



## *St. Rita in the Desert Catholic Church*

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**January 26, 2025**

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### **OFFICE HOURS | Horario de Oficina**

**Monday/ Lunes**—8:30 am-4:00 pm

**Tuesday/ Martes**—8:30 am-4:00 pm

**Wednesday/ Miercoles**—8:30 am-4:00 pm

**Thursday/ Jueves**—8:30 am-2:00 pm

**Friday/ Viernes**—**Closed**

Office closed 12:00 pm—1:00 pm daily

### **MASS SCHEDULE | Horario de Misas**

**SATURDAY/ Sábado**

**5:00 pm**—English

**SUNDAY/ Domingo**

**8:00 am**—English

**10:00 am**—English (3rd Sunday—Children's Mass)

**12:00 pm**—Spanish

### **DAILY MASS IN SHRINE | Misa Diaria en el Santuario**

**Monday to Friday / De Lunes a Viernes**

**8:00 am** —English

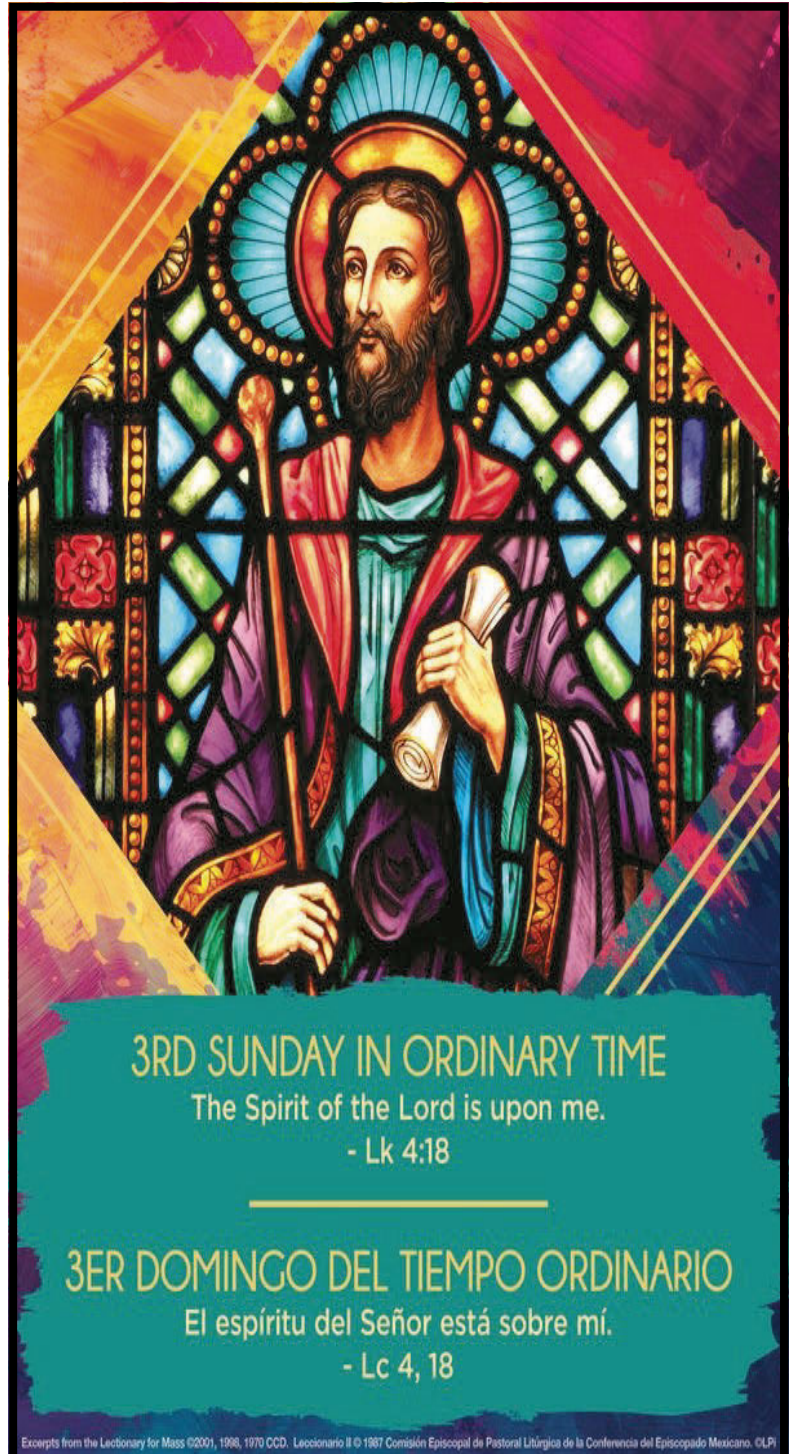
### **Confessions | Confesiones**

**Saturday | Sábado**

**3:30 pm—4:30 pm**

In the church or by appointment

En la iglesia o por cita



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## MASS INTENTIONS INTENCIONES DE MISA

