

PENTECOST SUNDAY

“Let anyone who thirsts come to me and drink.”

- Jn 7:37b

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Mass Times

Sunday	7 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 5 p.m.
1st & 2nd Sunday	11:30 a.m. (Croatian)
Monday	7 a.m.
Tuesday	7 a.m., 6 p.m.
Wednesday	7 a.m.
Thursday	7 a.m.
Friday	7 a.m.
Saturday	8 a.m., 4 p.m. Vigil

Reconciliation

Wednesday	4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Saturday	8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

Devotions

Rosary & Chaplet of the Diving Mercy
Monday-Saturday, after morning Mass

Miraculous Medal Novena
Tuesday, after 6 p.m. Mass

First Friday Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus
First Friday of the month after morning Mass

First Saturday Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary
First Saturday of the month after morning Mass

Office Hours

Sunday	Closed
Monday	8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday	8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Wednesday	8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Thursday	8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Friday	8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Saturday	Closed

Gift Shop Hours

Sunday	After all Masses
Monday	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Tuesday	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Wednesday	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Thursday	Closed
Friday	Closed
Saturday	3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

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Forming the Flock

WITH DEACON JEFF STROM



We Were Born For This

"I am not afraid, because God is with me. I was born for this!" St. Joan of Arc proclaimed this going into battle, and the Holy Spirit empowers this in us at Pentecost. She is the only person of either gender to ever hold supreme command of a nation's military forces at only 17 years old. St. Joan of Arc, whose feast day is May 30, inspired the French against the English in the 15th century. She was wounded during battle, her fame spread, and she became perhaps the most famous person in Europe. The English put her on trial, but it turned political. Joan was charged with heresy, witchcraft and cross-dressing like a man by wearing armor into battle. Yes, the court alleged that this violated divine law. She was found guilty and burned to death before thousands. Her martyrdom helped spur the French to drive the English out. A king's trial review years later reversed Joan's guilty verdict. Mark Twain's favorite book he wrote was "Joan of Arc." "I am not afraid because God is with me. I was born for this!"

The Ascension and Pentecost give hope. Our Lord ascends into heaven, commanding his disciples: "Be not afraid. I am with you always. You were born for this!" as he gives them and all of us our mission. So, why didn't Jesus stay on earth after the Resurrection? If Jesus was really raised from the dead, then where is He?

First, Christ wanted us to have faith in things that are unseen, because it's a greater faith. So, he ascended into heaven to increase our faith.

Second, the Ascension is a bodily event. Christ doesn't stay here to show us our destiny and give us hope. He takes his human nature, his glorified body, up into the very life of the Trinity.

Third, God knows that it's easy for us to love earthly things, to think that we were made for this world, and to try to find our happiness in finite things that are passing. What happens when we chase wealth, pleasure, power or honor? We can go prodigal, and the wheels can come off quickly if we try to find eternal happiness in finite worldly things. We can end up miserable, maybe from anxiety, isolation, loneliness, despair and depression.

The Ascension and Pentecost give hope. Jesus ascends into heaven to increase our faith, hope and love and to focus us on heaven and God. This week on Pentecost, we hear the final reason, when Jesus says, "If I don't go, then I can't send the Holy Spirit." Jesus doesn't abandon us. He stays with us in the Eucharist and in the Holy Spirit within us.

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Forming the Flock continued

Catholic tradition refers to the “whole Christ.” Christ, the Head, is one with His body, the Church. St. Joan of Arc’s reply to her trial judges sums it up, “About Jesus Christ and the Church, I simply know they’re just one thing, and we shouldn’t complicate the matter.” Also, what happened between the Ascension of Jesus, 40 days after Easter, and the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, 50 days after Easter? The Apostles devoted themselves to nine days of prayer, the biblical foundation of praying a novena. Novenas (the word means nine) are prayed for nine days in a row or nine weeks, like our Tuesday evening perpetual novena, which has been going on for almost 25 years.

The Ascension and Pentecost give hope. Jesus gives us all a mission to baptize, teach and make disciples. Are all our kids and grandkids baptized? Have we personally taught them our beautiful Catholic faith? Our faith can be lost in just one generation. Have we protected them from nefarious education wokeness and unplugged them from the AI-powered social media cesspool? Making disciples is overwhelming because it’s usually one-on-one. Have we recently invited someone to join us in prayer, at Mass, and especially in Adoration, as Bishop Olmsted encouraged? Our parish Cursillo family reminds us to make a friend, be a friend and bring a friend to Christ!

