

# Our Lady of the Desert Church

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Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary  
Time

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Rev. Paul Coury, C.Ss.R.

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Rev. Charles Wehrley, C.Ss.R.

Rev. Greg Wigst, C.Ss.R.

Rev. Peter Connolly, C.Ss.R.

### Deacon

Rev. Mr. Ken McNealy

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Dave & Hedy Miller

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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.....



## Church World

We certainly want to extend our congratulations to our New Bishop Elect: Edward J. Weisenburger. Bishop Weisenburger was formally the Bishop of Salina, Kansas. We also wish to offer our gratitude to Bishop Gerard Kicanas for his years of service to our Diocese and especially his care and constant encouragement to us here at the Redemptorist Renewal Center. At every meeting I went to with the Bishop, he always made a point to mention our Renewal Center, always adding what a great asset we are to the Diocese. Hopefully we can place our whole hearted support behind the new Bishop Elect.

Fr. Paul Coury

**Redemptorist Hurricane Relief Efforts-**The Redemptorists have churches and retreat centers that have been damaged in Hurricane Maria's wake in Dominica, Saint Kitts, The Virgin Islands, Saint John's, Saint Croix, Puerto Rico, and in the earthquake in Mexico. All the Redemptorist Parishes in North America will be doing an envelope drive around Thanksgiving for the rebuilding of these churches. We will have special envelopes in church available at that time. Thank you for your future generosity.

**Rector's Meeting-**This week, in the Redemptorist World, is the annual meeting of all the Rectors. The "Rector" is the appointed head of each Redemptorist Community. I am the "Rector" of our Redemptorist Community here and Fr. Charlie is the "Vicar," the second in charge. So this Sunday, I travel to our sister Retreat Center in Oconomowoc, Wisconsin for a week of meetings. While I am gone, Frs. Charlie and Greg will handle all of your concerns.

**Workshop on Understanding and Dealing with Mental Illness- On Monday October 30, 10:30-12:00 Noon** Interfaith Community Services will present a program entitled **Identifying, Understanding, and Dealing with Mental Illness**. The program will be in the Agave Room (the Building beyond the Dining Room). The program is free, the cost of lunch would be \$10.00. Please register at the Office or call Mila for more information: 520.743.1978.

**SEEDS OF THE WORD BOOK CLUB** – All are welcome Wednesday, October 25th, from 2-3 pm in the Ironwood Room. We'll be discussing Rebecca Skloot's New York Times bestseller, *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks*. Henrietta Lacks was an African-American woman whose 'immortal' cells, taken without her knowledge, would be key to developing the medical science that has saved millions of lives. The book reveals how easily science can do wrong for 'all the right reasons' - especially to the poor. Oprah Winfrey stars in a recently released HBO movie based on the book. Peggy Lowman will moderate the discussion and copies of the book are available in the bookstore. Please join us, even if you have not read the book!!

**Garbage Bins-**Please do not dump your garbage into our garbage or recycle bins. Some have been sneaking their garbage into the bin behind the Saint Alphonsus building by the art room. That is our container for "Recycled Material." The company is not happy and has asked us to be more cautious! Thank You!

**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.

*Please remember in your prayers*



## OUR SICK

Virginia Brown  
Kurt Cummings  
Virginia Flanagan  
Carolyn Hasenoehrl  
Tony Iavagnilio  
Phil Kyes  
Suzanne Kraft  
Chris & Terri Kanitt  
Ray Kovash  
Billie Marshall  
Philip Oberstar  
Jim Oliver  
George Parada  
Gerardo Rosales  
Jessica Sayles  
Aidan Martel Santoyo  
Mark Taube

**Ray Kovash** continues his recovery from ankle surgery at the Life Center on LaCholla.

**George Parada** also asks for our prayers. He is battling cancer. His wife is Anna. George is now at home with hospice care. George would love to have visitors. Just call Anna advance 520.658.7743.

Please remember **Kurt Cummings** (Jane Duquette Cummings' husband). He is now home and continuing to recover. He and Jane thank you for your many prayers.

**Jim Oliver**-who was recently hospitalized and is now home.

**Virginia Flanagan** has suffered another incident and is now recovering at Banner University Hospital.

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

## OUR DECEASED

On Friday, September 8, **Anne Ramsey** passed. We besethe Francis family for the loss of their mother on **Sunday, October 1.**

Fr. Paul had a memorial service for **David Hill**, Jean Hill's son, at the Assisted Living Center, The Forum, on Saturday, September 30.

Also remember **Ed Snyder**, who passed away on Saturday, September 9. **His Memorial Mass will be in Detroit.** Ed and Pat were the head sacristans here for many years!

