

**Saint Joseph Roman
Catholic Parish—Tucson
(An Arizona Non-Profit Corporation)**

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Third Sunday of Advent

December 16, 2018

Pastoral Staff

Pastor	Rev. Robert Rodriguez
Deacons	Leon Mazza Teodoro Perez, Hispanic Min.
Parish Secretary	Ms. Norma Torres
Resource Manager	Ms. Kara Leubbering

Faith Formation

Mr. Wade Manuel, Coordinator
Pre-K through Grade 7
September through April
Sundays: 8:00 am to 9:05 am
Confirmation Preparation
Please call Parish Office

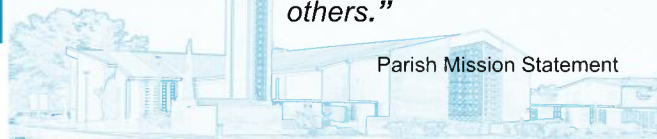
St. Joseph Parochial School

Telephone (520) 747-3060

Principal Mrs. Kathy Van Loan
Scholarship Manager Mrs. Michele Hackett

Pre-Kindergarten through Eighth Grade
Monday through Thursday
7:40 am to 3:00 pm
Friday: 7:40 am to 12:30 pm

"We, the faithful of Saint Joseph Parish, are a community of believers who follow Christ, proclaim the Word of God, worship the Lord and respond to the needs of others."



Parish Office Hours/Horas De Oficina

**Monday–Thursday/
Lunes-Jueves: 8:00 am to 4:00 pm**
Friday/Viernes: 8:00 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Sunday/Domingo: 8:00 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Mass Times/Horario de Misas

Daily/Lunes a Sabado: 7:00 am
Wednesday/Miercoles – Out Lady of Perpetual Help: 6:00 pm (In the Chapel)
Saturday Vigil: 5:30 pm
**Sunday Masses: 7:00 am
9:15 am
11:00 am
1:15 pm Spanish
5:30 pm**

**Holy Day Masses/Misas de Guardar:
(Check bulletin)**

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – Chapel
Every First Friday 10:00 a.m. – Noon**



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Sunday, December 16

8:00 a.m. R. E. ClassesSchool Classrooms
10:00 a.m. RCIASt. Francis Room
9:00 a.m. Confirmation Class..... Healy Hall
3:00 p.m. MFCC Posada..... Healy Hall

Monday, December 17

6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts.....St. Francis Room
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts..... Healy Hall

Tuesday, December 18

6:00 p.m. Advent Communal Penance..... Church

Wednesday, December 19

10:00 a.m. Bible StudyActivity Room
12:00 p.m. Prayer Group..... Chapel
6:00 p.m. School Christmas Play Church
7:00 p.m. MFC Gathering..... St. Francis Room

Thursday, December 20

7:30 p.m. Contemporary Choir Prac Chapel

Friday, December 21

7:00 p.m. Hispanic Women's Ministry Healy Hall
7:00 p.m. Hispanic Men's Ministry St. Francis Rm

Saturday, December 22

10:00 a.m. Sewing Group St. Francis Room

Sunday, December 23

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Third Sunday of Advent;
Las Posadas begins
Tuesday: International Migrants Day
Friday: St. Peter Canisius; Winter begins



The collection for the weekend of December 8/9
was \$6,482.30.

The second collection for the Seminarian Education
Fund was \$2,041.62

The collection for the Immaculate Conception was
\$478.30.

MASS INTENTIONS AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, December 16 — Zep 3:14-18; Is 12:2-6;
Phil 4:4-7; Lk 3:10-18

7:00 a.m. John McIntosh †
9:15 a.m. Nancy Early †
11:00 a.m. Kathy Chavez Moreno †
Kel Chavez †
1:15 p.m. St. Joseph Parishioners
5:30 p.m. Torres Family

Monday, December 17 — Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:3-4,
7-8, 17; Mt 1:1-17

7:00 a.m. Becky Clifford †

Tuesday, December 18 — Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-
13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25

7:00 a.m. John M. Gillette †

Wednesday, December 19 — Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25; Ps
71:3-4, 5-6, 16-17; Lk 1:5-25

7:00 a.m. Robert Stephenson †

Thursday, December 20 — Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-6;
Lk 1:26-38

