

St. Frances Cabrini

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Welcome to our Parish Community!

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Parish Office Hours:

Mon., Tues., Wed. & Fri.,
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Thurs., 9:00 a.m. to noon
Closed Sat. & Sun.

Please note:

While our Parish Office is temporarily closed to the public due to the pandemic, we will answer emails and Connie or Eileen will usually answer the phone during office hours. St. Vincent de Paul is available at 881-3075 from 8:00 to 11:00 a.m. on weekdays.

Our Christian Mission:

Love God intentionally!
Serve each other unreservedly!
Live our faith joyfully!

August 16, 2020

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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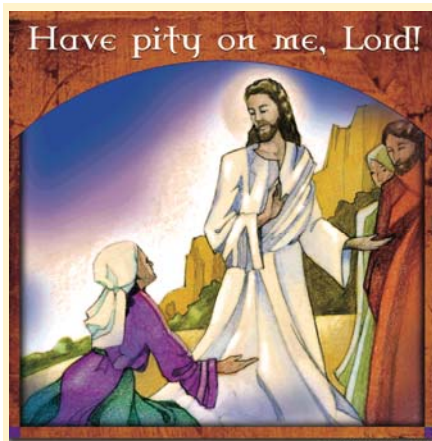
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St. Frances Cabrini, born in Italy in 1850, founded the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. She immigrated to New York in 1887 to assist Catholic immigrants, died in 1917 and was the first American citizen to be canonized.





WHY PRAY?

The “foreigners” as Isaiah calls them, the “Gentiles” as Paul calls them, or the “Canaanites” as Matthew calls them are called to worship the one true God in prayer. As we listen to today’s readings, perhaps we are tempted to ask:

Why pray? The question is rhetorical; it is tantamount to asking why should friends talk to one another or people in love kiss one another. Prayer is a way of relating to God, a way of talking to God. The apostles had the opportunity to talk to Jesus in the flesh. We have the opportunity to talk to Jesus Christ in prayer. Our relationship with him must be enthusiastic; it cannot be faint-hearted. John Donne, a fifteenth-century poet, knew what the qualities of good prayer were. Donne asks God to treat him differently from most Christians. The poet does not want God to merely “knock, breathe, shine, and seek to mend,” but also to “break, blow, burn, and make me new” (*Holy Sonnets*, XIV).

It takes a dynamic faith on our part to come to God in prayer. As Jesus once said, “Knock and the door will be opened to you” (Matthew 7:7). It may take pounding the door down, but if we are as persistent as the woman in today’s Gospel, the results will follow.

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TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Thus says the LORD: “Stand firm in justice; do what is right” (Isaiah 56:1, 6-7).

Psalm — O God, let all the nations praise you! (Psalm 67).

Second Reading — The gifts and the calling of God are unable to be revoked (Romans 11:13-15, 29-32).

Gospel — Recognizing the Canaanite woman’s great faith, Jesus told her, “It shall be done as you wish” (Matthew 15:21-28).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ez 24:15-24; Dt 32:18-21; Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10; Dt 32:26-28, 30, 35cd-36ab; Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Ez 36:23-28; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ez 37:1-14; Ps 107:2-9; Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ez 43:1-7ab; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 23:1-12

Sunday: Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-3, 6, 8; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20

NEWS

While some parishes in Tucson, as of Aug. 7th, will have indoor Masses, our Bishop recommends that persons at high risk do not attend them. As our parish has a high proportion of such persons, including our pastor, we will not have indoor Mass yet. The dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass in person remains in place. For ongoing news and further explanation, check www.diocesetucson.org.

Per the Bishop’s recommendation, we distribute Holy Communion on a drive-through basis in the west parking lot of St. Frances Cabrini Church at the following times: **5:00 to 5:20 p.m. on Saturday, and 8:30 to 8:50 and 10:00 to 10:20 a.m. on Sunday.** Please wear masks, stay in your vehicles, and follow the signs for traffic flow. As you drive beside where he is standing, near the northwest church entrance, Fr. Jay or one of the Eucharistic Ministers, wearing mask and gloves, will reach through your open window and hand you the number of consecrated hosts needed for the people in your car who wish to receive it.

Fr. Jay has been sending weekly letters to all parish members for whom we have email addresses. When we are able to further expand services at our parish, he will let you know in an upcoming letter, and we will also put the information in the bulletin, which is posted on our parish website, www.cabrinitucson.org. If we don’t have your email address and you would like to receive these letters by email, please contact us at cabrini1962@aol.com.

If you know someone who does not have Internet access and who might like to be mailed paper copies of Fr. Jay’s letters and/or our bulletins, ask them to call the office (326-7670) and let us know.

