

# 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

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- Mk 9:7-8

## **Blessed Sacrament** Roman Catholic Parish

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#### **Mass Times**

7AM, 9:30AM, 5PM Sunday 1st & 2nd Sunday 11:30AM (Croatian) 7AM, 8:30AM Monday Tuesday 7AM, 8:30AM, 6PM

Wednesday 7AM, 8:30AM 7AM, 8:30AM Thursday 7AM, 8:30AM Friday

Saturday 8:30AM, 4PM Vigil

#### Reconciliation

5PM - 5:50PM Tuesday Saturday 9AM - 10AM

#### Devotions

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

#### Miraculous Medal Novena

Tuesday, after 6PM 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**

Closed Sunday Monday 8:30AM - 4:30PM 8:30AM - 4:30PM Tuesday Wednesday 8:30AM - 4:30PM Thursday 8:30AM - 4:30PM 8:30AM - 4:30PM Friday

Saturday Closed

#### Gift Shop Hours

7:45-11AM, 5:30-6:30PM Sunday

Monday 9AM - 4PM 9AM - 4PM Tuesday Wednesday 9AM - 4PM Thursday Closed Closed Friday 3:30-5:30PM Saturday

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## Parish Directory

#### Clergy

Rev. Kilian McCaffrey, Pastor

Rev. Joseph Karikunnel, CST, Parochial Vicar

Rev. Douglas Spina, Retired

Deacon Jeff Strom

Deacon William Schneider Senior Deacon Bob Evans

#### **Leadership Team**

Kurt Carrick, Parish Manager Heather Fraher, School Director Larry Fraher, Director of Formation

Shelley Stewart, Parish Ministries Team Director

#### Administration

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#### Outreach

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John Escajeda, Facilities Manager Mike Bracco, Facilities Wayne Glaze, Facilities

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# Pastor's Letter:

February 25th, 2024

# The Second **Sunday of Lent**

#### The Mystery of the Transfiguration

The Transfiguration was the most astounding, In Mark chapter 8 we read: "the Son of amazing and mind-blowing experience for Peter, James and John. It again reveals Jesus as truly the Son of God. What glorious Light Shines from the face of Christ as He foretaste of Heaven and a vision of His hidden glory.

John and led them up a high mountain apart up his cross, and follow Me. For whoever by themselves. And He was transfigured be- wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever fore them and his clothes became dazzling loses his life for My sake and that of white, such as no fuller on earth could bleach the Gospel will save it." (Mark 8: 31, 34-35) them."

twelve disciples for the first time of cross and follow Him. His impending Passion, Death on a Cross and Resurrection.

mountain apart by themselves signifies that the Glory of the Lord. He wants them to pray and worship Him. Why does Jesus invite these three disciples? Jesus is preparing these disciples to be with Him during His Agony in the Garden.

Today's Gospel passage continues:

"Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; and from the cloud came a voice, 'This is my beloved Son. Listen to him.' Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone but Jesus alone with them." To listen to Him means to obey God, with the obedience of faith. Abraham in today's First Reading from Genesis, denied himself and obeyed God when he was willing to offer his only beloved son Isaac as a sacrifice, a holocaust, a whole burnt offering.

The glory of the Lord is shown in the "cloud casting a shadow" over the disciples. The cloud is the visible manifestation of God's Presence, known as shekinah. It corresponds to God's glory, the same cloud that directed the Israelites to the Promised Land (Exodus 14:19) and the overshadowing of the Holy Spirit when Our Blessed Mother conceived Jesus in Her womb (Luke 1:35).

Man must suffer greatly and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and killed. and rise after days." Then Jesus "summoned the crowd with his disciples and said to them, 'Whoever wish-"After six days, Jesus took Peter, James and es to come after me must deny himself, take

We know that each and every Catholic, each The beginning words speak specifically of Christian, is called to be Jesus' disciples, to time: "After six days..." These are the exactly obey Him in the obedience of faith, to worship six days after which Jesus revealed to His only Him and to deny ourselves, take up our

This precious time of Lent is the time to put all of this love, worship and obedience to God The fact that Jesus took the disciples up to the into practice, day by day. Your soul will rest in

# **Stations of the Cross are on Fridays:**

After the 8:30AM Mass and also at 3:30PM before the K of C 4PM Fish Fry.

The CDA continues through Lent and Easter. We have started off very well.

Next Week I will explain more about the Parish Engagement Study which will **transform and transfigure** our Parish in our Jubilee Year and beyond

Fr. Kilian, Fr. Joseph, Deacons and our great Parish Staff, Disciples and Volunteers.



# FRIDAYS OF LENT STATIONS @ 3:30PM DINNER FROM 4-7PM

FISH, SHRIMP OR COMBO MEAL | \$15
ADULT MAC & CHEESE MEAL | \$10
KIDS MEAL | \$5 EXTRA SHRIMP | \$5

#### NO OUTSIDE FOOD OR DRINK ALLOWED

PRAY THE
ROSARY
WITH US
BEFORE
MASS NEXT
WEEKEND.





