

# Catholic Tri-Community Parishes

Sunday September 22, 2024

Twenty-Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Father Balaswamy Kommathoti

<https://stbartholomewparishsanmanuel.org>

## St. Helen



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## Blessed Sacrament



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### Mass Times

**Saturday:** Confessions—4:00p.m.  
Vigil Mass--4:30p.m.

**Sunday:** Holy Mass---11 a.m.

Weekday Masses: --- 8:00a.m.  
**Monday & Friday**

### Mass Times

**Saturday:** Vigil Mass---6:00p.m.  
Confessions—7:15p.m

**Sunday:** Holy Mass—9:30a.m.

Weekday Masses: --- 9:00a.m.  
**Monday & Thursday**

### Mass Times

**Sunday:** Confessions-----7:30a.m.  
Holy Mass-----8:00a.m.  
12:30p.m.

Weekday Masses:-----

**Wednesday** 6:00pm.

**Saturday : Rosary & Mass---** 8:30a.m.  
Confessions----- 9:30a.m.

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All Numbers Area Code (520) unless otherwise designated

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### Marriage Preparation

Make an appointment with priest  
At least *four months* before your  
Wedding date.

### Sanctuary Lamp

Please call the parish office to reserve.  
There is a \$5.00 charge in order to have  
Have the lamp burn in memory of your loved one.



**Reconciliation**

**Reconciliation/Confession**  
Check Mass Schedule or  
By appointment 520-349-1696



### INFANT BAPTISMS

Instructions for infant Baptisms are on the  
first and third Thursday of the month (after  
initial registration) at 7:00 p.m. in the Church  
Hall.  
*It is mandatory that parents and Godparents attend.*

## GOSPEL MEDITATION

When I was a wet-behind-the-ears seminarian, I was sent for an immersion with the poor. For one month, I lived in a home for adults with developmental disabilities. It was a challenge for me because the residents had significant communication issues. A 30-year-old man there named Robin was totally deaf and mute. He had Down's Syndrome. He looked like a Viking, with a shock of red hair and a fine beard. But I felt awkward and disconnected from him. All my normal ways of interacting failed. I resigned myself to the fact that we'd never connect.

Then one morning something amazing happened. He was on the living room floor quietly playing with toys. Watching him from a chair, I sensed Jesus' words float into my mind. "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me." (Mark 9:37). I thought, "Jesus you must somehow be in Robin". I sheepishly made sure no one else was in the room, and then I spoke in a clear voice: "Jesus are you there?" Robin did not turn to me and say, "Hi John, Yes it's me, Jesus." He kept playing with his toys in silence.

But something changed in me. From that moment on, it was easier to just be with Robin, to joke around with him, to try sign-language with him, to let him be himself, and for me to be myself. His "disabilities" were no longer obstacles to overcome. He became just Robin, my friend.

Who in your life seems awkwardly distant or uncomfortable to be with? Next time you see him or her, quietly invoke the name of Jesus, and see how the barriers disappear in you.

---Father John Muir

"It's not enough to love the children,  
it is necessary that they are aware  
that they are loved"

-St. John Bosco



## Blessed Sacrament Parish Fiesta (Mammoth)

**Thank You  
For your Leadership,  
Your faithfulness  
And your heart  
May God Bless You!**

Thank you so much for everyone who volunteered to work the Fiesta. Even though you are not in the spotlight, you are the backbone of every event. Please know that we could not do this without your hard work. We are forever thankful for the time you have given. You have made an unforgettable difference and a memorable Fiesta.

The Fiesta was a great success. We appreciate all the volunteers who helped run the booths; those who helped set up, donated, and cleaned up. Without you the Fiesta would have not been possible.

Also thank you to all the Parishioners from Blessed Sacrament Parish, St. Helen Parish, and St. Bartholomew Parish for coming out to support our parish's annual fiesta.

## St. Helen Parish



**Saturday, October 5, 2024  
4:00PM-11:00PM**

### Entertainment:

**Mariachi Alma Mexicana: 4PM-6PM**

**DJ Johnny Hernandez: 6PM-8PM**

**Live Band: Hold My Beer  
8PM-11PM**

**Food Booths, Games, & Dancing.  
Fun for the Whole Family.**

## MASS INTENTIONS

September 21 (Saturday) at 6:00PM-Parishioners

September 22 (Sunday) at 9:30AM -  
Margaret & Rudy Salaiz 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

