

Our Lady of the Desert Church

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Saturday 4 pm livestreamed Mass: <https://www.youtube.com/c/OurLadyoftheDesertChurch/playlists>

Weekend of June 17-18

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Redemptorist Community

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Director of Renewal Center

Rev. Pat Grile, C.Ss.R.

Rev. Jim Shea, C.Ss.R.

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Rev. Peter Connolly, C.Ss.R.

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Rev. Tom Fransiscus, C.Ss.R.

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Knights of Columbus

David VanderLinde

Grand Knight



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.

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Sunday, June 18 Romans 5:6-11

Paul writes a very hope-filled message to the community of Christians in Rome. He reminds them that Christ died for sinners. If he loved them enough to die for them when they were separated from him by sin, then how much more does he love them now that they have been reconciled with him. They, and we, are in his hands and have nothing to fear.

Monday, June 19 2 Cor 6:1-10

In this reading, Paul speaks of his own living out of the gospel. He has been criticized by some. Here, he states that he is faithful always because he knows how much God loves him. Even in the midst of pain and suffering, Paul holds on to his happiness in Christ's love. He bids the Corinthians to likewise keep a spirit of peace and happiness on the inside, no matter what is happening on the outside.

Tuesday, June 20 2 Cor 8:1-9

In today's reading, Paul encourages generosity in the lives of the Corinthians. He points out the example of other Christian Communities who have sent financial aid to various poorer communities. Paul wants the Corinthians to show their love and unity with the Christian Churches by sharing resources with them. Paul points out that if we really love others, we must show concern for them. Christian love demands sharing and helping one another.

Wednesday, June 21 2 Cor 9:6-11

Again, Paul writes about generosity. He tells the Corinthians that God has blessed them greatly in many ways. God expects them to use these blessings to also help others. A true thankfulness for God's blessings does not exist until we use our gifts to enrich others. Paul tells them that God will enrich them in grace as they share the gifts he has given them.

Thursday, June 22 2 Cor 11:1-11

Today, Paul defends himself against attacks by other so-called apostles. These people seem to have made fun of Paul's poverty and unassuming ways. They themselves try to lord their authority over the Corinthians, whereas Paul sought to serve them. Paul points out to the people that he showed them by his example how Christ wants us all to live. We cannot allow ourselves to put the rich, the powerful, or the famous above the simple folks. We are called to love and to be faithful servants of one another, not putting ourselves above others.

Friday, June 23 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30

Paul continues to defend himself. His ways were very humble, and he cried out to boast about that. He speaks to his dedication to Christ and to the good of the people he preached to. He spent his life helping others. He suffered much to spread the gospel. Paul was faithful to God and to the Corinthians themselves. He boasts that his willingness to suffer shows the strength of his love.



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Saturday, June 24 Acts 13:22-26

Today's second reading is from the Acts of the Apostles. In this reading, Luke alludes to Paul's preaching about John the Baptist (today is the Feast of John's birth). Paul teaches that God was very pleased with the heart of King David, even though David was not perfect. He promised a son of David would sit upon his throne forever. Jesus is that promised son of David who rules forever. It was John the Baptist's privilege to make him known to the people.

~Fr. Brian Johnson C.Ss.R.

Prayer for Fathers

Heavenly Father, you entrusted your Son Jesus, the child of Mary, to the care of Joseph, an earthly father. Bless all fathers as they care for their families. Give them strength and wisdom, tenderness and patience; support them in the work they have to do, protecting those who look to them, as we look to you for love and salvation, through Jesus Christ our rock and defender.

~Happy Fathers Day

****Mass Intentions/Presiders**

Friday, June 16

7:30 a.m. - Fr. Jim Shea

****Pedro & Maria Diaz - 56th Anniversary**

Saturday, June 17

4:00 p.m. (live-streamed) Fr. Tom Fransiscus

**** Bob & Angie Breister**

Sunday, June 18

Happy Father's Day

7:30 a.m. – Fr. Tom Fransiscus

****Denny Mallory (d)**

10:00 a.m. – Fr. Peter Connolly

****Sam & Chili Shummon - Special Intention**

Monday, June 19

7:30 a.m. – Fr. Peter Connolly

****Martin Reilly (d)**

Tuesday, June 20

7:30 a.m. - Fr. Peter Connolly

****Deceased Redemptorists**

****Betra Wagstaff - Birthday**

Wednesday, June 21

7:30 a.m. – Fr. Jim Shea

****Joan Gerber**

Thursday, June 22

7:30 a.m. - Fr. Tom Fransiscus

****Joseph Hack (d)**

Friday, June 23

7:30 a.m. - Fr. Jim Shea

****Sr. Patricia Vereb**

Saturday, June 24

4:00 p.m. live-streamed - Fr. Tom Fransiscus

****Victims of Coronavirus–Recovery and Wellness**

Sunday, June 25

7:30 a.m. – Fr. Peter Connolly

****Mario Celentano (d)**

10:00 a.m. – Fr. Tom Fransiscus

****Bertha Ortega (d)**

UPCOMING EVENTS

Reminder : The front office will be closed starting July 1-16, 2023. We will reopen for business on Monday July 17, 2023 from 8:00 am-4:00 pm.

