

Catholic Tri-Community Parishes

Sunday March 29, 2026

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

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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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for 7 days,
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Sunday Gospel Reflection

Readings:

Isaiah 50:4-7, Philippians 2:6-11

Matthew 26:14-27; 66

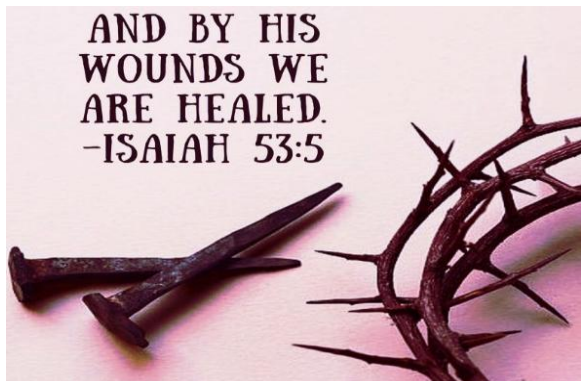
“All this has come to pass that the writings of the prophets may be fulfilled,” Jesus says in today’s Gospel (see Matthew 26:56). Indeed, we have reached the climax of the liturgical year, the highest peak of salvation history, when all that has been anticipated and promised is to be fulfilled.

By the close of today’s long Gospel, the work of our redemption will have been accomplished: the new covenant will be written in the blood of His broken body hanging on the Cross at the place called the Skull. In His Passion, Jesus is “counted among the wicked,” as Isaiah had foretold (see Isaiah 53:12). He is revealed definitively as the Suffering Servant the prophet announced, the long-awaited Messiah whose words of obedience and faith ring out in today’s First Reading and Psalm.

The taunts and torments we hear in these two readings punctuate the Gospel as Jesus is beaten and mocked (see Matthew 27:31), as His hands and feet are pierced, as enemies gamble for His clothes (see Matthew 27:35), and as His enemies dare Him to prove His divinity by saving Himself from suffering (see Matthew 27:39–44). He remains faithful to God’s will to the end. He does not turn back in His trial. He gives Himself freely to His torturers, confident that, as He speaks in today’s First Reading, “The Lord God is my help . . . I shall not be put to shame.” Destined to sin and death as children of Adam’s disobedience, we have been set free for holiness and life by Christ’s perfect obedience to the Father’s will (see Romans 5:12–14, 17–19; Ephesians 2:2; 5:6).

This is why God greatly exalted Him. This is why we have salvation in His name. Following His example of humble obedience in the trials and crosses of our lives, we know we will never be forsaken. We know, as the centurion realizes today, that truly this is the Son of God (see Matthew 27:54) —Dr. Scott Hahn

AND BY HIS
WOUNDS WE
ARE HEALED.
—ISAIAH 53:5



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 3:00PM



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

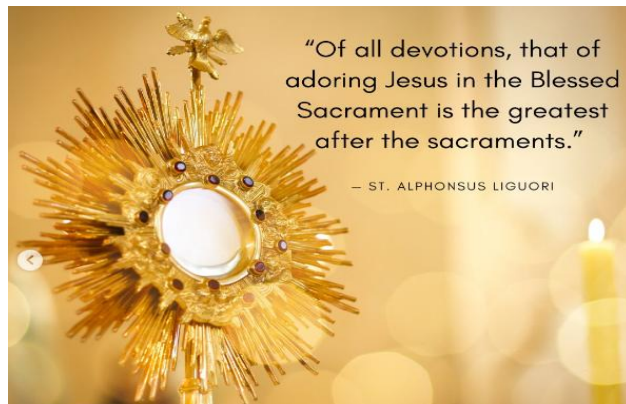


Easter Sunday April 5
Holy Mass at 9:30 AM

Divine Mercy Adoration

St. Helen Parish Oracle

Thursday April 17, 2026, 6PM



“Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened and I will give you rest.”

—Matthew 11:28

MASS INTENTIONS

March 28 (Saturday) at 6:00PM-†Alvaro Alvarez

March 29 (Sunday) at 9:00AM- †Alicia Alvarez

March 30 (Monday) at 9:00AM-Parishioners

April 2 (Thursday) at 9:00AM †Alice Villaba

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 30th Time: 2pm



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



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The Meaning of the Veiling the Saints and Images with Purple during Lent



1. **Focus on the Passion:** By covering the
statues and images, we shift our attention
away from specific saints and direct our focus
on the profound mystery of Christ's sacrifice.
2. **A "Visual Fast":** Just as we fast from food, we
"fast" from the visual comfort of images in the
church, reminding us that we are in a time of
penance and anticipation.
3. **Reflection on Jesus' Hidden Divinity:**
According to, the practice reflects that Christ
veiled his divinity to suffer in his humanity for
the redemption of the world.
4. **Anticipation for Easter:** The veils are not
permanent. Their removal, as discussed by in a
Saint Paul the Apostle article, before the Easter
Vigil represents the resurrection when the
world is unveiled and Christ's glory is fully
revealed.



St. Bartholomew Church Upcoming Events



Holy First Communion will be on April 5th at 9:30AM
mass will be officiated by
Father Bala

Confirmation will be on April 10th at 6:00PM will be
officiated by **Bishop Misko**


Everyone is invited!



Please pray for the homebound

Please contact us email 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



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 \$2,000.00
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