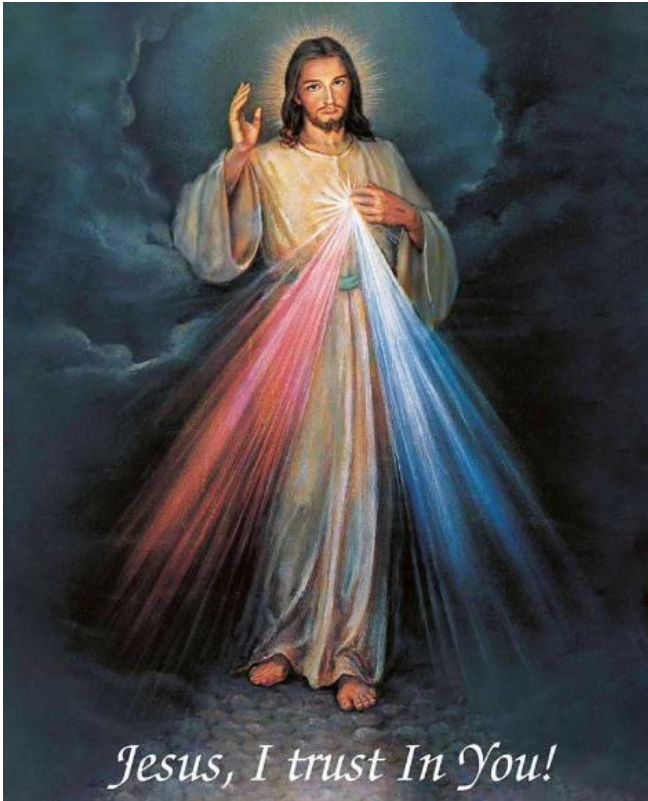


April 12, 2026
Divine Mercy Sunday



*“My
Lord
and my
God!”*

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church

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Office Hours Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

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To report abuse in the Diocese of Tucson, call **911** immediately and then the Diocesan Office of Child, Adolescent and Adult Protection at **520-838-2513**

Parish Information

Deacons:

Reverend Mr. Rick Valencia

Reverend Mr. Tom Adams (retired)

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Office: 520-586-3394

Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Please call ahead if you wish to visit with Father Martin

Finance/Office Assistant: Jennifer Morse

Compliance/Office Assistant: Liz Rutherford

Custodian: Gerald Nelson

**For Mass Intentions, Sacramental Preparation, including:
Baptism, Religious Education, Quinceañeras, Marriage
or to schedule a Confession,** please call the Parish Office.



List of Ministry Leaders

Board of Directors

President: Fr. Martin Atanga,

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Parish Pastoral Council

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- **Weddings**
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Marie Smith

Bridget Dundon

Dan Garcia and Kirby Wilson

Rich Leichty and Matt Brewster

Greg Mayer and Donna Mayer

Dan Garcia

REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY 5:00 p.m.

SUNDAY 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

TUESDAY 6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY 8:00 a.m.

SPANISH MASS 2ND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH 12:30 p.m.

Holy Days of Obligation: Mass at 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Benediction every Friday following the 8:00 a.m. Mass

CONFESSIONS

SATURDAY 4:30 p.m.—5:00 p.m.

OR BY APPOINTMENT (call the office)

Anointing of the Sick is every 1st Wednesday of each month following the 8:00 am Mass.

An Act of Spiritual Communion

(for those unable to physically receive Communion)

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Being Church with Bishop Misko

The Diocese of Tucson introduced a new podcast available to all called Being Church with Bishop Misko. The podcast, Being Church with Bishop James Misko, invites listeners to deepen their faith by walking with God and reminds us to see one another as the Mystical Body of Christ. Each week Bishop Misko and Lorraine Rivera, the Director of Communications for the Diocese of Tucson, will explore what the Church holds to be true as Bishop Misko encourages the faithful to see Christ not as a problem to be solved but rather a mystery to be encountered. The first episode was aired on April 9, 2026. You can go to Diocesetucson.org for more information.

Below is an excerpt where Bishop Misko shared about Divine Mercy Sunday on the first episode of his podcast.

“The Divine Mercy Chaplet, it’s a beautiful tradition. St. Faustine Kowalska, a Polish religious woman, had a very mystical relationship with God; and in that, He, Jesus, told her to create this image, the Divine Mercy image. It has the two rays of light coming out, one is white and one is red. Of course, the white is the waters of baptism and the red is the sacrifice that our Lord made on Good Friday. And what it is, is His Sacred Heart, that is *flowing* out with *infinite* mercy. That’s what the message of Divine Mercy Sunday is. ... Our Lord, God, is without beginning and without end. He is infinite. God’s presence is infinite. And so, since His presence is infinite, then His mercy is infinite. When Jesus went to the cross, gave His life for the *redemption* of humanity, it ushered in this notion that His love for us is infinite; It never ends...Pope John Paul II actually consecrated *the world* to the Divine Mercy during his pontificate. It is so beautiful that the week after His *ultimate sacrifice* for the redemption of the world is followed by his infinite love *for* the world. That is what we celebrate on Divine Mercy Sunday.” ~**Bishop Misko, Being Church with Bishop Misko Podcast**

Weekend/Weekday Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 11, 2026

5:00 p.m.

