November 22, 2026
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



O, Mary Conceived without sin, Pray for us who have recourse to Thee!

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church

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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, **Secretary:** Helen Garcia, **Treasurer:** Al Cesarz
Finance Council	**Chairman:** Dan Garcia**, Secretary:** De Wilson **Assistant Secretary:** Melissa Tibbitts **Bookkeeper:** Diocese of Tucson
Parish Pastoral Council	**Chairman:** Tom Stevenson **Secretary:** Helen Garcia
• **DRE**	Peggy Leichty
• **Assistant DRE**	Ray Ruiz
• **Eucharistic Ministers**	Kirby and De Wilson
• **Funerals**	Call Office
• **K of C Grand Knight**	S.K. Al Cesarz
• **Lectors**	Kirby and De Wilson
• **Music**	Filly Nelson
• **Weddings**	Call Office
• **OCIA**	Marie Smith
• **Ushers/Compliance Asst.**	Rich Leichty
• **Sacristans**	Marie Smith
• **Parish Alive**	Bridget Dundon
• **Renovation & Repair**	Dan Garcia and Kirby Wilson
• **I.T.**	Rich Leichty and Matt Brewster
• **Vocations**	Donna Mayer
• **St. Joseph, the Worker Ministry**	Dan Garcia
• **That Man is You!**	Rich Leichty
• **Encounter the Spirit**	Angelina Agbeka

Thanksgiving Day Mass at 8:00 a.m.

Parish office closed Thursday and Friday, November 27 and 28.

Happy Thanksgiving Everyone

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.



Holy Hour and Benediction

Please join us for Holy Hour and Benediction before the Blessed Sacrament each Friday after the 8:00 am Mass. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Thanksgiving Basket Volunteer Opportunities

Sunday, Nov, 22 basket preparation (9am)
Parish Alive Meeting after 10:30 a.m. Mass

Tuesday, Nov, 24 Baskets will be distributed (9:00am—Noon)

This weekend, the ushers are handing out Advent and Christmas Meditation Books. We wish to extend a heartfelt thank you to the generous donor who provided them for our use during this blessed season.

Weekend/Weekday Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 21, 2026
5:00 p.m.
† Georgiana Stevenson by Frank and Gloria Acuña

Sunday, November 22, 2026
8:00 a.m.
Pro Populo
10:30 a.m.
† Albert Fernandez, Jr. by Mom and Dad

Tuesday, November 24, 2026
6:00 p.m.
† Marilyn Smith (Birthday) by Marie Smith

Wednesday, November 25, 2026
8:00 a.m.
In memory of the Morenci Nine

Thursday, November 26, 2026
8:00 a.m.
† Octavia J. Gatton by Mom, Dad, & Grandmother

Friday, November 27, 2026
8:00 a.m.
† Sonya Garcia by Rosa Garcia

Saturday, November 28, 2026
5:00 p.m.
† Sonya Garcia by Rosa Garcia

Sunday, November 29, 2026
8:00 a.m.
Pro Populo
10:30 a.m.
Frank Chavez (Birthday) by Hope Chavez

READINGS
Sunday, November 22, 2026

First Reading: Ez 34:11-12,15-17 *The Shepherd-king seeks the lost and heals the injured.*

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 23:1-3,5-6 *"The Lord is my Shepherd; there is nothing I shall want."*

Second Reading: 1 Cor 15:20-26,28 *"Christ our king has conquered death.*

Gospel: Mt 25:31-46 *The Lord will come in glory to separate one from another.*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK of November 23, 2026

Monday: Rv 14:1-3,4b-5 | Ps 24:1b-4b,5-6 | Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday: Rv 14:14-19 | Ps 96:10-13 | Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday: Rv 15:1-4 | Ps 98:1-3b,7-9 | Lk 21:12-19
Thursday: Rv 18:1-2,21-23;19:1-3,9a | Ps 100:1b-5 | Lk 21:20-28
Friday: Rv 20:1-4,11—21:2 | Ps 84:3-6a,8a | Lk 21:29-33
Saturday: Rv 22:1-7 | Ps 95:1-7b | Lk 21:34-36

Pope Leo XIV's Intention for November 2026 ~ For the proper use of wealth

Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

Upcoming Events

- **Mass will be celebrated at 8:00 am on Thanksgiving Day**. You are welcome and encouraged to bring your bread and wine for Father Martin to bless.

- **Thanksgiving Day Dinner tickets** are still available! On Thanksgiving Day, November 26th, dinner will be served at 1:00 p.m. in the Monsignor Rosettie Hall. Call or stop by the office to pick up a ticket.

- **December 3, 2026** is the 10th Anniversary Memorial Mass for Father Clement. To commemorate his passing, at 4:00 p.m. that day we will begin with a rosary, followed by Mass at 5:00 p.m. We are planning a potluck dinner after Mass to welcome Father Clement's family and brother priests and share our memories.

