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November 25, 2018

SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Jesus Christ is the faithful witness,
the firstborn of the dead and ruler of the kings of the earth.
To him be glory and power forever and ever. Amen.

~ Revelation 1:5, 6



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Mass

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 8:00am
Wednesday 5:30pm
Saturday Vigil 5:00pm
Sunday 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am (Spanish) &
5:00pm (Youth Mass)
First Saturday of each month at 8:00a.m.

Other Sacraments

Anointing of the Sick ~ After Mass on First Friday or by
Appointment

Baptism ~ By appointment only. Registration & Baptism
classes required. Please call Parish Office.

Marriage ~ Minimum 4 months advance notice. Please call
Parish Office.

Confessions ~ Saturday 4p.m. or anytime by appointment.



November 24, 2018~ Saturday

5:00p.m. ☩ Brooke Coates by Monica Whitlock
☩ Phillip Stanford by Rita Vigil

November 25, 2018 ~ Sunday

7:30a.m. ☩ Lenora Benjamin by Caesar Benjamin & Elizabeth Klein

☩ Thomas Canter by Jeanette Canter
9:30a.m. ☩ Dick Jensen by The Jensen Family

11:30a.m. For the people of the Parish
5:00p.m. ☩ Pablo Fletcher by Ann Lee

November 26, 2018 ~ Monday

8:00a.m. ☩ Francis Roedell by Elaine Roedell

November 27, 2018 ~ Tuesday

8:00a.m. ☩ Linda Widhalm by Tony Widhalm

November 28, 2018~ Wednesday

5:30p.m. ☩ Dick Jensen by Ann Lee

November 29, 2018 ~ Thursday

9:00a.m. For the sick of the Parish

November 30, 2018~ Friday

8:00a.m. For the intention of the Pastor

December 1, 2018~ Saturday

5:00p.m. Int. for St. Vincent de Paul Society

December 2, 2018 ~ Sunday

7:30a.m. ☩ Richard Casper by Edelgard Casper
☩ Logan DeRosier by Suzanne DeRosier

9:30a.m. For the people of the Parish

11:30a.m. ☩ Santiago Ramos by Irma Ramos
☩ Irma Celey Romo by The Romo Family
5:00p.m. ☩ Paul Gignac by Cacilia Eckles-Edmond



Adoration I wait for you An Invitation

*Solemn Exposition of
the Blessed Sacrament*



Join us for Adoration on the Thursday before
First Friday of each month. All are invited.



WEEKLY CALENDAR

Blanket Ministry	Monday	1:00p.m.
Yoga	Monday	4:00p.m.
Prayer Group	Monday	6:30p.m.
Confirmation	Monday	7:00p.m.
Moms of Mercy	Wednesday	8:30a.m.
The Mass Series	Wednesday	4:15p.m.
Divine Mercy	Thursday	2:00p.m.
Yoga	Thursday	4:00p.m.

Immaculate Conception



Mass Schedule for Holy Day of Obligation

**Friday, Dec. 7th at 5:30pm
(Vigil Mass)**

**Saturday, Dec. 8th at
8:00am**

Planning Calendar

December

December 1 & 2 ~ Gift Shop sale in courtyard

December 7 ~ Anticipated Immaculate Conception Mass at
5:30p.m.

December 8 ~ Immaculate Conception Mass at 8:00a.m.

December 10 ~ Advent Penance Service at 5:30p.m.

December 11 ~ Our Lady of Guadalupe Procession at 7:00p.m.

December 12 ~ All Saints Christmas Show in hall at 6:00p.m.

December 24 & 25 ~ Parish office CLOSED for
Christmas

December 31 & January 1st ~ Parish office CLOSED for New
Years



PLANNING



SINCE MOST OF THE SPECIAL
COLLECTIONS FROM THE
DIOCESE FALL ON EITHER THE
SECOND OR FOURTH SUNDAY,
WE WILL TAKE THAT COLLEC-
TION ON THE THIRD SUNDAY
AND NOT ON THE DESIGNATED DATE.