7:00 a.m. Rudy Lucero †

Friday, December 21 — Sg 2:8-14; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12,
20-21; Lk 1:39-45

7:00 a.m. Alejandro & Elisa Bravo †

9:00 a.m. Ernest A. Sanchez †

Saturday, December 22 — 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1,
4-7, 8; Lk 1:46-56

7:00 a.m. Norma Torres †

5:30 p.m. Jim Guyrow †

Sunday, December 23 — Mi 5:1-4; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16,
18-19; Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45

7:00 a.m. St. Joseph Parishioners
9:15 a.m. Anthony Toto †
11:00 a.m. Antonio Saldivar †
Ernest A. Sanchez †
1:15 p.m. Lorenia Campbell †
5:30 p.m. Janelle Southard

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR MORNING MASS
(7:00 AM) AND ROSARY.**

FRIDAY MORNING ADORATION

BENEDICTION AT 11:50 A.M.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

SCHOOL NEWS

Guardian Angel Fund

Saint Joseph's has **216** students in the school. This is wonderful news. Kathy van Loan and I do not want to refuse anyone a Catholic Education. There are some families that are large, and need your help. Even with scholarship money and making payments many find themselves overwhelmed. I am pleading to you to, **be a Guardian Angel!** I myself was sponsored throughout my Catholic School Education by a wonderful lady named, Colleen Newman, now deceased. My parents wouldn't have been able to pay the tuition for all 13 of their children if not for help from generous people like Colleen. Please call the school to ask how you can help, I would appreciate it greatly. Call Kara Leubbering at the main office for information or call the school directly at 747-3060 and ask for Michele Hackett. God Bless you! Fr. Robert Rodriguez

**HELP! HELP! HELP!
COPY PAPER IS NEEDED!
PLEASE DROP AT
THE SCHOOL OR PARISH OFFICE**

WE HAVE GREAT NEWS! The Individual Tax Credit limits have increased

The amount you can now contribute to Arizona's Catholic Tuition Support Organization (CTSO) has increased. If filing as a single taxpayer you can give up to \$1,107, and a married couple filing jointly can contribute up to \$2,213, and you, the donor can receive a dollar-for-dollar tax credit off your Arizona tax liability. Brochures are in the vestibule or visit www.ctso-tucson.org to make an online contribution.



POSITION OPEN

St. Joseph Parish is looking for a Bookkeeper/Accountant. To apply go to the Diocese website diocesetucson.org to apply online and for further details.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE SCHOOL:

THANK YOU most sincerely to all who have dropped off paper to the school office. We greatly appreciate you.

Learn all about scholarship opportunities: We are offering many opportunities to learn about the various scholarships which will allow your child to attend Catholic school.

Hay oportunidades en Espanol tambien. Contact the School Office for details. Llame a la oficina de la escuela. 747-3060.

Students are busy learning songs and getting ready for the Christmas Program which will be at 6 PM in the church on Wednesday, December 19..

HAVE YOU MOVED?????

Do you have a new address, phone number or family changes? Updating this information helps us serve the parish more effectively and saves on the cost of returned postage. Please call the Parish Office at 747-3100 to update your information.

To submit a bulletin announcement send it via e-mail to:

Parish@stjosephstucson.org. or drop it by the Parish Office.

The Little Ones

Jim Burrows



MISA DE GALLO

The Filipino community in the Diocese of Tucson are having their annual Misa de Gallo (Mass of the Rooster) nine-day Novena in preparation for Christmas. It will be held here at St. Joseph Parish from December 16—24 at 5:30 a.m. Light refreshments will follow in the Healy Hall. Everyone is invited. For more information contact Esperanza Gutang at 881-6553.

REMINDER FOR PARENTS

We would like to remind parents to please accompany their children to the rest rooms. We would like to continue to be a safe parish. Thank you



¡RECORDATORIO PARA LOS PADRES!

Les recordamos a los padres que por favor acompañen a sus hijos cuando hagan uso de los baños. Nos gustaría continuar siendo una parroquia segura.