To arrange for the Sacrament of Penance (Confession), call the parish office. Fr. Jay will take appointments for Confession on Thursday mornings between 9:00 and noon and on Fridays from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. His letter of July 2 explains the protocol we will follow for your safety and his.

CATHOLIC MASSES ON-LINE AND ON TV

Go to <https://diocesetucson.org> to access Bishop Weisenburger’s daily celebration of the Mass in his private chapel. Select [Upcoming Broadcasts](#) to see when the next live broadcast will be, or select one of the recent [Past Broadcasts](#) to watch.

There is a Catholic Mass on Sundays on at 7:30 a.m. on KWBA, Channel 58.1 and Channel 58 on DirecTV and Dish Network. Cox Contour and Comcast Xfinity cable providers have it on Channel 8 at 7:30 a.m. on Sundays. Cox Cable has Catholic TV Channel 113, which has Masses and other devotions that you may access at any time.

2019-2020 FINANCIAL REPORT

Collection Total for 7/26/20 : \$5,708

The amount needed weekly this year is an average of \$8,355 per week.

WE SO APPRECIATE ANY CONTRIBUTIONS YOU CAN MAIL IN WHILE WE ARE CLOSED. **OR YOU MAY CONTRIBUTE ON-LINE. INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Go to www.diocestucson.org.
2. Scroll down to the "Provide Hope" / "Helping Our Parishes Endure" graphic and click where it says Click Here to Donate." (A direct link is <https://app.mobilecause.com/form/ZXM8yQ?vid=6bbiy>)
3. Select our parish from the drop-down menu. You can choose from options to select a custom or standard amount and make either recurring payments or a one-time payment, and then complete the credit card information requested and click "Donate." **If you have trouble, call the parish office and Connie or Eileen will walk you through the process.**



AUG. 15TH—AUG. 23RD

Sat. 5:00 PM	- Active Duty Members of the Military and Their Families
Sun. 8:30 AM	- James J. Kuliesht†
	- Francisco Barajas, Special Intention
10:30 AM	- People of the Parish
Wed. 8:00 AM	- Seminarians of Our Diocese
Thu. 8:00 AM	- Doctors, Nurses & All Health Care Providers
Sat. 5:00 PM	- Sikora Family, Special Intention
Sun. 8:30 AM	- People of the Parish
10:30 AM	- Herbert Sauber†
	- Kenneth Saladin†



Our pastor, Fr. Jay, will be saying Masses in private while the mandate to have churches closed is in place. During that time, he will offer those Masses for the above Intentions. We invite you also to pray for these people.

To arrange for a bulletin ad, contact Claudia Borders at 1-800-231-0805 or bordersc@jpaluch.com.

UPDATE ON SR. JOSE WOMEN'S CENTER

The Center, which serves homeless women, has slowly reopened. Guests who come to the door are met with a sack lunch,



water, hygiene products and free cloth masks. Volunteers do laundry for them and allow a few to come in for showers, widely spaced and cleaning in between, although they are not yet open for overnight guests. When they do, plans will be for much greater spacing between beds. Many long-time volunteers have had to step back because they were vulnerable to COVID-19, but those "First Responders" who meet guests at the door have received additional training in health and safety protocols and must follow strict guidelines. It is with great gratitude that the Center salutes their volunteers and the generous donors who have provided much needed funds, masks and hygiene items. To donate funds online or to see how to donate items, go to the website, www.sisterjose.org. You may send a check to the Sr. Jose Center at P.O. Box 1028, Tucson, AZ 85702. To inquire about volunteering, call Laura Lynn at 520-909-3905.

THANK YOU FROM SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL



Our SVdP Conference really appreciates the financial and food donations we have continued to receive from our faithful supporters. Thanks to you, we have been able to continue assisting those in need within our parish boundaries, even during this pandemic.

We have made changes in our safety procedures for our pantry and deliveries. We follow guidelines to keep our volunteers and those we serve as safe as possible.

Those who wish to donate financially to our Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society can mail a donation to the parish office or put an envelope through the mail slot in the parish office door. If you have non-perishable food to donate, call our pantry at 881-3075. Leave a message if no one picks up. We will return your call and make an arrangement to collect the food. Hungry people will be glad to get it.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Bishop Weisenburger has asked that all Faith Formation/Religious Education programs in our diocese for



children and youth delay starting classes until at least October 1st. At that time, instruction may begin through distance learning. He has asked that in-person classes not start before Jan. 1st. We will keep you posted as plans for our parish are developed. Our parish director of Faith Formation is Tom Baca, who may be reached at tbaca@diocesetucson.org, or leave a message for him at the Parish Office number, (520) 326-7670.

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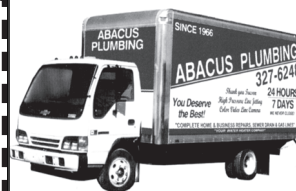
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