

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Roman Catholic Parish

Parish Information

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Mass Schedule

Tuesday: 5:30PM

Wednesday - Friday: 8:00AM

Saturday: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 7:30AM, & 9:30AM,

Mass of Anointing of the Sick

& Holy Hour w/ Confessions: First Friday of each month, 8:00AM

Confessions: Saturday-4:00PM, Sunday-7:00AM or by appointment

Parish Groups & Ministries

Choir: Elizabeth Myers

Martha Ministry: Dolores Cota

Liturgical Ministry Coordinator: Dr. John Valeri

Knights of Columbus: Chuck Goldsmith

Lectors: Margaret Busse

Rosary Prayer Group: Marian Celaya

Church Decorum: Rose Marie Monks

Youth Ministry: Julie Keaveney

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Welcome! If you would like to become a registered member of Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish, or would like to contact a Group or Ministry leader, please contact the Parish Office



23RD 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

SEPTEMBER 5, 2021

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Intentions

<u>Sat: 9/4, 5:00PM</u>	Mark Roth (D) Karyn Icangelo (D)
<u>Sun: 9/5, 7:30AM</u>	Franco G. Delgado (D) Danilo Reyes (D) Peter & Chubby Saclolo (D)
<u>Sun: 9/5, 9:30AM</u>	Danilo Reyes (D) Ed Saclolo (D) Ciriaca Morante (D) Edgardo Hernandez (D)
<u>Mon : 9/6</u>	No Mass
<u>Tue: 9/7, 5:30PM</u>	For The People
<u>Wed: 9/8, 8:00AM</u>	Donna Nickel (D)
<u>Thur: 9/9, 8:00AM</u>	For The People
<u>Fri: 9/10, 8:00AM</u>	For The People

Every day do something that will lead you closer to God. Be the light that helps other see.

If you 're waiting on God, do what waiters do: *SERVE*

Your relationship with Jesus will set the tone of every other relationship in your life. Fix your eyes on Him, and watch how it changes things.

The Knights of Columbus

Monthly Meetings for the Knights of Columbus are held the 1st Wednesday of every month. At 6:00PM in Phelan Hall Next meeting -September 8th (Sept. only). New Members Always Welcome! For more information call Deacon Ernie Trujillo 480-861-5420 or email deacon-ernie08@gmail.com www.KofCflorence.com

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Sacramental Policies

Anointing of the Sick: 1st Friday of the month, 8:00AM Mass. Holy hour and confession follows.

Baptism: Mass attendance every Sunday is encouraged. Baptism Preparation class: please contact Deacon Ernie for an appointment at (480)-861-5420/Deaconernie08@gmail.com A Baptism Preparation class is required for both the parents and for the god-parents. Baptisms are scheduled on Saturdays between 10AM and no later than 2PM and on Sundays during masses only.

Confession: Saturday-4:00PM, Sunday-7:00AM or by appointment. In dire need, approach the priest immediately.

First Reconciliation/First Holy Communion: Students will be prepared to celebrate First Reconciliation/First Holy Communion from second grade and up; First Holy Communion will follow the year of First Reconciliation and receive from third grade and up. Students must be enrolled in a formal religious education program two years before celebrating the Sacraments **Confirmation:** Students will celebrate Confirmation in ninth grade after being enrolled in a formal religious education program from the reception of First Holy Communion on. Students not meeting this criteria will be eligible for tutoring of any missed grades.

Rite of Christian Initiation: Available to any Adult or Child (grade three and older) interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith with the added desire of celebrating the Sacraments with us.

Safe Environment Program: Any person experiencing offensive behavior on the part of any employee or volunteer of the parish is encouraged to inform our Compliance Officer: Liz Trujillo at 3139 E. Gable Circle, Mesa, AZ 85204 or 480-861-7208 or liz.trujillo59@gmail.com.



Readings for the week of September 5, 2021

Sunday: Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37

Monday: Col 1:24—2:3/Ps 62:6-7, 9 [8]/Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: Col 2:6-15/Ps 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11 [9]/Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c [Is 61:10]/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Thursday: Col 3:12-17/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 [6]/Lk 6:27-38

Friday: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11 [cf. 5]/Lk 6:39-42

Saturday: 1 Tm 1:15-17/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7 [2]/Lk 6:43-49

Assumption DATEBOOK


- ◆ Daily Mass will be in Gila Chapel. Sunday Mass with protocols will be held in Gila Chapel: Sunday 9:30am.



- ◆ Religious education classes immediately following the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Classes will be in the church hall or other designated classrooms, after the 9:30 Mass. Questions, call or text Linda at 480-250-1320. There will be NO Religious Educations Classes Sunday, September 5, in celebration of Labor Day.
- ◆ Bible Study every Wednesday from 9:30—11:00 AM in Phelan Hall Classrooms 2&3. If you have questions call or text Linda 480-250-1320



Assumption REMINDER

- ◆ **Annual Catholic Appeal**—SAY YES TO PERSEVERING IN HOPE! Text ACA to 41444 or visit www.cathfnd.org/donate If you have not supported ACA this year, please prayerfully consider your gift and help us reach our goal. We have an opportunity to act together as a Catholic family to impact the lives of others throughout the Diocese.
- ◆ *Parish Gift Shop Clearance Sale*— Opens after Saturday 5:00PM Mass. Store contact (anytime) 520-868-4810
- ◆ *Rosary Prayer Group and Divine Mercy Chaplet* will meet in Gila Chapel Mondays at 6:00pm. 
- ◆ Prayer is the key to success of the Arizona Rosary Celebration (ARC) Oct. 16th. There are many ways to pray for ARC's success on the website: AzRosary.net. You can learn "Seven Sorrows Rosary" located under Resources, Prayer Campaign & "Seven Sorrows Rosary" and "Our Lady of Sorrows" Fill out a "Prayer Intention" form and drop it into your Parish Prayer Intention box. All intentions will be prayed for at the event—and then taken to the Sisters at Santa Rita Abby where they will be prayed for until next year's ARC.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

September 5, 2021 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.**

J. Warren

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