Please help us serve you better. I would respectfully ask that those that need to be up close to receive the Body and Blood of Christ, please come up to the front pews. If you must be in the back you must inform an usher

so that someone will be able to serve you in the back of the church. God Bless You
Rev. Robert A. Rodriguez



REMEMBER A LOVED ONE

Your loved one can be remembered in a flower donation for Christmas. If you would like to offer a memorial gift, simply stop by the Parish Office and leave the name of your loved one. The names will be listed in the bulletin as a remembrance of those who have passed away. Thank you in advance for a beautifully decorated Church at a Christmas.

ONE OR MORE SACRISTANS NEEDED.

Mass Sacristan needed for the 7:00 am daily Mass. If you are interested please let me know and I will train you. If there is more than one, we will all alternate days as needed. Deacons will cover only in emergencies.

Sacristan- A minister of the Parish Church who will open the church, set up for the Holy Mass, and will assign readers and extra-ordinary ministers. The Sacristan has a key to open all and any doors of the church. Please ask them for assistance.

Fr. Robert A. Rodriguez

ST. JOSEPH SACRISTANS

5:30 p.m. Saturday Vigil	Shirley Carey
7:00 a.m. Sunday	Carol Southard
9:15 a.m. Sunday	Robert Martinez
11:00 a.m. Sunday	R.J. Sepulveda
1:15 p.m. Sunday	Ramses Enriquez
5:30 p.m. Sunday	Carol & Robert Southard

GOD'S HEALING LOVE DAY OF RENEWAL FOR MEN & WOMEN



Saturday – January 12, 2019
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
Church Hall
8:45 am – 6:00 pm
Offered by Vine of Grace
Retreat Ministry
Presented by

DIOCESE OF TUCSON PRIESTS & DEACONS

Father Marco Basulto, Fr. Abram Dono, Fr. Bala Kommathoti, Dcn. Rodney Kulpa, Dcn. Eugene Fernandez, & Dcn. Mario Rodriguez

To register for this day of fellowship, worship, healing and spirit filled inspiration call 520.742.6687 or go to www.vineofgrace.org. \$25 includes lunch and materials. A love offering will be requested.

VOCATIONS

If you are interested in the priesthood or religious, the religious life as a Sister or Nun, please contact your pastor and he will help guide you through your journey. There are many questions, let the priest guide you before you receive the wrong information. God Bless, Fr. Robert Rodriguez



To help families live out the joy of Christ, Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori has composed a prayer through which families will come together to consecrate themselves under the protection of the Holy Family. In this prayer, we ask for the aid or intercession of the perfect son Jesus Christ, Mary the perfect mother, and Joseph who is a model for every father. Through this consecration, each participant is consciously choosing to be a beacon of God's love.

St. Joseph Knights of Columbus invites each parish family to consecrate themselves to the Holy Family and to devote themselves to the ideal model of familial love set by Jesus, Mary and Joseph on Sunday December 30, the Feast of the Holy Family. We will have the special prayer composed by Archbishop Lori available at all masses. This is not a single event. It is choosing a way of life for your family.

If you are a Catholic man interested in becoming a Knight, please contact our council at 520-303-4791 or by email at Kofc8813@yahoo.com

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE FOR REACHOUT WOMEN'S CENTER

As in years past, St. Joseph will be collecting children's items for Reachout Women's Center this Advent Season.

"Reachout's mission is to help women choose life for their babies by lovingly supporting them emotionally, physically, and spiritually."



Reachout's operation and philosophy are in line with the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church. They support their mission by:

- Offering hope through compassionate help and non-judgmental counseling.
- Preventing unplanned pregnancy through healthy relationship training.

Please pick up an "ornament" from our Christmas Tree and return unwrapped item to the Parish Office.



"News You Can Use"

Pre-K to 6th Grades:

This Sunday and Last Sunday, the Students were able to do their Penance Service during their class time. We celebrate the 3rd Sunday of Advent today. Please discuss with your child about how the Holy Spirit speaks in John the Baptist. The Holy Spirit speaks in John the Baptist. We studied about how we are all one human family. We read and hear about how forming and using a good conscience. It is John who announces the Good News. The Word becomes incarnate. Jesus is the savior of the world.

Important Dates:

Parish Advent Communal Penance Service – 6:00pm
December 24th Children Christmas Eve Mass and Play at 4:00pm

7th Grade to High School Students

Life Teen / Confirmation:

It was a great and wonderful time for students who participated in The Our Lady of Guadalupe Procession and Mass.

