



**St. Mary**  
 Roman Catholic Church  
 established 1906  
 302 E. SPRING ST., KINGMAN, AZ

**SUNDAY, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025**



**Parochial Administrator**  
 Rev. Victor C. Yakubu

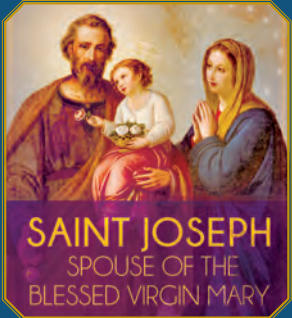
**Parochial Vicar**  
 Rev. Julius Kayiwa

**Parish Deacon**  
 Dea. Francis Staab

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 Rigoberto Ramirez

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 Jerome Llagas



**SAINT JOSEPH**  
 SPOUSE OF THE  
 BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

**4TH SUNDAY OF LENT**

“This son of mine was dead, and has come to life again.” - Lk 15:24a

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# Parish Information

## Regular Mass Schedule

**Saturday:** 4:00pm Vigil

**Sunday:** 9:00am - English,  
11:00am - Español

**Monday/ Tuesday/ Thursday :**  
8:00am, *in the chapel*

**Wednesday:** 6:00pm - Español,  
*in the chapel*

**Friday:** 6:00pm, *in the chapel*

## Reconciliation

**Saturday:** 8:30am - 9:30am

## Parish Office Hours

**Monday - Thursday:** 8:30am - 5:30pm  
(closed 12:00pm-1:00pm)

**Friday:** 8:30am - 12:00pm

## Gift Shop Hours

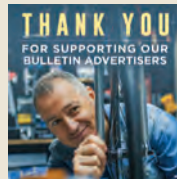
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**Parochial Administrator:** Fr. Victor Yakubu .....(928) 377-3435 ext 1

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The **St. Mary's Gift Shop** is open  
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## Parish Mission Statement:

We the people of St. Mary Roman Catholic Church, Called by God,  
Approach the Father in Word and Sacrament, Live relationship with Jesus in Catholic  
Community, Seek the Called in the Love of the Holy Spirit.

### DAILY GOSPELS FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT March 30, 2025 Year C



<b>Sat. March 29</b> Lenten Weekday	Lk 18:9-14	4:00pm	<b>Jan Brook</b> (Cindy Bridges)
<b>Sun. March 30</b> FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT	Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38	9:00am 11:00am (Español)	<b>Parishioners</b> <b>Amanda Zubia</b> (M. Yolanda Saenz)
<b>Mon. March 31</b> Lenten Weekday	Jn 4:43-54	8:00am	† <b>Luigi Villani</b> (Filomena Villani)
<b>Tues. April 01</b> Lenten Weekday	Jn 5:1-16	8:00am	† <b>Bob Conrath</b> (Barbara Conrath)
<b>Wed. April 02</b> Saint Francis of Paola, Hermit	Jn 5:17-30	6:00pm (Español)	† <b>The Delong Family, Deceased &amp; Living</b> (Anonymous)
<b>Thurs. April 03</b> Lenten Weekday	Jn 5:31-47	8:00am	† <b>Susan Findey</b> (Toni Penfold)
<b>Fri. April 04</b> Saint Isidore, Bishop and Doctor of the Church	Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30	6:00pm	<b>Laura Penfold &amp; Charles</b> (Toni Penfold)
<b>Sat. April 05</b> Saint Vincent Ferrer, Priest	Jn 7:40-53	4:00pm	<b>Seigworth Family</b> (Chris Seigworth)
<b>Sun. April 06</b> FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT	Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45	9:00am 11:00am (Español)	<b>Parishioners</b> <b>Sal Saiz</b> (Gloria Valles)

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**When completing the form, please be sure to include your event's date, time, location, and any contact information.**



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Reflection for FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT : Year C  
**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT – March 30, 2025**

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Readings: • Joshua 5:9a, 10-12 • Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 • 2 Corinthians 5:17-21 • Luke 15:1-3, 11-32  
<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/033025-YearC.cfm>

**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP – Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments**  
**The Face on God's Brochure**

When a church is raising funds for a new building or a diocese is launching a stewardship appeal, there is usually someone — or several someone's — who serves as the face of the campaign. Maybe it's a married couple, or a family, or a group of folks who have been particularly active in the community and can speak to the worthiness of whatever endeavor is being undertaken.

Often times, for better or worse, we fill that role for God. We are the face on the front of His promotional brochure. If we call ourselves Christians, that means that people will meet Christ through us. That's what being an Everyday Steward is — a steward, everyday; someone who conducts his Master's business when the Master is not seen.

It can be intimidating because we have so much baggage and no capabilities of our own. But then we remember that we are offered reconciliation through Christ — that "the old things have passed away, (and) new things have come" (2 Corinthians 5:17). We remember that we are the prodigal sons, and the fattened calf has been slaughtered on our behalf.