Jesus gives us all a mission to baptize, teach and make disciples. He is with us always in this pagan, at times demonic, world. In Lord of the Rings, King Théoden asks, “So much death. What can men do against such reckless hate?” The Christ-figure Aragorn answers, “Ride out with me. Ride out and meet it.” Our mission of holiness is clear as we echo St. Joan of Arc in battle, “We are not afraid, because God is with us. We were born for this!”

In Christ, Deacon Jeff



Loss of a job, long-term unemployment or inability to pay household bills can seriously damage a person’s self-esteem.

Vincetians strive to restore the dignity of the people we serve by patiently and attentively listening to their concerns, avoiding judgment or discrimination. We treat all clients with respect, offering a hand up rather than a handout.

If you know someone who is struggling, let them know St. Vincent de Paul is available as a resource for them. Call **480-948-8370, ext. 266.**

Lord, let your face shine upon us.

Annual Water Drive
is underway.

**Please leave
cases of water
on the table
near the
Youth Room.**



Knights of
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Eucharistic Minister Training

We will have our EM Workshop
for ALL current and new EMs
on the following dates and times:

Wednesday, May 31

6 p.m. to 7 p.m. for current EMs
6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. for new EMs

Saturday, June 3

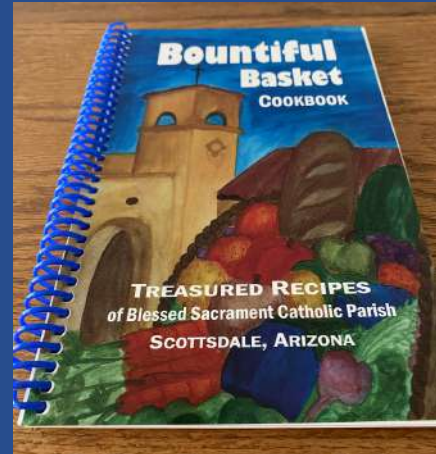
9 a.m. to 10 a.m. for current EMs
9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. for new EMs



Grief and Bereavement



Blessed Sacrament offers Grief and Bereavement support for those who have lost someone. If you have suffered the death of a loved one and would benefit from sharing with other adults, please join us. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room. For more information, please contact Dr. Isabella Rice at irice@bscaz.org.



The Blessed Sacrament Women's Community's cookbooks are ready to be devoured! They are \$20.00 each and would make a wonderful gift! You can pick yours up in the Parish Gift Shop.



Fr. Williams, Raffle Winner Liz Trayer,
Grand Knight Joe McInerny

Thank You from Knights of Columbus!!!

Thank you for all who supported the Knights of Columbus Assembly 2524 "IN HIS IMAGE" fundraiser, dinner event on Sat. May 13, 2023. The evening began with a Live Rosary led by Fr. Doug Spina. Guests enjoyed a meal catered by Ristorante Giuseppe and live entertainment by pianist Richard Palalay. We held the raffle for the statue "The Deposition of Christ with the Angels," which was won by parishioner Liz Trayer. Thank you for your generosity, as more than \$6,000 was raised for a new 4-D Ultrasound Machine for the Aid to Women Center.

Welcome Home Father Kilian!

Our Past | Our Present | Our Future



*Free Pancake Breakfast
Sunday, June 4 - After 9:30 Mass*



We are united as a family in our Catholic faith. Father Kilian McCaffrey followed his vocation to other parishes, and now God's Will brings him back to Blessed Sacrament, his spiritual home. In Ireland, your hometown or family home is called your "home place." We are a faith family. Father Kilian is returning to us, to his home place, as the Irish would say. This is the place of his vocation—his spiritual home. We thank God for Father Kilian's return to our community.

Join us on Sunday, June 4, after the 9:30 a.m. Mass as we welcome Father Kilian home! We will celebrate in the Social Hall with a FREE Pancake Breakfast hosted by the Knights of Columbus. Feicfimid ann thú (Irish for "We will see you there!").



