**Everyone:**

**Greetings from Lerwick in the Shetland Islands. The weather here is cloudy and 58 degrees.**

**From the news, I see that the Desert is hot and humid.**

**Hard to believe a trip that was 30 months in the planning is coming to a close.**

**Tonight we sail 969 nautical miles to the Arctic Circle to a town called Honningvag.**

**It is truly amazing how diverse our planet is in culture and terrain. We visited a town, yesterday, that can trace its beginning back nearly 5000 years. It was a religious experience to think these people lived in such harsh conditions but believed in a higher spirt that we call “Our one true God”**

## THIS SUNDAY’S THOUGHTS:

**Themes for the 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**The readings for 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time encourage us to pray and ask God for good things. In the first reading Abraham asks God to spare the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah. The psalm sings “Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.” In the second reading Paul reminds us that we have been set free and forgiven in Christ Jesus. In the gospel Jesus teaches his disciples the Our Father and encourages them to be persistent in prayer.**

* **Prayer**
* **Trust in God**
* **Persistence**
* **Different types of prayer**

**Themes are gleaned from** [**www.young-catholics.com**](http://www.young-catholics.com)

**The Christ of the Desert “Bulletin” now appears on** [**www.sacredheartpalmdesert.com**](http://www.sacredheartpalmdesert.com) **website. Open up the site and click on “church”, look down on the bottom left for Christ of the Desert. Open up this site for the “bulletin” and other information about our community.**

**Please make all checks payable to “Christ of the Desert” not Sacred Heart.**

**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.**

**No notes from those away for the summer.**

**July Special Events:**

**UPDATE ON OUR MONTHLY FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM:**

**FIND Food distribution/Community Supplemental Food Distribution Program was on Thursday morning July 7th at 9:30.**

* + **To date we have distributed 5,250 pounds of food.**
  + **Our family count is now 18. God is helping us to reach 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.**

**Hope everyone had a great 4th of July!!!!**

**WEEKLY REMINDER:**

**July 17th – Mass (at 9:30) we had 73 people.**

**July 15th – Friday Healing Mass (at 12:30) we had 43 people.**

**CELEBRATION SECTION:**

**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 JULY AND AUGUST YOU WANT ME TO ADD TO THE NOTICES BELOW????**

**JULY BITHDAY SECTION:**

**Bob Becker (Usher Bob) had a birthday on July 2nd.**

**Peg Zannotti had a birthday on July 3rd.**

**Carl Hickey had a birthday on July 5th. His 88th.**

**Kathy Ryan has a birthday on July 22nd.**

**Please provide Month, Date & Year**

**JULY HAPPY ANNIVERSARY SECTION:**

**John & Carol Lee Evans’ anniversary is on July 29th.**

**Please provide Month, Date & Year**

**JULY REMEMBRANCE SECTION:**

**Rosanne’s husband Michael Brauntz passed away on July 12th, 2018 at the age of 73.**

**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:**

**JUNE 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 1,2022 TO June 30, 2023 IS $115,000.**

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

        **Total Q1,Q2,Q3 & Q4 monies collected: $8,386**

        **Total 1st quarter collections are: $8,386**

        **Total 2nd quarter collections: TBD**

        **Total 3rd quarter collections: TBD**

* **Total 4th quarter collections: TBD**
* **July collections are:  $8,386**
  + - **July 3rd: $3,907**
    - **July 10th: $3,294**
    - **July 17th: $1,185**
    - **July 24th:**
    - **July 31st**
* **August collections are:**
* **September collections are:** 
  + - **:**

**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.**

**Please pray for healing for Lee Junga who had surgery on Monday.**

**Sharon McCoy asks for prayers for the healing of her family.**

**Need prayers for both of my sisters, one is battling advanced breast cancer and must have a radical mastectomy and the other one has undiagnosed neck pain, headache and limited movement of her neck(she is a 20 year removed breast cancer survivor) Thank you for your consideration and concern.  Joyce Sosebee**

**Please pray for my dear friend, Len, who was diagnosed with ALS (Lou Gehrig’s). He is a wonderful, sweet man and I am devastated by this. Please pray for my cousin, Kevin, who has been diagnosed with a rare form of cancer.**

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

**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**](tel: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**](tel: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

SHC & COD Parish Council Member

COD Remembrance Walk Coordinator

SHC Parish Walk Coordinator

SHC East Valley Food Distribution Coordinator

SHC East Valley Outreach Program Coordinator