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Welcome to Arizona Rosary Celebration 2021 Honoring Mary under Her Title: Our Lady of Sorrows

DIOCESE OF TUCSON

October 16, 2021

10:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

St. Augustine Cathedral

192 S. Stone Ave. Tucson, AZ 85701

Most Rev. Edward J. Weisenburger, Presiding

DIOCESE OF PHOENIX

October 17, 2021

2:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.

Phoenix Convention Center

33 S. 3rd St. - Halls F & G, Phoenix, AZ 85004

Most Rev. Thomas J. Olmsted, Presiding

COMMITTEE HEADS PLANNING MEETING *TUCSON*

Saturday, August 14, 2021

10:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon

Diocesan Pastoral Center, Cathedral Square,
192 S. Stone Ave., Bldg. 2, Tucson, AZ 85701

NEXT PLANNING MEETING *PHOENIX*

Saturday, August 7, 2021

9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Diocesan Pastoral Center
400 E. Monroe St, Phoenix, AZ 85004

COMMITTEE MTGS INCLUDING PARISH REPS

Future Meeting Dates - Tucson

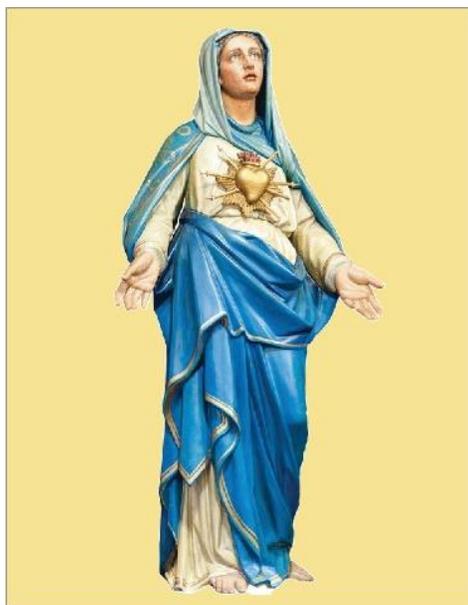
September 11, 2021 Diocesan Pastoral Center

October 9, 2021 Diocesan Pastoral Center

Future Meeting Dates – Phoenix

September 4, 2021 Fray Garces Colombian Hall

8066 N 49th Ave, Glendale, AZ 85302



Join our Catholic Community To Honor Mary Under Her Title Our Lady of Sorrows

Message ARIZONA ROSARY CELEBRATION Chairman Lawrence G. Costanzo General Chairman, Arizona Rosary Celebration

Planning for this year's Arizona Rosary Celebration, honoring Mary under her title "Our Lady of Sorrows", is progressing well. We have confirmed that the event will be at the Cathedral in Tucson and at the Convention Center in Phoenix. Please keep praying to Our Lady of Sorrows to intercede for us in eradicating this dreaded illness. It would be a joyful time if our Rosary Celebration could include prayers of thanks for bringing all of us out of this pandemic.

"What's the Plan?"

Our plan for both the Tucson and the Phoenix events looks like this:

- Saturday, October 16th. The Tucson event will be held at St. Augustine Cathedral, under the Diocesan participation and health restrictions in force at the time. Committee planning meetings have begun.
- Sunday, October 17th. The Phoenix event will be held at the Phoenix Convention Center under the Diocesan participation and health restrictions in force at the time. Committee Chairperson meetings have been scheduled and are posted elsewhere in this Newsletter.

"Who's the Guest Speaker?"

Reverend Wilfred Raymond, CSC, President of Holy Cross Family Ministries, headquartered in Easton, MA, will be our guest speaker this year. Ordained in 1971, he is celebrating 50 years as a Holy Cross Father this year. Our Lady of Sorrows happens to be a patron of the Congregation of the Holy Cross (CSC) priests and religious, so it is especially fitting to have Fr. Willy as our guest speaker.



What to do now?

Bookmark the website www.AzRosary.net to get the latest information for this year's celebration and also to view pictures from last year's event. This website is in the process of change to bring you more information in a different and easier to navigate format. The website is continuously being updated. You can also download last year's Program Book as a souvenir. You will find venue details, guest speaker information, staff contact information and volunteer opportunities on this website. We need everyone to help us spread the word and share this website address so we can gather as many faithful as we can to Mary as we honor her this year as Our Lady of Sorrows.

Pray! Pray! Pray! Prayer Campaign Message Pray! Pray! Pray!