### Knights of Columbus Courtyard Flag

*September's courtyard flag is flown  
In honor of*



**Rick Ramirez, 33 years  
US Army,  
&**

**Daughter Christi Ramirez, eight years,  
US Navy,**

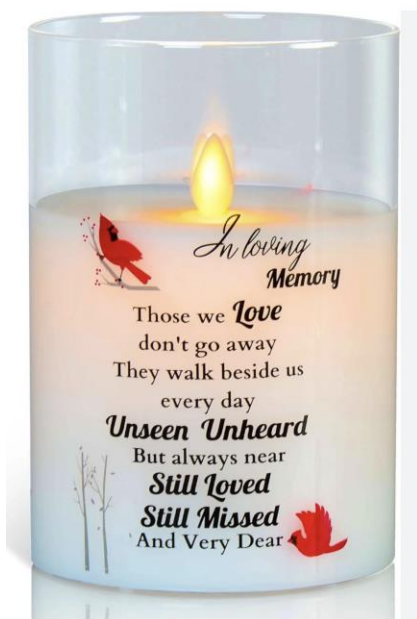
**At the request of wife and mother, Denise**

**Thank you and your family for your dedication  
and sacrifice.**

## Memorial Candles

Four Memorial Candles are available to purchase  
In memory of your loved ones before November  
Individual \$100.00  
Family \$200.00

For more information contact  
Wanda Helgeson 520-755-5161



## Weekly Offering St. Bartholomew

9/14/24 & 9/15/24--Offering: \$1264.62

Bartholomew's Parish Donor Box is now active online. Make your donations, Visit our website at:

<https://stbartholomewparishsanmanuel.org>



Thank you for your generosity!!

## Arizona Bishops Urge "NO" On Proposition 139

If passed, this initiative threatens to enshrine a constitutional right to virtually unrestricted abortion in Arizona...it would likely:

- Remove most safeguards for girls and women that are currently in place at abortion clinics.
- Permit a minor to obtain an abortion without parental involvement or permission.
- Allow for painful late-term abortions of viable pre-born children.
- **From bishops-**  
<https://azcatholicconference.org/columns-and-statements/catholic-bishops-of-arizona-statement-opposing-prop-139/>

**VOTE NO ON  
PROP 139!**



[servicearizona.com](http://servicearizona.com)  
Scan to register to vote  
against Prop 139.  
**Deadline: Oct. 7**

**Please join us in our fight  
to protect women and the pre-born!**



**Please pray for the homebound**

**Please contact us email [sthelensmission@msn.com](mailto:sthelensmission@msn.com) or parish office to add a name to our prayer list**



Patsy Cota, Alan Rubinstein, Leo Gómez-Ramos, Mía Vega, Gerardo Alcaraz, Richard Bencomo, Anita Garcia  
Jesusita Borboa, Victor Borboa, Gonzalo Marco, Frank Martinez, Elivira Rendon, Nena Johnson, Dora Mendoza

**Pima County Interfaith (PCI)  
invites you:**



**Parish Leadership  
Formation on Immigration**

**Saturday October 5th  
8:30 a. m. - 5 p. m.  
St. Cyril of Alexandria  
Dougherty Hall  
4725 E. Pima Street, Tucson, AZ**

- What is the mission of the church?
- What is our responsibility to the church?
- How are we called to be parish leaders?

**With the participation of Bishop Edward Weisenburger**

**Questions? Call Monique Vasquez (520-248-8853) or Rocio Zamora (520-668-2041)**

**Register Here:**



**Suggested Donation: \$20  
Scholarships available**

[pimacountyinterfaith.org/entrenamiento\\_de\\_liderazgo](http://pimacountyinterfaith.org/entrenamiento_de_liderazgo)

**PROTECT WOMEN AND THE UNBORN FROM ABORTION**

**VOTE NO  
PROP 139**

**TUCSON ROAD RALLY**



**PLAN**

- MEET AT ST. GIANNA'S
- PRAYER & BLESSING
- 2 ROUTES GOING NORTH AND CENTRAL
- SIGNS PROVIDED!
- BRING EXTRA TAPE & WINDOW MARKERS
- DRIVE & PRAY

**SATURDAY  
OCTOBER  
5TH 12PM**

**ST. GIANNA ORATORY  
316 W UNIVERSITY BLVD  
TUCSON, AZ 85708  
UNITED STATES**

**FOR MORE INFO CONTACT KELLY CORLAND:  
520-693-4093 |  
KELLYCORLAND317@GMAIL.COM**

**Procedures to Report Suspected and  
Alleged Abuse within the Catholic Church**

Call 911 to make a police report  
Call the Victim Assistance Program 1.800.234.0344

**EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE.  
NO EXCEPTIONS.**

Some people think that choosing a modest memorial means sacrificing service. Our commitment to excellent service allows us to say that no matter what kind of a memorial you have in mind, we'll provide you with the best service available, bar none.

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**Deadline for Bulletin Submissions is Thursday at 5:00p.m. In order to be printed for upcoming weekend masses.**