SEMINARIAN COLLECTION ~ DEC. 16, 2018

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Monday: Thirty-fourth Week in Ordinary Time

Friday: St. Andrew

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday



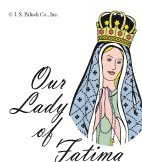
ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES

Dec. 10th OLM at 5:30p.m.

Dec. 13th St. Andrew's at 7:00p.m.

Dec. 19th Holy Family on Fort
Huachuca at 7:00p.m.

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The **Statue of Our Lady Of Fatima** will be at
the home of Martha De La Rosa
until Dec. 2nd.



Schedule for Next Weekend

Dec. 1/2

Altar Servers

- Sat, 5:00p.m.** Caelan & Christie Jensen, Ann Lee
- Sun, 7:30a.m.** Judith Gordon, Doug & Lorene Shough
- Sun, 9:30a.m.** Heart Monger, Michael Skarhus, Bobby Widhalm
- Sun, 5:00p.m.** Aidan Valeri, Joseph & Krista Valenzuela

Lectors

- Sat, 5:00p.m.** (1) TBA (2) TBA
- Sun, 7:30a.m.** (1) TBA (2) TBA
- Sun, 9:30a.m.** (1) TBA (2) TBA
- Sun, 5:00p.m.** (1) TBA (2) TBA

Eucharistic Ministers

- Sat, 5:00p.m.** RayAnn Bondarek, Betsey Hartwigsen, Barbara Brown, Lois Moro
- Sun, 7:30a.m.** Ann Lee, Troy Lopes, Doug Shough, Melissa Unger
- Sun, 9:30a.m.** Wanda Balbuena, Doris Sims, Gary & Pat Wagner
- Sun, 5:00p.m.** Leonor Huerta-Nunez, Deibbie & Richard Laszok, Carlos Zenizo

Ushers

- Sat, 5:00p.m.** Jim & Leona Smith
- Sun, 7:30a.m.** Karen Kukuchka, Queta Ramirez, Frank Smith
- Sun, 9:30a.m.** Bruce & Christine Unrein, Lupe Rulapaugh
- Sun, 5:00p.m.** John Gaston & Donna Parsons

Linens

Carmen Sodies

Dec. Money Counters

Patricia Jensen
Lynette Pfannenstiel
Loretta Hartzell



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MINISTRIES AND CONTACTS

- Adoration**, Liz Nelson 378-6836
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- All Saints Catholic School** 378-7012
- Altar Servers**, Barry & Tess Nelson 803-7089
- Arts & Environment**,
Parish Office 378-2720
- AVE Neighbor**, Jan Ross 378-1754
- Baptism Class**, Kathleen Shilson 378-2720
Dcn. Reynaldo Romo (Sp) 559-2400
- Bereavement**, Dcn. Jim Schaff 378-2332
- Blanket Ministry**, Phyllis Ballard 378-3192
- Bulletin Folding**, Pat Jensen 803-1052
- Compliance Officer**, Christine Unrein 378-2720
- Charismatic Prayer**, Dcn. Bob Sadorf 378-1527
- Cursillo**, Spanish, Jesus De La Rosa 255-5229
- Dancers Etc.**, Doris Sims 417-0092
- Divine Mercy Cenacle**, Liz Nelson 378-6836
- Eucharistic Ministers**, Dave Gilcreest 458-7135
Justa Valles 378-1837
- Gift Shop**, Millie Dalton 459-3889
- Hispanic Spiritual Dir**, Dcn. Romo 559-2400
- Hospital Euch. Ministers**, Judy Tritz 803-1728
Betsey Hartwigsen 249-3887
- Jail Ministry**, Parish office 378-2720
- Knights of Columbus**, Chris Moore 255-8353
- Lectors**, Mark Lobner 458-5609
Mayra Velasquez 236-7134
Monica McCall 378-2720
- Linens**, Laura Gilcreest 458-7135
- Liturgy Committee** 378-2720
- Marriage Preparation**,
Dcn. Jose & Leonor Huerta-Nunez 254-368-6673
- Money Counters**, Bess Banister 378-6737
- Music Ministry**, Parish Office 378-2720
- Parish Project Mgr.**, Keith Mullen 266-4230
- Prayer Garden**, Doris Sims 417-0092
- Religious Education**, Kathleen Shilson 378-2720
- Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)**
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- St. Vincent de Paul** 378-2720
- Ushers/Greeters**, Deb Scott 236-3985
Gloria Dutton 378-3486
- You Are Not Alone**, Suzanne DeRosier 456-7140



NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS...

If we become Available and Vulnerable,
we can Expect great things!

We welcome the addition of names of parishioners and family members who are **HOSPITALIZED** or **CRITICALLY ILL**. Names of **CHRONICALLY ILL PARISHIONERS** and **FAMILY** are in the back of the church. You and your loved ones are in our prayers daily.

Virginia Padia (sister of Barbara Adric) #116, Deacon Rodger Miller #112, Cesaer Nicolas Herrera (grandson of Esperanza & Nicolas Avitia) #107, Ted & Mary Alice Adamczyk #109, Delores Martins #110, John Kimbell #101, Judy Carroll #111, Paul Curran #105, Karen Cox #113, Matthew Farkas (grandson of Tom & Mickey Farkas #104), Jim Mabery #105, Robert Gunthner (brother of Cecilia Coleman #119), Gregory Coleman (son of Ron & Cecilia Coleman #119), Katrina Chovich (sister of Pat Hortien #107), MaryLou Esquivel #101, Frank Smith #116, Jason Werne (grandson of Sal & Donna Jaime #123), Mark Pottebaum #105, Karen Acosta #121, Melissa Hortien (daughter in law of Pat Hortien #107), Richard Krueger (friend of Pat Hortien #107), Yvonne Souliere #118, Grace Neal (cousin of Lorene Shough #116), Dcn Gene Tackett #102, Sandra Torborg #118, Hipolito Ocasio Perez (brother of Irma Ramos #124), Tom Young (brother of Jerry Young #107), Linda Vanderhoff (sister of Marcia Imdieke #124), Owen Taillie (nephew of Donna Parsons #115), Joe Pais #124, Eden Hill (granddaughter of Jim & Julie Hill #107), Julie Hill #107, Pat Schable #105, Arlene Chepinski #108

JMJ

Weekly Readings, 26 Nov – 02 Dec 2018

Monday: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday: Rv 14:14-19; Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday: Rv 15:1-4; Lk 21:12-19
Thursday: Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9^a;
Lk 21:20-28
Friday: **St. Andrew, Apostle**
Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22
Saturday: Rv 22:1-7; Lk 21:34-36
Sunday: **1st Sunday of Advent (Year C)**
Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14;
1 Thes 3:12—4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36



WE HAVE GREAT NEWS! The Individual Tax Credit limits have increased. The amount you can now contribute to Arizona's Catholic Tuition Support Organization (CTSO) has increased. If

filing as a single taxpayer you can give up to \$1,107, and a married couple filing jointly can contribute up to \$2,213, and you, the donor can receive a dollar-for-dollar tax credit off your Arizona tax liability. Brochures are in the back of church or visit www.ctso-tucson.org to make an online contribution.

