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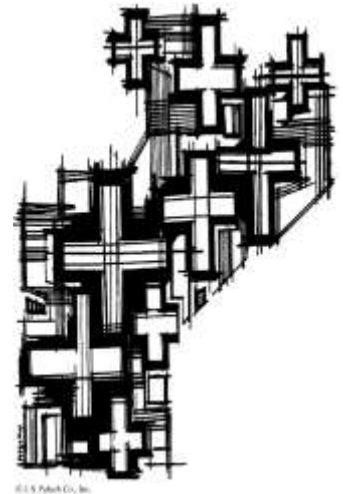
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Parish Office Hours:

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Monday - Friday



Masses

Saturday
5:00 PM

Sunday
8:30 & 10:30 AM

Weekdays 8:00AM — Wednesday & Thursday

8:00AM — Tuesday: Scripture Communion Service

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:15 - 4:45 PM or by appointment.

Sacrament of the Sick

Call the office to arrange this sacrament.

Baptism

Parents and godparents, please call our parish office regarding preparation classes. Baptisms are scheduled after preparation.

Marriage

Arrange to see Father at least six months in advance.

REJOICE IN THE LORD ALWAYS

**REJOICE!**

Today has traditionally been called “Gaudete Sunday.” The Latin tag is derived from Paul’s appeal in the second reading to “rejoice always in the Lord,” and the Latin Mass text based on that reading. The irony and paradox of this Christian joy is underlined by the fact that Paul wrote those words in prison. But from there he could see the progress of God’s work.

Is it obvious to us? We feel that this is not the time for joy when there is so much suffering and moral evil. It is interesting, then, that the first reading is from the prophet Zephaniah, who is almost exclusively concerned with gloomy visions of Judgment Day. Today the Church selects the only optimistic text in Zephaniah, in which the prophet has been touched by the spirit of joy.

This, we are assured on all sides, is “the season of joy.” Let us recapture that feeling of joy in our lives and reflect it to those who are joyless.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a; Is 12:2-6; Phil 4:4-7; Lk 3:10-18
 Monday: Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-4ab, 7-8, 17; Mt 1:1-17
 Tuesday: Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25
 Wednesday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; Lk 1:5-25
 Thursday: Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-6; Lk 1:26-38
 Friday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45
 Saturday: 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lk 1:46-56
 Sunday: Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45

LITURGICAL MINISTERS NEEDED FOR SPECIAL LITURGIES

Liturgical Ministers are only scheduled ahead for the regular weekend Masses. Sign-up sheets are now available in the vestibule for Masses on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, and the Solemnity of Mary (Jan. 1), as well as for readers at the Advent Communal Reconciliation. If you are a Hospitality Minister, Eucharistic Minister, Altar Server, or Lector/Commentator and could help out with one or more of our special liturgies, please sign up. In doing so, you give a really good gift to your parish community.

ADVENT COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Our Advent Reconciliation will take place in the church today, Dec. 16th, at 4:00 p.m. The second-graders from Saints Peter and Paul will also attend and sing some of the music they are preparing for their own First Reconciliation. We hope that you will come join us as we celebrate this most blessed Sacrament.

This Week at St. Frances Cabrini

Sunday December 16
Third Sunday of Advent
 Family Program, Hall, 9:30 a.m.
 Youth Program, Rms. 6 & 7, 9:30 a.m.
 Choir Practice, Church, 10:00 a.m.
 Choir Potluck, Rm. 5, 11:30 a.m.
Advent Reconciliation, Church, 4:00 p.m.

Monday December 17
 SVdeP Meeting, Rm. 5, 11:30 a.m.
 Theology Uncorked Speaker, Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday December 18
 Sewing Crafts Group, Rm. 5, 10:00 a.m.
 Lend-a-Hand Canteen, Hall, 12:00 p.m.

Wednesday December 19
 O.A., Rm. 3, 7:30 a.m.
 JustFaith, Rm. 6, 6:00 p.m.
 Choir Practice, Church, 7:00 p.m.

Thursday December 20
 O.A., Rm. 5, 5:30 p.m.

Friday December 21
 O.A., Rm. 3, 7:30 a.m.

Sunday December 23
Fourth Sunday of Advent
 Choir Practice, Church, 10:00 a.m.
 Youth Group Activity — see article on facing page

**D E C 15 T H — D E C 23 R D**

Sat.	5:00 PM	- People of the Parish
Sun.	8:30 AM	- Harry Dillabough†
		- Gloria Buckmaster†
	10:30 AM	- William O’Neill†
		- Katie Flanagan†
Wed.	8:00 AM	- Patricia Reardon†
Thurs.	8:00 AM	- The Seminarians of Our Diocese
Sat.	5:00 PM	- Helen Balchack†
Sun.	8:30 AM	- Nancy C. Sinclair†
	10:30 AM	- People of the Parish

CANDLELIGHT VIGIL FOR DECEASED MIGRANTS

A sundown candlelight vigil will begin at 4:00 p.m. on Tues., Dec. 18th, International Migrants Day, at Evergreen Cemetery, 3015 N. Oracle Rd. in Tucson. The remains of 123 migrants have been discovered in the Sonoran Desert in Southern Arizona so far this year. Some have been identified. 123 candles will be lighted during the service as the names of the lost, if known, are recited. A cross will be planted in memory of all the unidentified migrants. All are invited to join the Pima County Medical Examiner and leaders from Tucson-area churches, synagogues and mosques, No More Deaths, Humane Borders and others who will offer remembrances and prayers. Each human life is precious and deserves remembrance.

