos a unirse a nosotros.

Como escribí la semana pasada, octubre está dedicado al Respeto a la Vida y al Rosario. Los dos temas están definitivamente relacionados: la oración aumenta nuestra fe en Dios y nos hace agradecidos y apreciativos del don de la vida. Si no ha rezado el Rosario en un tiempo o solo lo reza ocasionalmente, o no tiene la devoción al Rosario, tal vez este mes podría ser el comienzo de una devoción que lo ayude a crecer en su vida espiritual.

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

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.

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.



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.

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 - September 21 - 22, 2024

Sunday Collection:	\$4,090.44
On-Line Giving:	\$363.87
Total Sunday Offertory:	<u>\$4,454.31</u>

Diocesan Collection:

(Diocesan Catholic Schools: \$958.28)

Weekly Expenses:

*Expenses:	\$6,000.25
Income:	-\$4,454.81
Deficit:	(\$1,545.94)

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

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

The Santa Cruz Adult Faith Formation will be offering a Symbolon Class every Thursday from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Everyone is invited to attend and bring a Catholic Bible and journal.



Adult Faith Formation Symbolon Calendar

DATE	CLASS	TITLE
9/5	1	THE JOURNEY OF FAITH Trinity, Faith, & the God Who is Love
9/12	2	DIVINE REVELATION God Seeking Us & the Compass of Our Lives
9/19	3	THE BIBLE God's Love Letter to Humanity
9/26	4	THE STORY OF SALVATION Creation, Fall, & Redemption
10/3	5	WHO IS JESUS? Just a Good Person or Our Lives
10/10	6	THE PASCHAL MYSTERY The Mystery of Jesus's Death & Resurrection
10/17	7	THE HOLY SPIRIT & THE LIFE OF GRACE God's Divine Life Within Us
10/24	8	WHY DO I NEED THE CHURCH The Mystery of the Catholic Church
10/31		NO CLASS
11/7	9	MARY AND THE SAINT Our Spiritual Mother & The Communion of Saints
11/14	10	THE LAST THINGS What Happens After We Die?

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Arizona Rosary Celebration

On Saturday, October 26, 2024. We will be honoring Mary under her title, *Our Lady, Queen of Peace*. 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.

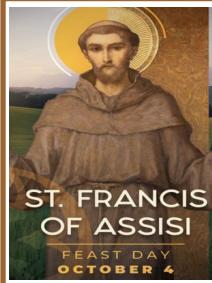
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OF ASSISI

FEAST DAY
OCTOBER 4

St. Francis of Assisi Feast Day

Friday, October 4.

Bring your pets for a special blessing on Friday, October 4th in Honor of St. Francis of Assisi at 4:30 p.m. in the church court yard by the fish fountain. Fr. Velásquez will say a special prayer and bless the animals.

Barrio Santa Rita-West Ochoa Neighborhood Association Presents
5th annual



pumpkin carving contest | airplane olympics | cake walk

Saturday, October 19, 2024



5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Santa Cruz Church School Field

1220 South 6th Ave

Thank you to our Sponsors:

Santa Rita Park West Ochoa Barrio Association, City of Tucson Ward 5 Council office, Tucson Police Department South Division, Casa Maria Tucson



Special Thank you to Santa Cruz Parish for the use of their grounds!

Interested in bringing a decorated trunk?! Please email boointhebarrio@gmail.com to reserve your spot! Decorated cars please enter through the field from W. 23rd street by 4:30pm the day of the event. Thank you!

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Annual Mass of the Holy Spirit Honoring Catholic Members of the Judicial and Public Safety Communities

Please join Most Reverend Edward J. Weisenburger for this Annual Mass of the Holy Spirit,

**Tuesday, October 1
at 5:30 p.m.**
**St. Augustine Cathedral
(192 S. Stone Ave)**

We will recognize the Honorable Thaddeus Jude Semon and Tucson Police Department Officer Ysela Welding with the St. Thomas More Award during the celebration this year.



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

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Matrimony: Please call at least six months in advance.

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Mass Intentions 

Saturday, September 28th

- 8:00 a.m. Bobby Charles Smith/R.I.P.
5:30 p.m. Rafael, Lorenzo, Rudolfo & Manuel McCormick/R.I.P.

Sunday, September 29th

- 6:30 a.m. Santa Cruz Parishioners
8:00 a.m. Carmen Munguia/R.I.P.
10:00 a.m. Jose Jesus Padilla/R.I.P.
12:00 noon Ignacio & Hilda Vega & Walter Vega/R.I.P.
6:00 p.m. Francisco Xavier Rodriguez/R.I.P.

Monday, September 30th

- 6:30 a.m. In Thanksgiving to Saint Jude
8:00 a.m. Ingo Close/R.I.P.

Tuesday, October 1st

- 6:30 a.m. Allan Cruz Martinez/R.I.P.
8:00 a.m. Ingo Close/R.I.P.

Wednesday, October 2nd

- 6:30 a.m. Lucy Granillo/R.I.P.
8:00 a.m. Ingo Close/R.I.P.

Thursday, October 3rd

- 6:30 a.m. Francisca M. Quiroz/R.I.P.
8:00 a.m. Lupe Ornelas/Happy Birthday

Friday, October 4th

- 6:30 a.m. In Honor of Saint Francis of Assisi
8:00 a.m. Ignacio & Hilda Vega & Walter Vega/R.I.P.