OLM MONTHLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT

November 2018

November 3/4	\$7,852.74
November 10/11	\$6,417.70
November 17/18	\$6,546.48
November 24/25	\$
	\$
November End of Month	\$
*Total Church Contributions	\$20,816.92
OLM Special Contributions-incl. online giving	
Building Maint Fund/Capital Imp.	\$1,198.00
Rectory Building Fund	\$15.00
Support Our School	\$233.00
*Other Church	\$1,373.65

Fiscal Year Stewardship Report

Fiscal Year: July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019

* Total Church Contributions	\$130,020.21
** Total Other Church Contributions	\$5,771.39
Total Parish Activities/ Other Income	\$8,870.62
Total YTD Contributions/Income	\$144,662.22
YTD Expenses	\$175,286.98
Total year to date income	- \$30,624.76

Annual Fiscal Year Goal

Monthly: 35,000.00 X 12= \$420,000.00

Contribution % to date of goal 34.44%

Current No. of OLM Families: 1023

Marriage Tip of the Week

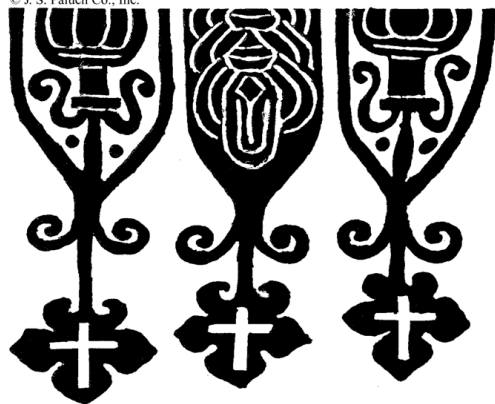


The holiday season is fast approaching! Check in with your spouse about what traditions they want to observe this year so you can start planning together

The quarterly envelopes will now be coming from Cathedral Corporation. If you decide you would like to do "Online Giving" please call the parish office to continue the envelopes. If your address or phone number has changed, please call the office so that we can update our records. This is always very important.



Bring all crocheted, knitted or sewed blankets, lap robes, scarves & hats to the office by noon on Dec. 10th. The blankets will be blessed by Fr. Rudy that afternoon and distributed. Thank you for your time & dedication to this ministry.



**El que
escucha mi voz,
escucha la verdad**

*Solemnidad de Cristo Rey
25 de noviembre de 2018*

Hispanic Ministry Contacts

Acolitos	Monica McCall	378-2720
Lectores	Mayra Velasquez & Monica McCall	236-7134
Cursillos	Jesus De La Rosa	378-1056
Bienvenida	Gloria Dutton	378-3486
Coro	Maria Acuna	378-2319
Eucarista Ministres	Justa Valles	378-1837

Programa De Ministerios De Eucarista

Luis y Patricia Galindo
Elvia Romo
Monica Humphrey

Programa De Lectores

Maria y Nestor Figueroa



Consejo Matrimonial de la Semana

¡La temporada navideña se acerca rápidamente! Consulte con su cónyuge sobre las tradiciones navideñas que desea observar este año para que comiencen a planificar juntos.



OLM will again this year be presenting books for Christmas as a gift to all parishioners. This year's book is by Matthew Kelly, *The Biggest Lie in the History of Christianity*. If you would like to assist in defraying the cost of the books, please bring your donation to the Parish Office. It is a tax deductible donation.



Today as we celebrate Christ the King, may we open the door of our hearts so that we may listen to the voice of Jesus calling us to help build his kingdom here on earth.

St. Vincent de Paul Stewardship

During October ~ 2018, St. Vincent de Paul interviewed
35 families and helped 96 people

OLM Parish Collection	\$3,826.45
Total	\$3,826.45

Direct Financial Assistance Given:

Electricity	1,764.46
Propane	1,094.94
Natural Gas	252.61
Emergency Housing	150.00
Emergency Home	-
Improvements	-
Medical	225.00
Water	36.28
Transportation	-
Miscellaneous	-
Total	\$3,523.29

Rita's Pantry

26 Families & 94 People

WITH THANKFUL HEARTS

Kindness is one of the greatest gifts you can give another--giving without expecting something in return. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul wishes to express our most sincere appreciation to you, the OLM family for your kindness and generosity in supporting the 22nd Annual Thanksgiving Dinner Boxes for the community. Through your donations, we were able to supply 160 boxes and serve approximately 920 people!

