

# OUR LADY of GRACE Church

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WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE Monday through Friday at 8:00 a.m.

# WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday** at 4:00 p.m. in English and **Sunday** at 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., and10:30 a.m. in English, and12:00 p.m. in Spanish

# **CONFESSION/RECONCILIATION**

**Mondays through Friday** directly after the 8:00 a.m. daily Mass and **Saturdays** at 9:00 a.m. in the Church Confessionals.

# **BAPTISMS**

Baptisms will be celebrated on the third Saturday of the month in English and the fourth Saturday of the month in Spanish. We will need the child's birth certificate to begin the file. Please contact the parish office to begin the Baptism process.

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION:** Arrangements for the Sacrament of Matrimony must be made at least nine months in advance. Please contact the Parish Office.

**MASS INTENTIONS:** Please contact the Parish Office to schedule a Mass. Suggested donation is \$10.00.

**BULLETIN DEADLINE** Sunday prior to the Sunday Bulletin date.



# 4<sup>™</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

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"I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I will lay down my life for the sheep." - Jn <u>10:14-15</u>

"Yo soy el buen pastor, porque conozco a mis ovejas y ellas me conocen a mí, así como el Padre me conoce a mí y yo conozco al Padre. Yo doy la vida por mis ovejas". - Jn 10, 14-15

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# APRIL 21ST 2024 4th Sunday of Easter El Cuarto Domingo de Pascua

# Reflexión, Tercer Domingo de Pascua, 2024

El Evangelio de hoy Jesús nos dice que, como un buen pastor, él conoce su rebaño, y ellos lo conocen a él. Qué reconfortante es saber que Jesús no solo nos conoce a cada uno de nosotros, sino que voluntariamente eligió dar su vida por cada uno de nosotros como el último sacrificio de amor. Pero, ¿cómo llegamos a conocer mejor a nuestro Buen Pastor? Sumergiéndonos en las Escrituras y en la oración y buscando una relación personal con él. Si nos mantenemos cerca del Señor, reconoceremos su voz cuando la escuchemos. En los impulsos cotidianos del Espíritu en nuestra toma de decisiones e incluso, en medio de todo el ruido, como la voz tranquilizadora y guía que nos guía por el camino correcto. Cristo desea que no solo nos conozcamos, sino que nos reconozca desde lejos y nos encuentre con Él. Dedicar tiempo a la oración y a la lectura de las Escrituras es esencial para conocer la voz de Jesús. Lee los Evangelios esta semana, aunque sea un capítulo al día, contempla qué pasajes te llaman la atención. Las Escrituras y los sacramentos son la forma en que Jesús nos habla, como un buen pastor habla a su rebaño para que las ovejas conozcan su voz y la sigan.

Tuyo en Cristo

Deacon Mario Ortega

# **Reflection, Fourth Sunday of Easter**

In Today's Gospel Jesus tells us that, like a good shepherd, he knows is flock, and they know him. How comforting it is to know that Jesus not only knows each one of us, but he willingly chose to lay down his life for each one of us as the ultimate sacrifice of love. But how do we get to know our Good Shepherd better? By immersing ourselves in Scripture and prayer and seeking a personal relationship with him. If we stay close to the Lord, we'll know his voice when we hear it. In the everyday promptings of the Spirit in our decision-making and even, in the midst of all the noise as the calming and guiding voice leading us along the right path. Christ desires for us, not just to know us but he recognizes us from afar and encounter with him. Spending time in prayer and reading the Scriptures are essential to get to know the voice of Jesus. Read the Gospels this week, even a chapter a day, contemplate what passages stand out for you. The Scriptures and sacraments are how Jesus speaks to us, like a good shepherd speaks to his flock so the sheep will know his voice and follow it.

Yours in Christ,

Deacon Mario Ortega

# Youth Group Fundraisers for Upcoming Events

We will be resuming our Breakfast Burritos beginning Sunday, April 14th. We will continue with our fundraisers on Sundays, April 21<sup>st</sup> and 28th.

# <u>Summer Bible Camp</u>

Our Summer Bible Camp is Back! We will be having our Summer Bible Camp from June 17-21, 2024 for Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> Grade. Please mark your calendars!

# Agape Young Adult Ministry

Agape Young Adult Ministry – Next Meeting will be in April 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the Parish Office.

# Young@Heart 55+ Ministry

Young@Heart next meeting will be on April 11, 2024 at 10am in the Parish Office.