† Vivian Smith (birthday) by Marie Smith

Sunday, April 12, 2026

8:00 a.m.

Pro Populo

10:30 a.m.

† Ricky Rodriguez by Erlinda and Paz Gil

12:30 p.m.

† Tomas Acevedo by Maria Acevedo

Tuesday, April 14, 2026

6:00 p.m.

† Karen Mollman by Mary Lou Mollman

Wednesday, April 15, 2026

8:00 a.m.

Angie Costello by Sherri and Tom
Knutson

Thursday, April 16, 2026

8:00 a.m.

† Stanley Ballajas by Helen Garcia

Friday, April 17, 2026

8:00 a.m.

† Karen Mollman by Mary Lou Mollman

Saturday, April 18, 2026

5:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 19, 2026

8:00 a.m.

Pro Populo

10:30 a.m.

Dr. Sergio Olivares' birthday by
Manuelita Olivarez Farrell

READINGS

Sunday, April 12, 2026

First Reading: Acts 2:42-47

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 118:2-4,13-15,22-24

Second Reading: 1 Pt 1:3-9

Gospel: Jn 20:19-31

READINGS FOR THE WEEK of April 13, 2026

Monday: Acts 4:23-31 | Ps 2:1-9 | Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37 | Ps 93:1-2,5 | Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26 | Ps 34:2-9 | Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33 | Ps 34:2,9,17-20 | Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42 | Ps 27:1,4,13-14 | Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7 | Ps 33:1-2,4-5,18-19 | Jn 6:16-21

Pope Leo XIV's Intention for April 2026

For priests in crisis

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they

Upcoming Events

- **An Evening with Friends** free concert featuring Billie Hayes and Francie Schofield on the Muller pipe organ, the piano and flute will be on **Fri, April 17** at 7 PM at St. Andrew the Apostle Church in Sierra Vista. Freewill offerings will be accepted. For more info please call 520-226-5574.
- **All Saints Catholic School** in Sierra Vista is currently looking to hire a principal and several teachers for the new school year 2026/2027. Job positions are posted on the Diocesan website along with applications. You may also inquire at the school at 520-378-7012
- The **Knights of Columbus Arizona State Council 2026 Drawing** tickets to support local charities are available. There are ten chances to win, ranging from \$10,000 to \$500. A single ticket is \$5 or \$20 for a book of five tickets. The drawing is in May.

We'd like to thank the anonymous donor for the daily reflection books for the Easter Season and Pentecost. If you have not gotten one, please ask an usher. They are a great resource to continue our walk with our Risen Lord.



April 12, 2026 Collection

Parish Funds

Offertory \$4,611.18
Facilities Maintenance Fund \$2,540.30
Brother Box/C&M \$131.50
Candles \$56.00
Ash Wednesday \$10.00
Holy Thursday \$622.00
Easter \$645.50
Easter Flowers \$60.00
Ash Wednesday \$10

Funds to be sent out

SVDP \$ 35.00
Good Friday: Holy Land \$576.00

Saints and Special Observances this week

Monday: St. Martin I, Pope & Martyr

Upcoming Special Collection

Home Mission Collection
April 26, 2026

Lighthouse

Adult and Family Religious reading resources are available in the back of the church (on the right hand far side as you exit) for small donations. They explore anything from one topic to an entire review of a relevant subject. Please have a look every once in a while to see if there is a topic that interests you or if new materials have been added, as this happens frequently!

Have you signed up for Flocknotes?

Flocknotes are a fast and easy way of communicating information that you may need to know as a parishioner. Flocknotes are text messages that may be sent out by the office staff, including Father Martin, that make you aware of things such as, special mass reminders, potential mass changes, special events, meetings etc. You may also receive Flocknotes from the Diocese of Tucson that communicate special messages. To sign up for Flocknotes, please call the office and leave you name and number and the staff will add you to our Flock.

The Brother Box/Coffee and More

There are those in our community who sometimes need a little help. The Brother Box/ Coffee and More funds have been very helpful in supporting our Parish to help meet this need. The box is located in the front of the church on the left in front of the choir loft. The biggest needs recently are for people who have emergency medical appointments and do not have the money to buy gas to get there, and for travelers or others who are hungry and need some assistance. We are grateful for your support.

**St. Vincent de Paul Society, St. Bernadette
Conference, Benson, AZ**

(520) 586-9438 Maggie Montijo, President

Case Management Phone number is 520-686-1489 (for assistance) Please leave a message!

Thrift Store Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday-Friday and Saturdays

Closed Sundays, Mondays and Wednesdays

The St. Vincent de Paul Thrift store is located at 181 Patagonia Street. (corner of 5th Street and Patagonia Street across from G & F Pizza.)