"Thank you" is such a simple phrase, and although it doesn't seem enough to express how grateful we are for your support, we thank you for what you gave so generously. God Bless All of You.



OLM Council 10799 Grand Knight Chris Moore

Thank you for your continued support of OLM Council 10799's Operation Christmas Shoeboxes Program.

Congratulations to **Brothers Philip Cerami, Anthony Busic and James**

Dever on their completion of Formation and Knighthood Degree Exemplifications in Sierra Vista, AZ on 17 Nov.

- No council or assembly business meetings are scheduled for Dec.
- Council Social Pot Luck and Gift Giving is scheduled for **Thurs, 13 Dec** in the OLM activity hall at 6 pm. Request that you let Chuck Everding know if and how many will be attending at 324-4120.

Wheelchairs/walkers - Anyone having a need for a manual wheelchair or walker, please contact Chuck Everding at 234-4120.



All Saints Catholic School News

Thank you for your continued support of our school! Your generosity, support and prayers are appreciated! Currently our enrollment is at 120! Praise God!

Please give generously to CTSO. Your generosity helped 80 students receive a Catholic education this school year.

Please join us for our Dine to Donate, November 26th anytime from 10am till 9pm at Panda Express.



The Divine Mercy Cenacle Christmas Party for the needy is in December. Please donate toiletries, scarves, capes, gloves & gifts to teens. Please place them in the box outside of church no later than Dec. 10th. Your donations are appreciated.

Online Giving

The new online giving website has been updated to include information for the week or month of every collection. If you have never given online, now is a good time to start. Online giving is helpful for the parish, since it saves our volunteers time and saves us the expense of printing and mailing envelopes, as well as for you, the donor, since it saves the time used for weekly check writing. Please prayerfully consider changing to online giving. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Christine in the parish office at 378-2720 and she will be happy to help you with the process.



Our Lady of the Mountains Sierra Vista, Arizona

The Young At Heart (YAH) ministry is in search of ministry coordinators. The ministry has an established purpose: to have fun and meet new friends through periodic meetings, luncheons, and trips, and guidelines: for the interests of senior members of OLM parish. Members choose to participate only in those YAH activities that suit them best (meetings, local events, trip planning and participation). There is a currently funded treasury that is used to defray expenses and to support parish activities. In the past, the coordinators, a treasurer, trip coordinator, and meeting lead, work together to determine ministry activities, meetings, lunches, and trips. The ministry can be set up and run as the group decides. For information, contact Pat Wagner, 803-0722, or Mo Pryor, 335-6056, or Linda Reynolds, 378-0615.

Family Faith Formation

GOSPELS AND QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

**Solemnity of Christ the King Sunday, John 18: 33-37
Given the Kingdom**

November 25

Adults: *What would you be doing differently in your life if you truly believed you would meet Christ soon?*

Children/Youth: What would you do for others today if you thought you would not have another chance to do it?