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Martha Flores encourages everyone to visit the website www.AzRosary.net, to pray the prayer to Our Lady of Mount Carmel and see the many prayers available to all. Read about the Seven Sorrows Our Lady suffered found under "About" and "Our Lady of Sorrows" off the main page. The Prayer Intention form is now available to print and pass out at ministry/committee meetings in parishes. View the "20 Step Prayer Campaign" and Seven Sorrows Rosary. Most important right now, include prayers for the success of Arizona Rosary Celebration at every gathering and/or meeting you attend.

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For the month of August, we request that each person make a Holy Hour with the primary intention being the success of the 2021 Arizona Rosary Celebrations. August is the month of Our Lady's Assumption and the month we celebrate the Queenship of Mary. The "Hail Holy Queen" is a beautiful prayer we can pray to ask Mary, Our Queen to assist us. It is an easy prayer that can be said many times throughout the day; and when we say it at the end of our Rosary, let us ask Our Lady to remember the Arizona Rosary Celebration.

Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, our life, our sweetness and our hope! To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears! Turn, then, O most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this, our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Message from the Co-Chairs
TUCSON
Bill & Karen McEwen

Arizona Rosary Celebration is just two months away! Plan to join us on Saturday, October 16, from 10:00 a.m. until 12:15 p.m., at Saint Augustine Cathedral, 192 South Stone Avenue, Tucson, AZ 85701 and listen to our Keynote Speaker, Reverend Wilfred "Willy" Raymond, C.S.C. as he shares about Our Lady of Sorrows. The Most Reverend Edward J. Weisenburger, Bishop of Tucson, will preside.

The next three Arizona Rosary Celebration planning meetings will be Saturdays, August 14, September 11, & October 9, 2021, from 10:00 a.m. until Noon. They will be held at the Diocesan Pastoral Center, Building #2, Cathedral Square, 192 South Stone Ave, Tucson, AZ 85701.

The building is just north of the cathedral, and you may park in the cathedral parking lot. Our meeting rooms are on the first floor and easy access from the front entrance.

A rehearsal has been scheduled for participants on Thursday, October 14, 2021, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., at Saint Augustine Cathedral, 192 South Stone Ave, Tucson, AZ 85701. For information regarding the rehearsal, please contact **Karen McEwen** at ksmcewen@comcast.net, 520-870-5122

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Parish Bulletin Announcements

Soon suggested Parish Bulletin Announcements will be sent to all parishes in the Diocese. These will also be emailed to all parish representatives and will be available for download on www.AzRosary.net from the "Resources" pull down from the top of the home page. Each of the suggested weekly announcements are "bulletin ready" and cover different aspects of the celebration. No two announcements are the same. Check your bulletin to see if Arizona Rosary Celebration announcements are being included.

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Blessing Procession

The Blessing Procession and Parish Family Registration Forms are also available for download on www.AzRosary.net. These are found in the "Events" Pull Down at the top of the Homepage. The earlier the registration is turned in, the closer to the front of the cathedral your group will be seated. The deadline for registration is October 6, 2021. For information, please contact **Bill McEwen**, AzKnights@q.com, 520-579-0779

Message from the Chairmen
PHOENIX
Skip Hopler & Greg Mattingly

As I write this article, I counted the days to our Arizona Rosary Celebration event at the Civic Center and we are down to 86 days. This year the uncertainty of the COVID restrictions has thrown off our schedule and we are playing "catch up" for this year. But Our Lady is watching over us, and she will not let us fail. All we need to do is pray and pay attention to our individual committee responsibilities as we have done in years past. There are not too many new things happening this year with our celebration so we can rely on past experience to get the program details right for this year. At the last Committee Chairperson Meeting we reviewed our programs and there are no glaring "holes" so far. We still have a few items that require attention, and we will be getting words out on those at the next meeting on Aug 5, 2021. One of those issues is the location, date and details for the Saturday night Holy Hour and dinner with our guest speaker, Fr. Willy Raymond. Please reserve that date now: Saturday, Oct 16, 2021. It will not be at the usual place because the Cathedral is undergoing updates and cannot host us this year.

As a reminder, here are the remaining meeting dates for the committee heads and the parish reps.

Aug 5	7:00 - 8:30	#3855	Chairs
Aug 7	9:00 - 1100	DPC	Chairs and Parish Reps
Sep 2	7:00 - 8:30	#3855	Chairs
Sep 4	9:00 - 1100	#3855	Chairs and Parish Reps

For now, the most important actions for all of us to take are to visit the Arizona Rosary Celebration website (www.AzRosary.net) and check out the "Resources" drop down menu. Start at the bottom and do the Prayer campaign first. Next download the flyers and posters to send to your parishes, friends, and neighbors. Next, go to the Bulletin Announcement samples and get them into your parish bulletins. Finally, work hard to get patrons to sign up for advertising and show them the forms under "Resources".

