**Everyone:**

**Jackie’s Celebration of Life will be at Palm Valley Country Club 39205 Palm Valley Dr, Palm Desert, CA 92211 on Wednesday, April 26th at 11:00 AM for those that would like to attend.**

**PARISHIONEER RECOGNITION SECTION: We are recognizing Jessie Schumaker this month:**

**Jessie Schumaker was born in New Mexico in a Pueblo Indian village near Los Cruces, New Mexico. She was raised, with her 7 sisters and 4 brothers, in a small mining town in Arizona called Morenci. Jessie moved to Palm Desert in 1966. She is the proud mother of 3 boys (John/deceased, Andrew and Ken and 1 amazing granddaughter, Jessica.**

**Jessie has been at Christ of the Desert Chapel for over 30 years and like many of us, she came to the chapel looking for a place to belong. Her former Parish Church did not provide the sense of community she was looking for as her place of worship. Once she walked through the front door of our Chapel, she knew she was home. She likes to tell people that she rediscovered her faith here at Christ of the Desert. This spiritual rebirth is why Jessie made sure that while raising her Granddaughter Jessica, who was Baptized and received her First Communion in OUR Chapel, she would also have a strong spiritual foundation.**

**Jessie is Christ of the Desert’s “behind the scenes lady”. She is part of the team that makes sure the Altar is prepped properly for service each Friday and Sunday, bringing the flowers for the Blessed Mother each week and helps decorate the Chapel at Christmas time.**

**Jessie is our Lector & Eucharistic Ministry Director, scheduling Lectors and Eucharistic ministers at all Masses. She leads training sessions to ensure those working with her are trained properly to perform their religious duties at Mass. She constantly communicates with the volunteers, so they know when they are scheduled. She views her ministry as honor to help and serve in any way she can.**

**Jessie extends her thanks to all the people who have volunteered over the years to be Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers. They made her job so much easier.**

**Thank you Jessie for your dedication of service to the spiritual needs of OUR community.**

**Border Compassion Mother's Day Celebration, May 10, 2023**
**Help us to honor and gift each mother living in the shelter.**

**The goal is to provide 200 wallets with $50 in each! “faith communities” from all over the valley are participating in the program.**

**You are invited to donate a wallet or make a cash donation. Bring wallets and donations to Christ of the Desert. Sisters Phyllis and Geneva are coordinating the collection on April 23rd or 30th.**

**The mission of Border Compassion is to invite faith-communities to Cross-Over at the border to offer a compassionate humanitarian response to families living at the Posada del Migrante Shelter, which houses up to 300 people.**

 **Border Compassion is a non-profit, faith-based, grassroots effort to respond to the needs of families who have migrated to the border crossing at Calexico,
CA and Mexicali, Mexico.**

**These asylum seekers left their homes to escape violence, poverty and climate disasters.
Make checks payable to: Border Compassion or donate via PayPal:**

[**www.border-compassion.org**](http://www.border-compassion.org)

**43376 Cook Street, Unit 10, Palm Desert, CA 92211
Border Compassion is a non-profit 501c3, Tax id 94-1605666**

### **APRIL 23rd ,2023**

### **Themes for The 3rd Sunday of Easter:**

In the first reading Peter boldly proclaims the Good News.

The psalm reminds us that God will guide us along the path of life.

The second reading explains that Jesus Christ died so we could have new life.

And in the gospel, two disciples encounter the risen Jesus on the road to Emmaus.