### Saturday January 25

5:00 pm † Stan & MaryAnn Douglass  
† Kline Family  
† Lenore Glembin

### Sunday January 26

8:00 am † George & Mrs. Alice Bender  
† Bob Cleveland  
10:00 am † Dennis (Tony) O'Neill  
12:00 pm Living & Deceased of St. Rita's

### Monday January 27

8:00 am † Joan & Janet Pettit

### Tuesday January 28

8:00 am (SI) Mary Ann Cleveland

### Wednesday January 29

8:00 am (SI) John Zuel  
(SI) Kevin Zuel  
(SI) Jeanne Bryan

### Thursday January 30

8:00 am St. Rita

### Friday January 31

8:00 am † John Catura

## Readings for the Week of January 26, 2025

**Sunday:** Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 (see Jn 6:63c)/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21  
**Monday:** Heb 9:15, 24-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Mk 3:22-30  
**Tuesday:** Heb 10:1-10/Ps 40:2 and 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11/Mk 3:31-35  
**Wednesday:** Heb 10:11-18/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4/Mk 4:1-20  
**Thursday:** Heb 10:19-25/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Mk 4:21-25  
**Friday:** Heb 10:32-39/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40/Mk 4:26-34  
**Saturday:** Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75/Mk 4:35-41  
**Next Sunday:** Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

## Las lecturas de la semana del 26 de enero de 2025

**Domingo:** Neh 8, 2-4. 5-6. 8-10/Sal 18, 8. 9. 10. 15 (ver Jn 6, 63)/  
1 Co 12, 12-30 o 12, 12-14. 27/Lc 1, 1-4; 4, 14-21  
**Lunes:** Heb 9, 15. 24-28/Sal 97, 1. 2-3. 3-4. 5-6/Mc 3, 22-30  
**Martes:** Heb 10, 1-10/Sal 39, 2 y 4. 7-8. 10. 11/Mc 3, 31-35  
**Miércoles:** Heb 10, 11-18/Sal 109, 1. 2. 3. 4/Mc 4, 1-20  
**Jueves:** Heb 10, 19-25/Sal 23, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6/Mc 4, 21-25  
**Viernes:** Heb 10, 32-39/Sal 36, 3-4. 5-6. 23-24. 39-40/Mc 4, 26-34  
**Sábado:** Heb 11, 1-2. 8-19/Lc 1, 69-70. 71-72. 73-75/Mc 4, 35-41  
**Domingo siguiente:** Mal 3, 1-4/Heb 2, 14-18/Sal 23, 7. 8. 9. 10/Lc 2, 22-40 o 2, 22-32

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## SAFE ENVIROMENT Important tele- phone numbers:

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Child Protective Services: 1-888-SOS-CHILD (1-888-767-2445)  
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## ABOUT US

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Every Friday after the 8:00am Mass for an hour; First Sunday of the month at 4:00 pm for an hour in the John XXIII.

### Anointing of the Sick:

Every First Friday at the 8:00 am Mass

### Baptisms:

Please visit our website under the tab LITURGY/SACRAMENTS and fill the *Intent to Baptize Form*.

### Confirmation:

Contact Youth Minister or OCIA coordinator

### Marriage:

Marriage arrangements must be made at least 4 months in advance. Contact the parish office.

## 2025 MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARIES CELEBRATION

Bishop Edward Weisenburger will celebrate the Mass for Marriage Anniversaries for 2025 on Sunday, February 16, 2025, at 2:30 pm at St. Augustine Cathedral.

If you have any questions, contact Ofelia James  
ojames@diocesetucson.org

PLEASE REGISTAR BY: Friday, February 7, 2025

ONLINE REGISTRATION: <http://forms.office.com/r/KmvdLX6Kbi>



## CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH WOMEN'S RETREAT MINISTRY

### Jesus, Are You There?

Guest speakers  
Linda Atkielski and  
Donna Celenza-Sweet

**Saturday February 22, 2025**  
**8:00 am until 1:00 pm**

Tickets are \$20.00 per person  
On sale January 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup>  
Checks payable to CCCC Women's  
Retreat Ministry  
R.S.V.P. to Corpus Christi  
520-520-751-4235



## St. Vincent de Paul

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus reads the scripture: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me because he had anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor." In January, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul assisted over 30 families, providing food, rent, and help with utility bills and other bills. **THANK YOU!**

For more information about becoming a member, call (520) 501-1386.

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## St Valentine's Day Charismatic Mass

**Thursday February 13, 2025 at 6:45 PM**

"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another."  
- John 13:34



❖ Lively Praise & Worship

❖ Praise reports

❖ Special blessings for married couples & those considering marriage



Fr Bala Kommathoti

Invite your family & friends!

- Attend in person at: Our Lady of La Vang Parish  
St. Frances Cabrini Church, 3201 E. Presidio Rd., Tucson
- Join on Zoom at: Meeting ID: 814 4930 0841  
Passcode: 352734

View this using Zoom app on a computer / tablet / smart phone,  
If you have problems joining the meeting, please text Diana at: 520-981-8800.

## Collection/Colecta

We would like to thank all of our parishioners and visitors for being generous with your donations. We depend on your generosity to meet the financial needs of our parish.

