## **Everyone**

## **I was going through some old files on my computer and found this message from Father Jack written just before he passed away. It evoked  smiles and some tears thinking about this wonderful friend of ours who always brought positivity into our lives.**

*Hey Gang,*

*Finally!  It took awhile, but I’ve finally gone home!  I hope I can let you know somehow what it’s like.  At any rate, thanks so much for our friendship.  You have been a treasure to me.  I will never forget you.*

*I wish to thank my family, my friends and especially my friends at Christ of the Desert and Xavier High School and my friends in Alcoholics Anonymous for the wonderful experiences we had on this journey.* ***When you come this way, I’ll be waiting for you.***

*May you be happy … may you be healthy … and may you be safe.*

*Fr. Jack*

**ORIGIN OF THE AGNES DEI:**

**Agnus Dei is the Latin name under which the "**[**Lamb of God**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lamb_of_God)**" is honored within**[**Christian liturgies**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Christian_liturgy)**descending from the historic**[**Latin liturgical tradition**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Latin_liturgical_rites)**, including those of**[**Roman Catholicism**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Catholic_Church)**,**[**Lutheranism**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lutheranism)**and**[**Anglicanism**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Anglicanism)**. It is the name given to a specific prayer that occurs in these liturgies, and is the name given to the music pieces that accompany the text of this prayer.**

**The use of the title "Lamb of God" in liturgy is based on**[**John 1:29**](https://bible.oremus.org/?passage=John%201:29&version=nrsv)**, in which**[**St. John the Baptist**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/John_the_Baptist)**, upon seeing**[**Jesus**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jesus)**, proclaims "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!"**

### **Latin Catholic:**

**The**[**Syrian**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Syriac_Christianity)**custom of a chant addressed to the Lamb of God was introduced into the**[**Roman Rite**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Roman_Rite)[**Mass**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mass_(liturgy))**by**[**Pope Sergius I**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pope_Sergius_I)**(687–701) in the context of his rejection of the**[**Council of Trullo**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Quinisext_Council)**of 692, whose canons had forbidden the iconographic depiction of Christ as a lamb instead of a man.**

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| ***Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.* *Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.* *Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.*** | **Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant us peace.** |
| **—Latin** | **—English translation** |

**The verse used in the first and second invocations may be repeated as many times as necessary whilst the celebrant prepares the host and wine for communion.**

**In a**[**Tridentine**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tridentine_Mass)[**Requiem Mass**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Requiem_Mass)**, the words "*miserere nobis*" are replaced by "*dona eis requiem*" (grant them rest), while "*dona nobis pacem*" is replaced by "*dona eis requiem sempiternam*" (grant them eternal rest).**

**The priest uses the phrase "Lamb of God" again, later in the Mass. While displaying the Eucharistic species to the people before giving them**[**Holy Communion**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Holy_Communion)**, he says: "*Ecce Agnus Dei, ecce qui tollit peccata mundi. Beati qui ad cenam Agni vocati sunt.*" ("Behold the Lamb of God, behold Him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.")**

**ATTENTION: Ladies Guild Members**

**We will be having our Ladies Guild Luncheon on Wednesday, September 13th at 11:30 am at the Catholic Charities building in the parking lot. We will have a Salad Bar including Orzo Pasta Salad, Southern Chicken and Rice Salad, Fruit Salad  and Orange Creamsicle Cake.**

**Please email Cindy at** [**chayward@sacredheartpalmdesert.com**](mailto:chayward@sacredheartpalmdesert.com)**or call 760-346-0089 to sign up or Cindy will be available after Mass to sign up and pay $5 per person. You may pay ahead at sign-up or pay at the door. We do plan ahead for the amount of food so please make sure to pay if you signed up, even if you don’t make it.**

**Thanks so much and see you in September.**

**FIND-Community Supplemental Food Distribution Program next distribution is, Thursday, August 3rd at 9:30.**

* + **To date we have distributed 20,800 pounds of food.**
  + **Our individual count is 24. 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.**

### **AUGUST 27TH, 2023**

### **Themes for the 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time:**

### The readings for the 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time remind us that God’s wisdom is not the same as our own wisdom.