**THE 3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER READINGS:**

* **First Reading** – [Acts 2:14, 22-33](https://young-catholics.com/scripture-reading/?en=495&rp=5474): Peter stood up with the eleven apostles and addressed the crowd, explaining that the events they were witnessing were the fulfillment of the prophecy of Joel. Peter testified about Jesus and how his death and resurrection were also foretold by the prophets, and that Jesus had been raised from the dead by God.
* **Responsorial Psalm** – [Psalm 16](https://young-catholics.com/scripture-reading/?en=496&rp=5474): In this Psalm, the psalmist expresses trust in God as their refuge and source of counsel. They praise God for guiding them on the path of life, and express confidence that God will not abandon them but instead bring them to eternal joy in His presence.
* **Second Reading** – [1 Peter 1:17-21](https://young-catholics.com/scripture-reading/?en=497&rp=5474): Peter urges his readers to live in reverence and fear of God, knowing that they were ransomed by the precious blood of Christ. He emphasizes the eternal significance of their faith and encourages them to continue to trust in God, who raised Christ from the dead and gave them new life through Him.
* **Gospel** – [Luke 24:13-35](https://young-catholics.com/scripture-reading/?en=498&rp=5474): Two of Jesus’ disciples were walking to Emmaus when they encountered a stranger who turned out to be Jesus, but they did not recognize Him at first. After Jesus spoke to them and broke bread with them, their eyes were opened and they realized that it was Him.

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

**MAY ACTIVITIES:**

* **May 4th is the monthly (Thursday) FIND Food distribution/Community Supplemental Food Distribution Program at 9:30AM.**
* **May 7th is the Crowning of the Blessed Mother Mary before 9:30 Mass.**
* **May 7th after the 9:30 Masses (Christ of the Desert & Sacred Heart) there will be a reception for Father Tyler at Sacred Heart in the Salta Center.**
* **May 10th is the Border-Compassion Mother’s Day Celebration trip to Mexicali, Mexico.**
* **May 14th Mother’s Day.**
* **May 21st Annual Spring Collection benefiting the following ministries;**
	+ **Catholic Relief Services**
	+ **Catholic Communications Campaign**
	+ **Peter’s Pence**
	+ **Catholic Campaign for Human Development**

**NEW SECTION: MEDIA MINISTRY:**

**COMMENTS FROM OUR PARISHIONERS:**

**I downloaded the app. Very good!!  I already had catechism in a year on a podcast**

**Loretta**

**Jay, there is an App called Angel Studios that has all the seasons of The Chosen. The App is free.**

**Linda**

**The Chosen.**

**The Chosen is a seven season, eight-episode docu-drama of Christ’s public life. It is completely faithful to the**

**accounts of Christ’s ministry as told in the Holy Gospels. The appeal of The Chosen is in its portrayal of the**

**humanity of Jesus.**

**The first two seasons are available on Netflix. Season three, just completed last month.**

**Just download the “Angel Studios” app from Apple or Android.**

**You can watch on your phone or tablet or you can get a grandchild to show you how to throw it**

**to your TV.**

**Hallow.**

**This is the most used Catholic prayer and meditation site on the web. The content is incredibly rich. From the app, you can access the “Bible in a Year with Fr. Mike Schmitz,” follow**

**him in the “Catechism in a Year” and find dozens of ways to enhance your spiritual life.**

**Great site.**

**Coming to a theater near you. “His Only Son.” The story of Abraham and Isaac. Be on the**

**lookout.**

**Who is saying Mass at Christ of the Desert Chapel:**

* **April 23rd: Father Connole**
* **April 30th: Father Connole**
* **May 7th: Father Connole**
* **May 14th: Father Connole**
* **May 21st: Father Elder**
* **May 28th: Father Connole**

**THE POPE’S INTENTION FOR MAY: FOR CHURCH MOVEMENTS AND GROUPS.**
**We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.**

**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.**

**FIND-Community Supplemental Food Distribution Program next distribution is, Thursday, May 4th  at 9:30.**

* + **To date we have distributed 15,500 pounds of food.**
	+ **Our family count is 21. 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 at 9:30.**

