



*Diocese of Phoenix*

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**Weekday Mass:** Monday through Friday 8:00 am  
**Holy Days:** 8:00 am, 12:05 pm and 5:30 pm

## SACRAMENTS:

**Baptism:** To arrange a baptism and begin the required preparation class, call 480-998-3843 a minimum of three months in advance.

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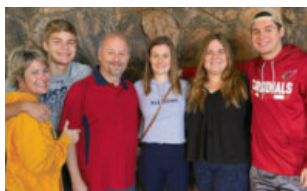
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# First Down with Fr. Eric



SPRING PARISH LISTENING SESSIONS NEXT WEEKEND - WE CONTINUE TO BECOME A SYNODAL CHURCH

What is Synodality? Synodality means journeying together as the People of God. It indicates a way of listening to each individual person as a member of the Church to understand how God might be speaking to all of us.

What is the purpose of Synodality?

Synodality is a way of “journeying together” – of living out our faith – that calls for speaking and listening to one another and the Holy Spirit in order to find a path forward in addressing the issues facing the Church in our day as we work to carry out our mission of making known the Good News of salvation in Jesus.

How do we do it?

One way is through Listening Sessions. This is a small group of 8-10 people with a facilitator who leads the group through listening to each other on a specific topic.

Our Spring Listening Sessions will take place after all Masses February 24/25, Monday morning February 26 after 8 am daily Mass and Tuesday evening at 6:30 pm. You will have a choice of three topics:

How has any of the challenges of mental health issues impacted you or someone you know? From your perspective, what would help and support look like?

The charisms of women are already present and at work in the Church today. What can we do to support them and to learn what the Spirit wants to teach us through them?

What have been the joys and sorrows you have experienced in the Catholic Church?

LET'S WORK TOGETHER TO MAKE OUR CHURCH STRONGER! BRING YOUR LISTENING EAR!

- Mary Permoda  
for Fr. Eric

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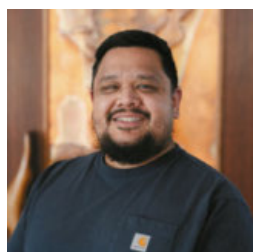
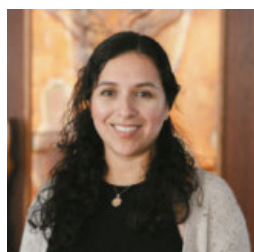
## Christian Disciples in Mission Living Beyond Sunday

BY MARY PERMODA,  
Director of Pastoral Activities



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Columbus  
for another wonderful Pancake  
Breakfast! We had to add three  
extra tables!



**WELCOME Yasmine and Jesse Rodriguez!** Yasmine is the Coordinator of our Sunday Children's Programs and Jesse is the Coordinator of our Life Teen and Young Adult Ministry. They have a beautiful little one+ year old! So you will probably see little Andre join their mom and dad in ministries! If you have any questions regarding our young children Sunday programs or Life Teen/Young Adult, you can ask them in person on Sundays! They are here to serve!

## Hope Exists

Is a confidential, no cost support group for parents and families suffering from the effects of a loved one's addiction. We offer educational topics from the recovery community and a network of support that goes beyond just the meeting. We meet Sat. 10:00 - 11:30 am at St. Patrick's building E. For more information call 480-998-3843 or email [hopeexists@stpatcc.org](mailto:hopeexists@stpatcc.org).

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## Stewardship

In many relationships, people hold back. There's a tendency to give part of oneself, and then see if the other party reciprocates. The more the other gives, the more we trust that we can also give. Most relationships never get to that level of total trust and surrender that you see in many marriages. To be clear, this is not the formula for love, and this is not how God operates.

God doesn't hold back any aspect of his love; God is perfect love all the time. For this reason, God doesn't make mirror agreements or contracts with his people, but instead enters into covenants. In this first reading, we hear about the culmination of the Great Flood and God's promise to mankind through his covenant with Noah. We hear him "recall the covenant I have made between me and you and all living beings." The covenant extends beyond just Noah and his family to everyone. God wants to enter into a new and sacred relationship with us, and he does so through a covenant.

How does this divine relationship extend to all living beings? God is going to send us a redeemer. At the appointed time, God sent a prophet to point to a Messiah who would set straight the broken relationship (covenant) between God and his people. When Jesus announces that the kingdom of God is at hand, he gives a directive and invitation to partake in this dynasty. "Repent and believe in the Gospel."