# SAFE ENVIRONMENT

We all have a duty to protect the vulnerable. If the abuse happened in the Diocese of Tucson, call 911 then call the Victim Assistance Program of the Diocese of Tucson At 520-623-0344 (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

https://dicesetucson.org/report-abuse

# Our Lady of Grace Parish Financial Report Month of December 2023

Dec. 2023 All Income	\$103,581.54	
Dec. 2023 All Expenses	( <u>\$80,437.20)</u>	
Dec. 2023 Balance: Surplus/Short	\$23,144.34	
Fiscal Year SURPLUS/SHORTFAL	L (\$57,647.37)	
Dec. '23 Eyes CC Contributions-Expe	enses\$13,289.00	
Eyes Campaign-Total Collected to Date -Expension		
Mortgage Balance as of 12/31/23:	\$3,647,859.75	
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Eyes Towards the Future Campaign Drive	
# of Donors 304	
Amount Pledged \$931,408.26	
Any payments towards Campaign please make	
following note: "2022 Capital Campaign"	

# **Youth Ministry**

Edge Middle School Youth Group: Wednesday, April 10th- Youth Night from 6:15pm to 8:30pm in the Church

Lifeteen High School Youth Group: Thursday, April 11th - Youth Night from 6:15pm to 8:30pm in the Church

# **Sunday Offering**

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	Weekend of April 13-14, 2024		
	Sunday Collection\$3,715.00		
We Sha	re (Online) Offertory		
April 8	3-12, 2024 <u>\$8.986.68</u>		
TOTAL	TOTAL OFFERTORY COLLECTED\$12,701.68		
Ortered	Mass Intentions		
	ay, April 20th		
4:00 pr	m Souls of Peter Edwin Lawrence, Intention of Oscar J. Ramirez		
Sunday, April 21st– Fourth Sunday of Easter			
7:30 ar	· · ·		
9:00 ai			
0.00 4	Thomas J. Ledinsky		
	m Souls of sister Edmond Maria, Pro populo		
12:00 p	m Souls of Ramon and Guadalupe Lopez		
and Ramon R. Lopez			
	r, April 22nd		
8:00 a	m Soul of Michelina Tremonto, The well being of Tina Tran		
Tuesday	y, April 23rd		
	m Birthday of Fr. George B		
	sday, April 24th		
	m Souls of Ramon and Guadalupe Lopez		
0.00 4	and Ramon R. Lopez		
Thursd	lay, April 25th		
	m Soul of Kevin McCarthy		
Friday, April 26th			
8:00 a			
0-4	of family Razo		
	ay, April 27th		
4:00 pr			
7:30 ar	, <b>April 28th– Fourth Sunday of Easter</b> m Soul of Donna Hull		
9:00 ar			
9.00 al	erto Javier Robles		
10:30 ar	m Soul of Peter Edwin Lawrence, Pro populo		
	m Souls of Piedad and Lorenia Ortiz		
If you	would like to schedule a Mass intention for a		
	loved one, please call the Parish Office at		
	520-568-4605		

### This Week in our Parish

Sunday, April 21st 7:30 a.m. English Mass 9:00 a.m. English Mass 10:30 a.m. English Mass 12:00 p.m. Spanish Mass Monday, April 22nd 8:00 a.m. English Daily Mass 8:30 a.m. Confessions after Daily Mass Tuesday, April 23rd 8:00 a.m. English Daily Mass 8:30 a.m. Confessions after Daily Mass Wednesday, April 24th 8:00 a.m. English Daily Mass 8:30 a.m. Confessions after Daily Mass 2:00 p.m. Rosary led by Legion of Mary, Church Thursday, April 25th 8:00 a.m. English Daily Mass 8:30 a.m. Confessions after Daily Mass Friday, April 26th 8:00 a.m. English Daily Mass 8:30 a.m. Confessions after Daily Mass Saturday, April 27th 9:00 a.m. Confessions, Church 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass

### 2024 FESTIVAL

\$51,849.65 Total Income: Total Expenses: <u>\$38, 721.02</u> **Total Profit:** \$13,128.63