**WEEKLY MASS UPDATE:**

**April 16th  – Mass we had 140 people. Capacity is 185. Big drop off from Easter’s 220.**

**April 14th – Healing Mass (at 12:30) we had 44 people.**

 **CELEBRATION SECTION:**

**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 MAY & YOU WANT ME TO ADD TO THE NOTICES BELOW????**

**APRIL BIRTHDAY SECTION:**

**Bob Ruehl had a birthday on April 3rd.**

**Betty Schultz had a birthday on April 17th.**

**Joyce Sosebee had a birthday on April 18th.**

**Jim LaBaugh had a birthday on April 18th**

**Carol Anderson has a birthday on April 21st.**

**Dave Bannon has a birthday on April 30th.**

**MAY BIRTHDAY SECTION:**

**Cathy Oliaro has a birthday on May 5th.**

**Sharon McCoy has a birthday on May 13th.**

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

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

**Karen Latragna has a birthday on May 22nd**

**NEW SECTION: APRIL BIRTHDAYS IN HEAVEN:**

**Jamie Rogers – April 3rd, Brother of Crys Mueller.**

**NEW SECTION: MAY BIRTHDAYS IN HEAVEN:**

**Steve Dorniak – May 7th, Father of Mary Anne Dorniak.**

**Jack Parlapiano – May 7th, Father of Margaret McKenzie.**

**Bill Mueller – May 17th, Father of Jay Mueller.**

**APRIL HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY SECTION:**

**Carl & Lois Hickey – April 17th.**

**Jan & Patrick McCoy – April 30th ,1966.**

**MAY HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY SECTION:**

**Ginny & Wes Wright – May 29th ,1969.**

**NEW SECTION: APRIL REMEMBERING WEDDING ANNIVERSAY SECTION:**

**JoAnn & Daniel Pepper – April 29th,1958**

**NEW SECTION: MAY REMEMBERING WEDDING ANNIVERSAY SECTION:**

**Steve & Frances Dorniak – May 27th. Parents of Maryanne Dorniak**

**Please provide Month, Date & Year**

**APRIL REMEMBRANCE SECTION: “May their souls rest in peace”, Amen**

**Daniel Pepper, husband of JoAnn, passed away on April 22nd, 2018.**

**John Schumaker, son of Jesse Schumaker, passed away on April 30, 2017.**

**MAY REMEMBRANCE SECTION: “May their souls rest in peace”, Amen**

**Stanford Johnson, husband of Rosanne, passed away on May 11th, 1998.**

**Norm Walbridge, husband of Betty, passed away May 18th , 1998.**

**Please provide Month, Date & Year & Relationship to family member being remembered.**

**“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 Jimmy Rogers, my father in law & Crys’ dad, that God answers his pray. J & Crys Mueller**

**Please pray for Bob who is Eisenhower for tests to determine and cure his current health issues.  Joanne Dellovo**

**The Parish prays for the following parishioners:**

**Marie, Joyce Olsen, Peggy Jones, Jim Carlo & John & Carol Lee Evans & Carmen Migliaccio.**

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

**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: 760-346-0089**

**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”.**

**REMINDER SECTION:**

**MAY HAS 4 SUNDAYS FOR THOSE THAT GIVE MONTHLY.**

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

 **See instructions at end of Bulletin for ways to continue giving via your bank on-line service, there is likely a “setting” that will say “Autopay” or some other “Bill Pay” service.**

**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 NOW $135,000\*.**

**\*MID-YEAR ADJUSTMENT FOR ESTIMATED HIGHER ENERGY COSTS.**

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

        **Our Monthly expenses are $11,250 or $33,750 per quarter. $135,000 annually.**

**Monies collected each week reflect the Friday & Sunday Mass plus rental income from offices in the Courtyard.**

        **Total Q1,Q2,Q3 & Q4 monies collected: $146,854. 108.8% of new annual budget.**

**Monies collected each week reflect the Friday & Sunday Mass collection plus rental income from offices in the Courtyard.**

* **Total 1st quarter collections were: $40,172.**
* **Total 2nd  quarter collections were: $36,854.**
* **Total 3rd quarter collections to date are: $51,288.**
* **Total 4th quarter collections: $16,265.**
* **April collections: $18,540.**
* **May collections: $TBD.**
* **June collections are: $TBD.**

 **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.**

**Invented by NASA engineers, used on astronauts returning from space to rebuild muscle, bone and heal wounds “red light therapy” is now available. I am a new parishioner. Please call or email me: Rom Partyka 805-673-9235 or email at** **rom1942@msn.com** **for more information or to set up an appointment.**

**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.**

**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

CELL NUMBER 760-777-3745