**Everyone:**

**REPEAT REMNDER: It is that time of year that we say good bye and safe travels to our “snowbird” parishioners. See you next Fall. Drop us a note telling us what’s going on back home. You will be missed.**

**SPECIAL REMINDER:**

**Cindy will be out of the office from Thursday, April 28, 2022 through Sunday, May 8, 2022, returning on Monday, May 9th. In case of emergency, please contact Sacred Heart Church at 760-346-6502.**

# THIS SUNDAY’S THOUGHTS:

# 4th Sunday of Easter – Good Shepherd Sunday:

**The readings for the 4th Sunday of Easter (Good Shepherd Sunday) remind us that Jesus loves the whole world and calls to all people to follow him. In the first reading, Paul and Barnabas are rejected by many Jewish communities they visit and they turn to the Gentiles. The second reading describes people from all over the world worshiping the Lamb of God. And in the gospel, Jesus declares that he knows his sheep and they know him and they cannot be separated.**

* **Jesus the Good Shepherd**
* **Listening to the voice of God**
* **Immigration**
* **Relationships with other faiths**
* **How we worship God**

**On Sunday Jesse Schumaker remembered the passing of her son, John Schumaker, who passed away on April 30th, 2017.**

**She wrote the following poem in his honor but I think it expresses how we all feel when we lose a loved one.**

**“THE DAY GOD TOOK YOU HOME”**

**A million times I’ve needed you, a million times I’ve cried.**

**If love alone could have saved you, you never would have died.**

**In life I loved you dearly, in death I love you still.**

**In my heart you hold a space, where no one else can ever fill.**

**It broke my heart to lose you, but you did not go alone.**

**A part of me went with you, “the day God took you home”.**

**Special intention prayers:**

**Many of you have returned to Mass on Sunday and pray for special intentions there. Please send me those intentions so the entire Parish can pray to the LORD with you.**

**REPEAT NOTICE: Help wanted notice from Paulette:**

**I'm looking for someone who is willing to play the music CD on a couple select dates when I cannot be here.  Right now that is the healing mass at 12:30 pm on Friday 5/27 and our 9:30 am Anniversary/Birthday Sunday 5/29.  They need not be mechanically inclined.  I can teach them the music board and I provide a copy of the readings for those days with detailed instructions for when each song is to be played.  I will be at my granddaughter's high school graduation up in Northern California that weekend.  I usually count on a couple of people, neither of whom are available that weekend so additional people willing to help will be most appreciated. See me after Mass if you can assist.**

**May Special Events:**

**Mother’s Day is May 8th. Happy Mother’s Day to all the mothers here on earth and in heaven. We love you and miss you!!!!!**

**The Spring Combined Collection will take place on May 15th, 2022.**

**The four worthy ministries that benefit are:**

**Catholic Relief Services,** [**Catholic Communication Campaign**](http://www.archmil.org/giving/Combined-Collections/CCC.htm)**,** [**Peter’s Pence**](http://www.archmil.org/giving/Combined-Collections/Religious.htm) **&** [**Catholic Campaign for Human Development**](http://www.archmil.org/giving/Combined-Collections/CCHD.htm)

**FIND Food distribution/Community Supplemental Food Distribution Program was on Thursday morning May 5th.**

* + **To date we have distributed 2,500 pounds of food.**
	+ **Our family count is now 18. We have doubled support from 9 to 18. God is reaching out to those in need.**
	+ **We need volunteers to assist with this program. See Jay or Cindy, if you wish to help us.**
		- **1 hour each month on the 1st Thursday of the month.**
		- **Thanks to Crys, Steve, Barbara & Margie for their help this morning.**

**WEEKLY REMINDER:**

 **May 1st – Mass (at 9:30) we had 105 people.**

**April 29th – Friday Healing Mass (at 12:30) we had 38 people.**

 **STARTING IMMEDIATELY:**

**In addition to the Birthday section, we are adding Wedding Anniversary and Remembrance sections. There will be an information providing sheet on the table near the Chapel exit/entrance area. You can always email the information to me as well.**

**You can sign up for any month NOW. I will keep a record of your special month and enter it when that month arrives.**

**WHO HAS A DATE IN APRIL YOU WANT ME TO ADD TO THE NOTICES BELOW????**

**MAY BIRTHDAY SECTION:**

**Sharon McCoy has a birthday on May 12th. She will be 81.**

**Shirley Wilburn has a birthday on May 19th.**

**Hank Omelchenko has a birthday on May 20th.**

**My father-in-law & Crys’ dad - Jimmy Rogers will be 98 on May 31st.**

**MAY HAPPY ANNIVERSARY SECTION:**

**Someone must have an anniversary in May???**

**Please provide Month, Date & Year**

**MAY REMEMBRANCE SECTION:**

**Stanford Johnson passed away in May 1998 at the age of 68. He was the husband of Rosanne Hopkins.**

**May 18th - Norman Walbridge died in 1998.  Beloved husband of Betty. Loved Christ of the Desert ❤**

**Please provide Month, Date & Year**

**PAVER ORDERS:**

**Pavers can still be purchased. Installation will be within 30 days of your order. I have the tools to do the install myself now. Forms are available from the Parish Office or back of the church. If you are not sure what you want to say on the paver, let me assist you!!**