Students have finished the 1st half of the year. They return after the Christmas break preparing for the 2nd year retreat and preparing for the Sacrament.

In closing, we wish you a **Merry Christmas** and a **Happy New Year!**

May God Bless Each and Everyone One of Us!

Please visit us at our Facebook Page at <https://www.facebook.com/StJConfirmation/>

No classes on **December 23rd & December 30th** Christmas Break

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Years ago, the trick question on religion quizzes would be to name all the liturgical colors, or the colors of the vestments worn at Mass. Rose is a color seldom seen, used at most two days a year. Today, “Gaudete Sunday,” is one of those days. The name of the day is drawn from an opening verse in the old Latin Mass texts: *Gaudete* is Latin for “Rejoice!” This year’s Gospel certainly reflects that mood as Elizabeth feels her infant within her leaping for joy at the presence of Mary. Mary’s visit to her aged cousin is an act of compassion between women, as two kinswomen who are bearing children into the world share their joy.

Some churches retain the custom of having the priest wear rose vestments today, and many will use a rose candle in the Advent wreath. Violet is the official color for Advent and Lent, but many parishes employ different hues for each season, trying to keep them distinct. In medieval times, dye was costly, and poor parishes used unornamented plain cloth for vestments. Dyes were expensive and some colors, particularly purple, difficult to achieve. In England, purple dye was made from mollusks, yielding at best a deep indigo or blue and not the desired violet. Thus, the color of Advent in the British Isles has long been a deep blue, reminding many people of Mary’s presence at the heart of the Advent mystery. That theology is largely unplanned: it’s all because of the clams!

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TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Los cristianos latinos tenemos unos cinco siglos en nuestra trayectoria de fe y como todo cristiano aguardamos la segunda venida del Mesías, Jesús. Nuestra espera forma parte de dos milenios de cristianos que buscan verlo llegar en las nubes.

Desde el siglo VII la oración oficial de la Iglesia clama el retorno de Cristo con las exclamaciones llamadas las “Antifonas Oh”. Estas llaman a Jesús pidiéndole que venga bajo los títulos de Emmanuel, Sabiduría celestial, Señor de gran poder, Vara de Isaí, Llave de David, Alba de la luz, y Deseo y Rey de gentes, y algunos más. Estos refranes se usan aún todavía hoy durante los días 17 al 23 de diciembre, y unidas en un acróstico latino forman las palabras *ero cras* (estaré mañana), como respuesta a la petición cristiana. Eventualmente en el siglo X o XI estas antifonas fueron unidas en el canto gregoriano Veni, veni Emmanuel (Oh ven, oh ven Emmanuel).

Este adviento mientras cantamos las antiguas antifonas hay que preguntarnos si de veras estamos listos para el regreso del Hijo del Hombre que viene para juzgar a vivos y muertos.

—Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NEWS

We are seeking volunteers for St. Vincent de Paul. This is a great opportunity for parents earn volunteer hours. We are open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.



MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

“He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.” Join us on one of the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekends on Jan 26-27 at Our Lady of Guadalupe monastery in Phoenix or Mar 16-17 in Tucson. To apply online, and for weekend dates visit www.wwmearizona.com

Sacraments/Sacramentos

Reconciliation/Horario de Reconciliación Saturdays/Sabados: 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm

Baptisms — Baptismal arrangements must be made by the PARENTS of the child at the Parish Office. Parents and godparents **must** attend a baptismal preparation class before the baptism. Other requirements will be discussed at the initial interview. When choosing godparents, if they are married, they must be married through the Catholic Church, if single you must not be living with a partner. Donation is \$20.00

Matrimony — Weddings are celebrated throughout the year. In accord with Church Law, at least one of the parties to be married must be a member of St. Joseph, otherwise special permissions are needed. Marriage preparation is to begin at least 6 months prior to the wedding. It is strongly recommended that a couple planning to be married at St. Joseph contact the Parish before making any contractual arrangements with a facility for their reception. During the initial interview with the priest of the Parish, the couple will be provided with all the necessary information needed for their preparation experience.

Anointing of the Sick— Arrangements need to be arranged by a **family member** by contacting the Parish Office. Please indicate the status of the family member.