The Thrift Store Volunteers thank you for your support!

We Care Pregnancy Center

We Care Pregnancy Center of Benson Arizona is a free pregnancy resource center. They offer compassionate, confidential resources to those who are in a crisis pregnancy situation. They also are a resource for families in our community providing support with diapers, clothing, formula, parenting classes etc. This organization is strictly pro-life and does not promote abortion or provide referrals to abortion clinics. For more information please visit their website www.wecarebenson.com. **If you would like to donate items to "We Care", you may leave them at the church and the office staff will deliver them. Or - you can deliver them yourself!**



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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Knights of Columbus Logan De Rosier Council #7521 Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

<http://www.ololparish.org/kofc/index.htm>

Meetings are the 2nd Wednesday of each month @ 6:30 p.m. in the Monsignor Rosettie Hall. All Knights and visiting Knights are encouraged and welcome to attend. Any practicing Catholic gentleman 18 or older wishing to join the Knights of Columbus may contact the membership drive director, S. K. Dan Garcia - 520-444-1339 for more information.

Saint Joseph, the Worker Ministry

Just as St. Joseph took care of Mary and Jesus and worked throughout his life to provide for them, we begin a new Ministry in honor of St. Joseph, the Worker. Members will dedicate their work to St. Joseph while maintaining the grounds surrounding the Church property. Please consider if you feel called to help out on a scheduled basis with the grounds maintenance and/or with projects that need to be completed around the Parish properties. **Touch base with Dan Garcia (520) 444-1339.**

Prayer for Vocations

Lord Jesus, we ask You with confidence for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit on Your Church. Aided by the intercession of Immaculate Mary, let there be a rich harvest of vocations. Let men be enlightened and strengthened to follow Your call to serve as priests and brothers. Let seminaries overflow, and bless their formators and teachers with a wisdom not of this world. Let Your daughters feel an irresistible pull to a life on contemplation and service as sisters and nuns. Let there be a new flowering of religious orders which seek the path of holiness. Let men and women You call to marriage see the importance of this vocation, and like Tobias, see their spouses for a noble purpose. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Prayer by Rev. Victor Perez



Please review this list and let the Office Staff know of any changes or additions that are needed.

Please Pray for Our Men and Women in the Military and their Families

ARMY: Brian Curd, Chris Krug, Matthew Lawrence, Christopher Lawrence, Richard McMillian, Tommy Montijo, Benjamin Nolting, Richard Matthew Simpson CPT, Colby Tigges, Joseph James Simpson ENS, Quentin Tigges, Kenal Hestand, Matthew Castagno, Joseph Agay, Nicholas Pecina, Andrew Pecina, Jared Romero, Hannah Amavisca, Norman Richard Scroggins, Gordon Molina, Nicolas Amavisca, Faith Daniels, Koryn Naquin, Beaumont Clark

MARINES: Anthony Contreras, Antonio Agay, Eddie Zazueta, Jordan Sanud, Jerry Gordo, Rolando Carrillo Jr, Gabriel Contreras, Gabe Osuna, Popeye Contreras, Rolando Carrillo II

AIR FORCE: Miss Alyx Lynn, Sean Lynn, Matthew Nolting, Stefan Olivas, Richard Restorff, Sabrina Moore, Annessa Coquette, Brayden Moore, Kaylene Flint, Ignacio Bustamante Jr., Alison M. Spalione

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Space Force: Nicole Flint - Space Force Guardian

Status of Our Lady of Lourdes Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA)

Dear Brothers and Sisters, we're doing well in our contributions to this year's ACA. As of March 26th, we are at 76% of our goal of \$28,024. So far, 37 Parishioners have made donations or pledges; that leaves about 70 Parishioners who haven't had a chance to donate. With only \$6,789 needed to reach our goal, I urge you to make your donation or pledge prior to May 31st. You can use one of the envelopes in the pews or go online at www.cathfnd.org/donate to make your donation. Using the envelope, you can make monthly donations or make a one-time gift. **No matter how you give, please make sure you write "Our Lady of Lourdes, Benson" on the memo line of your check or on the "Parish" line of the envelope.**

This is how your gift is used in our Diocese:

- ◆ 27% goes to Seminarian tuition and Clergy Education and Support (this is for OUR Seminarians who will come to our Diocese after ordination)
- ◆ 19% goes to our Schools, Formation, & Evangelization
- ◆ 17% goes to Parish Support Services
- ◆ 15% goes to Diocesan Ministries
- ◆ 12% goes to grants to needy Parishes & Native American Missions in our Diocese
- ◆ 10% goes to Community Outreach

Please keep in mind that your donation may be tax deductible (check with your tax advisor). The Catholic Foundation for the Diocese of Tucson is a recognized 501(c)(3) charitable organization. The Federal Tax Exemption ID Number is 86-0408580.

Thank you and God Bless you for your support of our Parish and the Annual Catholic Appeal.

