

Our Lady of the Desert Church

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

Weekend of July 19-20 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Redemptorist Community

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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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#### **Deacon**

Rev. Mr. Ken McNealy

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*Deputy 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



In the Book of Exodus, the fourth commandment is expressed this way: “Honor your father and your mother, that you may have a long life in the land the LORD your God is giving you.” (EX 20:12) Most of us are probably familiar with the first phrase, as that is the way the commandment is most often listed. This fourth commandment begins a series of laws dealing with how we treat our neighbors, while the first three commandments focused on our relationship with God.

As we look at this fourth commandment as it is treated in the Catechism of the Catholic Church, we will see that the church sees this commandment as being more than a child’s honoring his or her parents. It will also involve many family matters as well as how we deal with legitimate public officials and authorities. The catechism says that although the commandment is addressed to children’s relationship to their parents, “It likewise concerns the ties of kinship between members of the extended family. It requires honor, affection, and gratitude toward elders and ancestors. Finally, it extends to the duties of pupils to teachers, employees to employers, subordinates to leaders, citizens to their country, and to those who administer or govern it.” (CCC # 2199). We will begin next week by looking at some things that the catechism says about families.

~Fr. Brian Johnson, C.Ss.R.

## OCIA

Once again, this year, we will be offering OCIA Classes (formerly RCIA) for anyone who is interested in becoming Catholic. The OCIA will involve both classes, as well as Liturgical Celebrations for the candidates. If you know of anyone who might be interested in joining the Catholic Church, please have them call Fr Brian at the office number.

## Pope Leo’s Message to the United States

Pope Leo, on the feast of the Most Holy Trinity spoke a message of warmth and peace to the people of the Archdiocese of Chicago. To hear this special message, you can go here:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zv\\_HODaWU7c](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zv_HODaWU7c)



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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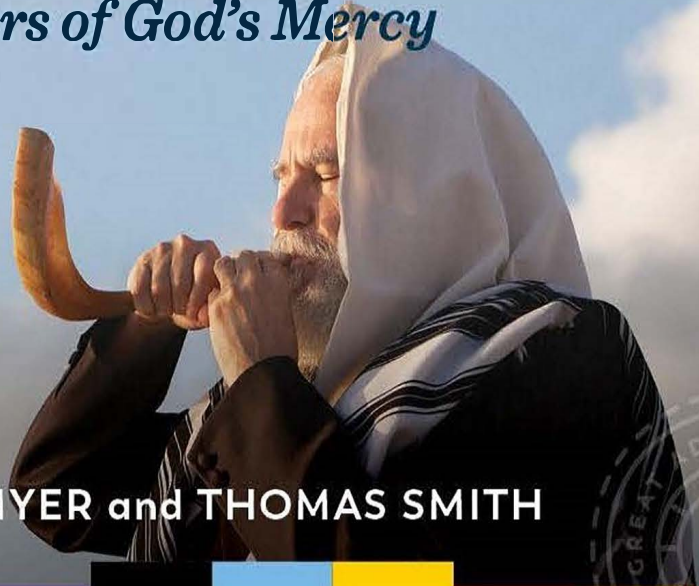




# The Prophets

*Messengers of God's Mercy*

SARAH CHRISTMYER and THOMAS SMITH



**New Bible Study with Fr. Brian Johnson, C.Ss.R.**

**“The Prophets: Messengers of God’s Mercy”** is a powerful Bible study that will draw you closer to Christ. The prophets afflict the comfortable and comfort the afflicted, calling us to return to our covenant relationship with God. They urge us to repentance, warn us of the dangers of sin, and announce the blessings of faithfulness. Their prophetic words speak to us even today, as they draw us closer to our heavenly Bridegroom and show us how to share him with others.

Classes begin October 6 at 10:00 A.M. There will be a total of 10 weekly classes. The cost of materials for this study will be \$32.00. Please call the office to register by August 25<sup>th</sup>.

# HO HO HO

## Merry Christmas

*Calling All Knitters and Crocheters*

*Christ Child Society of Tucson's Santa and Elf Team*

*Visit Five Catholic Preschools with Stockings filled with many toys and*

*Topped off with handmade WINTER HATS*

*We are asking anyone who can knit or crochet to volunteer And make*



*some hats for our preschoolers for this Christmas.*

*Please let me know if you would like to join us and*

*"Challenge Poverty One Child at a Time" and make a difference in a child's life, this Christmas. Here is a picture of the hats we would like or make some similar –but remember they are for Preschool*

