

Our Lady of the Desert Church

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

Weekend of November 2-3

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary

Redemptorist Community

Church Rector

Rev. Brian Johnson, C.Ss.R.

Director of Renewal Center

Rev. Stephen Rehrauer, C.Ss.R.

Associates

Rev. Charlie Wehrley, C.Ss.R.

Rev. Jim Shea, C.Ss.R.

Rev. Peter Connolly, C.Ss.R.

Padre Tomas Jose Fransiscus,
C.Ss.R. JCL

Rev. Stephen Huy Vu, C.Ss.R.

Pastor, Santa Catalina Parish

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Choir

Charles Lohr, Music Director

Deacon

Rev. Mr. Ken McNealy

Liturgical Ministers/ Compliance Officer

Kelly Mooney

Bob Jones

Bulletin Editor

Alexis Murrieta

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.

Our Lady of the Desert



Once the confession of sins is made, the priest assigns a penance. This is often also called a satisfaction. This penance is a first step at helping to repair the damage our sins may have caused. As we saw earlier, all sin does damage to our relationship with God and others. Forgiveness of the sin is not enough. This damage too must be dealt with if we are to truly be set free. For instance, if I have destroyed the reputation of another, I need to somehow restore that person's reputation. If I have stolen something, I must seek to return or replace it. Justice demands such satisfaction! The penance given by the priest is meant to be a first step for us. Usually, it will involve a prayer as a way of asking God to help us to make up for the sins and also to give us the strength to avoid them in the future.

Following the giving of the penance, the penitent prays an act of contrition. The priest now offers the prayer of absolution. The priest here speaks words of forgiveness in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. It is through this prayer that God reaches out to grant forgiveness to the sinner. Spiritual healing begins. However, it is important to remember what was said above about satisfaction. As paragraph 1459 of the Catechism of the Catholic Church reminds us, "Absolution takes away sin, but it does not remedy all the disorders that sin has caused. Raised up from sin, the sinner must still recover his full spiritual health..." This wonderful Sacrament offers us that return to the fullness of spiritual health.

~Fr. Brian Johnson C.Ss.R.

Bible Study on The Acts of the Apostles

We will meet at 10am on November 11, in the Petroglyph room in Building #10.



The Turkey is in the Oven!

Thanksgiving Day Mass is on Thursday, November 28 at 10:30 a.m.

Thanksgiving Day Brunch will follow Mass (around 11:30 a.m.)

Tickets are \$55.00 (parishioners) \$60.00 dollars (non-parishioners) and \$30.00 (kids under 12) available in the office.



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Catholic Charities USA, the official disaster relief agency of the Catholic Church in the United States, is currently providing emergency support and assistance to its Diocesan Catholic Charities member agencies throughout the regions that are being impacted by Hurricane Milton.

Catholic Charities USA is accepting donations to provide humanitarian relief to those in need through the good work of Catholic Charities, which is the official domestic disaster relief agency of the Catholic Church in the United States.

"Less than two weeks after Hurricane Helene, Hurricane Milton is making landfall in Florida as a major storm," says Catholic Charities. "Local Catholic Charities Agencies are ready to deploy and provide life-sustaining assistance after the storm passes. 100% of donations go to helping those affected by this disaster, providing critical relief — including shelter, food and other humanitarian aid — to those most in need.

Thank you for sending hope."

Please consider a donation to help those most impacted by this natural disaster. I also ask for your prayers for the victims of the disaster, rescue workers, and all those who are suffering because of Hurricane Milton.

May God bless you abundantly,
Bishop Edward J. Weisenburger



SUPPORT

Hurricane Milton

Relief

Donate here:
<https://bit.ly/4eA9Pip>
or scan the QR code



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](tel:520.744.3400)

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

**Our Sick List
November 2024**

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| Erin Neely | Bill Liscum |
| Miguel Quijada | Grace Carroll |
| Tim McDonald | Jerry Linton |
| Chuck Peterson | Aubrey Scarborough |
| Linda Peterson | Joanna Crawford |
| Michael Dunlap | Lee Morrison |
| Joan Forgue | Jim Whitten |
| Terry Bahill | Ashleigh McIntosh |
| Rachel Flint | Emily Hernandez |
| Bob Garcia | JC Martinez |
| Fr. Jeff King-Healing | Kurt Cummings |
| David Donofrio | Jack Friedman |
| Winnie Levoch | Merle Margelofsky |
| Pat Celentano | Bob Box |
| Hayden Spencer | June and Stan Wood |
| Walter McCulloch | L. Cindy Otte |
| Linda Whitten | Sue Cobble |
| | Marty Lopez |

**OUR LADY OF THE
DESERT**

DECEASED MEMBERS
Last 12 Months

(Month/Year)