Please remember in your prayers:

Karen Bahill (2/17)  
Barbara Bartels (8/17)  
John Cieslinski (11/16)  
Ann Fallon (7/17)  
Judy Filirecki (11/16)  
Ken Hasenoehrl (11/16)  
David Hill (9/17)  
Tom Johnson (10/16)  
Nancy Long (5/17)  
Robert Marshall (12/16)  
Teri McGuinness (12/16)  
Bob Medina (5/17)  
Ann Ramsey (9/17)  
Frank Randaisi (1/17)  
Bob Scheffel (2/17)  
Ed Snyder (9/17)  
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

Dave & Hedy Miller

In loving memory of

Ann Fallon

SUNDAY COLLECTION

\$7,371.00 September 30-October 1, 2017

BUILDING FUND

\$142,705.00

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

# UPCOMING EVENTS & SERVICES

## Saturday, October 7th

4:00 Mass - Fr. Charlie Wehrley  
\*\* Mary Rose Sarno (d)

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## Sunday, October 8th

7:30am Mass - Fr. Charlie Wehrley  
\*\* Russell Casottana (d)  
10:00 Mass - Fr. Charlie Wehrley  
\*\* Bill Dalton (Anniversary)

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## Monday, October 9th

7:30 Mass - Fr. Peter Connolly  
\*\* Kathleen Jelich - Healing

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## Tuesday, October 10th

7:30 Mass - Fr. Charlie Wehrley  
\*\* Hurricane Victims

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## Wednesday, October 11th

7:30 Mass - Fr. Peter Connolly  
\*\* Bernadette Barnes

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## Thursday, October 12th

7:30 Mass - Fr. Peter Connolly  
\*\* Ed Snyder (d)

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## Friday, October 13th

7:30 Mass - Fr. Peter Connolly  
\*\* Virginia Flanagan

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## Saturday, October 14th

7:30am Mass - Fr. Peter Connolly  
\*\* Deceased Redemptorist  
4:00pm Mass - Fr. Greg Wiest  
\*\* Mary Rose Sarno (d)

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## Sunday, October 15th

7:30 Mass - Fr. Greg Wiest  
\*\* Robert Klasky (d)  
\*\* 10:00 Mass - Fr. Greg Wiest  
\*\* Harriet Lewandowski - 98th Birthday

## \*\* 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 Help

**Prayer of the Open Heart:** A six week series on prayer traditions that will deepen your own practice will be offered at the Redemptorist Renewal Center. In the Oasis Room on Thursdays, 10 -11:15 a.m. from October 12th to November 16th. Flyers are available in the office and at the back of the Church. Please register in the front office for all sessions or each session you wish to attend. If you have any questions call Jenny Martin 520.461.9001.

**Art as Prayer and Meditation:** "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 every other Thursday at 11:30 a.m. in the Agave Room. The next meeting will be October 19th and we will be exploring water colors.

**The Nightmare Before Forgiveness**-On Saturday October 21, Fr. Charlie will offer a one day retreat on forgiveness. Redemption begins in our hearts. It requires forgiveness and reconciliation. If you are suffering from an unforgiving heart, this retreat will help set you free! Please call the front office if you are interested in attending or would like more information. 520.744.3400.

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**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 (Terry Linn) at 734.259.9826, or the front office at 520.744.3400 if you have someone who could benefit from one of these shawls.

## Calendar

### Monday

October 9

Weekday

Jon 1:1–2:2, 11

Lk 10:25–37

### Tuesday

October 10

Weekday

Jon 3:1–10

Lk 10:38–42

### Wednesday

October 11

Weekday

Jon 4:1–11

Lk 11:1–4

### Thursday

October 12

Weekday

Mal 3:13–20b

Lk 11:5–13

### Friday

October 13

Weekday

Jl 1:13–15; 2:1–2

Lk 11:15–26

### Saturday

October 14

Weekday

Jl 4:12–21

Lk 11:27–28

### Sunday

October 15

Twenty-Eighth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time

Is 25:6–10a

Phil 4:12–14, 19–20

Mt 22:1–14

# Dear Padre,

**I know we're all supposed to use our gifts to glorify God, but what is liturgical dance? Is it acceptable as part of Mass? Are there rules surrounding it?**

**L**iturgical dance is dance movement forming a part of official worship. Through it, people in a community express their joy at God's blessings, foreshadowing the joy of heaven.

Dance, in many cultures, is a sign of joy. We dance at weddings, birthday celebrations, and anniversaries. People from both Eastern and Western traditions use dance as a form of expression, and some incorporate it into their religious rites. Jewish worship includes dance on certain feasts, such as the Simhat Torah, where the holy scrolls are part of the sacred movement.

In the United States, the practice of liturgical dance began to grow following

Vatican II, but it was not readily accepted. Since dance in Western culture is viewed by some as an expression of love, intimacy, or diversion, the Church's approach is reserved. In 1975, the Vatican repeated this and said that because the Roman rite does not include dance as part of worship, inclusion of dance in liturgy is not appropriate ("The Religious Dance, an Expression of Spiritual Joy," *Notitiae* 11, 202–205).

We see dancing in our parishes and at diocesan celebrations; however, it should occur outside of the liturgy.

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## A Word From Pope Francis

*"The prayer of praise is a Christian prayer, for all of us. In the Mass, every day, when we sing the 'Holy, Holy, Holy', this is a prayer of praise: we praise God for his greatness because he is great. And we address him with beautiful words because it pleases us to do this. The prayer of praise bears fruit in us.*

*Sarah danced as she celebrated her fertility—at the age of ninety! This fruitfulness gives praise to God. Men and women who praise the Lord...bear fruit."*

—Address to the Catholic Fraternity

of Charismatic Covenant Communities and Fellowships, October 31, 2014