*Children.*

*Call Angela Schneider*

*NCCS Board Past President*

*520-400-4447*

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

### **Friday, July 18**

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

**\*\*Robert (Bob) Dorr (d)**

### **Saturday, July 19**

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

**\*\*Consuelo Piccarella (d)**

### **Sunday, July 20**

7:30 a.m. – Fr. Stephen Rehrauer

**\*\*Dennis Terrill (d)**

10:00 a.m. – Fr. Brian Johnson

**\*\*Bob Box (d)**

### **Monday, July 21**

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

**\*\*Geraldyn & Jerry Neely - 35th Wedding Anniversary**

### **Tuesday, July 22**

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

**\*\*Jim Davenport (d)**

### **Wednesday, July 23**

7:30 a.m. – Fr. Brian Johnson

**\*\*Marisela Jimenez**

### **Thursday, July 24**

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

**\*\*Peggy Theilman (d)**

### **Friday, July 25**

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

**\*\*Fr. Paul Coury - Happy Birthday**

### **Saturday, July 26**

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

**\*\*Tom Whittingham (d)**

### **Sunday, July 27**

7:30 a.m. – Fr. Brian Johnson

**\*\*Daniel B. Garza (d)**

10:00 a.m. – Fr. Charlie Wehrley

**\*\*Peggy Duquette (d)**

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **Food Bank**

Please help our local community by donating today. 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

June Wood,

(520) 419.5962

### **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/>

*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.*

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

### Our Sick List July 2025

|                       |                          |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| Miguel Quijada        | Linda Lowman             |
| Tim McDonald          | Bettie Hunchis           |
| Chuck Peterson        | Jerry Linton             |
| Linda Peterson        | Aubrey Scarborough       |
| Michael Peterson      | Joanna Crawford          |
| Dunlap                | Lee Morrison             |
| Jim Whitten           | Charles Lohr             |
| Terry Bahill          | Ashleigh McIntosh        |
| Rachel Flint          | Emily Hernandez          |
| Bob Garcia            | JC Martinez              |
| Fr. Jeff King-Healing | David Donofrio           |
| Jack Friedman         | Gayle Dorr               |
| 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 |
| Mike Ortiz            | Ray Obral                |
| Erin Neely            |                          |

### OUR LADY OF THE DESERT

#### DECEASED MEMBERS

*Last 12 Months*

**(Month/Year)**

Bob Box (3/25)  
 Carol Burba (9/24)  
 Pat Celentano (12/24)  
 Patricia Conley (12/24)  
 Catherine Connolly (2/25)  
 Bob Dionne (5/25)  
 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

# 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.

## Please Take Note:

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 week's flowers were donated  
In Celebration of  
**Geralyn & Jerry Neely -**  
**35th Wedding Anniversary**

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

Weeks of : June 30-\$8,805 July 7-\$13,551 July 14-\$4,659

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/>

# Dear Padre,

***“Lead us not into temptation...” God does not lead us into temptation, so what is this saying?***

You are of the same mind as the pope! In 2019, Pope Francis approved changing the Lord’s Prayer, that is, changing the phrase “lead us not into temptation” to “do not let us fall into temptation.” Pope Francis said that the original appeared to suggest that God caused the temptation. However, most Scripture scholars agree that “lead us not into temptation” is the best translation from the Greek. It’s a subjunctive verb. It’s used in the second person, addressed directly to God. And it really does say “do not lead us into temptation.”

What did the pope hope to accomplish? Those who are most familiar with the pope say that what he was trying to clarify was not anchored in the intricacies of translation but rather anchored in pastoral life. He wanted to focus the attention of God’s people on their action, “falling into temptation,” and not on a misunderstanding of what Jesus was teaching. It was a point of focus and clarification to help us in our spiritual journey and our understanding of our relationship with God. Understood in this sense, the new translation would accomplish this pastoral purpose. ●

**Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR / 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        |
|-------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|---------------|
| July 21     | July 22          | July 23         | July 24          | July 25      | July 26          | July 27       |
| Weekday     | St. Mary         | Weekday         | Weekday          | St. James,   | Sts. Joachim and | Seventeenth   |
| Ex 14:5–18  | Magdalene        | Ex 16:1–5, 9–15 | Ex 19:1–2, 9–11, | Apostle      | Anne, Parents    | Sunday in     |
| Mt 12:38–42 | Sg 3:1–4b or     | Mt 13:1–9       | 16–20b           | 2 Cor 4:7–15 | of the Blessed   | Ordinary Time |
|             | 2 Cor 5:14–17    |                 | Mt 13:10–17      | Mt 20:20–28  | Virgin Mary      | Gn 18:20–32   |
|             | Jn 20:1–2, 11–18 |                 |                  |              | Ex 24:3–8        | Col 2:12–14   |
|             |                  |                 |                  |              | Mt 13:24–30      | Lk 11:1–13    |



## A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

***When I start my day, do I throw myself headlong into the things to be done, or do I first seek inspiration in the Word of God? At times, we begin the day automatically, we start doing things...like hens. No. We must start the day by first of all looking to the Lord, taking his Word... allowing this to be the inspiration for the day.***

**ANGELUS, ROME, JULY 17, 2022**