Trina Gomez

Lou Zazzeri

Marge Tishy

John Steinle

Anita Deverka

Emiliano

Sarah Smith

Linda Morgan

Loretta Walters

Bambina Trágico

Steve Lamberto

Paul Studer

Mai Luong

Dave Scott

**Richard Gutierrez** 

Sean Soliz

Raymond Martinez

Christine Shekoski

Annie Ruiz-Colón

Prayer for the Sick: Gayla Ryser Jeanne Fix Hilda Martinez Cindy M. Gary Haller Don Peyton Marcus Tavarez **Christine Savarese** Laurie Braendle Judy Celik **Carol Ann Maroni** Mike Wickham Jayce Pangilinan Joseph Nowosielski Jose Navor Rivera EJ Diaz **Ruth Trágico** Maria Encarnación Valdez Leo Sax **David Mac Porter Cindy Swanson** Anna Krieger Juan Francisco Ortiz Rich G. Laura **Clarice Green Bechamp** Shelley McClaren Emma Cruz Dennison Ray Ortega Geovany Cangiamila Landon Wrampe **Camerina Flores** Matthew Smith Penny Peng **Robert Garner** Cindy Murphy **Bill Scmidt** Randy Dunn Fred Hudgens Joan Greer Danny Lovato Alicia Mirasol Rose Brown Francisco Javier Jimenez Jaime Rodriguez Rudy & Betty Jaravata Manuel Lansang Ellen Lewis **Richard Kam** Jerry Leligdon Anna Leligdon Mayo Gustillo Marissa Gustilo Buddy Krogman Leslie McCarthy Matthew Monsegur Kenneth Murphy CeCe Daniel Conant Rose James Brassfield Raul Deberá Jenny Wieseler Kris Trenary **Doris Ortega** Denise Towne Joaquin & Suzan Valenzuela Kelly Dumovic Frank McGowan Randy James Peter Luong Nouchone Champalath Jacinta Bashi **Graham Johnson** Colleen O'Hare David Dunn

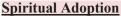
Please send your *Prayer for the Sick* requests to infor-mation@maricopacatholic.org or call the parish office. We will include them on our prayer list for one month or longer by request If someone is homebound and would like to receive Holy Com munion, please contact the church office to make arrangements for our Homebound Ministry. Also, please let the office know if you would like a prayer shawl to comfort those who are sick.

# April 21st, 2024–Fourth Sunday of Easter

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John Martinez 510-755-1921 Martinezjrconcrete@gmail.com



On January 22, 1973, the Roe vs. Wade Supreme Court decision was rendered which legalized abortion throughout the entire nine months of pregnancy. Since that time, more than 44 million babies have died by surgical abortion. A baby dies by surgical abortion about every 20 seconds in the United States. To help stop the antilife push around the world, the late Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen encouraged the spiritual adoption of an unborn child. This is done by praying that the one particular, but unknown child's life be spared abortion and be allowed to continue to live. For the next couple of weeks through March 25<sup>th</sup>, we will begin our Spiritual Adoption program. You will be able to sign-up online or sign-up in the back of the church to Spiritual Adopt a Baby for the next nine months. At the end of nine months, we will have a Baby Shower to collect baby items for Hope's Women Center located in Maricopa, AZ.



Please join the Sparkle and Clean Team on Wednesday morning, April 24th, to clean the church. Cleaning will begin at 10:00 and be completed by noon. No experience necessary, and everything needed to make Our Lady of Grace Church sparkle and shine will be provided! Participants must be in compliance.

# Summer Bible Camp VOLUNTEERS

We are in need of Summer Bible Camp Volunteers to help for the week of June 17-21 in the following areas: Bible Stories; Snack Prep; Games; and Arts & Crafts. You must be in Compliance to help.....but if you are not in Compliance - No worries! We can help you get into Compliance prior to June! Please contact Ann Maidman at amaidman@maricopacatholic.org to sign up as a Volunteer!

# **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

- First Communion Year 1 & Kidz Ministry Classes: Monday, April 22nd-Classes from 6:30pm to 7:45pm at Heritage.
- First Communion Year 2 & Kidz Ministry Classes: Tuesday, April 23rd-Classes from 6:30pm to 7:45pm at Heritage.
- Edge Middle School First Communion, Pre-Confirmation, Confirmation 1 & 2: Wednesday, April 24th - Classes from 6:15pm to 8:30pm in the Church
- Lifeteen High School First Communion, Pre-Confirmation, Confirmation 1 & 2: Thursday, April 25th - Classes from 6:15pm to 8:30pm in the Church

# WE NEED RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TEACHERS FOR THE UPCOMING 2024-2025 YEAR!

We are in need of teachers, teacher aides, & classroom parents for this upcoming school year. You've heard it said that "it takes a village to raise a child." This is so incredibly true!! Therefore, Our Lady of Grace Religious Education Office is asking you to prayerfully consider joining our family as a teacher, teacher aide or classroom parent. No experience necessary! We train! Our Catechists/teacher volunteers here at Our Lady of Grace do not just help our children and teens to simply know about Jesus Christ and our Catholic Faith, but we help them truly encounter Jesus in both the beauty and rich tradition of our Catholic Faith! If you are not in Compliance, we will help you get into Compliance. Please contact Ann Maidman at amaidman@maricopacatholic.org for more information

# **Ministerio Guadalupano**

El Ministerio Guadalupano te invita a rezar el Rosario cada domingo a la 1:15 pm y cada primer domingo del mes a rezar el Rosario en una hora de adoración al Santísimo Sacramento.

Para más información:

Diácono Memo Castro memo.castro777@gmail.com Oficina Parroquial: (520) 568-4605



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