

Our Lady of the Desert Church

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July 23, 2017

The Sixteenth Sunday in
Ordinary Time

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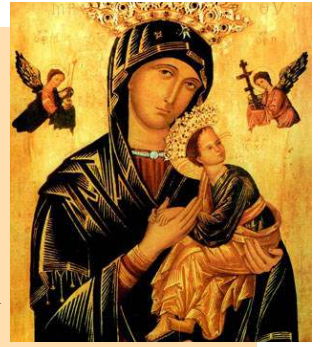
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Welcome: The Redemptorist Community and Pastoral Staff of the Redemptorist Renewal Center extends a warm and loving welcome to all who come here to pray and worship in our church. We are a community that welcomes all people as brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ. Together we are the body of Christ, living and active today.

Fr. Paul's Ponderings.....



When Moses went up the mountain to receive the Ten commandments from God...there was no doubt that God was there. The people saw that the whole mountain was alive with lighting, thunder, fire, and wind. The people of Jesus' time called Jesus the "new" Moses. They hoped that God would again appear in all that power, like on the mountain, with fire, lightening, wind, and thunder. The people wanted to "watch" God's kingdom at work! Jesus tells the people that the power of God is now hidden within each of them, like a field of wheat, a mustard seed, and leaven. What a disappointment. No big fire works! How will we "grow" the kingdom of God today? Who will we touch with our kindness, compassion, generosity and love? It is through us that the Kingdom of God now lives and grows. What a challenge! The "fire" is now in our hearts!

Fr. Paul Coury

Anointing Service-We will offer the Sacrament of Anointing after all the Masses this weekend. If you wish to be anointed, just stay in your seats and we will begin the service once Fr. Paul returns from greeting the people.

Our Sick-Please remember in your prayers Barbara Bartels, She is now home in Home Hospice. Patricia McCalister is her sister. We pray for Barbara's complete healing! Also remember Jim Oliver who was recently hospitalized.

Mrs. Ann Fallon-Mrs. Ann Fallon, the mother-in-law to Deacon Ken McNealy and mother to his wife, Margaret, will be buried from our Church on Saturday, July 29. The Memorial Service will officially begin at 9:30 am. There will be a pre-Mass program beginning at 9:00 am. Please remember Ann in your prayers. Ann was 99 years old!

Sunday Flowers-Our Church relies on you to decorate the Sunday Altar with flowers. Please stop by the office and offer a donation for the Sunday flowers in the name of someone you love! We will include their name in our bulletin.

The Renewed Hearts Program-Thank You-Thank you for all of your prayers as I attended the Redemptorist two week renewal program at our Retreat Center in Oconomowoc Wisconsin from June 24-July 10. I have returned all renewed!! The program is entitled: "Renewed Hearts." Frs. Peter and Larry attended the program here last December. Frs. Charlie and Greg will be attending the program here this September.

ICS-Our Lady of the Desert is a church partner with Interfaith Community Services (ICS). Interested in learning more about becoming a volunteer??? Plan to attend a Volunteer Orientation session Monday, August 7th or Tuesday, September 5th from 9:30-Noon at 2820 W. Ina Road, the Northwest ICS office. Orientation also available at other locations. To register, email Tori Carlson at tcarlson@icstucson.org or call 297-6049 ext. 217. For further information, please call Mila Aroskar (OLD member) at 743-1978.

Please remember in your prayers



OUR SICK

Please remember Carolyn Hasenoehrl in your prayers. She is now at Crossroads Adult Care Home. (5825 North Escondido Lane)

Barbara Bartels
Virginia Brown
Bob Curran
Barbara Kyes
Suzanne Kraft
Chris & Terri Kanitt
Philip Oberstar
Jim Oliver
Jessica Sayles
Aidan Martel Santoyo

Barbara Bartels-Please continue to pray for her healing she is now at home and in hospice care.

Please pray for others in our community who
Are struggling with various illnesses.

OUR DECEASED

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Karen Bahill (2/17)
John Cieslinski (11/16)
Ann Fallon (7/17)
Judy Filirecki (11/16)
Ken Hasenoehrl (11/16)
Tom Johnson (10/16)
Nancy Long (5/17)
Robert Marshall (12/16)
Teri McGuinness (12/16)
Bob Medina (5/17)
Frank Randaisi (1/17)
Bob Scheffel (2/17)
Patricia Thibodeaux (4/17)
Virginia Thompson (4/17)

“The desert will lead you to your heart where I will speak.”

THIS AND THAT

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to be a place where the contemplative spirit of the human person may be discovered, fed and nourished. It is a place, an oasis in the Sonoran Desert, where individuals encounter God and "feel the burn" of the Holy Spirit.

SoulShine

A Codependents Anonymous Support Group

SoulShine is a 12 Step group designed to meet the needs of recovering addicts. The primary focus is on codependency, but we are open to all persons suffering from any type of addictive behavior. Our meeting format follows that of A.A. and includes recovery readings. Come learn to love yourself better, free yourself from addictive thinking and allow your soul to shine! Every **WEDNESDAY, 7:00- 8:30 pm** in the RRC Office Conference Room. All are welcomed! This group is facilitated by Fr. Charlie Wehrley.

