

From the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

Let us be consoled with these words from our Lord: *“Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.”* (John 14:27). In this strange time of anxiety, uncertainty and fear, we all need to stay connected with our Faith and with one another. We need to keep ourselves spiritually and psychologically grounded during this time of crisis.

I wrote in last week’s bulletin, that we need to gather more in front of the Eucharist who is Jesus - Body, Soul and Divinity. But with the level 3 protocols, daily Masses, including Sunday’s, were cancelled. Yes, it was abrupt and maybe for some it was not very pastoral because there was no warning about it. However, “it is what it is”. On behalf of Bishop Weisenburger and all of us priests, it was a painful decision. I am humbly asking all of you for your heartfelt understanding and indulgence. Let us follow the protocols given to us by our authorities.

I am assuring you all, we will continue to communicate with you and we (the Parish Staff) are always available to answer your calls and respond to your pastoral needs. The protocols encourage us to stay in our respective homes. Let us make this crisis positive for our families by being more creative in our activities. I invite you to pray with me at your home at 7:30am – the Holy Rosary, asking our Mother Mary to intercede for us, 12:00pm the Angelus, 3:00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet and 5:30pm Lectio Divina, reflecting on the Gospel reading of the day with your family. Rest assured myself, Fr. Tom and Msgr. Tom will continue to celebrate daily Masses privately for the intention of the community and for this COVID-19 virus.

I encourage you to tune in to on-line Eucharistic celebrations, especially on Sunday’s and pray the Spiritual Communion prayer. Bishop Weisenburger is offering Mass on-line during this Eucharistic fast. Just visit the Diocese of Tucson website. Again, the Holy Father is asking all of us to pray harder during this time as a family. This is a real cross for us to bear. Hold on to your faith for it puts everything on its right perspective. Trust in the Lord, His Word and His Promises; all of this will come to pass. Our God is loving and most powerful.

Also, I encourage everyone to constantly check your e-mails because we will continue to keep you updated as information becomes available. Please don’t hesitate to call the parish office for inquiries.

Lastly, I ask you to continue to be generous and send your love offering/tithing stewardship to the parish office. We are all affected financially at this time but our OMOS parish depends on your generosity to continue its operation. Your continued faithfulness is greatly appreciated.

“THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD; THERE IS NOTHING I SHALL WANT.” (Psalm 23)

Praying for you always,
Fr. Arnold Aurillo

A MESSAGE FROM FR. TOM:

Brothers and Sisters of OMOS,

We are faced with many challenges to our faith today. We may find ourselves asking “why is God letting this happen?” “Why would God take Mass away from us?” “Should the Church or our Diocese really be so strict?” Truthfully, I really don’t have direct answers to these questions. Any attempt I might make would sound like pious platitudes, holier than thou speech, mere words.

There are other questions that are much easier to answer, such as: “will criticizing the bishops and their policies do any good?” The answer, of course, is a resounding ‘no.’ “Can our criticism of them do any harm?” Sadly, yes. Our criticism of Church leadership, most especially in times of crisis, can be a source of temptation to others: it can tempt others to think that God has abandoned the Church, or that it’s okay to ignore certain diocesan policies, or that our anger against the bishop is justified and should be sustained indefinitely. All of these viewpoints serve to sew fear, unrest, and division at a time when we need to stay together as the Body of Christ - to be one as He is One.

Whatever we may be tempted to think, and whatever our feelings may be, as Catholics we owe the respect of obedience to our Bishop, who by the grace of his ordination is a successor to the Apostles themselves. *“See that you all follow the bishop, even as Jesus Christ does the Father... Let no man do anything connected with the Church without the bishop.”*

-St. Ignatius of Antioch (+ c. 100 A.D.) Instead of criticism, our bishops need our prayers!

In times of crisis we need to remember that God is with us. He has foreseen all that is happening right now. God can’t be surprised. He is waiting at every moment and at every turn to impart grace to us. What we need to do in this tough time is to be united under the leadership of our Church. Trust that the Lord is guiding them to make good decisions, whatever they may be. Remember also that Sacraments are the normal or ordinary means by which God gives us His grace. But we can always receive God’s grace, even when our beloved Sacraments are not available. This is an opportunity to work on our personal prayer life: Bible and spiritual reading, Christian meditation, Rosary and other devotions, and most certainly Spiritual Communion: <https://www.ewtn.com/catholicism/devotions/act-of-spiritual-communion-339>

Finally, brothers and sisters, remember most of all that Christ means to bring us His peace. He calms the storm within. Enjoy the link below, and may you feel his divine peace always in your mind and heart.
<https://blog.youversion.com/2020/03/3-encouraging-truths-to-remember-when-life-gets-hard/>

Yours in Jesus through Mary,
Fr. Tom Quirk

Christian Education / Formation

Scripture Reflection



Fourth Sunday of Lent
March 22, 2020
Laetare (Rejoice) Sunday

While today we may not feel rejoicing, there is still much to give thanks for. Yes, we might have trouble finding toilet paper or hand sanitizer, but we have more than enough food, clean water, soap, and gas prices have been dropping.

