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September 05, 2021

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**Mass Times**

**Saturday Evening**

4:00pm (Ash Fork)

5:30pm (Williams)

**Sunday Morning**

8:00am (Seligman)

10:00am (Williams)

**Monday, Tuesday,**

**Friday 9:00am**

(Williams)

**Wednesday**

Confession before Mass

4:00pm (Ash Fork)

**Eucharistic Adoration**

Tuesday 9:30-10:30am

Saturday 9-10am

**Confessions/**

**Confessiones**

Tuesdays after Mass &

Saturday 9 -10 or By

Appointment

**Office Hours**

By Appointment Only



**23<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

And people brought to him a deaf man who had a speech impediment and begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him off by himself away from the crowd. He put his finger into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "Ephphatha!" —that is, "Be opened!" - Mk 7:32-34

Le llevaron entonces a un hombre sordo y tartamudo, y le suplicaban que le impusiera las manos. El lo apartó a un lado de la gente, le metió los dedos en los oídos y le tocó la lengua con saliva. Después, mirando al cielo, suspiró y le dijo: "¡Effetá!" (que quiere decir "¡Abrete!"). - Mc 7, 32-34



If you have a need, please call the SVdP Helpline at 928-308-3294 Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:am - 11:am.



**Council #7626**

Serving Williams, Ash Fork, and Seligman. Contact Grand Knight, John Calley at [Knights7626@gmail.com](mailto:Knights7626@gmail.com)

**Safe Environment Renewal**

Contact Obdulia Mayoral at [alemeza\\_0@hotmail.com](mailto:alemeza_0@hotmail.com) or (928) 642-2830.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (RE)**

**CLASSES BEGIN SEPTEMBER 13TH AT 5:30PM AT ST. JOSEPH AND SEPTEMBER 8TH AT ST. ANNE**

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA)**

Interested in becoming Catholic or you are Baptized and still missing a Sacrament? Email Fr. Ramirez at [stjoseph.williams@gmail.com](mailto:stjoseph.williams@gmail.com) and put in the subject line "RCIA".

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

**Would you like to learn more about your faith?**

**Do you know anyone who may be interested in learning more about the Catholic faith?**

**Were you Baptized as an infant but haven't received the other Sacraments?**

**Are you interested or know anyone interested in becoming Catholic?**

I would like to invite you to join our Adult Faith Formation coming this Fall. We will be doing a program called Symbolon: The Catholic Faith Explained. Symbolon uses prayer, video teaching, discussion questions, a catechist summary, a call to conversion, and a recommended Celebration of the Word of God. Learning is more fun with friends.

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### 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

From the time we are born into this world until we die, our human radar picks up signals about how to respond to life. What we picked up on when we were very young carries an even greater power. The messages we receive and process tell us what we are “supposed” to do with our feelings, how to understand and cope with disappointment, anxiety, failure, death, illness, and what to expect out of life. As life unfolds for us, these radar messages kick in and resonate in us at very deep levels. Sometimes what we have learned is helpful and sometimes it is not. The stories we have been told, especially when we are young, about how life is best lived and how to negotiate its pain carry a heavy weight.

Life can be challenging and frightening. Sometimes, it really hurts to be a human being. It also can be quite unpredictable and, at times, unfair. We face our vulnerability and brokenness of all kinds: physical, emotional, and spiritual. It doesn't take much for life to quickly fall apart. What we knew to be familiar and true is gone and something we relied upon, physically, emotionally, or spiritually, can be taken away. It is hard to confront our limitations and sit with our incompleteness. Often, life hurts us so much that we find ourselves sitting in a pool of sadness, not sure what we are supposed to do. It is particularly hard when the signals we have inherited tell us that we need to be successful in what we do, and we have to avoid life's unfairness. We can feel like a failure, wondering what precisely we did to deserve this fate, or ruminate about what we did not do correctly. But it's really not about us. We are part of a bigger picture and a much more fascinating story!

If we cease doing battle with life's incompleteness and see ourselves, as God does, on a journey toward wholeness and completeness we can better accept our disappointments and stand firm. The prophets told us, and Jesus reassured us: Be strong! Fear not! Sometimes we have to update our stories and replace them with newer, more accurate ones. When we make God's story our own and tune our radar into His voice, what we hear is all about restoration, healing, and rejuvenation! This is true even when we think we have hit rock bottom and can go no further. There is always hope. Remember the words of Julian of Norwich: God made us, God loves us, and God keeps us. Now, listen to God when He says, “be opened!” Be healed and allow your stories to change.

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Fr. Ramirez will be attending the Priest Convocation from September 13th to 17th.

No Mass/Adoration/Confession on Tuesday, Sept 14

No Confession and Mass on Wednesday, Sept 15

No Mass on Friday, Sept 17th



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