 **Christ of the Desert office hours:**

**Office hours are from 9:30 to 1:30 Monday- Friday. Please call first to be sure Cindy is available. When Cindy is in the office, the office door is locked. Please ring the doorbell “to get her attention”.**

 **CINDY HAYWARD REMINDER SECTION:**

**MAY HAS 5 SUNDAYS FOR THOSE THAT GIVE MONTHLY.**

**Those that send in the monetary support monthly, please continue.**

**Those that send in money weekly, please continue.**

**Those that give at Mass, we need your continued support.**

·        **See instructions at end of Bulletin for ways to continue giving.**

·         **We have done great this past year but remember this is an ongoing process. Thanks for your continued generosity.**

**WEEKLY FINANCIAL UPDATE SECTION:**

**THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR JULY 1,2021 TO June 30, 2022 IS NOW $115,000.**

·        **Our Monthly expenses are now $9,583 or $28,750 per quarter.**

·        **Total Q1,Q2,Q3 & Q4 monies collected: $106,122 or 92.3% of our annual budget.**

·        **Total 1st quarter collections were: $23,475.We were $5,274 under budget for the 1st Quarter.**

·        **Total 2nd quarter collections were: $33,747. We were $4,987 over budget for the 2nd Quarter.**

·        **Total 3rd quarter collections to date are: $37,093. We were $8,343 over budget for the 3rd Quarter.**

* **Total 4th quarter collections to date are: $11,811.**
* **April collections are:  $11,811.**
* **May collections are: No numbers were available at time of publishing the bulletin.**
* **June collections are: TBD**

·        **May 1st & 8th collections amounts: To be provided in May 12th bulletin.**

·      **This information is important for our community in order to understand where are financially throughout the year.**

 **“Who would you like to pray” for section:**

**Please send me your new updated petitions which will appear in green.**

**Many of you have returned to Mass on Sunday and pray for special intentions there. Please send me those intentions so the entire Parish can pray to the LORD with you.**

**Jay, please add this prayer request for my grandson, Benjamin, who is in 8th grade, and plans to attend Xavier next fall. He was injured playing flag football. He has a concussion and a broken collarbone. Pray for his complete healing. Thank you Linda Olsen.**

**Let us pray for the people of Ukraine. Armin Callo**

**Please pray for our son-in-law, Flavio, who has heart issues.  Carl and Lois Hickey**

**My husband has been diagnosed with dementia. Please keep him and myself in your prayer as we travel this difficult road ahead. Linda**

**Catherine (Kitty) Occhino asks that we pray for her husband Phil who has cancer.**

**I would like to pray for my friend Gary who is suffering with mouth cancer🙏  Roxanne Reed.**

**THIS WE PRAY TO THE LORD!!!**

 **SUPPORT OUR PARISHIONERS WHO HAVE SMALL BUSINESSES SECTION:**

 **If anyone else wants to advertise their business in the Bulletin, send me your information.**

**Postal Connection (760-568-3471 ) owned and operated by one of our parishioners, Helene Shaunty. They are located (Near CVS Pharmacy) at 74923 Hwy 111 in Indian Wells. They are open and are considered an essential business doing mail and shipping, as well as Notary Services. They are a small business and have been greatly impacted by the quarantine.....so they would appreciate any and all of your business**.

**Enedina Sutton, a Distributor of Nature Sunshine Products and a long time parishioner. Has Herbal Supplements, all kinds of Vitamins, ointments, essential Oils, disinfectant products and much more. I do the business from home. I can be reached at 760-345-3754. I live in Sun City Palm Desert community.**

**Thinking about selling your house or condo? Call Crys Mueller at 760 989 8732. I have been with BD Homes for the past 15 years.**

**“All Drives of the Desert”, Golf Cart Maintenance-to-Customization, Superior Workmanship at a Competitive Price. Call John A. Maldonado 760 636-8266.**

**ON GOING MESSAGE SECTION:**

**Please continue to consider supporting our community with the following options:**

**Mail your weekly or monthly offering to Christ of the Desert. All our regular mail goes to Sacred Heart so you would need to use that address. Make checks payable to Christ of the Desert.**

**CHRIST OF THE DESERT c/o.**

**SACRED HEART CHURCH 43-775 DEEP CANYON ROAD, PALM DESERT, CA 92260.**

**OR**

**Go to your bank on-line service, there is likely a “setting” that will say “Autopay” or some other “Bill Pay” service. You can set up an automatic payment directly from there. If you have any trouble doing this or don’t have a computer, just call your bank and they can help you.**

**Please make sure that you tell the bank to make the check payable to Christ of the Desert but send the check to Sacred Heart’s address:**

**43775 Deep Canyon Rd.  Palm Desert, CA  92260**

**God Bless,**

**J.**

**Jay Mueller**

**Stay Healthy! Do good work! Keep in touch!!!**

SHC & COD Finance Council Member

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COD Remembrance Walk Coordinator

SHC Parish Walk Coordinator

SHC East Valley Food Distribution Coordinator

SHC East Valley Outreach Program Coordinator

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