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St Mary of the Angels Catholic Church

Madonna Guild News

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN RUNNING?

It's that time of year again! It's time to throw your hat in the ring during the annual Madonna Guild elections!!

Are you interested in running for President, Vice President, Secretary or Technology Support? We also have a ministry chair position available for Correspondence.

At the October 11th meeting, we will be asking for and posting the names of any woman in the parish who would like to run for an office or for ministry chair of Correspondence. We will vote for these positions at the November 8th meeting.

The correspondence position requires keeping in touch by letter with the Unbound student we sponsor in Uganda as well as drafting other correspondence as needed.

The remaining ministry chair positions will continue with the current leadership. However, if you are interested in becoming more involved with the Madonna Guild, the October and November meetings are a great time to offer your help as a co-chair of one of the ministries.

Co-chairs are always needed and are valuable resources within our ministries. For example, Fran Serio needs more co-chairs for the library ministry. You can help with the library at the weekend Mass you usually attend. Please contact any of the ministry chairs (page 7) to see about helping as a co-chair in a ministry that interests you.



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RUN TO THE PINES CAR SHOW BAKE SALE SUCCESS!

Huge congratulations to Terry Linn, and all of her hardworking helpers for the overwhelming success of the Madonna Guild's bake sale fundraiser at the Run To The Pines Car Show on September 23rd. Treasurer Margie Zavala totaled up the money from the bake sale at \$3,420.55. Thanks to the generous baked goods donations of our parishioners, the only cost was the \$250 fee for the double booth space at the Car Show.

Terry would like to thank EVERYONE who helped in any way before, during and after the bake sale. Our parishioners really pulled together to make this a big success! We offered delicious homemade baked goods of all kinds: pies, breads, cookies, brownies, energy balls, cobblers, and muffins as well as fruit, bottled water and reusable car trash bags. We could not have made so many wonderful desserts without your help!

We also had invaluable and much appreciated help from some of the husbands in our parish! Chris Linn, Gregg Spieler and Gary Nelson were so kind to stay at our booth all day during the bake sale to manage all the heavy lifting involved in setup and take down. They also were constantly available to help with handing us baked items and supplies as needed. As well Jake Sedillo stopped by to help with the booth setup while Tom Matthew showed up to assist with packing up the booth space.



HELP NEEDED FOR LAST FUNDRAISER OF 2023!

Terry Linn is asking for help with our third and final fundraiser of 2023. On Saturday, November 4th, the Madonna Guild will be holding a Made On The Mountain Craft Fair and bake sale in the SJFC from 9am—2pm. (See flier on page 8)

The reason for a third fundraiser this year is to cover the costs of all the ministries undertaken by the Madonna Guild that benefit our parishioners as well as the local community. In the last couple of years, the Madonna Guild ladies have been working hard on at least 14 ministries. The more ministries we support, the more fundraising we must undertake.

Terry is looking for help with baking **HOMEMADE** desserts as well as help to staff the craft fair. Please no desserts containing unbaked dairy products such as eggs and milk. All desserts must be dropped off at the SJFC on Thursday, November 2nd from 12 noon to 4pm. Any questions, please call Terry at 734-259-9826.



OVERFLOW HALL KITCHEN BEING REMODELED!

Work began a couple of weeks ago to upgrade and remodel the kitchen near the Overflow Hall!

The remodel will include new plumbing, flooring, paint, lighting, cabinets, countertops, sink, and appliances.

During the remodel, please do not enter the Overflow Hall.

Can't wait to see what the new kitchen looks like when it's all finished!

Rosary Ministry

Dorothy Dobry reports that the latest box of rosaries was delivered to churches in Peru by our flight attendant friend, Mary Ann Lynch.

If you would like to learn to make rosaries, Dorothy Dobry would love to teach you. Rosaries are easy and fun to make!

Dorothy has written instructions for you to follow and she can spend a few minutes with you to get you started.

Dorothy will provide the supplies for free. All you need is a little free time and a pair of scissors.

What better way to honor Our Lady and to fill some of your spare time!

For more information, please call Dorothy Dobry at 928-368-7371.



Shawls Ministry

Led by ministry Chair, Terry Linn, the ladies of the Prayer Shawl Ministry continue to crochet beautiful and comforting prayer shawls and pocket shawls for those in need.

If you are interested in joining this ministry, Terry can get you started. She can teach you how to crochet (or knit) and will provide the crochet or knitting needles as well as the yarn. She just needs your willingness to help out.

A huge "thank you" to all who have generously donated yarn for the ladies of this ministry!!

If you have questions and/or would like to join in this important ministry, please contact Terry at 734-259-9826.

Finished and blessed prayer shawls and lap robes are available in the Church Office or at weekend Masses from Terry, Margie Zavala, or Arleen Caruth.

The next prayer shawl meeting will be in the Madonna Room on Thursday, Oct 5th at 10am.



CURRENT BOOK STUDY EXTENDED!