If you are a parish rep, please make a determined effort to come to the Aug 7, 2021, meeting. If your parish does not have a rep, volunteer to become one and we will help you with materials, sample bulletin announcements, posters, and information resources. What a powerful opportunity to evangelize and share our faith with each other. Let it not let it slip by us.

If any Chairpersons have any questions or need any help, contact me **Skip Hopler** at **602-979-2029** or ehopler@cox.net or co-chairman **Greg Mattingly**, **623-910-8414** or gmattingly3855@live.com. We will be glad to help you.

**TUCSON
Parish Representatives**

Our Parish Representatives are vital to the success of the Arizona Rosary Celebration. Having a parish representative helps us to distribute and provide information about the rosary celebration to the parish including all ministries & committees within the parish. By now you should have met with your pastor to share details of the 2021 Tucson Arizona Rosary Celebration event and helped to choose a Family Rep for the Blessing Procession. The checklist of Parish Rep Responsibilities was distributed at our July meeting and emailed with the July PowerPoint and meeting notes. Continue contacting the different parish ministries and committees and invite them to participate in the Blessing Procession. Forms for groups are on the website. Circulate the \$3 Booster Ads at the Knights, ministry & committee meetings encouraging all to support Arizona Rosary Celebration. It's time to create your Prayer Petition box and ask your pastor where it can be placed. Give your parish ministries & committees the Prayer Petition Request forms to pass out at their meetings. Remember, after the event, our Prayer Petitions are taken to the Sisters at Santa Rita Abbey in Sonoita and the Sisters continue to pray for these prayer petitions until the following Celebration.

For any questions regarding the parish representative including assistance if needed in registering a parish representative, please contact: **Karen McEwen**, ksmcewen@comcast.net 520-870-5122.

**Tucson
Prayer Intention Boxes**

These are boxes for parishioners to put intentions in that will be placed before Our Lady's image at the Arizona Rosary Celebration. After the celebration, these intentions will be brought to the Santa Rita Abbey in Sonoita where the intentions will be prayed for daily throughout the year. In 2018, the Abbess reported having read every one of the intentions, praying for each one individually. The boxes are optional for size and shape and are usually decorated, as decided at each parish, to be colorful and attractive. The intentions are to be brought to the rosary celebration on October 16, 2021, preferably in Ziplock bags. The intentions slips should be added to the large container located by the image of Our Lady.

Prayer Intention Forms are available for download on www.AzRosary.net. Although optional for using, these are picturesque and will help gain attention along with a colorful, decorated intention box. Do not bring the parish intention boxes to the Rosary Celebration, save for next year.

**Blessing Procession & Family with Roses
PHOENIX**

Each group in the Blessing Procession will be permitted 4 people in the procession. There may be several groups per Church. Please make sure each group is registered. Registration forms for the Procession as well as Family with Roses can be found on the website at www.AzRosary.net.

All groups must register upon arrival. The registration table closes at 1:00 p.m. All groups are required to sit in the procession area. If there is a handicapped person in your group, please call **Donna Wiedoff**. We ask that each Family with Roses bring one rose per family to place in the basket.

If you have any questions, please contact **Donna Wiedoff**, Phone: 602-292-1294 or Email dwiedoff@cox.net

**PHOENIX
Confessions**

It has been a tough year. I need to get back into my faith. My faith was challenged this past year. I need to go to confession. These are all common thoughts among many of us. The pandemic was hard for many and perhaps still is. On Sunday, October 17, 2021, we will have the Arizona Rosary Celebration at the Phoenix Convention Center. One of the great opportunities at this event is to have the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Many priests over the years have sacrificed their time for us so we can experience this beautiful Sacrament. I am asking for your help to ask priests if they can sacrifice some of their time. From noon until 2:00 p.m. we offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation. If you know of any priest that may be able to help, please let me know. Some of you have already reached out to me and I thank you for your help. It does not have to be the full two hours. Any time they can give is greatly appreciated. We will provide water and the stoles for our priests. - **Frank Yanez**

I can be reached at fmyfyanez@gmail.com or at 602-402-4090.

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Supporting the Arizona Rosary Celebration

Hopefully, everyone is engaged in helping to obtain advertisements in the Arizona Rosary Celebration 2021 Program Book encouraging sponsors, donors, and boosters. As consistently noted, program book ads and our sponsors, donors, boosters are the principal source of funding that enables Arizona Rosary Celebration to continue and grow as we experience it today.

Although one-line booster ads are only a small dollar amount (\$3), the totals can get significant and very helpful with a strong effort on our part (e.g., availability after Masses and at council/assembly/CDA/Legion of Mary/etc. meetings or events.)

