

St. Francis of Assisi Parish

11 Church Avenue
Superior, Arizona 85173



Mission Statement

St. Francis of Assisi Parish invites all on our spiritual journey to strive to become holy through prayers, the Sacraments, Scriptures and Charity. Our goal is to evangelize. To reach out with God's love to all in need in our parish community and the world.



Mass Schedule - Sunday Liturgy

Saturday – 5:00 PM
Sunday – 8:00 and 10:00 AM

Weekday Liturgy

Tuesday through Friday
8:00 AM (May thru Oct.)
8:00 AM (Nov. thru Apr.)

Holy Days Of Obligation

Vigil Mass – 7:00 PM
Day Mass - 8:00 AM
Confessions –Saturday
4:00 – 4:45 PM or upon request

Parish Corporation Board of Directors

Rev. Peter Nwachukwu
April Juarez
Michael Ruben Castro

Parish Pastoral Council President

Tony Solis – 520-689-5755

Parish Finance Council President

Michael Diaz-Gonzalez – 520-827-1862

Bishop Gerald F. Kicanas Wednesday Up-Date Publication is a very informative report about what is happening in the Diocese of Tucson. The report can be read by visiting the Diocesan Website at: www.diocesetucson.org or by requesting a copy from the Parish office.

Parish Directory

Fr. Peter Nwachukwu, Pastor.....520-689-2250
E-mail.....info@stfrancissuperior.org
Parish Website.....www.stfrancissuperior.org
Fax Number.....520 689-5810
Rectory & Parish Office Secretary..... Velma Alvarado
.....520 689-2250
Office Hours....10 am to 12 & 1 to 2 pm, Mon. thru Fri.

Altar & Rosary Society: Donna Still.....480-229-8517
Altar Society ...Yolanda Guzman.....520-689-2250

Choir: Tony Solis.....520-689-5755

Compliance Officer: Anna Campos.....520 827-0258

Knights of Columbus: Mike Zavala.....520-827-0777
Ruben Castro, Jr.....602-478-4856

Ministry and Lector: Anna Campos, Lector
Coordinator.....520-827-0258
Ashley Padilla, Altar Servers Coordinator.....
.....520-827-1788

Prayer Group:520-

Religious Education: Ruben Castro, Director.....
Assistance:602-478-4856

Sacristans: Yolanda Guzman.....520-689-2250
Donna Still, Sacristy.....480-229-8517
Ruben Castro, Sacristy.....602-478-4856

Youth Ministry:... Jessica Castillo, CYM Coordinator
.....520-827-0098

Sacrament of Baptism

To schedule for infant baptisms and additional information please contact the Parish Office at 520-689-2250.

Sacrament of Marriage

Church regulations require a five-month preparation period for the Sacrament of Marriage from the first appointment with the Pastor to the date of the wedding. Please contact the Parish office at 520-689-2250 for more information.

Parish Registration

It is important that every family, including children or independent adults register in the Parish so that we become aware of the needs of our Parish Family and to plan to meet those needs. Registration forms are available in the vestibule of the church and at the parish office.

December 7, 2025
Second First Sunday of Advent
 First Reading: Book of Prophet Isaiah 11:1-10 (4A)
 Responsorial Psalm: 72:1-2, 7- 8, 12-13, 17
 2nd Reading: Letter of St Paul to the Romans 15:4-9
 Gospel: Matthew 3:1-12

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday-5 PM December 6, 2025	† Jess DaRugna Req. by: Patty DaRugna
Sunday- 8 am December 7, 2025	† Mary & Kino Diaz-Gonzalez Req. by: Family
Sunday – 10 AM December 7, 2025	All Parishioners
Monday December 8, 2025 8 am – 6 pm	Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Masses
Tuesday – 8 AM December 9, 2025	† Mary & Manuel Guzman Req. by: Family
Wednesday – 8 AM December 10, 2025	† Aurora, Manuel & Francis Ruiz † Jose , Casimira & Cora Rivera Req. by: Marcella Ruiz & Jocelyn Castillo
Thursday – 8 AM December 11, 2025	† Oscar Sr. & Oscar Jr. Reyna † Santiago Sr. & Manuel Urquieta Req. by: Maria Reyna
Friday – 8 AM December 12, 2025	† Edward, K. Patricia, James & Shelia Joyce † Colm Knox Req. by: Kathleen Shields
Saturday- 5 PM December 13, 2025	† Alicia C. Daniel † Jose Daniel † Carmen Y. Chaidez Req. by: Norma Daniel

THIS WEEK AT SAINT FRANCIS



The Choir meets every Friday for practice at 7:00 pm in the church.