Bernie McConnell reports that the No Regrets and The 4th Quarter of Your Life classes will be extended until at least the end of November. The classes meet in the Knights of Columbus Room in the SJFC on Wednesdays at 9:30am. Due to high demand, the classes are full. For questions, please call Bernie at 703-508-1573.

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR THANKSGIVING!

The Madonna Guild is collecting non-perishable food donations for the 60 Thanksgiving baskets we fill every year. The baskets are given to Walking Down Ranch for veterans, the White Mountain Senior Villa Apartments low income housing, Meals On Wheels and White Mountain Catholic Charities.

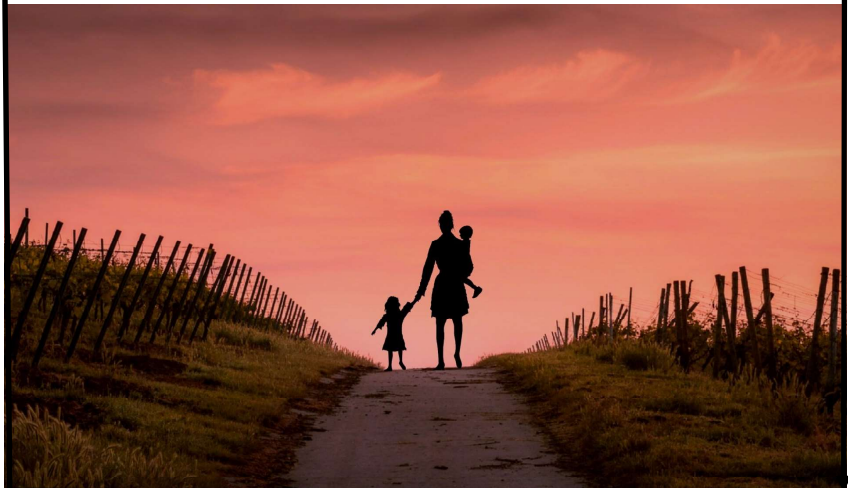
Arleen Caruth is still collecting: cans of cream of mushroom soup, cans of yams/sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, gravy mix, boxes of mashed potatoes, boxes of stuffing, boxes of corn bread mix, cans of French's Crispy Fried Onions, bags of marshmallows, and cans of pumpkin pie mix.

Donations may be dropped off at Mass or in the parish office.

JOIN RESPECT LIFE MONTH NOVENA

October 13th-21st, 2023

Join thousands of Catholics across the country praying for the protection of human life, from conception to natural death. Each day of the novena features a different pro-life prayer intention which is accompanied by a short reflection, suggested actions to help build a culture of life, and more. Visit www.respectlife.org/celebrate to sign up for daily prayers October 13th-21st.



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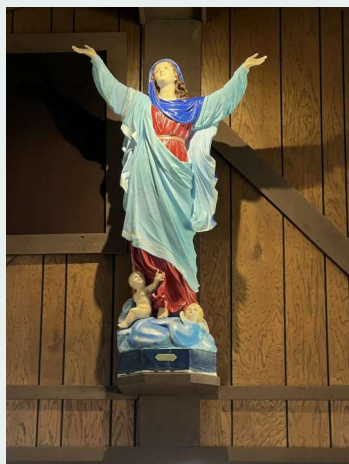
Saturday and Sunday Masses are in the SJFC but will return to the Church beginning October 21 & 22, 2023. Daily Masses are in the Church.

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

Mary Matthew offers bereavement counseling during the year. For more information, please contact Mary at 602-463-7645 to find out about the next meeting.

PRAYER LINE

If you would like to add the name of a family member, friend, or acquaintance to the St. Mary of the Angels Prayer Line, please contact Lorraine Robertson at robertson-pl406@gmail.com



Stocking Stuffers Goal Almost Reached!

We are almost at our goal for stocking stuffers!! Wooo Hooo! The only two items we still need are dental floss and travel-size deodorant.

Please drop off your donations at any of the Masses (basket located in the Church foyer), in the parish office or bring them to our monthly meeting. Summer residents and visitors, please keep adding to your stash of travel size items as you travel and donate them when you are next in the White Mountains. We will keep any additional items for next year. For questions, please contact Arleen Caruth at 928-367-2080 or at smoa@frontier.com

We sincerely thank all of you who have donated items for the stockings during the year! You have all been so generous!!

NEXT MEETING

The Madonna Guild will hold its next meeting on Wednesday, October 11th in the Library in the SJFC at 11:30am. We are changing location due to the ongoing construction in the Overflow Hall and kitchen. We would love to have you join us! For questions, please call or text Katherine Larson at 928-595-2888.

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MISSION STATEMENT

The Madonna Guild of St Mary of the Angels Catholic Church in Pinetop, Arizona enriches and supports the life of our parish family and local community through spiritual activities, fellowship, and outreach.