RCIA—Every year, our parish offers a process through which non-Catholics can join our Catholic Church. This process is called the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). This past year, we had two individuals who joined the Catholic Church at our Easter Vigil Service. Another opportunity will be starting this Fall. If you know of someone who is not presently Catholic, but who might be interested in joining our Church, we invite you to have them call Fr Brian at the office.

Marriage Help

A Retrouvaille Weekend can help couples rediscover peace, hope, and purpose in their marriage. Register Now for a Retrouvaille Weekend scheduled, Friday evening, August 25 - Sunday, August 27, 2023. Visit: www.retrouvaille.org, Call or Text (520) 762-4449.

Our Lady of the Desert Circle of Redemptorist Associates

Please join us at one of our monthly meetings (3rd Thursday of the month, from 5:00-6:00pm). We'd love to see you in person or on Zoom. Please contact Diana Davenport at diana@davenport.net (520-612-9873) for more information. If you would like to attend online, please contact John Davenport (john@davenport.net) for a Zoom link.

Scripture Prayer Group

meets via zoom each Tuesday from 7-8pm. For more details email John Davenport at: john@davenport.net, or call 440.478.1203.

Grief Share Support Group

Grief share is a friendly group of caring people, who share the experience of the loss of a loved one. For more information contact, June or Stan Wood at 520.219.2919.

Food Bank

The Marana Food Bank bin is located in the veranda near the bookstore. Please help our local community by donating today. We Collected 95lbs of food for the month of May. Thank you for your generosity.



Knights of Columbus State Convention 2023

This year's Knights of Columbus State Convention was held on May 19-20 in Phoenix. Council 15704 was proud to be honored with three awards:



Award 1: SK Raymond J. Obral was honored as **Knight of the Year**.

Photo: With SK Ray Obral are (left-right), Bishop Edward Weisenburger, Chaplain Fr. Peter Connolly, District Deputy Benjamin Jimenez, SK Ray Obral, State Deputy Luigi Baratta, GK Dave VanderLinde and State Chaplain Father Gregory Adolf.



Award 2: GK Dave VanderLinde receives the **Council of the Year**.

Photo: With GK Dave VanderLinde are (left-right), Bishop Edward Weisenburger, District Deputy Benjamin Jimenez, GK Dave VanderLinde, State Deputy Luigi Baratta, Chaplain Fr. Peter Connolly, and State Chaplain Fr. Gregory Adolf.

Award 3: In addition, SK Michael Horner was recognized as **Outstanding Program Director** of the year submitting over 100 programs.

As a result of selling the **AZ Knight State Raffle** tickets, a check in the amount of **\$2,750** was presented to Father Peter to be used for our music program enhancements. (Picture: SK Steve Spain)



First Friday Adoration

Come let us adore Him!

July 7, 2023 5-9 pm

At the altar of Our Lady of the Desert Church

The monstrance will be placed on the altar at 5 pm and ends at 9 pm. Please contact Keven Birck at kbirck@comcast.net

**Please join us
in adoration
of the Christ!
Please spare
30-60 mins of
your time or
any amount
you wish to
adore our
Lord Jesus.
This is such a
blessing for
us to actually
spend time
with our
Lord and
Savior.**



In union with Christ's passion,
we offer up as sacrifice upon the fleshy
altars of our hearts all that we lack.
In return we receive from on high the
fullness of Christ's body, blood, soul and
divinity in the Eucharist, and we see
the Word become flesh in our own lives.



Please remember in your prayers

OURSICK

*Please pray for those in our community who are struggling
with various illnesses.*

*If you would like to be added to our sick list, please call the
office. 520.744.3400*

*The Scripture Prayer group that meets on Tuesday evenings
prays for those on the sick list.*

Our Sick List June 2023

Fr. Jeff King-Healing
Ed Kenyon
Tim McDonald
Chuck Peterson
Linda Peterson
Margaret Zeches
June Wood
JoAnne Heinzl
Lee Morrison

OUR LADY OF THE DESERT

DECEASED MEMBERS
Last 12 Months

(Month/Year)

Dcn. Joe Bogushefsky (6/22)
Art Davenport (4/23)
Thomas Doyle (12/22)
Carol Draper Burba (1/23)
Donald Figge (8/22)
Katherine Gaboury (10/22)
Sharon Iavagnilio (1/23)
Pauline Kenyon (6/22)
Harriet Lewandowski (5/23)
Billie Marshall (9/22)
Philip Oberstar (10/22)
Lamont Ullrich (6/22)
Virgil Roeder (5/23)
Edward Schafle (1/23)
Dennis Terrill (2/23)
Frank Taylor (8/22)
Larry Waller (4/23)

"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.

Redemptorist Renewal Center office hours are as follows:

Monday - Saturday:

8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Sundays:

8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.



**This weeks Flowers were donated
In Celebration of
Pedro & Maria Diaz -
56th Wedding Anniversary**

Weekly Stewardship for Our Lady of the Desert

Weeks of June 5-12, 2023

\$ 8,399.00

If you have requested additional envelopes, they will be available the following week in the box on the table by the side door in church.