**Next Week's Gospel Preparation, Luke 21:25-28, 34-36
First Sunday of Advent,
December 2**

DATES TO REMEMBER

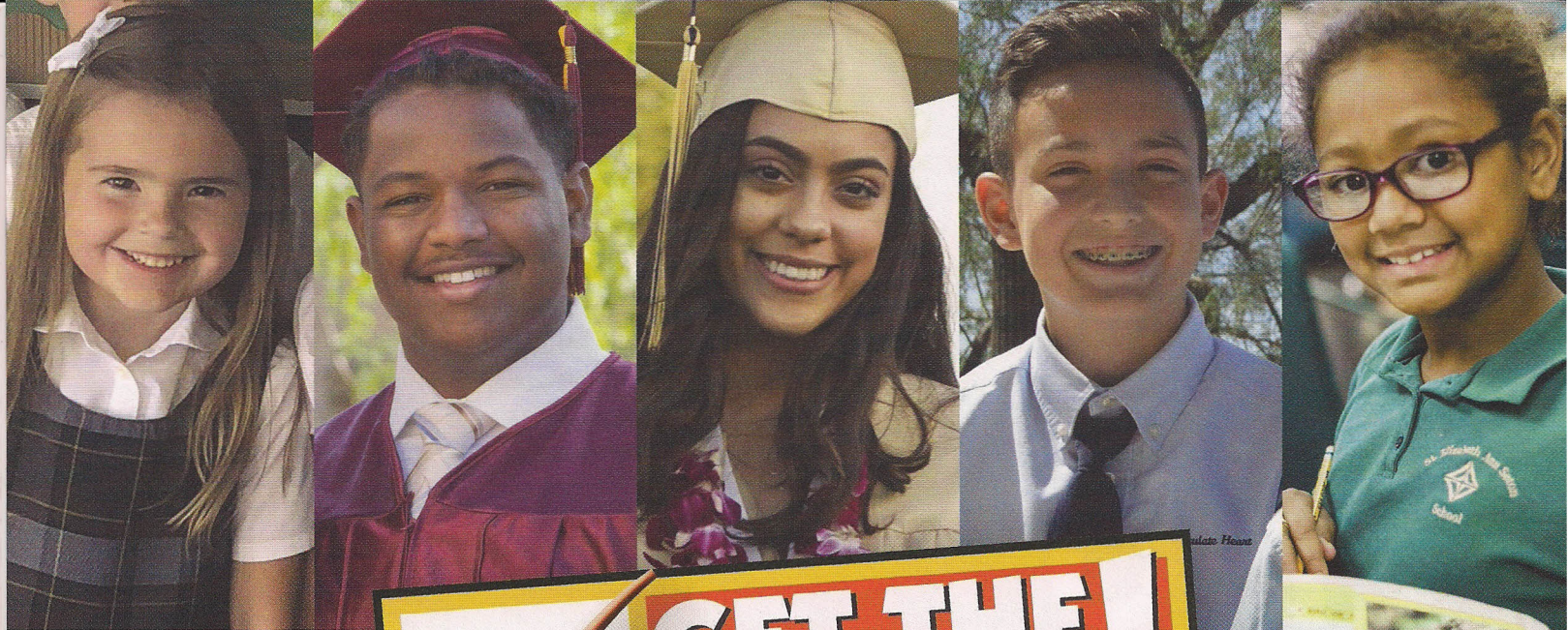
November 25 & 26 No classes, Thanksgiving holiday

**December 8- Feast of the Immaculate Conception
Holyday of Obligation Masses at 5:30 PM Friday,
December 7 & 8:00am Saturday, December 8**

It seems time goes by more quickly every year. In two weeks we will begin Advent. This year, prepare for Christmas in a different way. Join our parish for **BEST ADVENT EVER**, a free email program from Dynamic Catholic that will help you slow down and focus on what matters most during the busy holiday season. Each day of Advent you will receive an email with short inspirational videos from Allen Hunt and Dominick Albano, with guest appearances from Matthew Kelly. Plus practical tips for your own life and more! Join today and be ready to go!

Heavenly Treasurers Gift Shop Courtyard Sale

will take place December 1st and 2nd. This will be a great opportunity to view and shop for Advent calendars, candles and wreaths. In addition, the Christmas inventory is in the gift shop and will be available at the outside sale as well as gift ideas for Christmas. The sale begins Saturday the 1st at 4:00 pm and closes after the Saturday 5:00 pm Mass. It will reopen on Sunday the 2nd at 7:00 am and will close at 1:00 pm after the 11:30 Mass. The gift shop will be open on Sunday the 2nd for the 5:00 pm Mass but will not be available in the courtyard. Please remember that the gift shop does not accept debit or credit cards but checks can be used. We look forward to seeing you at the sale and hope you will browse and shop the lovely new items available. The gift shop thanks you for your support.