- **Memorial Plaque donations:** Anyone wishing to have their name and/or a short engraved message in memory of Fr. Clement (e.g., In Loving Memory, Rest in Peace, etc.) included on the plaque at the back of the church, may make a donation of $50 or more to cover the cost of engraving and fund our small food pantry for those in need. Contact the office for details if interested.

- **December 5, 2026 is Benson's 15th Annual Festival of Lights** . The theme will be "A Frontier Christmas Old West Meets America's 250th" and our parish will be entering a float. If you would like to help, please join the Parish Alive meeting on November 22 after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. The parade begins at 7:00 p.m.

- **Parish Mission—December 11-13**, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Father Lester's topic is "Let's Put Mary Back in Christmas". See full schedule available at the back of the church.

November 15, 2026 Collection

Parish Funds
Offertory $3,318.10
Brother Box/C&M $45.00
Candles $17.00
Facilities Maintenance Fund $220.00

Funds being sent out:
St. Vincent De Paul $135.00
Catholic Campaign for
Human Development $50.00

Saints and Special Observances this week

Monday: St. Clement I, Pope & Martyr, St. Columban, Abbot & Blessed Miguel Agustin, Priest & Martyr
Tuesday: St. Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest & Companions, Martyrs
Wednesday: St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin & Martyr
Thursday: Thanksgiving Day

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!

FORMED has been a resource in helping Catholics continue to grow in their Faith since 2016. It has also recently become essential as families spend more time at home. Whether they are involved in a sacramental preparation program, or listen to inspiring audio, read one of the wonderful ebooks offered, or enjoy quality movies with family, **FORMED** provides a unique spiritual experience in the comfort of our homes.
As a reminder this gift has been given to all of us courtesy of generous parishioners who wish to. share this entertaining and educational platform with us. Please enjoy it by visiting **Formed.Org** to get started.

The Diocese of Tucson invites you to stay in touch with the Diocese via your phone and/or email. Every week the diocese publishes the **New Outlook**, our local newsletter with links to news, events, and so much more! To sign up, you can text DOTNEWS to 84576 or go to https://news.diocesetucson.org/subscribe. Presently on the Diocese website you will find important information regarding immigration, including a toolkit that describes "knowing your rights" and "understanding your options."

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

IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

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 @ 5:30 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, Urijah Vigil

MARINES: Anthony Contreras, Antonio Agay, Eddie Zazueta, Jordan Sanud, Jerry Gordoa, 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, Annissa Coauette, Brayden Moore, Kaylene Flint, Ignacio Bustamante Jr., Alison M. Spalione

COAST GUARD: Steve Macias, Justin Vivian

AIR NAT'L GUARD: Ryan Erskine

NAVY: Bradley Maxwell Jonathan Martell II, Eddy Sisneroz, Dylan Bernal, Jake Thoutt, Devin Vivian, Tatianna Quezada, Randy Suprenant

Space Force: Nicole Flint - Space Force Guardian

Monetary Donations for the Thanksgiving Basket Project

The Logan DeRosier Council 7521 will be conducting their annual **Food for Families Drive** that supports the parish **Thanksgiving Basket Project**. If you wish to make a monetary donation to support the **Thanksgiving Basket Project** please do so through the Knights of Columbus. At the end of the drive the Council will present a check for the funds raised to Our Lady of Lourdes Parish. You may ask why not donate straight to the Parish for the Thanksgiving Project? The Supreme Council will reward/refund our Council $100 for every $500 given to the Parish under Food for Families (the Faith in Action Program). The Council in turn uses the refund/reward to help sponsor a Seminarian in their studies. Our Council has sponsored a seminarian for years now. Last year & this year our Council was able to sponsor two Seminarians for the first time. Stephen Grummett of St. Francis in Yuma who is attending Mundelein Seminary in Illinois and Ethen Salerno of St. Andrew the Apostle in Sierra Vista, attending Mount Angel Seminary in Oregon. If you do participate, ***please make your check out to the Knights of Columbus Logan DeRosier Council 7521 and in the memo line, write "Food for Families."*** The Council in turn will provide you with a tax receipt for your deduction to a charitable organization when filing your taxes. And again, proceeds will go to benefit our Parish **Thanksgiving Basket Project.** Thank you and God Bless.

You are invited to the Seventh Annual Catholic Women's Conference "Women Be Blessed." Fr. Amal Sebastian, MSFS, who currently serves at St. Patrick's in Bisbee, will be leading in prayer and speaking. The conference is taking place on Saturday, February 6, 2027, 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Church, 844 Sullivan St., Miami, Arizona 85539. You can pre-register now by calling (928) 473-3568. A $20 donation covers continental breakfast, lunch, snacks and drinks.



She is clothed with strength and dignity, she laughs without fear of the future.
Proverbs 31:25