"AS CHRISTIAN STEWARDS, WE RECEIVE GOD'S GIFTS GRATEFULLY, CULTIVATE THEM RESPONSIBLY, SHARE THEM LOVINGLY IN JUSTICE WITH OTHERS, AND RETURN THEM WITH INCREASE TO THE LORD."

-UNITED STATES CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS

# Prayer & Life Workshop

WITH CHAYITO HERNANDEZ

THURSDAYS @ 2PM

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# STATIONS OF THE CROSS FRIDAYS OF LENT I 9AM & 3:30PM



#### **BLESSED SACRAMENT WOMEN'S COMMUNITY**

We are excited to announce our upcoming Butter Braid fundraiser! The sale will run from February 17 to March 3, with delivery on March 16. Butter Braids are available in many delicious flavors. The pastries are delivered frozen so you can enjoy them when you wish. Butter Braid pastries. They are only \$15 each. The money raised will be used for the parish projects, ministries, and the various charities the Women's Community supports. Members of the Women's Community will be outside after Masses to take orders payable with cash or check.

Happy Hour this month will be at Carlos O'Brien's, 7000 E. Mayo Blvd., on Tuesday, February 27, beginning at 5PM. Please RSVP to Patti Costello, 602-396-8689 by Monday, February 26.

The Blessed Sacrament Women's Community Chrysalis Collection request for February is towels. These items can be placed in the blue Chrysalis collection box near the Parish Office. Thank you!



This Lent, Blessed Sacrament is partnering with St. Vincent de Paul and the Knights of Columbus for our Annual Easter Angel Outreach!

This yearly tradition provides tangible assistance for those in need. This year we are collecting hygiene and food products, diapers and small Easter gifts for children.

On March 17, a "store" will be set up in one of our classrooms. There will be "Personal Shoppers" to guide our guests as they create their own customized Easter Blessings Basket (Goody Bag) from parishioners' donations.

After our guests fill their Easter Blessings Baskets, they will be guided to another classroom where they will be able to choose items from the SVDP Household Goods and Furniture Drive.

We will serve more than 100 families from Blessed Sacrament, St. Vincent de Paul, Sober Living Houses, Catholic Charities Affordable Housing & Home Services for Family Conncections and Nurturing Parenting, First Way and more.

#### To Volunteer:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090D48A5AF2EA20-47320656-2024#/

#### **To Donate Items:**

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090D48A5AF2EA20-47306551-2024#/

## Do Not Sign Abortion Campaign in Arizona

azcatholicconference.org/uncategorized/do-not-sign-abortion-campaign-in-arizona/

February 2, 2024

#### Pro-abortion Signature Campaign in Arizona

Millions of dollars from the pro-abortion industry are flooding into Arizona from out of State. This includes paying workers to collect signatures in front of grocery stores and other public locations for an amendment to our State Constitution.

#### Do not sign pro-abortion campaign in Arizona.

The goal of the signature campaign is to enshrine a constitutional right to unrestricted abortion in Arizona. What makes a constitutional amendment especially grave is that our own Arizona Legislators could lose the ability to regulate abortion in any way, leaving us with the potential for fully unrestricted abortion.

The proposed amendment would put women and girls at risk by no longer requiring the use of a qualified medical doctor as well as by removing safety standards for abortion clinics. By eliminating current parental consent laws, mothers and fathers would be left out of decision-making when their minor daughter needs them the most. Too, the proposed amendment would allow for painful late-term abortions and open the door to taxpayer funding of them. While the effort claims to be moderate in nature, its vague language would make Arizona one of the most extreme states in terms of abortion. We believe that even many of those who support abortion in limited instances would find the proposed Constitutional amendment extreme and misleading.

Arizonans deserve far better than the measures being proposed in this signature campaign. We humbly ask for your prayers that this signature campaign will fail and that mothers and their babies will be kept alive and safe.

Again, we urge the citizens of Arizona not to sign when approached by these paid canvassers in front of stores or public locations.

Most Rev. John P. Dolan Bishop of Phoenix Most Rev. Eduardo Nevares Auxiliary Bishop of Phoenix

Most Rev. Edward J. Weisenburger Bishop of Tucson

Most Rev. James S. Wall Bishop of Gallup

# No apoye la iniciativa de colecta de firmas a favor del aborto en Arizona

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February 2, 2024

#### No apoye la iniciativa de colecta de firmas a favor del aborto en Arizona

Millones de dólares de la industria pro-aborto están inundando Arizona desde fuera del Estado. Esto incluye el pago a trabajadores para recaudar firmas enfrente de supermercados y otros lugares públicos para una rectificación a nuestra Constitución Estatal.