Father Kilian's Story, in His Own Words

Many of you know me. Some of you may not. I find it very strange to write about myself. Where do I start? I take inspiration from the great Polish novelist, Joseph Conrad, who might have written, "He is an inch, perhaps two, above six feet, powerfully built, and he advances straight at you with a slight stoop of the shoulders, head forward, and a fixed from-under stare which makes you think of a charming, charging Irish bull." I was born on July 7, 1966, in Dublin City in Ireland, the third of six children born to Christy and Margaret (Jean) McCaffrey. I was baptized in the Church of St. Andrew, Westland Row, in Dublin, three days later. The seed of a vocation is sown at baptism and nurtured in a loving family.

I am blessed to be from an amazing family. Faith and church were the foundation of our family life. My older sister, Mary, lives in Dublin; my older brother, Jim, lives in London, where he is married to Anne, and they have one daughter, Lauren; my younger brother, Chris, lives in now-gentrified Harlem and works in Lower Manhattan in New York; my younger sister, Helen, lives and works in London, where she is married to Wolfgang from Germany. Finally, my youngest brother, Dave, lives in Melbourne, Australia, where he is married to Sandy, a native of Australia, and they have two sons, Ryan and Aidan.

An Electronics Engineer by profession, I graduated from Dublin Institute of Technology and Dublin City University before coming to the United States in 1994. I worked in Dublin, London and Detroit as an engineer in the 1990s.

After moving to the North Scottsdale area in May 1998, exactly 25 years ago, I immediately looked up the Yellow Pages to find out which Catholic church was nearest to where I was living and began attending Blessed Sacrament Parish. I have always considered Blessed Sacrament to be my home parish.

The seeds of God's vocation for the priesthood were nurtured at the parish, especially through the Miraculous Medal Novena and the Knights of Columbus. While working as an engineer in Tempe, I realized, over time, that the priesthood was God's special calling for me.

In the summer of 1999, I made contact with the Diocese of Phoenix vocations office and began a year of discernment. I applied to the diocese and was accepted as a seminarian in 2000. After attending Mount Angel Seminary in Oregon, studying philosophy and theology, I spent the summer of 2001 at Blessed Sacrament Parish as a seminarian, under the guidance of Fr. Pat Robinson. My mother died of lung cancer during my second year in the seminary, shortly after the 9/11 terrorist attacks.

Following six years of study and formation, including the last two years with Stu Long (Father Stu) as a classmate, I was ordained to the transitional diaconate on Oct. 7, 2006, at Mount Angel Seminary. I was then ordained to the priesthood on June 2, 2007, at Ss. Simon and Jude Cathedral in Phoenix by Bishop Thomas J. Olmsted as one of six ordinands. This was the largest joint priestly ordination group from the Diocese of Phoenix and included Fr. Eugene Florea, Fr. Craig Friedley, Fr. John Muir, Fr. Ernesto Reynoso and Fr. Paul Sullivan.

The next day, Sunday, June 3, 2007, Trinity Sunday, I celebrated my first Mass at Blessed Sacrament Parish. Many of you will fondly remember that day.

I then went on to serve as a priest, first at Queen of Peace Parish in Mesa and then at St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Maryvale. After that, it was Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish in Old Town Scottsdale and then up in Northern Arizona at St. Joseph the Worker Parish in Williams, as well as St. Anne Mission in Ash Fork and St. Francis Parish in Seligman. I began my six-year term as pastor at St. Elizabeth Seton Parish in Sun City in July 2017.

I work with many healing ministries in the Diocese of Phoenix, especially Rachel's Vineyard and Grief to Grace retreats, as well as the Cursillo Movement.

Some of my favorite saints include St. Teresa of Avila, St. Vincent de Paul, St. John of the Cross, St. Francis of Assisi, Blessed Solanus Casey, Blessed Stanley Rother and Blessed Michael McGivney. My hobbies include hiking, cycling, swimming, classic movies, as well as many sports, including soccer, hockey and rugby. I also love traveling, opera, cooking, music, and people in general.