But it's a role that requires commitment. The story of the prodigal son is only compelling and only means something because the son, presumably, embraced his reconciliation to his father. He didn't go on to abandon him again.

So let us think to ourselves each day, "Whoever I encounter will meet Christ's ambassador. I was dead and have come to life again. How can I speak to the worthiness of that reconciliation? How can I make others desire it?" — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi



**Pray for All Who are Sick or Infirm**



Phee Serrano,	Diane Schatz,	Mary Woodward,	Caitlin Amburgue,	Con Sanchez,
Lulu Bañuelos,	Ray Martin,	Toni Grzechowika,	Peyton Mann,	Don & Pam
Fernando Cardona,	Rita Cownie,	Ron Tuohy Sr.,	Jaime O'Niell,	Weinmiester,
Fr. Matthew Krempel,	Mark Kucharek,	Richard Fernandez,	Art Penfold,	Bob Lucero,
Fr. Michael Berry,	Fr. Charlie Urnick,	Anthony Fernandez,	Jerrod Wetzel,	Susan Cowin,
Bob Duncan,	James Cleary,	Susan & Steve	Teresa Stafford,	Andrew Colton,
Robby & Lois Robinson,	Angie Huizenga,	Richards,	Fernando Galvan Jr,	Jean Marie Hunt,
Alan & Dale Rodberg,	Sandra Lyons,	Ventura Villalobos,	Rocco DiConza,	Carmen & Robert
Helena Hall,	James Driscoll,	Jaime Fernandez,	Rick Maiero,	Clemente,
Betty Myrick,	Michael Barrett,	Susan Regino,	Alex Freiday,	O'Niell Family,
Carlos Valenzuela,	Diane Seiler,	Elsie Taylor,	Jimmy Gifford,	Jim Gunton,
Marlene Tidwell,	Frankie Daiber,	Ryan Smith,	Josh Lazarski,	Joseph Matthews,
Michael Page,	Fermin Esquibel,	Olivia Sanchez,	Patrick & Jennifer	Manuel Hernandez,
Linda Pinnick,	Joseph Matthews,	Ann Peterson,	Weinmiester,	Sabrey Byrd,
Carol Kreft,	Richard Potts,	Gabriel Esquivel,	Katherine Tyler,	Michele deLany



## St. Vincent Ferrer

### April 5th

Sometimes it can be easy to idealize past ages in the Church. But

a look at history shows that the Bride of Christ has never had it easy!

In the days of St. Vincent Ferrer, two, then three men claimed to be the legitimate pope. Vincent found himself swept up in the drama. One of his old friends was elected a false pope.

While initially supportive, Vincent became disillusioned by the division in the Church. He spent 20 years going back to the basics. He avoided Church politics and traveled Europe as a missionary preacher.

Eventually, St. Vincent publicly denounced the man who had once been his friend. Sometimes drama, scandal, and disappointment in the Church can drive us away from our faith. Rather than leave, Vincent clung to Christ.

During tumultuous times in the Church, St. Vincent Ferrer, pray for us!

## Parish Events This Week

<u>Monday</u>	<u>March 31</u>	<u>Location</u>
Mass JPC OCIA	8:00am 6:00pm 6:30pm	Chapel Library Rm. 5,6,7
<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>April 01</u>	<u>Location</u>
Mass Women's Fellowship	8:00am 5:45pm	Chapel Library
<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>April 02</u>	<u>Location</u>
Rosary Mass (Esp.) CERS CERS Youth JPC	10:00am 6:00pm 6:45pm 6:45pm 6:45pm	Rm. 5,6,7 Chapel Rm. 1 Rm. 5,6,7 Library
<u>Thursday</u>	<u>April 03</u>	<u>Location</u>
Mass Eucharistic Adoration  R.E. Classes	8:00am 9:00am -5:00pm 5:30pm	Chapel Chapel  Rms. 1-7, Kitchen & Library
<u>Friday</u>	<u>April 04</u>	<u>Location</u>
Stations of the Cross Mass CERS	4:00pm 6:00pm 6:45pm	Church Chapel Rm. 5,6,7, Kitchen & Library
<u>Saturday</u>	<u>April 05</u>	<u>Location</u>
Confessions Mass	8:30am 4:00pm	Church Church

## Altar Flower Donations

Thank your for your altar flower donations...

April 20th, Easter weekend:

Donated by Sylvia Rowley, in memory of James & Christopher Rowley

June 1st weekend:

Donated by Victor Rockis in memory of Aldona R., Joseph R., Dr. Frank M., and Rose M.