Fillable Advertising Contract, Fillable Donation Letter, and Booster Ad Form are on www.AzRosary.net in "Donations and Advertising" under the "Resources" pull down at the top of the Homepage.

THANKS VERY MUCH FOR THOSE WHO HAVE SUBMITTED THEIR ADS AND DONATIONS! Also, we give a big thank you for those who are working on their ads and donations and are soon to submit them. If not yet started, please make best effort to do what you can to support the Arizona Rosary Celebration. WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!

The Deadline for Receiving Program Book ads and Donation Forms is SEPTEMBER 4, 2021. We ask that you do not wait for the deadline week to turn in your ad form. Thank you.

For information about program book ads and donations contact: **Mary Ann Cleveland, 520-574-7380, or cleves@cox.net.**

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Bus Transportation

St. Anthony of Padua Parish in Casa Grande used Bee Line Tucson Transportation in past years and reported being very satisfied with the service. **BEE LINE TUCSON**, phone **520-760-8784**, or email **TUCSON@beelineaz.com**.

The St. Anthony of Padua Parish Representative additionally reported that **ALL ABOARD AMERICA** in Mesa also provided very good service for their parish. **ALL ABOARD AMERICA, 230 S. Country Club Road, Mesa AZ 85210**, phone **800-848-4728**, or email **sales@allaboardamerica.com**.

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Rosary Leaders

We need Priests, Deacons, and Religious Sisters (Nuns) or Brothers to complete our Rosary Leaders line up. If you could call me or email me with Priests, Religious Brothers or Sisters that would possibly be interested in helping pray the Rosary, that would be greatly appreciated! Contact **Susie Martin**, Rosary Leader **702-610-1963** or **pookie1@gmail.com**.

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Altar Servers

ATTENTION ALL ALTAR SERVERS!

• **Interested in participating in one of the largest annual rosary events in the state?**

• **Do you need service hours?** Since this is not an obligatory mass, this can count as 5 hours of community service! *(This will look good on many college applications in the future)*

Here are a few more reasons to serve at this year's Rosary Celebration:

• When we come together to pray the rosary, it has the power to impact the lives of our loved ones, our communities, and our nation. We pray for the hungry, lonely, and sick. We pray for the troubled and the chaos in the world. The altar servers are very instrumental to help others pray.

• You will receive a Miraculous Medal blessed by Pope Francis and a Rosary blessed by the Supreme Chaplain of the Knights of Columbus.

• You will get to meet other altar servers in the diocese.

• You get front row seats.

For more information, please go on the website: **www.AzRosary.net** or contact Dolores Whalen for any questions contact me **dollortega@q.com** or **602-565-7750**.

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Ministry Tables

If your Church or a Religious Group would like to tell people about their program, why not reserve a Ministry Table at the Arizona Rosary Celebration? The cost is only \$40.00. Your message will be delivered to thousands of people attending the Celebration. Act now, tables are going fast so do not wait till the last moment; they might not be available. Contact: **John McNulty, 602-568-7047** or **jmkrealty1@gmail.com**.

TUCSON
Holy Hour and Holy Hour Dinner

Arizona Rosary Celebration 2021 starts in Tucson on Friday, October 15, 2021, with a Holy Hour at Our Mother of Sorrows Parish, 1800 South Kolb Road, Tucson, AZ 85710. The Holy Hour will begin at 6:00 p.m. This year's guest speaker, Reverend Wilfred "Willy" Raymond, C.S.C. is expected to participate in the Holy Hour. Join us in a spiritually uplifting start to our weekend honoring Mary under her title Our Lady of Sorrows. Attending the Holy Hour is a fitting and rewarding beginning to the Arizona Rosary Celebration.

Following the Holy Hour, dinner will be hosted by Regina Cleri Council 5133 in the parish hall. A dinner of barbacoa, beans and rice, with a tortilla and salsa on the side for \$17 per person. Reservation Forms for the dinner are included on the combined Holy Hour and Dinner Flyer and are available on www.azrosary.net in the "Events" Pull Down at top of the Homepage. The reservation forms are also available at our Tucson planning meetings. Early reservations are greatly appreciated.

The online ticket purchasing site, Eventbrite is active, the shortened URL bit.ly/tucsondinner is active, as well as the QR code. Michael Cruz, the Holy Hour Dinner Chair says, "We're live and tickets can be sold now." The dinner is always, and again promising to be, a lot of fun. This includes the chance to meet and chat with our Arizona Rosary Celebration 2021 guest speaker Reverend Wilfred "Willy" Raymond, C.S.C. as well as other dignitaries including our Knights of Columbus state officers and their wives.