- Melissa Bandelt (5/24)
Fr. Rich Boever C.Ss.R. (1/24)
Bill Berry (3/24)
Olive 'Punken' Berry (4/24)
Bernie Burba (11/23)
Carol Burba (9/24)
Peter Castillo (2/24)
Larry Cobble (5/24)
Joe Fernando (2/24)
Tony Iavagnilio (1/24)
Joan Jones (11/23)
Mary Johnson (1/24)
Gabby Juteau (10/24)
Pierrette (Petra) Juteau (11/23)
Edward Kenyon (1/24)
Scott Milligan (11/23)
Linda Obenauf (11/23)
Mary Sloan (7/24)
Phyllis Spence, OSB (11/23)
Dan Sullivan (11/23)
Elaine Tolentino (8/24)
Patricia Wayne (10/24)

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

****Mass Intentions/Presiders**

Friday, November 1

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

**Harold J. Ramsey (d)

Saturday, November 2

4:00 p.m. livestreamed– Fr. Stephen Rehrauer

**Jack Lehmnkuhl (d)

Sunday, November 3

7:30 a.m. – Fr. Brian Johnson

**George Horton, Sr. (d)

10:00 a.m. – Fr. Peter Connolly

**Pedro Rosales & Family Healing

Monday, November 4

7:30 a.m. – Fr. Charlie Wehrley

** Perlita Lacaya (d)

Tuesday, November 5

7:30 a.m. - Fr. Brian Johnson

**Bill Velmar Starman (d)

Wednesday, November 6

7:30 a.m. – Fr. Peter Connolly

**James Orth (d)

Thursday, November 7

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

**Pedro & Maria Diaz - Healing

Friday, November 8

7:30 a.m. - Fr. Stephen Rehrauer

**Rita West - Healing

Saturday, November 9

4:00 p.m. livestreamed– Fr. Peter Connolly

**Leonardo Gentile

Sunday, November 10

7:30 a.m. – Fr. Stephen Rehrauer

**Bob & Edie Rohr (d)

10:00 a.m. – Fr. Peter Connolly

**All the Souls of Purgatory (d)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Interfaith Community Service Food Bank

Please help our local community by donating today. The bin is located in the veranda near the bookstore. For the month of October we have collected 25 lbs of food.

Thank you for your generosity. ~*Marge Mauzer*

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. or at Jwls1@earthlink.net.

Homebound Ministry

Do you have a loved one, a neighbor or friend that is currently Homebound, in a Care Center or in the Hospital? Do you think that person would like a visit from a Homebound Eucharist Minister? Our Lady of the Desert has trained (EMs), who would love to take Holy Communion to that special person. For more information call the office 520-744-3400.

Our Lady of the Desert Circle of Redemptorist Associates

Please join us at one of our monthly meetings on the 3rd Thursday, 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.

Weekly Rosary Prayer

Every Wednesday starting at 6:00 p.m. In the Our Lady of the Desert Church. Please come join us.

Monthly Rosary Prayer

Please come and join us on the second Wednesday of every month. In the Our Lady of the Desert Church starting at 9:00 a.m.

Scripture Prayer Group

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

Adoration –First Friday of Every Month

For Adoration updates please visit our website <https://desertrenewal.org/our-lady-of-the-desert-church/>

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.

Bookstore :

Call office for hours of Operation

This weeks Flower were donated by

John and Kelly Mooney

In Loving Memory of

Cleo Moore

To sponsor flowers in memory of or in celebration. Please contact the office at 520-744-3400

Weekly Stewardship for Our Lady of the Desert

Weekend Collections : October 21-28, 2024 - \$ 7,276.00

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/>

Self-Forgiveness

The Life-Restoring Cleanse for Your Soul



Forgiveness of others is difficult for the average person. But self-forgiveness is almost impossible for countless others.

Everyone makes mistakes. Some of us are able to learn from those mistakes and brush them off. We release feelings of failure, shame and guilt. Others, however, are not able to overcome the devastation they feel when they make mistakes.

These people most often suffer from perfectionism, which has haunted them with the belief that if they make a mistake of any sort it's fatal. They are afraid their value in the eyes of others will be greatly diminished and they will no longer be respected or even considered worth-while persons.

And these are the individuals who suffer the most with the concept of self-forgiveness. They simply don't know where to begin to set themselves free from the great disgrace they feel over proving through any error that they are not perfect.

If you are trapped in the fear that any mistake you make may be fatal to your reputation or self-worth or even your ability to be loved by others-- including God-- this retreat will help you realize that every mistake, every sin, is forgiveable. God forgives when we ask, many people forgive us when we ask. We are the ones who must learn to forgive ourselves just as God and others forgive us.



Fr. Charlie Wehrley, C.Ss.R.