No, we can't attend Mass which isn't something most of us thought was possible and maybe we took Mass for granted, maybe we even only attended Mass occasionally. But there are options for watching the Mass on TV if you have cable or satellite on EWTN or online on these sites:

- † Bishop Weisenburger's Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/diocesetucson.org/>
- † Bishop Barron's Word on Fire: <https://www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass/>
- † EWTN TV: <https://www.ewtn.com/tv>
- † USCCB Daily Readings: <http://www.usccb.org/bible/>
- † Daily Mass (Canada): <https://dailytvmass.com/>
- † Catholic TV: <http://www.catholicv.org/masses/catholicv-mass>

Another place where you can continue to keep up with your and your kid's faith is Formed.org: <https://formed.org/>

Our Mother of Sorrows has paid for you to join Formed.org, so, go to the website, click on "Sign Up". On the "How Would You Like to Sign Up?" select "I Belong to a Parish or an Organization." On the next screen, type in "Our Mother of Sorrows" and select the one next to "1800 S Kolb Rd, Tucson, AZ" Click on Next and fill in your name and email on the next screen. You probably will receive a verification email. Then you will be able to explore the formed site which has all sorts of things for kids to adults including movies, videos, books, Bible readings, and much of it is in Spanish as well.

Whatever you do during this time, don't panic. The Lord is always with us. Pray! We are doing Communal Prayer. Communal Prayer is all of us praying at the same time, praying the same prayers, no matter where we are. Join us at:

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| 7:30 am | Rosary |
| 12 pm | Angelus |
| 3 pm | Divine Mercy |
| 5:30 pm | Daily Gospel Reading |
| 8 pm | Health Prayer |

Rosary - <http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/prayers-and-devotions/rosaries/how-to-pray-the-rosary.cfm>

Angelus - <https://www.catholic.org/prayers/prayer.php?p=1138>

Divine Mercy - <https://www.thedivinemercy.org/message/devotions/pray-the-chaplet>

Health Prayer: *God our Father, in the midst of the recent health issues, we come to You in our need to ask Your protection against the illness that has affected so many. We thank you for giving wisdom to the people tasked with studying the nature and cause of this illness and of restricting the wave of its transmission. Guide the hands and minds of medical experts that they may minister to the sick with competence and compassion, and of those governments and private agencies that must find cure and solution to this epidemic. We pray for those afflicted, may they be restored to good health soon. Grant us the grace to work for the good of all and to help those in need. Keep us calm and peaceful as we remember the scripture which tells us "Do not be afraid. I am with you" Grant this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen*

Confessions Available by Appointment

If you wish to receive the sacrament of Confession, Fr. Arnold and Fr. Tom will be available by appointment. Please call 747-1321 to make an appointment.



Eucharistic Adoration Opportunities

Friday, Saturday & Sunday
March 20, 21 & 22
In the main church

7am to 7pm

*Please maintain social distancing and silence in the building

"Jesus has made Himself the Bread of Life to give us life. Night and day, He is there. If you really want to grow in love, come back to the Eucharist, come back to that Adoration."

~ Mother Teresa



The office will be closed on
Saturday's and Sunday's
until at least April 6th

We apologize for the inconvenience

Liturgy & Worship

Liturgy At A Glance!

Lyn Bulski at 305-3612 or Lbulski@omosparish.org

PRIEST CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Wednesday 6pm - 6:25 pm

Saturday 4pm - 5pm

Saturday 7pm - 7:30pm

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10;
Lk 1:26-38

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23;
Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53

Sunday: Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11;
Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]



**YOUR voice is needed
for the most important
liturgies of the year!!!**

- ◆ All choir practices are postponed until after April 6.
- ◆ Please watch the bulletin for updates.
- ◆ Listen to your audio files in your free time

Christian Life Commission



Earth Hour is now one of the world's largest grassroots movements for the environment. Held every year on the last Saturday of March, Earth Hour engages millions of people in more than 180 countries and territories, switching off their lights to show support for our planet

(<https://www.earthhour.org/our-mission>)

"Could you not watch one hour with me?" Mt 26:40

Spend an EARTH HOUR in prayer by fasting from non-essential energy use in solidarity with the global poor. (www.earthhour.org)

Pray For Those Who Seek Healing:

Robert Flesch, Marie J Zanaglio, Josh Bartlett,
Maria Elena Moreno, Barbara Manik

Ministerios Hispanos

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Is 65:17-21; Sal 30 (29):2, 4-6, 11-13b;
Jn 4:43-54

