

# Our Lady of the Desert Church

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

## Weekend of May 24-25 Sixth Sunday of Easter

### 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.

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



The Second Commandment is found in the Book of Deuteronomy, chapter 5, verse 11: **“You shall not invoke the name of the LORD, your God, in vain.”** The usual stating of this commandment says “take” rather than “invoke,” but it obviously amounts to the same thing. In this commandment, we are basically called upon to treat God’s name with honor and respect. (See CCC # 2142).

The Jewish people had a strong sense of name. The name was the person. To mistreat the name was to mistreat the person. As people who are loved by our creator God, we should return that love by holding God in great esteem. As the Catechism says, “The Lord’s name is holy. For this reason, man must not abuse it. He must keep it in mind in silent, loving adoration. He will not introduce it into his own speech except to bless, praise, and glorify it” (CCC # 2143).

This commandment teaches us that “respect for his name is an expression of the respect owed to the mystery of God himself and to the whole sacred reality it evokes” (CCC # 2144). This commandment calls upon us to hold as sacred both God and his name.

~Fr. Brian Johnson C.Ss.R.

Happy  
Memorial Day  
Weekend



*The office is closed  
reopen on  
Tuesday 8 am*



Father in heaven,  
may the faith you have given us  
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,  
and the flame of charity enkindled  
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,  
reawaken in us the blessed hope  
for the coming of your Kingdom.  
May your grace transform us into  
tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.  
May those seeds transform from within both  
humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure  
expectation of a new heaven and a new earth,  
when, with the powers of evil vanquished,  
your glory will shine eternally.  
May the grace of the Jubilee  
reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,  
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.  
May that same grace spread the joy and peace  
of our Redeemer throughout the earth.  
To you our God, eternally blessed,  
be glory and praise for ever. Amen



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# CODEPENDENT CROZIES



Codependents don't make friends, they take hostages. An out of control codependent will make another person into their false Higher Power much in the same way an alcoholic makes a liquor bottle into their false Higher Power. Once a codependent takes a particular person hostage, they ply them with people-pleasing, caretaking and every other form of manipulation in the hopes that the hostage will then like and need them. The ultimate hope of the codependent is that their new false Higher Power will make them happy in every way possible. Rarely does this work. The relationship falls apart and the codependent goes looking for a new victim.

There are different levels of codependency. Not all codependent people are as off the scale as described above. Most everyone uses some form of manipulative behavior to try and get another person to do what they want. The purpose of employing control techniques is to ensure our own happiness. I doubt that there's anyone reading this flier who hasn't tried their best at times to make someone else please them.

Whether you are a hardcore codependent, a recovering codependent or someone with control issues, this retreat will make you more aware of the manipulative patterns of behavior that you may be engaging in and the damage that your behavior causes relationships that are important to you. Only you can be responsible for your own happiness. Come learn how to be.



**June 7, 2025**

**\$55**

Includes lunch and handouts

*Fr. Charlie Wehrley, C.Ss.R.*  
*Retreat Director*

*Redemptorist Renewal Center*

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Call 520-744-3400

for reservations



*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 May 2025

|                       |                          |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| 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 | David Donofrio           |
| Jack Friedman         | Bob Dionne               |
| Winnie Levoch         | Merle Margelofsky        |
| Sonali Fernando       | Anita Fearday, ASC       |
| Hayden Spencer        | June and Stan Wood       |
| Walter McCulloch      | L. Cindy Otte            |
| Linda Whitten         | Sue Cobble               |
| Marty Lopez           | Robert Keogh             |
| Carol Bruzzi          | Virginia (Ginny) Wuebold |
| Fr. Pat Grile         | Mike Ortiz               |
| Charles Lohr          | Ray Obral                |
| Gayle Dorr            |                          |

### OUR LADY OF THE DESERT

#### DECEASED MEMBERS

*Last 12 Months*

**(Month/Year)**

Melissa Bandelt (5/24)  
 Bob Box (3/25)  
 Carol Burba (9/24)  
 Pat Celentano (12/24)  
 Patricia Conley (12/24)  
 Larry Cobble (5/24)  
 Catherine Connolly (2/25)  
 Robert (Bob) Dorr (7/24)  
 Josie Earhart (5/25)  
 Fr. Tom Fransiscus C.Ss.R. (2/25)  
 Gabby Juteau (10/24)  
 Marilyn Mallberg (2/25)  
 George Sheehan (5/25)  
 Mary Sloan (7/24)  
 Deacon Scott Pickett (3/25)  
 Elaine Tolentino (8/24)  
 Patricia Wayne (10/24)  
 Margaret Zeches (2/25)



**Report Abuse** If you or someone you know is a victim of abuse  
 Contact law enforcement (911), call the Victim  
 Assistance Program of the Diocese of Tucson (520-623-0344)  
 or visit <https://diocesetucson.org/reportabuse>.