Knights of Columbus meet every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm at St. Mary's Center.

CYM meets on Wednesdays at 7:30 pm at SMC.



Sick List

Please remember the sick of our parish in your prayers. You may call the Parish Office to let us know when a loved one is ill or in the hospital and in need of prayers. Names maybe removed the first Monday of every month. Please keep the office staff informed on your loved ones so that we will keep them on the list.

Lisa Watson	Jeanette Gonzales
Martha Guzman	Orlando Perea
Natalie Quiroz	Gilbert Michael Olmos
Gabby Kipp	Pancho Nunez
Sonia Rodriguez	Geri Gonzales
Juan Carlos Baca	Karleen Montano
Ryan Kipp	Denise Aceves
Nicole Trujillo	George Otero
Becky Ramirez	Margaret Salazar
Stella Castro	Adrian Contreras
Michael Paul Lira Jr.	Dionisio Gomez
Tomasa Gomez	Elias San Miguel Sr.
Jenny Castanon	Ray Sestiaga
Maynard Simenson	Allie Endo
Chuck Threlkeld	Tina Marie Casillas
Fonso Duarte	Hector Lopez

Collection for November 30, 2025

Offertory (Envelopes): \$ **728.00**
 On-Line: \$ **500.00**
Total: \$ 1, 228.00

Thank you for your generous support to our church.

Weekly Financial Review

Last Sunday's Collection: \$ **1, 288.00**
 One Year ago \$ **1, 458.00**
 Decrease: \$ **200.00**

Thanksgiving Day \$ 234.00

St. Francis of Assisi Parish
 As of December 3, 2025

One Body, One Mission: Serving in Christ

Goal	\$13,700
# Donors	49
Pledge	\$13,876
% of Pledge	100%
Fulfilled	\$ 12,506
% Goal Fulfilled	91%

If you have not responded to the 2025 Annual Catholic Appeal, please do so at this time using the ACA envelopes available at the back of the church and in pews

Promise to Protect, Pledge to Heal: **HOW TO REPORT ABUSE**

- 1) *Call 911 to make a police report*
- 2) *Report suspected cases of sexual abuse or other abuse including physical abuse, neglect, exploitation, or abandonment of children or adults. Call Arizona Child Abuse Hotline -888-767-2445.*
- 3) *Call the Victim Assistance Program of the Diocese of Tucson at 1.800.234.344 and/or the Office of Child, Adolescent and Adult Protection at 520.838.2513*