This week's flowers were
donated by
Kelly & John Mooney
In Loving memory of
Michael Crose

SUNDAY COLLECTION

\$4,209.00

July 15-16, 2017

BUILDING FUND

\$124,705.00

YOU MAY REQUEST ADDITIONAL ENVELOPES OR
PICK UP YOUR ENVELOPES ON THE TABLE IN THE REAR OF THE CHURCH

UPCOMING EVENTS & SERVICES

Saturday, July 22th

4:00 Mass - Fr. Peter Connolly
** Nancy Long (d)

Sunday, July 23th

7:30am Mass- Fr. Peter Connolly
** Christopher Patrick Mattis (d) and
All Who Battle Depression & Mental Illness
10:00 Mass - Fr. Peter Connolly
** John Carhuff (d)

Monday, July 24th

7:30 Mass - Fr. Paul Coury
** Bob Winkle (d)

Tuesday, July 25th

7:30 Mass - Fr. Charlie Wehrley
** Tom Flanigan (d)

Wednesday, July 26th

7:30 Mass - Fr. Paul Coury
** Francisco S. Garcia (d)

Thursday, July 27th

7:30 Mass - Fr. Charlie Wehrley
** Nancy Seng (d)

Friday, July 28th

7:30 Mass - Fr. Paul Coury
** Paul Siebert (d)

Saturday, July 29th

7:30am Mass - Fr. Paul Coury
** Robert Niemeyer Birthday
4:00pm Mass - Fr. Charlie Wehrley
** 97th Birthday Velma Starman
Tom Whittingham (d)

Sunday, July 30th

7:30 Mass - Fr. Charlie Wehrley
** Eugene Han - Birthday
** 10:00 Mass - Fr. Charlie Wehrley
** Virginia Thompson (d)

** Mass Intention

Monday - Friday

6:45 AM - Silent Contemplative Prayer

7:15 AM - Morning Prayer

Saturday

7:30 AM—Eucharist with devotional
prayers of Our Mother of Perpetual

Seeds of the Word Book Club:

Wednesday, August 23rd @ 2PM, Ironwood Room
My Heart Will Triumph By Mirjana Soldo
Moderated by Diana Davenport

Prayer Series: The prayer group will continue to meet on Thursdays from 10am–11:15am in the front office conference room. All are invited. For questions call Florence 520.975.3883.

Art as Prayer : Budding artists, want to be artists, those willing to share their creativity, and especially those who would just love to play, please join us on Thursday July 27th and every other Thursday at 11:30 am in the Art Room behind building #5. This weeks class will be on collages. Contact Camille Sensale 520.390.6323 with any questions.

A Note from the Prayer Shawl Ministry : I want to encourage everyone to let us know if you know of someone in need of one of these shawls, they can be family or friends who you know are ill. Please call either myself (Terry Linn) at 734-259-9826 or Bob Jones in the church office if you have someone who could benefit from one of these shawls. One more thing, there is an upcoming Gathering of the Circles at St. Mark's Episcopal Church on Saturday, September 30, 2017 from 9:30 to 12:00 this is where we swap ideas and patterns and share examples of our shawls. If anyone is interested in attending please contact me at 734-259-9826 prior to July 28, 2017.

There will no meeting for July but we will begin again Monday August 21, 2017 from 4 pm-6pm.

Calendar

Monday

July 24

Weekday

Ex 14:5–18

Mt 12:38–42

Tuesday

July 25

St. James,

Apostle

2 Cor 4:7–15

Mt 20:20–28

Wednesday

July 26

Sts. Joachim and Anne,

Parents of

the Blessed Virgin Mary

Ex 16:1–5, 9–15

Mt 13:1–9

Thursday

July 27

Weekday

Ex 19:1–2, 9–11, 16–20b

Mt 13:10–17

Friday

July 28

Weekday

Ex 20:1–17

Mt 13:18–23

Saturday

July 29

St. Martha

Ex 24:3–8

Mt 13:24–30

Sunday

July 30

Seventeenth Sunday in

Ordinary Time

1 Kgs 3:5, 7–12

Rom 8:28–30

Mt 13:44–52 or 13:44–46

Dear Padre,

If I'm late for Mass, can I receive the Eucharist?

There is no hard-and-fast rule on how “late” one can be for Mass and still receive Communion. Holy Communion is offered outside of Mass at times, so theoretically you could come during the Communion rite and still receive Communion.

But there is more to be considered with this question. If you are going to go Mass, you should be there from the beginning to the end. You should be there before the entrance procession begins and you should stay until the last verse of the final song is sung. Things happen, like an unexpected train on the way to Mass or a sick child who needs attention and care. However, if you find yourself always coming late to Mass, you may need to make a change in your routine.

I remember cleaning out a closet of a church I was stationed at, and I found a sign with ropes attached to it. It stated, “Mass has begun, the next Mass begins at...” and there was a place where you could list the time of the next Mass. I was told the ropes were tied across the entrance so you couldn't come into Mass late.

Those days are gone, though. It's up to you to follow your conscience. It is important to participate in the entire celebration, but if on the rare occasion you come late to Mass, ask yourself, “*Can I prepare myself to worthily receive Communion at this moment?*” If you can answer “yes” to that question, then I would say it would be OK to receive Communion.

Fr. Patrick Keyes, CSsR
Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



MRS. YASHILITERSTOCK



A Word From Pope Francis

“With our eyes fixed on Jesus and his merciful gaze, we experience the love of the Most Holy Trinity. The mission Jesus received from the Father was that of revealing the mystery of divine love in its fullness. ‘God is love’ (1 John 4:8, 16), John affirms for the first and only time in all of Holy Scripture. This love has now been made visible and tangible in Jesus’ entire life. His person is nothing but love, a love given gratuitously. The relationships he forms with the people who approach him manifest something entirely unique and unrepeatable. The signs he works, especially in favor of sinners, the poor, the marginalized, the sick, and the suffering, are all meant to teach mercy. Everything in him speaks of mercy. Nothing in him is devoid of compassion.”

—*Misericordiae Vultus*, April 11, 2015