Martes: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Sal 46 (45):2-3, 5-6, 8-9;
Jn 5:1-16

Miércoles: Is 49:8-15; Sal 145 (144):8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18;
Jn 5:17-30

Jueves: Ex 32:7-14; Sal 106 (105):19-23; Jn 5:31-47

Viernes: Sab 2:1a, 12-22; Sal 34 (33):17-21, 23;
Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Sábado: Jer 11:18-20; Sal 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53

Domingo: Ez 37:12-14; Sal 130 (129):1-8; Rom 8:8-11;
Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

CANCELLED

Our Lady of Good Help - CANCELLED Presenter: Martha Valukas

Many Catholics are not aware that Our Blessed Mother has appeared in the United States. Our Lady of Good Help is America's first and only Church-approved Marian Apparition site. The shrine is located in Champion, WI where our Blessed Mother appeared to Adele Brise in 1859. Martha Valukas, a volunteer ambassador for the shrine, will share the history of Our Lady's appearance and subsequent graces at Champion throughout the years. Don't miss this special presentation.



**Ladies Guild Meetings
CANCELLED
For April and May**

We apologize for the inconvenience

Magnificat Women's Prayer Brunch Cancelled

Magnificat Breakfast on April 4th is Cancelled! Due to the Corona Virus situation we are cancelling our women's prayer breakfast. If you have already purchased a ticket, please contact your parish ministry representative or Gloria at 520-237-7060, for a full refund. Our next scheduled breakfast will be July 11th! Hope to see you then!



OMOS Teen MD

Missionary Disciples

“Be ready to abandon this mortal life rather than the people committed to your care. Go forward among the plague-stricken as to life, as to a reward, even if there is only one soul to be won to Christ.” —St. Charles

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**High School Teens and
8th Graders**

**THERE WILL BE NO GROUP
MEETINGS UNTIL AT LEAST AFTER
APRIL 6TH!**

**Thankfully you are all pro’s at
technology. If you haven’t downloaded
slack, please do so and then email me
or text me TODAY so you stay in
contact. Once I hear from you I will
send you an invite. This page is
confidential to our group, parents and
staff. If you are already on slack you do
not need to email me...just start
checking it regularly.**

REGISTER DUE NOW FOR
PRAYER AND ACTION AND/OR
STEBENVILLE WEST
CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE



June 14-19, 2020
Globe/Miami
Work camp \$100

Stebenville West Catholic
Youth Conference
July 17 - 19, 2020
University of Arizona Campus
\$100 will hold your spot!



*Stebenville West Lead Week will begin on
July 13th and is open to committed Teen
Leaders in our parish. Contact Kim if you
are interested.*

**For information regarding Teens
please contact : Kim Sisson,
kssisson@omosparish.org, 602 677 3064**

THIS WEEK’S MASS SCHEDULE: If you would like to present the gifts of bread and wine at the Mass offered for your loved one, please sign up in the Gift Bearer Book behind the last pew in the back of church.

SUNDAY, MARCH 22

- 7:00 am - Joaquin T. Dueñas+
- 9:00 am - Mary Helen Moreno+
- 10:45 am - Santos Andrade+
- 12:30 pm - George Contreras+
- 4:00 pm - Leopoldo Cuevas+
- 6:00 pm - Francisco & Rosela Facturam+

MONDAY, MARCH 23

- 6:30 am - Dolores Villegas
- 8:30 am - Gloria Silva+

TUESDAY, MARCH 24

- 6:30 am - Jeff Bushroe+
- 8:30 am - Msgr. Oscar Romero+

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25

- 6:30 am - Vincent J. Frighetti+
- 8:30 am - Eugene O’Callaghan+

THURSDAY, MARCH 26

- 6:30 am - Mariano Cases+
- 8:30 am - Thomas S. Dlugos+

FRIDAY, MARCH 27

- 6:30 am - Lydia Ambat+
- 8:30 am - Isaiah Moon

SATURDAY, MARCH 28

- 5:30 pm - Don Pearson+
- 8:30 am - Manny J. Rodriguez+

SUNDAY, MARCH 29

- 5:30 pm - Robert M. Rosales+
- 7:00 am - Manuel Rodriguez+
- 9:00 am - Gilbert Bulski+
- 10:45 am - Larry George+
- 12:30 pm - Jorge Esteban Sesteaga
- 4:00 pm - Sonya Augustine+
- 6:00 pm - Ngoan Pham

The priests will be celebrating a private daily Mass for the intentions of the day. You’re loved ones will be remembered at each Mass.



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Announcements

Employment Opportunity at OMOS:

OMOS is looking for an experienced full-time bookkeeper. Regular work hours are Monday 7am to 2:30pm, Tuesday through Friday 8am to 3:30pm. Please apply on-line at www.diocesetucson.org/employment-opportunities. No paper applications will be accepted.