### SUNDAY OFFERING

**January 19, 2025**

Offertory: \$ 4,424.00

Online: \$ 2,255.85

### CAMPUS MAINTENANCE

Collection: \$ 1,432.01

Online: \$245.35

**May God bless you for your continued support!**

## World Day of the Sick Mass

Most Rev. Edward J. Weisenburger, J.C.L.  
Principal Celebrant



Anointing of the Sick  
Blessing of Caregivers  
Petitions to Our Lady of Lourdes  
Distribution of Lourdes Water

Saturday, February 15, 2025  
10:00 AM



St. Thomas the Apostle  
5150 N. Valley View Rd.  
Tucson, AZ 85718



Without confidence and love, there can be no true education. If you want to be loved...you must love yourselves, and make your children

feel that you love them.

~ St. John Basco (1815-1888)  
Priest, Patron of editors & publishers,  
Feast Day January 31

## GOSPEL MEDITATION

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

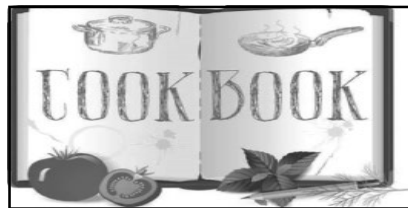
Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21

A young couple in my parish told me they were expecting their second child, a baby boy. I knew that their five-year old only child Emma had been desperately wanting to be a big sister for years, so I said, "Emma must have been so happy when you told her the news." "Actually," they said, "she burst into tears. She wanted a baby *sister*!" How often in life God wonderfully fulfills our desires and we are sad because we don't approve of the *way* he does it. We want to control the gift and the delivery method.

The same thing occurs in the Gospel this week when Jesus announces in his hometown that the promise of an Anointed One bringing glad tidings to the poor is **"fulfilled in your hearing"** (Luke 4:21). After a moment of elation, his fellow townsfolk realize *this man* is the way God is fulfilling his promises, and they erupt into a violent outburst. So Jesus departs. How sad for them.

Every single Sunday at Mass, including this one, some version of this happens to many of us. God's word announces the fulfillment of God's promises in Christ, and we easily overlook or disdain it. His way is almost never according to our narrow expectations. What's required of us is to set these aside, and to embrace a new openness to God's gifts, no matter how he wishes to give them. God is fulfilling his promises the way He likes — why be sad?

— Father John Muir ©LPi



St. Rita's has a tradition of creating parish cookbooks for fundraising, but it has been over 25 years since the last one. The Altar Society is excited to revive this tradition, which also serves as a parish census.

To participate, please pick up a recipe card in the Narthex, write down your favorite recipe, and return the card to the recipe box. The Altar Society will handle the rest.



"Whatever you do, work at it with all your

heart, as working for the Lord. It is the Lord Christ you are serving." Colossians 3:23-24 If you would like to help serve the Lord by becoming a member of one of the many ministries, check the bulletin for a contact name. Your help is needed and appreciated.



## Taller de Oración y Vida

Taller de oración y vida del P. Larraña. Te invita a vivir en una vida de oración mas plena que te ayude a superar las dificultades de la vida como: Miedos, tristezas, ansiedades, etc. Empezamos el 3 de febrero, 2025. A las 6:30-8:30 salón: Oscar Romero. Aparto tu lugar, el cupo es limitatado. Registrarse con Ana Silvia al 520-971-0173



The English Legion of Mary is sponsoring coffee and donuts in the hall after the 8:00 am and 10:00 am Masses **on February 2, 2025**. Join us for fellowship.

## 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SOMETIMES THE BIBLE READINGS SPEAK EXACTLY TO WHAT I'M GOING THROUGH!

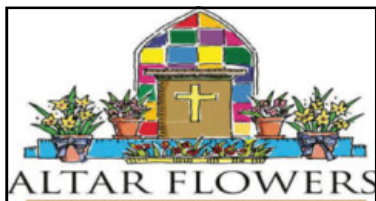


IT'S ALMOST LIKE IT'S SUPERNATURAL!

GEE, YOU THINK?







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Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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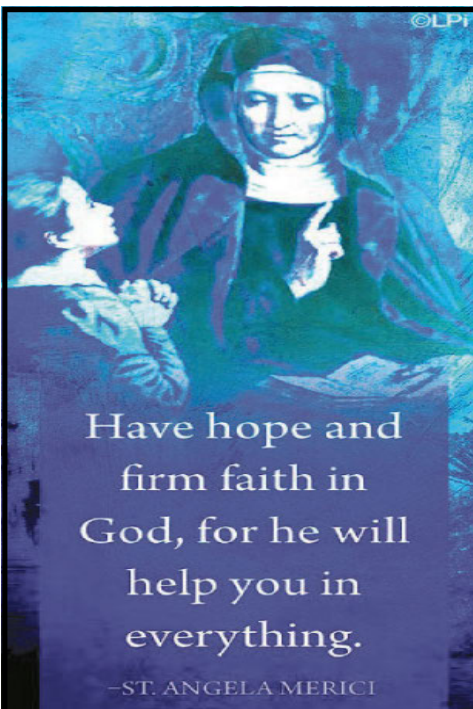
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