2018-2019 FINANCIAL REPORT

AS OF 12/09/2018 WEEK TWENTY-FOUR

Year-To-Date Budgeted Expenses:	\$ 212,404.00
Year-To-Date Total Income:	\$ 146,470.00
Amount Needed Weekly:	\$ 8,846.00
Sunday Collection Total:	\$ 6,616.00
Amount-To-Date UNDER:	\$ 65,934.00

GRADES 6-12

This week: Are you the best version now of the person God made? Is there anything you would do differently?

Next week: We will meet after 8:30 Mass to go to the movies and breakfast. Bring extra money for snacks. We will return about 1:00 p.m.



GREAT NEWS — INDIVIDUAL TAX CREDIT LIMITS HAVE INCREASED

The amount you can now contribute to Arizona's Catholic Tuition Support Organization (CTSO) has increased. Single filers can give up to \$1,107, and a married couple filing jointly can contribute up to \$2,213 and receive a dollar-for-dollar tax credit off your Arizona tax liability. Brochures are in the church vestibule and parish office, and you may also visit www.ctso-tucson.org to make an online contribution.

DONATE TO CATHOLIC COMMUNITY SERVICES AND DO GOOD WITH YOUR AZ CHARITABLE TAX CREDIT

Donate to CCS, claim the credit when you file your Arizona state income tax (use QCO Code 20345) and reduce your state taxes dollar for dollar, up to \$400 for individual filers and \$800 for married couples filing jointly. You can help children, families, seniors and people with disabilities right here in the Diocese of Tucson. This is completely separate from the CTSO credit. Donate online at www.ccs-soaz.org, call 520-670-0854 or ask for a CCS tax credit mailer at the parish office.

AZ TAX CREDIT FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

A dollar-for-dollar tax credit is available for your contributions to qualifying charitable organizations such as the St. Vincent de Paul Society. The tax credit is claimed on Form 321. Be sure to enter the code 20768 for St. Vincent de Paul at St. Frances Cabrini. The maximum credit allowed is \$800 for married filing joint filers and \$400 for single, heads of household, and married filing separate filers. This is separate from the CTSO credit. Please contact your tax advisor or see AZ Publication 710 for further details.

Is Food a Problem for You?

Overeaters Anonymous is a 12-step program patterned after AA. It deals with all types of food and weight problems: compulsive eating, restricting, vomiting, bingeing, excessive use of laxatives or diuretics. O.A. meets here in Room 5 of the Education Bldg. on Thurs. from 5:30-6:30 p.m. and in Room 3 on Wed. from 7:30-8:30 a.m. and Fri. from 7:30-8:30 a.m. For more information, call Janet at 795-7492.



PRAYING TOGETHER FOR PEACE

On this Wed., Dec. 19 the monthly gathering to pray for world peace will be held at 6:30 p.m. at St. Pius X Catholic Church, located at 1800 N. Camino Seco. During this busy time of year, we hope you can join us to pause for this quiet time of reflection on the role we all have as peacemakers. Let us prepare our hearts to welcome the Prince of Peace. Please bring your family and friends.

MARRIAGE HELP

Retrouaille helps married couples rediscover hope and purpose in their marriage by providing opportunities to listen, to forgive, to be reconciled and to move into their futures believing that God loves them. With His help and your efforts, your marriage can be healed and restored! Register now for the weekend program in Tucson beginning Fri. evening, Jan. 18 and going through Sunday, Jan. 20, 2019. Visit www.retrouaille.org or call Rogene and Teresa Small at 520-686-1598.



Retrouaille es un programa para parejas casadas que se sienten aburridas, frustradas o enojadas en su matrimonio. Retrouaille ayuda a las parejas a través de las oportunidades ofrecidas para escuchar, perdonar, reconciliarse y avanzar hacia su future. Para información confidencial sobre o para inscribirse en el próximo programa en español, llame al 623-877-9105 o visite www.retrouaille.org/es/.

VOLUNTEER WITH LEND-A-HAND

Lend-a-Hand needs you! Volunteers partner with senior neighbors in 13 midtown neighborhoods north of the U. of A. Drivers are needed for transportation, errands and produce delivery. Good conversationalists and caring listeners are needed for social activities and friendly calls and visits. Handypersons are needed for simple home maintenance and yard work. You tell us the amount of time you can give. Our senior neighbors, our community's elders, need you! Call Trish Gehlen at 520-248-6882.

FOOD FOR THE HOLIDAYS

The St. Vincent de Paul Society of our parish gives out food boxes to people in need who live in our church neighborhood throughout the year, but we put in extra items during this season because it is Christmas time.

We always need staples like canned fruit, vegetables, tuna and soup, and other non-perishable items like rice, dried pinto beans, pasta and pasta sauce, peanut butter, cereal, etc., but at this time we also like to add seasonal items like canned yams and bags of fresh potatoes, onions, apples and oranges. We have had a donation of turkeys that we have in our freezers ready to give out as we get closer to Christmas. Our blue barrels will be out in the church to accept your gifts of food, or they may be dropped off at the parish office during the week. Thank you for helping others have bountiful food boxes at Christmas time!

If you prefer to make a monetary donation, we will use it to prevent people being evicted or having their gas or electricity cut off because they cannot afford to pay the whole amount. If you'd like to volunteer with us, call the parish office at 326-7670.



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