Retreat Director

December 7, 2024

9:00 AM-3:00PM

\$55 includes lunch

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REDEMPTORIST RENEWAL CENTER SPIRITUALITY SERIES:

LIVING THE GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT – PART 1:

“KNOWLEDGE” “UNDERSTANDING” “COUNSEL”

November 9, 2024

9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Fr. Steve Rehrauer, C.Ss.R. – Retreat Director



Catholic Scholastic Theology observes that human persons image God by way of the powers of the rational soul - principally reason and will. By proper use of the ability to reason we come to know the truth and know God as its source. Knowledge of the truth informs and guides our willful choices to love God and neighbor; to live the truth in word and deed. But reason and will are fallible. As finite limited human beings that form part of a world influenced by sin, we are prone to make mistakes. Our grasp of what is right and good is partial and often confused. As St Paul points out, even when we know the good and desire to do it, for some mysterious reason we find ourselves doing the opposite. More commonly we simply cannot find the energy or “will power” to do it. We are influenced in our thought processes and choices by the structures of sin that surround us, by the many voices proclaiming an “alternative truth” to that of the Gospel, and by situations of life and its demands that can limit our freedom to choose and carry out our choices. Our best intentions often go unrealized.

Our faith teaches that Divine Grace, given to us by the Holy Spirit of God, sanctifies and heals these weaknesses of our shared human nature. In this first of a two-part series, we will reflect together about the 3 supernatural gifts of the Holy Spirit that act upon human reason. The gifts of knowledge, understanding, and counsel direct, inform, correct, and purify the ways in which we reason and discern what is true and false, right and wrong. These 3 gifts, together with the further 3 gifts that act upon the will equip us to follow Christ faithfully as a people who are authentically strong, loving, and wise.

**\$45 per person - Includes
Lunch and Materials**

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COPPER STATE

HOSPICE



"HOW WILL I GET THROUGH THE HOLIDAYS"

Because holidays lived in the absence of someone dear can be very difficult times...
with customary routines ended, never to be repeated in quite the same way,
Copper State Hospice is offering this retreat day
for those who are grieving the loss of their loved ones.

You are invited to join us at the Redemptorist Renewal Center, a special retreat center in the
Tucson community for more than 55 years.

Date: Saturday, November 16, 2024 — Lunch is Included

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (please arrive no later than 9:45 a.m.)

Place: Redemptorist Renewal Center, 7101 W. Picture Rocks Road, Tucson

Cost: \$45.00

How to register: Please register early as the registration deadline is Friday, November 8th

- Must be at least 21 years old to attend
- Email Donna-Marie Terranova (dterranova@copperstatehospice.com) or call her mobile number (619) 840-2960 with names of attendees and contact information. Make sure you receive a reply confirmation that your reservation has been accepted. Further information about the retreat day will be sent upon your reservation.

About the Facilitator: Donna-Marie Terranova is the Bereavement Coordinator, and one of the Chaplains, at Copper State Hospice. She is a trained Pastoral Counselor and Spiritual Director with master's degrees in both Marriage, Family & Child Counseling and Pastoral Theology.

Dear Padre,

Do saints ever smile? That question comes to me every year on the feast of All Saints (November 1) as I look at the pictures and statues in church. The faces are so somber and serious. What are the saints really like?

Artists through the centuries may have portrayed sanctity in very subdued tones. The saints, however, and their biographers tell a different story. The holy men and women who make up the communion of saints are an incredibly fascinating array of diverse personalities. The feast of All Saints celebrates our universal call to holiness. Our challenge is to imitate the characteristics these unique individuals have in common.


Saint Irenaeus (125–202) said that the glory of God is the human fully alive which reflects Jesus' own words, "I came so that they may have life; and have it more abundantly" (John 10:10). Saints enjoy life! The nearsighted St. Alphonsus Liguori (1696–1787), founder of the Redemptorists, sat in the back row of the Naples theater with his glasses off so he could enjoy the music he loved without the distraction of the half-naked chorus line. Saint Teresa of Ávila (1515–1582), caught devouring partridge in the convent kitchen, said, "When I pray, I pray; when I eat partridge, I eat partridge!" Saint Joan of Arc (1412–1431) loved horses, and St. Charles Borromeo (1538–1584) loved chess. Indeed, saints do smile. They even laugh. ●



Sculpture of a smiling Pope St. John Paul II outside the Saint John the Baptist Cathedral in Trnava, Slovakia.

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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS
It is necessary that...the "great commandment," [love God and our neighbor] resound in us, that it be assimilated, that it become the voice of our conscience. This way, it does not remain a dead letter, in the drawer of the heart, because the Holy Spirit makes the seed of that Word germinate in us.

ANGELUS, ROME, OCTOBER 31, 2021

Monday

November 4
St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop
Phil 2:1–4
Lk 14:12–14

Tuesday

November 5
Weekday
Phil 2:5–11
Lk 14:15–24

Wednesday

November 6
Weekday
Phil 2:12–18
Lk 14:25–33

Thursday

November 7
Weekday
Phil 3:3–8a
Lk 15:1–10

Friday

November 8
Weekday
Phil 3:17–4:1
Lk 16:1–8

Saturday

November 9
Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
Ez 47:1–2, 8–9, 12
1 Cor 3:9c–11, 16–17
Jn 2:13–22

Sunday

November 10
Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
1 Kgs 17:10–16
Heb 9:24–28
Mk 12:38–44 or 12:41–44