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Ushers

We are seeking Catholic men and women to serve at this Rosary Celebration. A cell phone for that day may help with communication but still come if you do not have one. The event starts at 2:00 p.m. I am requesting all ushers to be on site at 11:00 a.m. for final instructions, as well as help set up easels and posters. Doors open at 12:00 Noon and that when the seating begins. If you can help, please send be an email or call. **Contact John Martin Email: johnfmartin.kofc@gmail.com or call, 702-610-1973 between 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.**

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Bus Transportation

One of the best ways to promote Arizona Rosary Celebration is to sponsor a bus. Possible Bus Contacts:

All Aboard America - 480-222-6940
27 seats \$ 440.00 - \$100 additional per hr.
40 seats \$ 480.00 - \$100 additional per hr.
56 seats \$ 595.00 - \$125 additional per hr.
(Min 4 hrs.)

**Paradise Valley School Bus – Craig Beaudry
602-449-2251.**

We price from Mileage and Hours so we will need, for instance 1) The locations of the churches 2) Whether we will be going to all simultaneously with only one bus or we will need multiple buses to include multiple drivers (this will affect the equation as well) 3) How many buses needed on that day. 4) Times of the departure and of the return for all buses 5) And finally, the businesses will need to send over a "Certificate of Liability Insurance." to include the minimum coverage limits (1 million / 3 million)
DISTRICT CHARGES
\$20.00 Per Hour Per Driver
\$2.25 Per Mile Per Bus

The other bus services we have used in the path are either out of business or no longer providing services since the COVID outbreak.

As I find more bus services willing to provide us transportation, I will update the web site.

Prices subject to change

More detailed information can be found on the website; www.AzRosary.net.

Or contact:

John McNulty 602-568-7047, JMKNRealty1@gmail.com

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Altar Servers

The Altar Server Coordinator and Altar Server Individual registration forms with instructions will be mailed in mid-August to each parish and catholic school in the Diocese of Tucson and have been reported as received. Information, delightful pictures, and the registration forms are also available on www.AzRosary.net in the "Events" pull down at the top of the Homepage. The website notes that "Altar Servers Add Dignity, Color and Spiritual Beauty to Every Rosary Celebration." We look forward to having many of our parishes represented by their Altar Servers in the Bishop's Procession. Immediately following the Rosary Celebration, is our Bishop's Reception where every Altar Server will receive a Miraculous Medal blessed by Pope Francis and have their picture taken with our bishop.

For more information regarding Altar Server participation from the Diocese of Tucson in the Arizona Rosary Celebration, **Katheryn Hutchinson** via **520-419-4889** or khutchinson@diocesetucson.org.

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Poster Contest

Arizona Rosary Celebration Poster Contest Information, with instructions, will be sent to all Tucson Diocesan Directors of Religious Education (DRE's) and to Catholic K-8 schools in the diocese. This information is also available on www.AzRosary.net in the "Events" pull down at the top of the Homepage. The website information includes the poster contest rules and regulations. The primary purpose of the Poster Contest is to involve young people in the Arizona Rosary Celebration and educate them on the many images of Mary, Our Mother. All children in grades Kindergarten through 8th may participate by creating a poster reflecting on the theme for this year. Winners will be invited to a pizza party with Bishop Weisenburger. This year's theme is: *Our Lady of Sorrows Consoling My Family*.

The deadline for all posters being received is the day of the celebration, October 16, 2021. Posters may be mailed to or dropped off at: *Diocese of Tucson, ATTN: Samuel Kiser, 192 South Stone Avenue, Tucson, AZ 85701.*

For information regarding the poster contest, please contact: **Samuel Kiser**, skiser@diocesetucson.org or **520-838-2507**.

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Supporting the Arizona Rosary Celebration

The annual Arizona Rosary Celebration is Arizona's largest gathering of Catholics; over 8,000 attended previous celebrations from all over the State. The primary source of income for the celebration is revenue received through the sale of advertising in the souvenir program book. Every organization, parish, business, club and Knights of Columbus Council and Assembly, throughout the State, should purchase an advertisement to help support the Arizona Rosary Celebration. The souvenir program book has the potential to end up on every Catholic Coffee Table in the State of Arizona.

For information about program book ads and donations contact: **Rick Garrison**, Phone: **480-522-7064**, Email AzKnights@q.com, or **Joe Shanks** Phone: **253-468-0772**, Email: hotrodtiki@aol.com. Advertisement forms can also be found on the website www.AzRosary.net.

The deadline for Program Book ads is:
September 4, 2021

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Open Mic and Fish Fry, 5-8 pm First Fridays
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