God is offering us salvation - all of his mercy, and love for eternity - in exchange for our humble repentance and intentional desire to live in love. This is why the psalm reiterates that God's ways are both love and truth "to those who keep his covenant."

St. Peter lays it out even more clearly in the second reading, showing the parallel between God saving Noah's family from the waters of death and God saving us from death through the waters of baptism. God holds nothing back in his relationship with us. Do we?

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## Catholics who need to be Confirmed, THIS MESSAGE IS FOR YOU!

Have you been BAPTIZED but never received your CONFIRMATION? Now might be the right time to receive your final Sacrament of Initiation.

All you need to do is show up on March 2 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm with your baptism certificate, sponsor (if they can come), and your birth certificate. If you need a bit more time to get your Baptism Certificate or Birth Certificate, Dr. Lenny will work with you to get it done.

Dr. Lenny Kelley is doing a one-morning Sacrament of Confirmation workshop for all Baptized Catholics. I know many of you have been thinking about receiving your Confirmation for some time because you have told me. Now is your chance.

The Actual Confirmation will happen at the Easter Vigil (March 30) or the Confirmation Mass scheduled by the Diocese of Phoenix Bishop's office on April 20, at 10:00 am.

What do you need to do to receive your Confirmation?

1. Register by emailing [ikelley@stpatcc.org](mailto:ikelley@stpatcc.org) with the subject line reading "Adult Confirmation."
2. Get your baptism certificate from the parish where you were baptized.
3. Send your baptism certificate to [ikelley@stpatcc.org](mailto:ikelley@stpatcc.org) or bring it with you on March 2.
4. Show up at the Easter Vigil or April 20, and receive your Sacrament of Confirmation.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Lenny at 480-998-3843 or [ikelley@stpatcc.org](mailto:ikelley@stpatcc.org).



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## Pope's Prayer for the Terminally Ill

Let us pray that the sick who are in the final stages of life, and their families, receive the necessary medical and human care and accompaniment.



## Week of February 12 - Prayer for Mental Health

### Monthly Day of Prayer for Mental Health

This month the Pope asks us to pray for the terminally ill. People with a terminal diagnosis can experience mental health challenges such as depression, anxiety, and other serious mental health conditions. They can wonder if their life any longer has value. Pope Francis has said that “even in these harsh circumstances ... the value of their being is measured by their capacity to give and receive love.” Let us pray that people who are terminally ill know that they are loved and that they can always find hope in Christ.

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Fundraiser Dinner**

**May 4**

Watch the connection and bulletin for more details.

We need Silent Auction items. Please contact Connie at 480-998-3843 ext. 138 or [cjada@stpatcc.org](mailto:cjada@stpatcc.org) if you have anything you are able to donate.



# SPRING TRAINING

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO BE PART OF THE FUN.



**St. Patrick Men's Club helps staff the concession stands and you can help at the Spring Training games.**

You do not need to be a member of the Men's Club to participate in the fundraiser. All men and women are invited to help. Join the Team!

Sign up:



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## KEVIN SAUNDERS RETURNS TO ST. PATRICK

Kevin Saunders is returning to lead a lenten bible study, this time focusing on Jesus' journey during Holy Week. In each session, Kevin will focus on the passages that illustrate the significance of every event that happened on Jesus' journey to his death and resurrection.



**SATURDAYS**

**FEBRUARY 24**

Daily Mass Chapel

**MARCH 9 & 23**

Fenlon Hospitality Center



**TIME**

**9:00 - 11:30 am**

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## Social Justice

# BLACK HISTORY MONTH



**Ruby Bridges, American Civil Rights Activist**

Born September 8, 1954

At the tender age of six, Ruby Bridges advanced the cause of civil rights in November 1960 when she became the first African American student to integrate an elementary school in the South. When Ruby was two years old, her parents moved their family to New Orleans, Louisiana in search of better work opportunities. In 1959, Ruby attended a segregated New Orleans kindergarten. A year later, however, a federal court ordered Louisiana to desegregate.

Her parents were torn about whether to let her attend the all-white William Frantz Elementary School, a few blocks from their home. Her father resisted, fearing for his daughter's safety; her mother, however, wanted Ruby to have the educational opportunities that her parents had been denied.

Ruby and her mother were escorted by four federal marshals to the school every day that year. She walked past crowds screaming vicious slurs at her. Undeterred, she later said she only became frightened when she saw a woman holding a black baby doll in a coffin. She spent her first day in the principal's office due to the chaos created as angry white parents pulled their children from school.