Give them the life-changing gift of a quality Catholic education!

...without it costing you anything at all!

Your contribution to CTSO – up to **\$2,213*** and **\$1,107*** – simply redirects money you would pay in taxes anyway into scholarships that make an outstanding Catholic education possible for deserving students who need your help.

Give to CTSO now. You get the dollar-for-dollar tax credit. They get the priceless gift of a quality education. *Everyone wins.*

For more information, contact any of the CTSO schools or call us at (520) 838-2558. You can contribute online or make your check payable to CTSO and mail to: CTSO, P.O. Box 14467, Tucson, Arizona 85732-4467



*Arizona now allows contributions up to \$2,213 for a couple filing jointly and \$1,107 for an individual as long as it doesn't exceed your tax liability. Contributions made in 2018 and up to April 15, 2019 may qualify for tax credits on your 2018 Arizona state return.

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// We transferred to St. Ambrose school because public school was not a good match for us. Here, my son feels safe, encouraged and confident. We are grateful for the full integration of faith, community service and values into a rigid academic program. Thank you, CTSO, because without you my son would not have this amazing opportunity //

— Kendra Green



YES! I want to support Quality Catholic Education... and get a tax credit while I'm doing it!

— Please fill out contribution information below —

New Tax Year Maximums	2018
Single max credit allowed	\$1,107
Married max credit allowed	\$2,213
Payment needs to be received by	4/15/19

School Tuition Organizations cannot award, restrict or reserve scholarships solely based on a donor's recommendation. Taxpayers may not claim a tax credit if the taxpayer agrees to swap donations with another taxpayer to benefit either taxpayer's own dependent. See your tax professional for guidance.

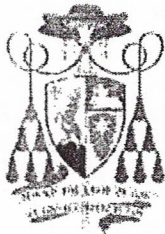
CONTRIBUTOR	
First Name _____	MI _____
Last Name _____	
Spouse's Name _____	
Address _____	
City _____	State _____ Zip _____
Phone _____	Email _____
Parish Name _____	
You anticipate filing your taxes: <input type="checkbox"/> Single or Filing Separately <input type="checkbox"/> Married Filing Jointly	
Tax year for which this credit is intended: 20_____.	

STATE-REQUIRED DISCLOSURE
Have you already contributed to a private school through another School Tuition Organization (STO) this year? (Does not include public school credits)
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, I have already given \$_____ to another STO for tax year 20_____.
<input type="checkbox"/> No, this is my first contribution to any STO this year.

CONTRIBUTION	
<input type="checkbox"/> I recommend the following schools/amounts (see brochure for list of schools):	
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
Family Referral Plan ID# (if applicable): _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> General Fund/Schools with greatest need:	\$ _____

PAYMENT INFORMATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> By check: Amount \$ _____	Check # _____ (Make payable to CTSO)
<input type="checkbox"/> By credit card: Amount \$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Visa <input type="checkbox"/> MasterCard <input type="checkbox"/> Discover <input type="checkbox"/> AMEX
Credit Card Number _____	
Name on Card _____	Exp. Date _____
Signature _____	

You can also contribute online at www.ctso-tucson.org
Visit our website for easy monthly pay information and to learn about company matching gifts or process your contribution yourself.



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DIOCESE of TUCSON SEMINARIAN EDUCATION COLLECTION December 8 – 9, 2018

November 12, 2018

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

"The harvest is great but the workers are few."

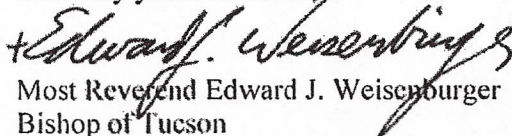
There are many ways of interpreting these words of Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew. Certainly, the words express the concern we feel today regarding the need for more priests in our diocese. In addition, I believe we can also apply this concern to the need to support, in every way possible, the men who are currently journeying toward priesthood. While our spiritual support in prayer and example are very vital, we also face a critical need to provide financial assistance for their education.