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

Hoshea 2:16

## **\*\*Mass Intentions/Presiders**

### **Friday, May 23**

7:30.m. - Fr. Charlie Wehrley

**\*\*Spiritual Gift of Healing**

### **Saturday, May 24**

4:00 p.m. livestreamed– Fr. Charlie Wehrley

**\*\* Walter Sophie Kozuch (d)**

### **Sunday, May 25**

7:30 a.m. – Fr. Stephen Rehrauer

**\*\*Michael Crose (d)**

10:00 a.m. – Fr. Stephen Rehrauer

**\*\*Denny Mallory (d)**

### **Monday, May 26**

7:30 a.m. – Fr. Stephen Rehrauer

**\*\*Fr. Tom Fransiscus C.Ss.R. (d)**

### **Tuesday, May 27**

7:30 a.m. - Fr. Charlie Wehrley

**\*\*Steve Adams (d)**

### **Wednesday, May 28**

7:30 a.m. – Fr. Stephen Rehrauer

**\*\*Fr. Tom Fransiscus C.Ss.R. (d)**

### **Thursday, May 29**

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

**\*\*Fr. Tat Huong - Happy Birthday**

### **Friday, May 30**

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

**\*\*Frank Avila (d)**

### **Saturday, May 31**

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

**\*\*Maria D. Arellano (d)**

### **Sunday, June 1**

7:30 a.m. – Fr. Peter Connolly

**\*\*Fr. Tom Fransiscus C.Ss.R. (d)**

10:00 a.m. – Fr. Peter Connolly

**\*\*Fr. Tom Fransiscus C.Ss.R. (d)**

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **Interfaith Community Service Food Bank**

Please help our local community by donating today. We collected 113 Lbs. so far for the month of May. The bin is located in the veranda near the Dining room.

Thank you for your generosity. ~**Marge Mauzer**

### **Grief**

Losing a loved one is painful.

You do not have to do it alone.

If you want to join support group, or talk to someone about your loss, call

Dr. June Wood, PhD LICSW-Emeritus,Mn.  
(520)419.5962

### **Bible Study Update**

The new Bible Study, “Jesus the Way, the Truth and the Life” will meet on Monday, June 2, in the Agave room building # 7.

### **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](mailto:diana@davenport.net) (520-612-9873) for more information. If you would like to attend online, please contact John Davenport ([john@davenport.net](mailto: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](mailto:john@davenport.net), or call 440.478.1203.

### **Adoration –First Friday of Every Month From 5:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.**

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.**

Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
Gifts & Books

OPEN SAME HOURS

AS THE OFFICE

Sunday...8 AM — 3 PM

Monday—Saturday... 8 am — 4 pm

## This weeks Flowers are dedicated to The Women's ACTS Retreat

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 : May 12-19, 2025 ~ \$3,436.00

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:

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



# Dear Padre,

## *I know Catholics with spouses who cheat and abuse them. What should they do?*

If someone is in an abusive marriage, the Church wants you to help that person reach safety. The Church doesn't tolerate anyone staying in a place where physical or mental abuse occurs. Separation is often a first and necessary step. However, there is always hope for reconciliation. If a husband is abusive, and his wife leaves, but he then seeks treatment and changes his ways, the Church hopes that the marriage could be saved.

The same is true for an adulterous spouse. If he or she is repentant and takes steps to change and make amends, the Church hopes for and encourages reconciliation. But if a spouse refuses treatment or continues the adulterous behavior, the next step would be a civil divorce. It is only after separation and a civil divorce that the annulment process can begin. However, even after a civil divorce, there is still hope of reconciliation.

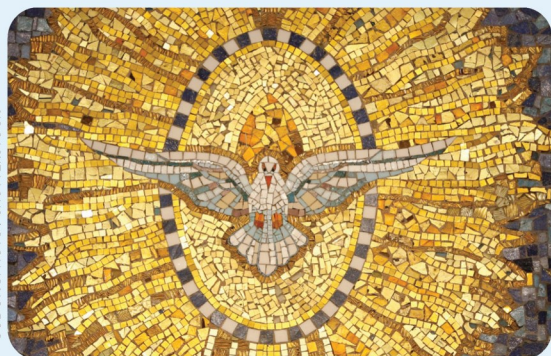
It's important to remember that when a couple gets married, they marry for better and for worse. This means there is a call and an expectation to work things out, to forgive, to repair the hurt, and to not rush to divorce. But, to be sure, if you are dealing with addiction, abuse, or infidelity in your relationship, the Church supports your need to be secure. ●

**Fr. Patrick Keyes, CSsR / [DearPadre.org](http://DearPadre.org)**

| Monday                         | Tuesday               | Wednesday             | Thursday              | Friday                | Saturday                                         | Sunday                               |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| May 26                         | May 27                | May 28                | May 29                | May 30                | May 31                                           | June 1                               |
| <i>St. Philip Neri, Priest</i> | <i>Easter Weekday</i> | <i>Easter Weekday</i> | <i>Easter Weekday</i> | <i>Easter Weekday</i> | <i>The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> | <i>The Ascension of the Lord</i>     |
| Acts 16:11-15                  | Acts 16:22-34         | Acts 17:15, 22-18:1   | Acts 18:1-8           | Acts 18:9-18          | Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16                      | Acts 1:1-11                          |
| Jn 15:26-16:4a                 | Jn 16:5-11            | Jn 16:12-15           | Jn 16:16-20           | Jn 16:20-23           | Lk 1:39-56                                       | Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23 |
|                                |                       |                       |                       |                       |                                                  | Lk 24:46-53                          |

### **Do you have a question for the Padre?**

Go to [DearPadre.org](http://DearPadre.org) to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.



### **A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS**

*The more we feel our hearts are agitated, the more we sense we are nervous, impatient, angry inside, the more we need to ask the Lord for the Spirit of peace. Let us learn to say every day: "Lord, give me your peace, give me your Holy Spirit."... And let us also ask this...for those we meet each day.*

**REGINA CAELI, ROME, MAY 22, 2022**