While some families supported her bravery, others protested throughout the city. The Bridges family suffered for their courage: Abon, her father, lost his job, and grocery stores refused to sell to her mother, Lucille. Her share-cropping grandparents were evicted from the farm where they had lived for a quarter-century.

Ruby graduated from a desegregated high school, became a travel agent, married and had four sons. Ruby later wrote about her early experiences in two books and received the Carter G. Woodson Book Award. A lifelong activist for racial equality, in 1999, Ruby established The Ruby Bridges Foundation to promote tolerance and create change through education. In 2000, she was made an honorary deputy marshal in a ceremony in Washington, DC.

(Information from the National Women's History Museum)

## Mass Readings

### First Sunday of Lent

First Reading: Genesis 9:8-15

Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22

Gospel Reading: Mark 1:12-15

*Next Sunday:*

### Second Sunday of Lent

First Reading: Genesis 22:1-2,9a,10-13,15-18

Second Reading: Romans 8:31b-34

Gospel Reading: Mark 9:2-10

## Mass Intentions for the Week

### Monday, February 19

8:00 am ✠Augusta Hyong-su Oh

### Tuesday, February 20

8:00 am ✠Lilia Cuison

### Wednesday, February 21

8:00 am ✠John Francis Cavolo

### Thursday, February 22

8:00 am For the people

### Friday, February 23

8:00 am ✠Scott Celley

### Saturday, February 24

4:30 pm ✠Don Minarich

### Sunday, February 25

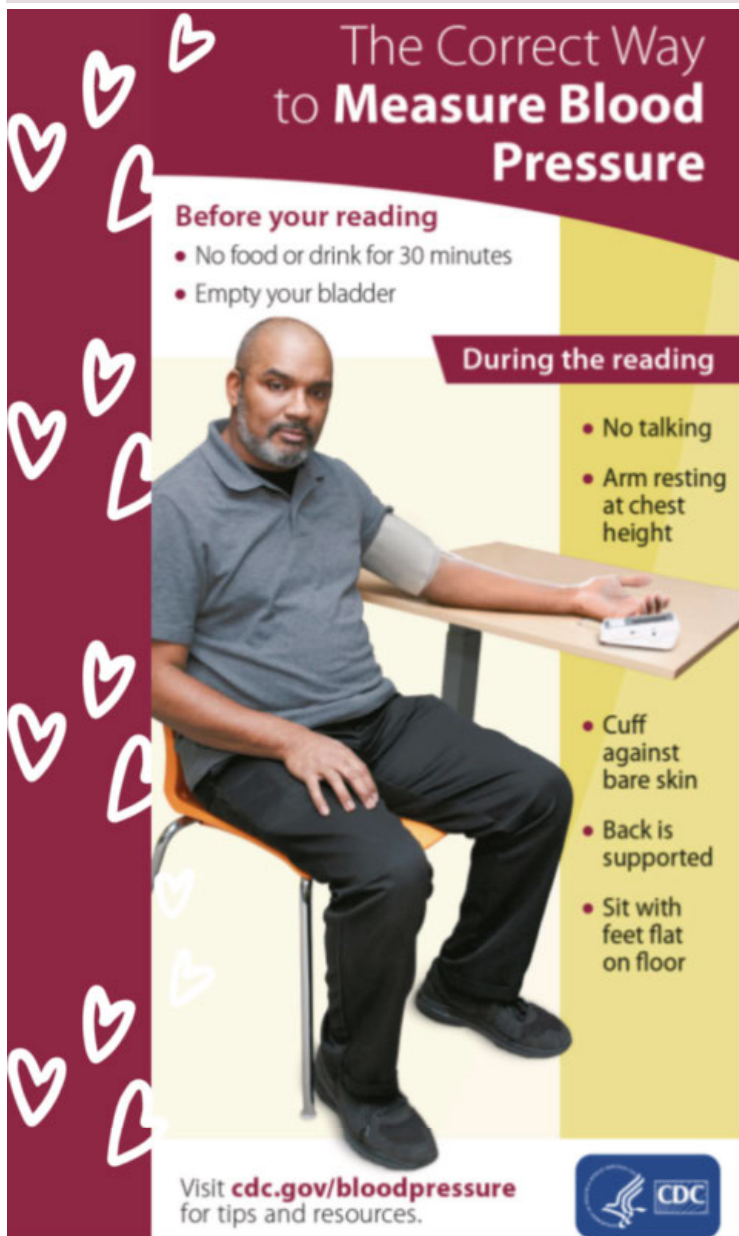
8:30 am ✠Helga Lenich

10:30 am ✠Dylan Michael Rothlisberger

5:00 pm ✠Debbie Duffy

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**Divorced/Separated** The "Catholic Divorce Survival Guide" is a twelve part program of sharing, comfort, and healing for divorced or separated people. It is a journey of learning, reflection, and prayer. All are welcome. This course is offered in the spring and fall. For more information contact Benny Jetson at 602-920-1671 or Therese Mexas at 480-278-3805.