*Celebrate Corpus Christi,
our Feast Day as Catholics!*

*Eucharistic Processions
followed by
Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration*

*Saturday, June 10 @ 3 p.m.
Sunday, June 11 @ 8:30 a.m. & 4 p.m.*

*Evening of Reflection with
Eucharistic Congress Presenter
Julie Carrick, Sunday, June 11 @ 7 p.m.*

KNOW GOD | LOVE GOD | SERVE GOD



We invite you to visit our Adoration webpage and choose the hour or hours you would like to spend with Our Lord.

bscaz.org/adoration

The Importance of Eucharistic Adoration

Excerpted from: All Your Questions About Adoration Answered...What Is It?
How Do I Go? What Do I Do? And More!

by Becky Roach | Adoration, Best Of Catholic-Link.org

When Catholics say they are "going to Adoration," they are typically referring to Eucharistic Adoration, which, in the most basic terms, is the worship of the Eucharist outside of the Mass. The Eucharistic Host is displayed in a monstrance on the altar so that all can see and pray in the presence of Christ.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church tells us that, "Adoration is the first attitude of man acknowledging that he is a creature before his Creator. It exalts the greatness of the Lord who made us and the almighty power of the Savior who sets us free from evil. Adoration is homage of the spirit to the King of Glory, respectful silence in the presence of the ever-greater God. Adoration of the thrice-holy and sovereign God of love blends with humility and gives assurance to our supplications." (CCC 2628)

We can show our adoration to God in many ways, but in Eucharistic Adoration, we spend time adoring the true presence of Christ in the Eucharist.



Saturday, May 27, 2023

8 a.m. Nick & Anne Marie Mattrazzo
4 p.m. +Colleen Marie Rand Karanovich

Sunday, May 28, 2023

7 a.m. +Michael Buckley
9:30 a.m. Pastoral Mass

5 p.m. +Barb Daoust

Monday, May 29, 2023

7 a.m. +Juan Flores Castro

Tuesday, May 30, 2023

7 a.m. +Carol Jackson
6 p.m. +Alice Ward

Wednesday, May 31, 2023

7 a.m. +Dan and Marion Hecker

Thursday, June 1, 2023

7 a.m. +Scott McGee

Friday, June 2, 2023

7 a.m. George Reicher

Saturday, June 3, 2023

8 a.m. Memorial Mass for June 2022
4 p.m. +Robert P. Ryan

Sunday, June 4, 2023

7 a.m. +Tau Truong
9:30 a.m. +Nanci Petra
5 p.m. Pastoral Mass

Readings of the Week ©LPI

Readings for the week of May 28, 2023

Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 (see 30)/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 | **Extended Vigil:** Gn 11:1-9/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Ez 37:1-14/Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 (see 30)/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 | **Day:** Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 (see 30)/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34

Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23/Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Lk 1:39-56

Thursday: Sir 42:15-25/Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mk 10:46-52

Friday: Sir 44:1, 9-13/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mk 11:11-26

Saturday: Sir 51:12cd-20/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mk 11:27-33

Next Sunday: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 (52b)/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18

Observances for the week of May 28, 2023

Sunday: Pentecost Sunday

Monday: Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church; Memorial Day

Tuesday: World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Wednesday: The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Thursday: St. Justin, Martyr

Friday: Sts. Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs

Saturday: St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs

Next Sunday: The Most Holy Trinity

MEMORIAL DAY  The Parish Office and Gift Shop are closed Monday, May 29, for Memorial Day.

BAPTIZE THEM
IN THE NAME OF THE
Father ◊ *Son* ◊ *Holy Spirit*

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ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

The Most Reverend John P. Dolan
Bishop of Phoenix
together with
Auxiliary Bishop Eduardo A. Nevares
in a spirit of joy and thanksgiving
are pleased to announce the ordination of

GABRIEL SABADO
MIGUEL SOLIS

Saturday, June 3, 2023 at 10am
SS. Simon & Jude Cathedral

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Fr. Gabriel Sabado
upon his ordination to the priesthood
is appointed Parochial Vicar of
Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Scottsdale

Fr. Miguel Solis
upon his ordination to the priesthood
is appointed Parochial Vicar of
St. Mary's Parish in Chandler

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Please join us in rejoicing with these men and their families at the bounty of the Lord and His goodness to our Diocese.

Please keep our newest priests in prayer over the next year as they transition into their new ministry as priests.