### In the first reading we hear that God has the power to remove the mighty from their positions of leadership.

### In the second reading Paul tells us that we cannot know the mind of God, as his wisdom and knowledge are beyond us.

### And in the gospel s that Jesus is the Christ, and Jesus declares that this is a revelation from the Father.

### **Mass Readings for the 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time:**

* **First Reading** – [Isaiah 22:19-23](https://young-catholics.com/scripture-reading/?en=13&rp=2888): The LORD declares that He will remove Shebna from his position and replace him with Eliakim. Eliakim will have authority and be like a trusted peg, honored by his family.
* **Responsorial Psalm** – [Psalm 138](https://young-catholics.com/scripture-reading/?en=14&rp=2888): I thank the LORD wholeheartedly, acknowledging that He hears me. I praise Him among angels and worship in His temple. His love is eternal, and He never abandons His creations.
* **Second Reading** – [Romans 11:33-36](https://young-catholics.com/scripture-reading/?en=15&rp=2888): The vastness of God’s wisdom and knowledge is incomprehensible. No one can fully understand His mind or advise Him. Everything originates from and exists for Him. Glory to Him eternally.
* **Gospel** – [Matthew 16:13-20](https://young-catholics.com/scripture-reading/?en=16&rp=2888): Jesus asks who people say He is. Peter proclaims Him as Christ, Son of God. Jesus blesses Peter, declaring him foundation of His church, giving him authority over heaven’s keys.

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

**SEPTEMBER ACTIVITIES:**

* **September 13th - Ladies Guild Luncheon on Wednesday at 11:30 AM at the Catholic Charities.**
* **September 13th – Bingo at Sacred Heart. 6:00 – 9:00 PM in the Salta Center.**
* **September 21st – Finance Council meeting.**

**THE POPE’S INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER: For people living on the margins of society.**

**We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.**

**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.**

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

**AUGUST: BIRTHDAY SECTION:**

**Jay Mueller had a birthday on August 8th.**

**Diane Silvas has a birthday on August 12th.**

**Sister Phyllis has a birthday on August 27th.**

**Charlie Ara has a birthday on August 27th.**

**Jean LaBaugh has a birthday on August 28th.**

**Jack Gurr has a birthday on August 28th**

**Sister Geneva has a birthday on August 29th.**

**SEPTEMBER: BIRTHDAY SECTION:**

**Enedina Sutton – September 1st**

**Rosanne Hopkins – September 1st**

**Carol Kephart – September 2nd**

**Lynne Lehane – September 3rd**

**Paul Oliaro – September 15th**

**Carla Washington – September 16th**

**Armin Callo – September 18th**

**Chris Ray- September 27th**

**AUGUST: BIRTHDAYS IN HEAVEN:**

**Elise Junga. Mother of Lee Junga – July 17th**

**Donald Junga, father of Lee Junga – August 30th**

**Joe Maldonado father of John Maldonado  – August 30th**

**SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS IN HEAVEN:**

**None submitted**

**AUGUST: HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY SECTION:**

**Dave & Connie Bannon – August 17th**

**Bob & Joanne Dellovo – August 20th**

**Paul & Kathy Oliaro – August 23rd**

**SEPTEMBER HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY SECTION:**

**Jim & Carmen Carlo – September 15th**

**Jim & Jean LaBaugh – September 16th**

**Kevin & Jody Harris – September 23**

**AUGUST: REMEMBERING WEDDING ANNIVERSAY SECTION:**

**Robert & Enedina Sutton would have celebrated their 56thwedding anniversary on August 6th However, we did celebrate our 50th.**

**SEPTEMBER: REMEMBERING WEDDING ANNIVERSAY SECTION:**

**None submitted**

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

**Donald Zannotti, husband of Margaret (Peg), died on August 31, 2014.**

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

**Joe Lehane, husband of Lynne, passed away on September 2nd**

**Judy Aragon passed away on September 3rd**

**Lindy Hodges, twin sister of Sandy Reid, passed away on September 5th**

**Joe Maldonado, Father of John Maldonado, passed away on September 9th**

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

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

**Many of you pray for special intentions at Sunday Mass. Please send me those intentions so the entire Parish can pray to the LORD with you.**

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

**Marie, Peggy Jones, Jim Carlo & Carol Lee Evans.**

**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:**

**SEPTEMBER 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 ANNUAL process. Thanks for your continued generosity.**

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

        **Our Monthly expenses are budgeted at $11,250 per month 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: $24,790. 18.4 % of annual budget.**

* **Total 1st quarter collections are: $14,001.** 
  + - * **July collections: $14,001.**
      * **August collections: $10,789.**
      * **September collections:**
* **Total 2nd  quarter collections: TBD**
* **Total 3rd quarter collections: TBD**
* **Total 4th quarter collections: TBD**

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

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

**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.**

**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.**

**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**](mailto:rom1942@msn.com) **for more information or to set up an appointment.**

**Need a good Catholic housekeeper? Call Elvia Pantoja at 760 698 6050. 20 years’ experience in the Indian Wells & Palm Desert area. References provided upon request.**

**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**

**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

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