ANNOUNCEMENT

1. **Second Collection** this weekend at all Masses for Building Maintenance fund.
2. **Thank You** to all the volunteers who helped to decorate the inside of the church for Christmas, under the direction of Manuel, Jessica Castillo, Manny Guzman who worked with the CYM group. Jailyn Martinez, Natalie Mendez, Ashley, Stephanie Lopez, Dominic Denogean, Jeremiah Martinez, Lawrence Armenta, Lily Fritz, Madison Cardenas, Kase Rideau, Savanna Magallanez.
3. Thank you Liz, Johnny Diaz-Gonzalez and Yolanda Guzman, Jeanette Cruz for helping with the decorations and set up of the nativity set in the church.
4. **Make Room In The Inn:** Pope Leo XIV has encouraged us as Catholics who believe in the dignity of every human person to welcome, promote, protect and integrate those who have come to our country fleeing danger or simply looking for a better way of life for their families. We are working in collaboration with the Kino Border Initiative to publish their stories so we might better understand their plight and why the Church is opposed to the indiscriminate mass deportations of migrants without due process. Please see the insert attached.
5. **Poinsettias for Christmas:** if you are interested in purchasing and helping to decorate the church for the Christmas Holiday, you may call the parish office to place an order for a poinsettia for a loved one. It will be limited to only 20 orders with cost of \$15, the deadline is December 12th.
6. **Immaculate of Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary** is a Holy Day of obligation. Mass to be celebrated on Monday, December 8. Mass times are 8 am and 6 pm. Parish office will be closed.
7. **Feast of Our Lady Of Guadalupe:** Mass will be celebrated on Friday, December 12 at 8 am and 6 pm Masses
8. **Advent Penance Service:** our own parish service is scheduled on Wednesday, December 17 at 6 pm, followed by individual Christmas confession. We will have many priests available for confession. All are encouraged to do individual confession.
9. **Book Release:** this weekend of Dec. 6 & 7. **Our parish would like to welcome Rev. Fidelis Igwenwanne**, author of his current Book "Release". There will be presentation and book signing. Fr. Fidelis is a Nigerian born Catholic priest and author who currently serves at the Phoenix Veterans Affairs Health Care System as a hospital chaplain.
10. **Birthday Blessings** will be at the end of each Mass for the month of December.
11. **Thank You** Mary Lou Flores, Tommy Macias for attending the ACA Leadership training session at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish in Miami.
12. **Thank You** Ruben Castro and Joaquin Mancinas for the construction of the new nativity manger structure by side of rectory.



NEW

People are looking for your business.
 Help them find it by advertising here.
 Contact the Parish Office at
 520.689.2250



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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
 IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

If interested in joining
 Contact Mike Zavala at 520.689.5629
 Ruben Castro Jr. at 520.689.2724

<p>In Loving Memory</p> <p>†</p> <p>Marshall Jay Figueroa Tomerlin 2012-2024</p>	<p>In Loving Memory</p> <p>†</p> <p>Manuel Guzman 1930 – 1995 Mary Guzman 1930- 2015</p>	<p>In Loving Memory</p> <p>†</p> <p>Joey Lopez 1951-2012 Tommy Lopez 1972-2020</p>	<p>In Loving Memory</p> <p>†</p> <p>Carlos Fontes Carmen & Catarina Holguin</p>	<p>In Loving Memory</p> <p>†</p> <p>Oscar P. Reyna Sr. Oscar Reyna Jr. Frank Urbina</p>
<p>In Loving Memory</p> <p>†</p> <p>Cecilio Hernandez 1920 - 1999 Amelia Hernandez 1914 - 1989</p>	<p>In Loving Memory</p> <p>†</p> <p>Mike, Anna & Richard Zavala</p>	<p>In Loving Memory</p> <p>†</p> <p>Kino Diaz- Gonzalez 1927-2023 Mary Diaz-Gonzalez 1927-2022</p>	<p>In Loving Memory</p> <p>†</p> <p>Maria Valenzuela Adelia Duarte Ramona Herrera</p>	<p>In Loving Memory</p> <p>†</p> <p>"Lalo"& Esperanza Denogean Freddie R Crespín Jr</p>
<p>In Loving Memory</p> <p>†</p> <p>Loretta D. Saenz Angela Hernandez Deanna Hernandez</p>	<p>In Loving Memory</p> <p>†</p> <p>John R. Ybarra Armando O. Navarro Bettina M. Navarro</p>	<p>In Loving Memory</p> <p>†</p> <p>Israel Bueno 1925-2012</p>	<p>In Loving Memory</p> <p>†</p> <p>Lazaro & Josephina Sandoval Reuben Flores</p>	<p>In Loving Memory</p> <p>†</p> <p>Benito F. Medina Reyna P. Medina</p>
<p>In Loving Memory</p> <p>†</p> <p>Joe "Cuate" Castillo 1928-2010</p>	<p>In Loving Memory</p> <p>†</p> <p>Michael Ybarra Tony Banda Lupe Banda</p>	<p>In Loving Memory</p> <p>†</p> <p>Carlos & Gloria Martinez</p>	<p>In Loving Memory</p> <p>†</p> <p>Ruben T. Castro</p>	<p>In Loving Memory</p> <p>†</p> <p>Julissa Rose Garcia 2002-2016</p>