

# Catholic Tri-Community Parishes

Sunday March 22, 2026

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Pastor: Fr. Balaswamy Kommathoti

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### Mass Times

Saturday: Vigil Mass--- 4:30p.m

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

Weekday Masses: --- 9:00a.m.

**First Friday Healing Mass**

Saturday Confessions: 3:30-4:30pm

Office Hours: Mon & Wed-Fri 2-5PM

### Mass Times

Saturday: Vigil Mass---6:00p.m.

Sunday: Holy Mass---9:30a.m.

Weekday Masses: --- 9:00a.m.

**Monday & Thursday**

**Saturday Confessions: 7:00-8:00pm**

Office hours: Mon & Tue 8:00-12:00  
Wed 9-11AM

### Mass Times

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

Weekday Masses: -----

**Wednesday-- 6:00pm.**

**Wednesday confessions- 5:00-6:00PM**

**First Saturday:**

**Rosary & Mass--- 9:00a.m**

Office hours: Sun 9-5 & Mon 3:30-5:30

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### Baptism & Reconciliations

Fr. Bala Kommathoti  
By appointment 520-349-1696

### Marriage Preparation

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



### Sanctuary Lamp

**Joe Estrada Jr.**

The lamp burns in  
memory of your loved one  
for 7 days,  
Cost is \$5.00.



# Sunday Gospel Reflection

Readings:

Ezekiel 37: 12-14,

Romans 8:8-11 John 11:1-45

As we draw near to the end of Lent, today's Gospel clearly has Jesus' passion and death in view. That's why John gives us the detail about Lazarus' sister, Mary—that she is the one who anointed the Lord for burial (see John 12:3, 7). His disciples warn against returning to Judea; Thomas even predicts they will “die with Him” if they go back.

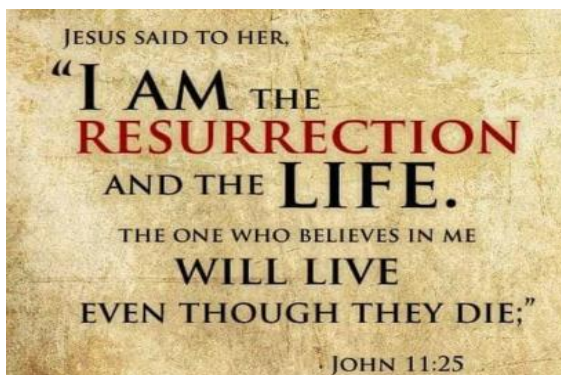
When Lazarus is raised, John notices the tombstone being taken away, as well as Lazarus' burial cloths and head covering—all details he later notices with Jesus' empty tomb (see John 20:1, 6, 7). Like the blind man in last week's readings, Lazarus represents all humanity. He stands for “dead men”—for all those Jesus loves and wants to liberate from the bands of sin and death.

John even recalls the blind man in his account today (see John 11:37). Like the man's birth in blindness, Lazarus' death is used by Jesus to reveal “the glory of God” (see John 9:3). And again like last week, Jesus' words and deeds give sight to those who believe (see John 11:40). If we believe, we will see—that Jesus loves each of us as He loved Lazarus, that He calls us out of death and into new life.

By His Resurrection Jesus has fulfilled Ezekiel's promise in today's First Reading. He has opened the graves that we may rise, put His Spirit in us that we may live. This is the Spirit that Paul writes of in today's Epistle. The same Spirit that raised Jesus from the dead will give life to we who were once dead in sin.

Faith is the key. If we believe as Martha does in today's Gospel—that Jesus is the resurrection and the life—even if we die, we will live. “I have promised and I will do it,” the Father assures us in the First Reading. We must trust in His word, as we sing in today's Psalm—that with Him is forgiveness and salvation.

—Dr. Scott Hahn



Thank you for the greetings, prayers, and warm wishes on my 24<sup>th</sup> Priestly Anniversary



My Dear Tri- community parishioners,

From the bottom of my heart thank you for your love, support, heartfelt messages and generous gifts. It was an amazing and blessed day that I will hold in my heart forever with gratitude and appreciation.

Thank you St. Helen's Parish for your time, talent, and treasures also for the music, delicious food, and fellowship.

Thank you all for making my Anniversary so memorable and wonderful. God bless you!

Fr Bala Kommathoti

## Holy Week & Easter Schedule St Bartholomew Parish, San Manuel Saturday Vigil Mass March 28, at 6:15 PM



Palm Sunday March 29  
Holy Mass at 9:00 AM



Maundy Thursday April 2  
Holy Mass at 7:00 PM



Good Friday April 3  
Commemoration of the Lord's  
Passion at 1:00PM



Easter Vigil Saturday April 4  
Holy Mass at 8:30 PM



Easter Sunday April 5  
Holy Mass at 9:30 AM

## MASS INTENTIONS

March 21 (Saturday) at 6:00PM- **†Ricky Molinar**

March 22 (Sunday) at 9:30AM- **†Altamirano Family**

March 23 (Monday) at 9:00AM- **Parishioners**

March 26 (Thursday) at 9:00AM **†Felipe Paredez**

## **Knights of Columbus Courtyard Flag**



**March's courtyard flag is flown** 

in honor and thanks for  
Juan Daniel "J.D." Sanchez, United States  
Navy Reserve Seabee Builder,  
at the request of the Jose Lopez family.

## CRISM MASS

Saint Augustine Cathedral

Date: Monday, March 30<sup>th</sup> Time: 2pm



Join us as Bishop Misko Blesses the oils used  
for the Sacramental life of the local Church



## **Rachels Vineyard**

Rachel Vineyard is a safe place to renew, rebuild and  
redeem hearts broken by abortion.

You can help: Pray for this ministry, leave flyers in  
public places, and quietly recommend them to someone  
who needs healing from the effects of abortion.

Help Publicize their retreats:  
May 15-17, Sept. 4-6, 2026

Call Teresa at 520-723-6777 or [www.rachelvineyard.org](http://www.rachelvineyard.org)

## *Weekly Offering St. Bartholomew*

3/14/26 & 3/15/26 --Offering: \$1335.00



St. Bartholomew's Parish Donor Box is now active  
online. Make your donations, Visit our website at:  
<https://stbartholomewparishsanmanuel.org>

Thank you for your generosity!!

## **Stations of the Cross**

**Joins us every Friday at 5:30PM  
March 27th**



**St. Bartholomew Parish Hall  
Friday March 27, 2026  
From 3PM-6PM**

**Cost is \$12.00 a plate**  
**Dine In, Take Out, or Delivery**


Contact Jose 520-483-3049 or  
Grand Knight Louis Madrid 520-268-5944  
All proceeds go to High School Scholarships



## 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**  
Nick Lopez, Ralph Montoya, Toni & Joey Cittadini, Patsy Cota, Benny Cota, Rudy Lara, Rusty Kent, Frank Pierson, Freddy Cota, Dora Mendoza, Eddie Valenzuela, Daniel Rodriguez, Eleanor Vigil,

**Annual Drawing to Support Local Charities**  
**May 2, 2026**



**Cash Prizes**  
\$10,000.00  
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## Celebrating Saints:

March 23- St. Turibius of Mogrovejo,  
Bishop

March 25- Annunciation of the Lord



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[www.tucsonccr.org](http://www.tucsonccr.org)

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Call the Victim Assistance Program 1.800.234.0344

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