**Family, Personal Support** Catholic Charities Counselor available Mondays from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm. For an appointment call 602-749-4405. Fees based on sliding scale.

**Annulment Support**—A group of annulment ministers help people navigate the system of annulments in the Phoenix Diocese. For an appointment call 480-264-4319.

**Prayer Support** Small Christian Communities is a support for people who have a desire to pray with others in a supportive community. For prayer requests email to [weprayforyou@stpatcc.org](mailto:weprayforyou@stpatcc.org).

**Grief Support** Help and encouragement after the death of a loved one GriefShare is a special weekly Monday or Tuesday seminar and support group designed to help you rebuild your life. We know it hurts, and we want to help. Please contact Kathleen Trilk at [ktrilk@stpatcc.org](mailto:ktrilk@stpatcc.org).

**Benefits Assistance Program** Assistance with Medicare and other health insurance benefits available for seniors, the disabled and caregivers. For information, please call Connie Jada at 480-998-3843 ext. 138.

**The Next Chapter** A group for men and women further along on their grief journey to address the ongoing needs after the loss of a loved one through spiritual, educational and social activities. Please contact Peg Bohnert at [thenextchapter@stpatcc.org](mailto:thenextchapter@stpatcc.org).

**NAMI Family Support Group** - This group is a free, confidential and safe place, open to family members, partners and friends of individuals living with a mental illness in order to support each other. Group meets the first and third Tuesdays of the month, 6:00-7:30 pm in the House of Mercy/Pope Francis Room. Questions: [namimaricopa@gmail.com](mailto:namimaricopa@gmail.com).

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At **ROCK45** we had an Old Testament HERO Fashion Show. Each of our ten small groups were given a hero in the Old Testament and taught the rest of their peers about their hero. We learned why God called upon these men and women, the virtues they demonstrated, and if they always listened to God the first time around. Like our friend Jonah, we sometimes need a second reminder to listen to God's calling.



**Our upcoming ROCK45 schedule:**

- ~ February 19 - OFF for President's Day
- ~ February 26 - Jesus in the Books (The New Testament)
- ~ March 4 - Garage Party!

ROCK45 is open to all 4th and 5th graders! For more information contact Diane Kar, 480-998-3843 ext. 209 or [dkar@stpatcc.org](mailto:dkar@stpatcc.org).



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**EDGE** had a fantastic night last week. It was so good to be together. This week will start our semester on the corporal works of mercy. Not sure what that means? Come join us and find out! All middle schoolers are welcome in Fenlon Hospitality Center from 6:30 - 8:00 pm.



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**Life Teen** This year we are learning to be quitters! We will quit comparing ourselves to others, quit procrastinating, quit blaming. Do you have anything you cannot wait to quit? Come join us tonight to find out more! We have a special guest coming this evening. Swing by to find out more.

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It was so wonderful seeing everyone at the Lent/Easter Materials pick-up weekend.

If you still need to pick-up your materials, please reach out to Diane Kar ([dkar@stpatcc.org](mailto:dkar@stpatcc.org) 480-998-3843 ext. 209) and I'd be happy to make that happen.

Family Faith Formation is our at home catechetical program, where we support parents with enriching materials to bring faith alive in the home. Questions? Please contact Diane Kar.



Contact: Carol LoPorto at [cloporto@stpatcc.org](mailto:cloporto@stpatcc.org).



Children's Liturgy of the Word is looking for caring adults who can help facilitate the program during Sunday Mass times. No prior knowledge is needed and training is provided. Please contact Yasmine Rodriguez ([yrodriguez@stpatcc.org](mailto:yrodriguez@stpatcc.org)) at the parish office if you would like to find out more about CLOW.



Young Disciples is a program for potty-trained preschool aged youth, 3-5 years old to encounter the gospel through story, puppets, drama and song. Contact: Yasmine Rodriguez at [yrodriguez@stpatcc.org](mailto:yrodriguez@stpatcc.org).



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