

March 29, 2026

Palm Sunday



“From now on you will see ‘the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power’ and ‘coming on the clouds of heaven.’”

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church

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Benson, AZ 85602

Reverend Father Martin Atanga, Pastor

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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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Assistant Secretary: Melissa Tibbitts

Bookkeeper: Diocese of Tucson

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Peggy Leichty, **Assistant DRE:** Ray Ruiz

Parish Pastoral Council

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Marie Smith

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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.

A sign-up sheet is at the entrance to the church for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass on Holy Thursday, April 2. Please consider this holy commitment and add your name to the schedule.

If you're wondering what to do with last year's palms, please don't throw them in the trash. Bring them to the church or parish office before next Thursday. They will be added to the fire that will burn at the beginning of the Easter Vigil Mass.



The Knights of Columbus thank you for the success of our recent bake sale. Your “free will” donations will help the Knights provide help and resources within the Parish and Benson community. May God bless you.

Weekend/Weekday Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 28, 2026

5:00 p.m.

† Marjorie Hollish by Mary Jo and Everette Johnson

Sunday, March 29, 2026

8:00 a.m.

Pro Populo

10:30 a.m.

Sherese and Allison Olsen (anniversary of baptisms) by Godmother

Tuesday, March 31, 2026

6:00 p.m.

† Paul & Gloria and Paul Jr. Kerchum by Deacon Ron & Paula Desmarais

Wednesday, April 01, 2026

8:00 a.m.

† Father Mark Beard by Deacon Ron & Paula Desmarais

Thursday, April 02, 2026

6:00 p.m.

The Institution of Priests

Saturday, April 04, 2026

7:00 p.m.

† Richard Little by Phyllis Little
Poor Souls in Purgatory by Diane Swendsen
Freddy Osuna (Anniversary of Baptism) by Godmother

Sunday, April 05, 2026

8:00 a.m.

Pro Populo

10:30 a.m.

Monica Chavez (Birthday) by Frank & Hope Chavez

TODAY'S READINGS

Sunday, March 29, 2026

First Reading: Is 50:4-7 *The Suffering Servant speaks to the weary.*

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 22:8-9,17-18,19-20,23-24 *“My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?”*

Second Reading: Phil 2:6-11 *Jesus emptied himself, and accepted death on a cross.*

Gospel: Mt 26:14—27:66 *They came to a place called Golgotha and crucified Jesus there.*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK of March 30, 2026

Monday: Is 42:1-7 | Ps 27:1-3,13-14 | Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday: Is 49:1-6 | Ps 71:1-4a,5ab-6ab,15,17 | Jn 13:21-33,36-38

Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a | Ps 69:8-10,21-22,31,33-34 | Mt 26:14-25

Thursday: Ex 12:1-8,11-14 | Ps 116:12-13,15-16bc,17-18 | 1 Cor 11:23-26 | Jn 13:1-15

Friday: Is 52:13—53:12 | Ps 31:2,6,12-13,15-16,17,25 | Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9 | Jn 18:1—19:42

Saturday: Easter Vigil Readings: Gen. 1:1-2:2 | Ex 14:15-31:1 | Isaiah 54:5-14 | Epistle

Pope Leo XIV's Intention for March 2026

For Disarmament & Peace

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

Upcoming Events

- **Chrism Mass** Monday, March 30, 2026 at 2:00 pm. Join together at St. Augustine Cathedral as Bishop Misko blesses the oils used for the Sacramental Life of the local Church. Also, all priests in the Diocese of Tucson will renew their vows.
- **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.

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTION

Pontifical Good Friday Collection

Friday April 3

For Franciscan Friars in the Holy Land

March 22, 2026 Collection

Parish Funds

Offertory \$2,722.95

Facilities Maintenance Fund \$125.00

Brother Box/C&M \$124.90

Candles \$47.00

Easter Flowers \$45.00

Lighthouse \$2.00

“For just as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the sea monster, so for three days and three nights the Son of Man will be in the heart of the earth..” Mt 12:40

Funds to be sent out

SVDP \$20.00

Catholic Relief Services \$76.50

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!**



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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

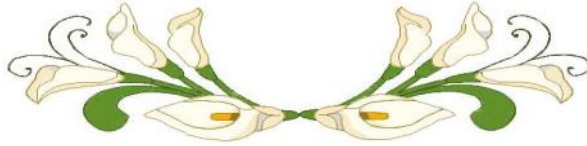
AIR FORCE: Miss Alyx Lynn, Sean Lynn, Matthew Nolting, Stefan Olivas, Richard Restorff, Sabrina Moore, Annessa Coquette, Brayden Moore, Kaylene Flint, Ignacio Bustamante Jr., Alison M. Spalione

COAST GUARD: Steve Macias, Justin Vivian

AIR NAT'L GUARD: Ryan Erskine

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

Space Force: Nicole Flint - Space Force Guardian



2026

LENT AND EASTER SCHEDULE

Ash Wednesday February 18

Mass and Ash Distribution
8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Stations of the Cross Starting Friday February 20

at 5:30 p.m. and Feb. 27, Mar. 6, 13, 20, 27

Penance Service Tuesday March 24

Daily Mass 8:00 a.m.

Penance Service 6:00 p.m.

Palm Sunday March 29 - Masses

All Masses begin in the Grotto

Saturday

5:00 p.m.

Sunday

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

Holy Thursday April 2 - Mass

The Lord's Supper/Institution of the Priesthood

Mass at 6:00 p.m.

Washing of the feet

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until midnight

Good Friday April 3 - No Masses

Stations of the Cross at 10:00 a.m.

Celebration of our Lord's Passion at 3:00 p.m.

Veneration of the Cross and Communion

Holy Saturday April 4 - Mass

Vigil Mass at 7:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday April 5 - Masses

8:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m.