We are committed to offering our future priests the very best formation programs and experiences, in preparing them to be outstanding servant leaders in our diocese. As you well know, unlike higher education in the secular arena, where students have opportunities for scholarships and student loans, seminarians do not have these benefits to the same degree. I ask that you very diligently promote this special collection, well in advance of the collection date. Included with this letter are sample bulletin/pulpit announcements which I urge you to publish and speak to in the weeks leading up to the collection.

Currently, we have 13 seminarians preparing for priesthood for the Diocese of Tucson, 3 of them due to be ordained in June, 2019. My hope is that parishioners be motivated by the realization that their financial contribution to the seminarians' education sends these men a tangible message of support. We can consider their contribution to be a "message from home," visible care for them and pride in their decision to choose priesthood as a means of service to them well into the future. Financial support of their education can be viewed as an expression of gratitude to these men for their life-long commitment of service in their hometown neighborhoods.

On behalf of all whom our seminarians will serve throughout their priesthood, thank you for anything you can do to financially support their education. I believe the Lord will reward our dedication and efforts with a hundredfold return.

Sincerely yours in Christ,


Most Reverend Edward J. Weisenburger
Bishop of Tucson



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COLECTA PARA EDUCACIÓN de SEMINARISTA de la DIÓCESIS DE TUCSON 8-9 de diciembre de 2018

12 de noviembre de 2018

Queridos Hermanos y Hermanas en Cristo,

“Es abundante la cosecha pero los obreros son pocos.”

Hay muchas maneras de interpretar las palabras de Jesús en el Evangelio de Mateo. Indudablemente, las palabras expresan la preocupación que hoy sentimos referente a la necesidad de más sacerdotes en nuestra diócesis. Adicionalmente, yo pienso que asimismo podemos aplicar esta preocupación a la necesidad de apoyar, en toda manera posible, a los hombres que actualmente están en la jornada hacia el sacerdocio. Si bien, es vital nuestro apoyo espiritual en oración y en ejemplo, pero también enfrentamos una necesidad crítica de proveer ayuda económica para la educación de ellos.

Estamos comprometidos ofrecerles a nuestros futuros sacerdotes los mejores programas de formación y experiencias, preparándolos para que sean líderes sobresalientes de servicio en nuestra diócesis. Como bien saben, a diferencia de la educación de nivel alto en el ámbito secular, donde los estudiantes tienen oportunidades para becas y préstamos estudiantiles, los seminaristas no tienen estos beneficios a tal grado. Les pido que diligentemente promuevan esta colecta especial con bastante anticipación a la fecha de la colecta. Adjunto a esta carta hay ejemplos de anuncios que deseo que publiquen y anuncien en el boletín/pulpito durante las semanas previas a la colecta.

Actualmente, tenemos 13 seminaristas preparándose para el sacerdocio en la Diócesis de Tucson, 3 de ellos esperamos ordenar en junio de 2019. Mi deseo es que los feligreses se motiven con la realización que su contribución financiera a la educación de los seminaristas envíe a estos hombres un mensaje tangible de apoyo. Podemos considerar su contribución un “mensaje desde el hogar”, para ellos es una atención visible y orgullo en su decisión de elegir el sacerdocio como un medio de servicio para todos en el futuro. Para estos hombres el apoyo financiero para su educación se puede ver como una expresión de gratitud por su compromiso de servicio de toda la vida en las vecindades de su ciudad.

En nombre de todos aquellos a quienes nuestros seminaristas servirán a lo largo de su sacerdocio, gracias por todo lo que puedan hacer para apoyar financieramente su educación. Creo que el Señor recompensará nuestra dedicación y nuestros esfuerzos con un retorno centuplicado.


Sinceramente suyo en Cristo,

Most Reverend Edward J. Weisenburger
Bishop of Tucson

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