## What We Gave Back to God

March 23rd, 2025 Attendance: 741

Needed to meet weekly expenses	\$ 8,000.00
Plate Collection	\$ 7,663.04
Online Giving	\$ 226.77
Building Fund	\$ 152.00

## February 2025

Monthly Operating Expense	\$ 34,775.65
Monthly Plate Collection	\$ 34,933.81
Deficit or <b>Gain</b>	\$ + 158.16

Please pray for all those who have died, especially:

Joe Farner	Bill Glass	Susie Cobb
Mildred Diaz	Beth Childs	Rosie Camp
Danielle Torrance	Irene Fortier	
Josefina Williams	Corine Ortega	

# Weekly Prayer

## Sunday's Readings

### First Reading:

While the Israelites were encamped at Gilgal on the plains of Jericho, they celebrated the Passover. (Jos 5:10)

### Psalm:

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord. (Ps 34)

### Second Reading:

And all this is from God,  
who has reconciled us to himself through Christ  
and given us the ministry of reconciliation. (2 Cor 5:18)

### Gospel:

“But now we must celebrate and rejoice,  
because your brother was dead and has come to life again;  
he was lost and has been found.” (Lk 15:32)

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## Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

The Prodigal Son doesn't dare ask for the honor of being called his Father's son again. All he wants is to be close to his Father, to be cared for. But his Father surprises him with his mercy, as God surprises us. He offers more than just forgiveness. He offers redemption.

## Observances for the week of March 30, 2025

- Sunday:** 4th Sunday of Lent
- Tuesday:** April Fools' Day
- Wednesday:** St. Francis of Paola, Hermit
- Friday:** St. Isidore, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
- Saturday:** St. Vincent Ferrer, Priest
- Next Sunday:** 5th Sunday of Lent



## Devotions, *Explained!*

A novena is a nine-day period of prayer focused on a specific topic, saint, or devotion. There are four basic categories of novenas — novenas of preparation, of mourning, of prayer, and of indulgence. This 9-day period of prayer can be traced back to the Acts of the Apostles.

## Prayer of a Father's Blessing

God who wills good things for your children, Help me to trust that You will be faithful.  
God who will not leave me, Help me to seek You, too.  
God who is ever-waiting for me, Help me to run straight towards You.  
Amen.

## ( PRACTICING ) CATHOLIC

**Mini Reflection:** God doesn't need our repentance. We need our repentance.

### The Apology

I like to imagine the Prodigal Son practicing his apology in the mirror.

He wouldn't have, of course. Mirrors weren't exactly a dime a dozen back then. But I imagine him anyway, rehearsing the words as he contemplates his own gaunt reflection: "Father, I have sinned against God and against you. Treat me as you would treat one of your hired workers."

In other words, I have done wrong. I deserve nothing from you. But please, don't let me starve. Save me.

The apology wasn't necessary to move the heart of the father. We know that because before they meet, before anything is said, the father is overcome with compassion — not because he got his satisfaction, that long-awaited "I'm sorry, I was wrong." No, he's simply overjoyed to see his son alive. Even without apology, we know the father will beg his son to stay.

So why does the son apologize?

The father doesn't need the "I'm sorry." He isn't starving and lost. He knew all along it was a bad idea. He doesn't need to learn any lessons.

But what a tragedy it would have been, if the son had never said he was sorry. Undoubtedly, his father would have let him stay as a hired worker, and he would have had food to eat. He would have survived. But he wouldn't have been what he was born to be.

I often think of the son's apology as I am kneeling in the confessional, awkwardly reciting sins God already knows and is eager to forgive. *Why are you doing this?* some people would ask. *God doesn't need this.*

It's the apology, you see. The apology means everything. The Prodigal Son was dead. The apology brought him back to life.

God doesn't need our repentance. *We need our repentance.*

— Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

## Why do we do that?

### Catholic Life Explained

#### Question:

Lent always seems to help me renew my relationship with God and strengthen my religious practice. Do you have any suggestions as to what I could do to achieve that the rest of the year?

#### Answer:

The obvious answer may seem to be to do whatever you do during Lent all year round. But part of the power of Lent is that we focus as a community on renewing our faith and preparing for Easter. Our Lenten practices have a purpose and a goal. Therein lies the secret. When we focus our efforts on one virtue, or try to change one bad habit, or seek to deepen our understanding of one aspect of faith, we focus our efforts and give our full attention to what we are trying to accomplish. We tend to be more successful achieving our goals. More importantly, it has a ripple effect in our lives: one thing changes or is added to the spiritual mix of our lives and many aspects are changed.

All too often we leave our spiritual growth to chance and the practice of faith to habit, and then wonder why we have no sense of growth or progress. Think of it in terms of exercise. We walk, lift weights, bend and stretch to attain the maximum benefit from what we do. In addition, to keep those benefits, we eat healthful food and get enough vitamins and rest. Spirituality requires the same kind of attention: we pray, fast, read the Bible, receive sacraments, and do charitable work to maximize the benefits of practicing faith. Keeping Lent year round keeps us in spiritual shape!