For your convenience, know that you may come during office hours to personally offer your stewardship, mail it in, or use the following link and specify your donation. Click here:

<http://desertrenewal.org/fees-and-rates/>

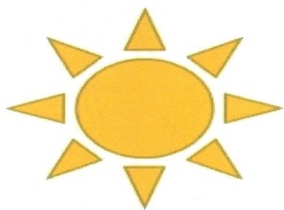


THE BOOKSTORE IS
OPEN
AFTER EACH WEEKEND MASS

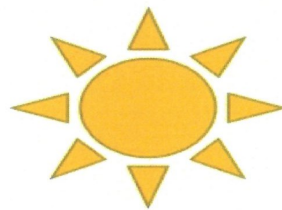
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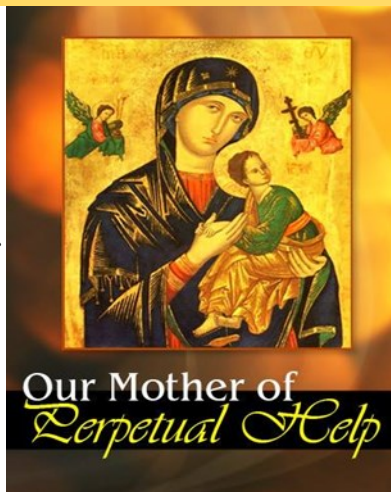
JUN 1	10:00 - 2:00
JUN 3-4	After the weekend masses
JUN 6	10:00 - 2:00
JUN 8	10:00 - 2:00
JUN 10-11	After the weekend masses
JUN 13	10:00 - 2:00
JUN 17-18	After the weekend masses
JUN 20	10:00 - 1:00
JUN 22	11:00 - 1:00
JUN 24-25	After the weekend masses



JUNE



Novena Prayer to Our Mother of Perpetual Help adapted to be prayed in Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic



Mother of Perpetual Help, with the greatest confidence we come before your holy picture to beseech your intercession. We think of you, Mother, at the foot of the Cross. Your heart must have bled to see your Son in agony. But your joy was great when He rose from the dead, victorious over the powers of evil. Mother of Sorrows, pray for us in this time of trial.

Help us not to lose heart. Intercede for your people who are afflicted with Coronavirus. Comfort your people who are vulnerable and anxious. Protect healthcare workers who put their lives at risk.

Inspire our leaders to make good decisions. Change our hearts so that we may act responsibly. Teach us to trust in God's love and mercy and to share with you the joy of having courageously faced up to all the challenges of Life. Amen



The *Act of Spiritual Communion*, by St. Alphonsus Liguori, may be a source of comfort at this time when we are separated from one another, but connected as the Body of Christ. Pray this prayer when you are not able to receive the Eucharist.



Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire you into my heart. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself entirely to you. Never permit me to be separated from You. For this I pray. Amen.

Source: *Visits to the Most Blessed Sacrament*
by St. Alphonsus Liguori

Dear Padre,

Is there a right to health care? As a Catholic, what kind of obligation do I have to use my resources to help with the purchase of medicine for my brother? His insurance won't cover the costs, and he's on a fixed income.

Saint John XXIII's 1963 encyclical *Pacem In Terris* (Peace on Earth) said people have a right to live and a right to the "means necessary for the proper development of life" (11). This text serves as a foundation for the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' speaking of a right to "basic" or "adequate health care" in their Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholics. What is not clear in Church teaching is who has the duty to ensure that right. In some cases, the state has taken this responsibility, but this need not be the case. The condition of millions of our brothers and sisters in Christ, however, urges us to action on their behalf.

Regarding the case of one's brother, the question is difficult because of the need for more information. What is the brother's prognosis? Is he taking care of himself responsibly? What do you feel capable of doing morally without placing yourself and others in your care at risk?

Whatever one's ability to respond in this case, one's relationship with one's brother should be marked by compassion and a sincere desire and will to help in whatever way is morally reasonable. ●

Excerpted from *Life, Death, and Catholic Medical Choices: 50 Questions from the Pews*, © 2011 Liguori Publications / DearPadre.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
June 19	June 20	June 21	June 22	June 23	June 24	June 25
Weekday	Weekday	St. Aloysius	Weekday	Weekday	Nativity of St. John the Baptist	Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time
2 Cor 6:1-10	2 Cor 8:1-9	Gonzaga, Religious	2 Cor 11:1-11	2 Cor 11:18, 21-30	Is 49:1-6	Jer 20:10-13
Mt 5:38-42	Mt 5:43-48	2 Cor 9:6-11	Mt 6:7-15	Mt 6:19-23	Acts 13:22-26	Rom 5:12-15
		Mt 6:1-6, 16-18			Lk 1:57-66, 80	Mt 10:26-33



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

A good father knows how to wait and knows how to forgive from the depths of his heart. Certainly, he also knows how to correct with firmness: he is not a weak father, submissive and sentimental. The father who knows how to correct without humiliating is the one who knows how to protect without sparing himself.

GENERAL AUDIENCE, ROME, FEBRUARY 4, 2015