# Urgimos a los ciudadanos de Arizona a que no firmen ni apoyen esta campaña de firmas.

El objetivo de la campaña de recaudar firmas es encerrar un derecho constitucional al aborto sin restricciones en Arizona. Lo que hace que una rectificación constitucional sea especialmente grave es que nuestros propios legisladores de Arizona podrían perder la capacidad de regular el aborto de cualquier manera, dejándonos con la posibilidad de un aborto totalmente sin restricciones.

La rectificación propuesta pondría en peligro a las mujeres y jóvenes al dejar de exigir el uso de un médico calificado, así como el eliminar las normas de seguridad para las clínicas de aborto. Al eliminar las leyes actuales sobre el consentimiento paterno, las madres y los padres quedarían al margen de la toma de decisiones cuando su hija menor de edad más los necesita. Además, la rectificación propuesta permitiría los dolorosos abortos en etapas avanzadas del embarazo y abriría la puerta a su financiación por parte de contribuyentes. Aunque la iniciativa pretende ser de naturaleza moderada, su lenguaje impreciso convertiría a Arizona en uno de los estados más extremos en términos de aborto. Incluso, creemos que muchos de los que apoyan el aborto en casos limitados encontrarían la rectificación constitucional propuesta extrema y engañosa.

Los arizonenses merecen más que las medidas que se proponen en esta campaña de firmas. Humildemente pedimos sus oraciones para que esta campaña de firmas fracase y que las madres y sus bebés se mantengan vivos y seguros.

Nuevamente, urgimos a los ciudadanos de Arizona a que no firmen cuando se les acerquen estos encuestadores pagados enfrente de tiendas o lugares públicos.

Reverendísimo John P. Dolan Obispo de Phoenix

Reverendísimo Edward J. Weisenburger Obispo de Tucson Reverendísimo James S. Wall Obispo de Gallup Obispo

Reverendísimo Eduardo A. Nevares Auxiliar de Phoenix



# Farewell Father



PLEASE JOIN AS WE WISH

# FR. WILLIAMS ABBA

WELL ON HIS NEW ASSIGNMENT LEADING ST. ELIZABETH SETON

Sunday, March 17, 2024

9:30AM Mass, Father Williams Presiding

Reception following in the Social Hall



HOSTED BY THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



Blessed Sacrament Conference



Saturday 3/16 from 12PM to 5PM Sunday 3/17 from 7AM to 1PM

# Household Goods Drive March 16 & 17

The St. Vincent de Paul trucks are coming back to the Blessed Sacrament parking lot on Saturday and Sunday, March 16 and 17, to pick up your furniture and household goods donations.

Items will be collected before and after every Mass:

- Household goods and furniture
- Clothes (Men's jeans, sweatshirts, and gym shoes are especially needed)

Trucks will be at the west side of the south parking lot.

If you have time to help us load boxes and furniture stop by the truck and we'll put you to work!

Praise the Lord, O My Soul, O My Soul.



#### Saturday, February 24, 2024

8:30AM +Jeanne Williams

4PM Mario Libunao, Jr.

#### Sunday, February 25, 2024

7AM +Vince and Peggy DiPaulo

9:30AM +Peggy Stimmler

5PM +Henry Johnston

#### Monday, February 26, 2024

7AM +Dennis Lyle

8:30AM O'Brien Family

#### Tuesday, February 27, 2024

7AM George Odish & Family

8:30AM Jay Noriega

6PM +David Schlecht

#### Wednesday, February 28, 2024

7AM +John Garbaczewski

8:30AM +Sue Heryak

#### Thursday, February 29, 2024

7AM. +Scott McGee

8:30AM +Anne McGee

#### Friday, March 1, 2024

7AM +Bernard Smyth

8:30AM Curosh & Dvorsack

Families

#### Saturday, March 2, 2024

8:30AM Memorial Mass

4PM +Bob Churchill

#### Sunday, March 3, 2024

7AM Gary and Lou Ann Prewitt

9:30AM +Brian Koceja

5PM +Peggy Stimmler



#### Readings for the week of February 25, 2024

**Sunday**: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17,

18-19 (116:9)/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

**Monday**: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and

23/Mt 23:1-12

**Wednesday**: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt

20:17-28

**Thursday**: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19,

20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

**Saturday**: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-

12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

**Next Sunday**: Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8,

9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25 **Scrutiny**:

Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn

4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

#### Observances for the week of February 25, 2024

Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Lent

Tuesday: St. Gregory of Narek, Abbot and Doctor of

the Church

# **PRAYER REQUESTS**

#### SICK

Ruth Langmeir Sadie Hatchett Bryan Delgado Ronald Burgess

#### **DECEASED**

Ross Cobb Patricia Martinez Claudia Romero Eleanor English Debbie Collins Eva Cobb



## **PLATE CONTRIBUTIONS**

FEBRUARY 11 - \$35,312

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!







### **Women's Community Fundraiser**

In the Courtyard after Mass or scan the QR code below.

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