# Parish News and Events



## Rite of Election

Thank you to Bishop Dolan and to all the parishes that joined us on Saturday for the Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion.

It was wonderful to celebrate the event with our larger Catholic community, as we welcome those entering the Church. We hope to see you all again soon!

### In attendance:

Holy Trinity Catholic Newman Center (Flagstaff, NAU)  
Our Lady of the Lake (Lake Havasu City)  
St. Margaret Mary (Bullhead City)





## Rosary Group

Wednesdays at 10:00am  
in Parish Center: Rm. 5,6,7

Come join us for prayer & Christian fellowship.



Pro-Life meetings: 2nd Sat. of each month, 9:30am in the library



## First Friday Devotion

April 4, 2024  
5:00pm In the Chapel



## First Saturday Devotion

April 5, 2024  
2:30pm to 3:30pm In the Chapel

Stations of the Cross will take place every Friday until Good Friday.

English - 4:00pm

Spanish - 6:00pm



STATIONS OF THE CROSS  
*Vía Crucis* ©LPI

El Vía Crucis se realizará todos los viernes hasta el Viernes Santo.

Inglés - 16:00

Español - 18:00

## Knights of Columbus Fish Fry



Parishioners are invited to attend our Friday weekly fundraiser Fish Fry dinners beginning March 7 thru April 11, 2025.

The dinners will be held in St. Mary's parish hall, starting at 4:30 to 6:30 pm.

Fish Fry dinner to include pub battered cod, french fries, coleslaw, and a drink for \$15 per plate (child's plate \$8).



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## Third week of Fish Fry :

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# Ways to Support Your Parish

## Our Daily Bread

The need for our sandwiches has been increasing in the last 6 months. We have been making 500 at a time, but now we need to make 1000.



**We desperately need 8 additional volunteers** so we can meet the need every other Monday from 9am to 11am. Once we have more volunteers, we can complete the amount in approximately 2 hours.

**Please come and volunteer. WE REALLY NEED YOU!**

Year-to-date, we have made and distributed 2,623 sandwiches and since inception 355,102. Thank you to all who have contributed your time, money, and donations of sandwich bags, peanut butter and grape jelly.



**MARCH MADNESS SALE**



**at St. Vincent de Paul!**

**The Thrift Store is featuring 1/2 off all women's apparel, scarves, and decorator pillows.**

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## Come see what's new at the St. Mary Gift Shop

Thank you to all our parishioners who purchased items at the clearance sale. We have now made room for the many new items that have been ordered.



We are expecting the arrival of a limited number of Large Print St Joseph's missals, more missals in English and Spanish. We have daily prayer books for Lent arriving in English and Spanish. Many new rosaries, veils, journals and other items have been ordered.

Our First Holy Communion and Confirmation items are out and on display. More items are on back order and should be arriving soon.

**Be sure to stop by and see the new items that will be arriving weekly!**



**NO CASH? NO PROBLEM!**

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Parishioners now have the opportunity to contribute to the altar flowers "In Memory" or "In Honor" of a loved one. The names will be published in the bulletin.

There are two bouquets at the altar, available for a donation of \$50 for each. You may choose to donate one or two bouquets.



# Religious Formation and Sacraments



**Registration for the 2024-2025 Religious Education session has closed.**

*Registration for the 2025-2026 year will open in Summer 2025, with updates posted to our Facebook page and website.*

For more information about our Religious Education programs, please see our website at [stmarykingman.com](http://stmarykingman.com)

**Adult Formation** (ages 15 and up) **Mondays: 6:30 – 8:00pm**

**Order of Christian Initiation of Adults**

*Baptism, 1st Reconciliation, 1st Holy Communion, Confirmation*

**Children's Religious Education** **Thursdays: 5:30-7:00pm**

**Early Childhood** (ages 4-6)

*No sacramental preparation*

**2nd/3rd Grade** (ages 7-10)

*1st Reconciliation, 1st Holy Communion, Confirmation*

**OCIA-C (OCIA Adapted for Children)** (ages 7-14)

*Baptism, 1st Reconciliation, 1st Holy Communion, Confirmation*

**Catecismo en Español** (7-14 años)

*Bautismo, 1a Reconciliación, 1a Santa Comunción, Confirmación*

**Saints in the Making** (ages 9-12)

*For children who have received all their sacraments*



## Baptism Information

*(children ages 6 and younger)*



### REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BAPTISM OF YOUR CHILD

**To have your child baptized in our parish, a parent of the child to be baptized must come to the Parish Office to obtain an outline describing the required forms.**

After submitting these required forms to the office, the parents and godparents will be scheduled to attend a pre-baptism class. Only after all requirements have been met can the baptism of your child be scheduled.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please call the Parish Office: (928) 377-3435.

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