Calendar 2023

Event	Date	Notes
<u>The Fourth Quarter of Your Life</u>	Sep 27th-Nov 29th	SJFC, KofC Room, 9:30am
Prayer Shawl Meeting	Oct 5th	Madonna Room, 10am
Madonna Meeting	Oct 11th	Library, 11:30am
Prayer Shawl Meeting	Nov 2nd	Madonna Room, 10am
Made On The Mountain Craft Fair Fundraiser	Nov 4th	SJFC, 9am-2pm
Madonna Meeting	Nov 8th	Madonna Room, 11:30am
Prayer Shawl Meeting	Dec 7th	Madonna Room, 10am
Madonna Meeting	Dec 13th	Church Overflow Hall, 10am



A BUSY DAY AT THE BAKE SALE!



MADONNA GUILD

Did you know that all women of St. Mary of the Angels Church are members of the Madonna Guild?

We are a group of compassionate and energetic women who serve our parish and our community. If you would like to be an active member or contribute to any of the activities mentioned in this newsletter but you don't know where to begin, please call Katherine at (928)595-2888.

Actively participating only requires as much time as you want to give. Can you spare a little time or a lot of time? Either choice is great! Participating from home is wonderful. Are you a summer visitor who would like to contribute from your winter home? Your participation would be so welcome. Call Katherine or any of the officers or chairpersons listed throughout this newsletter and we will get you started in whatever interests you!

MADONNA GUILD

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**The Madonna Room is
located just off the hallway
behind the Church altar.**

CHAIRPERSON & CO-CHAIR CONTACTS

Please contact the ladies listed below for more information.

Ministry	Chairperson	Phone
Bereavement	Mary Matthew	602-463-7645
Blood Drive	Lorraine Robertson	928-242-8174
Book Studies	Bernie McConnell	703-508-1573
Community Outreach	Arleen Caruth	928-367-2080
Correspondence	Christina Vasquez	909-313-9639
Fundraisers	Terry Linn	734-259-9826
—Co-Chair	Sherry Mannikko	602-810-1593
Funeral Luncheons	Mary Kay Nelson	602-478-0609
—Co-Chair	Christina Vasquez	909-313-9639
Library	Fran Serio	serio.fran@gmail.com
—Co-Chair	Sarah Castillo	928-205-5702
—Co-Chair	Crisanta Cruz-Loera	928-299-6525
—Co-Chair	Dorothy Dobry	928-368-7371
—Co-Chair	Ginny Scalzo	480-748-7295
Madonna Ambassador	Mary Kay Nelson	602-478-0609
Prayer Line	Lorraine Robertson	928-242-8174
Prayer Shawls	Terry Linn	734-259-9826
—Co-Chair	Dorota Rapacz	928-275-5942
Rosaries	Dorothy Dobry	928-368-7371
Social Activities	Christina Vasquez	909-313-9639
—Co-Chair	Linda Dodson	760-668-0361
—Co-Chair	Liz Neal	929-434-0677
—Co-Chair	Rose French	928-551-7780
—Co-Chair	Sherry Mannikko	602-810-1593
Stockings (Decorate)	Lorraine Robertson	928-242-8174

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**MADE
ON THE
MOUNTAIN**



Craft Fair

November 4th

9am—2pm

St Mary of the Angels Church

St Joseph Family Center

1915 South Penrod Lane, Pinetop, AZ

Madonna Guild

Membership Form

The Madonna Guild meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month in the Madonna Room, located behind the Church altar, at 11:30 am for about an hour. Please join us!
Please complete the following information. You can return this form to our next meeting or drop it off at the parish office. No dues required.

Name: _____

Address: _____

E-Mail: _____

Phone Mobile: _____ Home: _____

Preferred Contact: (Please Check One) ☐ E-Mail ☐ Phone

Residence Status: (Please Check One) ☐ Full Time ☐ Part Time

Check the ministries that interest you:

- ☐ **Bereavement** (counseling)
- ☐ **Blood Drive** (solicit sign-ups or check-in participants)
- ☐ **Book Studies** (moderate a class or attend classes)
- ☐ **Community Outreach** (Thanksgiving baskets, Christmas stocking stuffers & Angel Tree)
- ☐ **Correspondence** (read and respond to inquiries and letters received)
- ☐ **Fundraisers** (provide baked goods or help with sales or set up/take down booth)
- ☐ **Funeral Luncheons** (set up/serve/clean up luncheon and/or provide side dishes/desserts)
- ☐ **Library** (assist with check out and/or filing of books)
- ☐ **Madonna Ambassador** (recruit new members; call/send prayer shawls to ill parishioners)
- ☐ **Prayer Line** (become a Prayer Warrior for ill, deceased, or special intentions)
- ☐ **Prayer Shawls** (knit or crochet at home, donate yarn)
- ☐ **Rosaries** (make at home - supplies & training provided)
- ☐ **Social Activities** (arrange social gatherings for Madonnas and to attract new members)
- ☐ **Stockings for Christmas** (decorate stockings)

Hope to see you at the next Madonna Guild Meeting!

Contact us at madonnapinetop@gmail.com

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Mary Kay Nelson, Vice President
Christina Vasquez, Secretary
Dorota Rapacz, Tech Support
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