



April 2024

St Mary of the Angels Catholic Church

Madonna Guild News

May 11th Craft Fair Promises to Be Our Most Exciting Yet

Our 3rd Made on the Mountain craft fair & bake sale (see flier on page 9) is only a few weeks away! It will take place on Saturday, May 11th from 9am to 2pm in the St Joseph Family Center. Terry Linn and her crew of Fran Serio, Liz Neal, Sherry Mannikko and Tess Durfee are hard at work preparing for our biggest and most exciting craft fair and bake sale yet!

Terry says WE NEED BAKERS! WE NEED LOTS OF BAKED GOODS!! As you know, we offer only homemade baked goods...not store bought! If you have a favorite dessert, please contact Terry (734)259-9826 so she can get you on the list of bakers. Remember, due to Health Department rules, no UNCOOKED dairy products are allowed in any of the desserts we sell. Drop off baked goods on Thursday, May 9th in the SJFC 12 noon to 4pm.

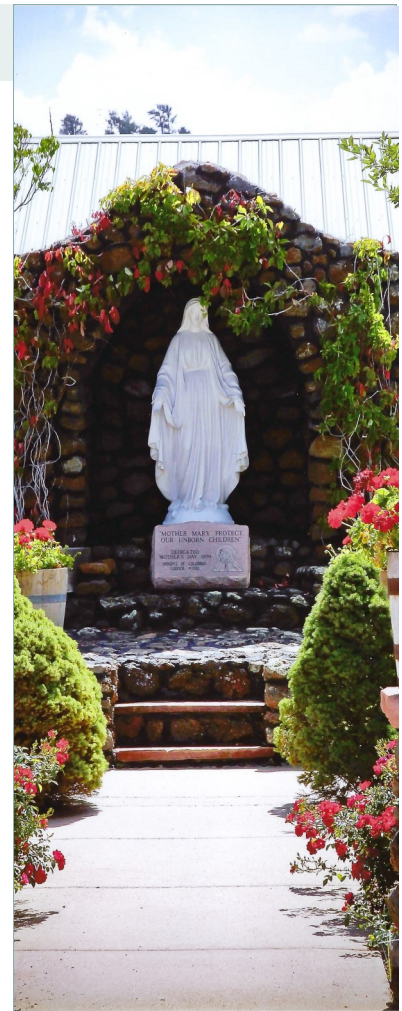
Terry will hold two group sessions in the Madonna Kitchen to prep items for the bake sale. On Thursday, April 18th 10am-1pm Terry will lead ladies willing to help prep pies for freezing. Bring your own rolling pin, measuring cups, fresh, canned or frozen fruit if you can.

On Monday, April 22nd, 10am to 12 noon, Terry needs help prepping “cookies in a jar”. Please bring your own measuring spoons & cups plus ribbon and scrap material to decorate the jar tops if you can.

Also for the craft fair, Terry says if you have an excess of craft supplies (in good condition) that you can donate, please contact her and we will sell them in our Madonna Boutique which will mostly contain crafting supplies.

The funds we raise from the craft fair and bake sale will go towards expenses in 2024 and 2025 to keep our many ministries going.

Terry will hold a fundraising meeting on Thursday, April 11th from 10am to 12 noon in the Madonna Room. This is the LAST planning meeting before the craft fair and bake sale in May. Please plan to attend so you can help us with the big event!



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Decorations Committee Makes May Craft Fair Bloom!!

A few weeks ago, Tess Durfee, who is leading the decorations committee, got the ladies together to begin making some colorful and inviting decorations for our Made On The Mountain craft fair and bake sale to be held on May 11th. Helping Tess were Linda Dodson, Sandy Potts, Barbara Sue Smith Shaffer, Christina Vasquez and Rose French (taking the photo). Each of the ladies took home assignments to make lots and lots of bright and beautiful flowers to transform the SJFC into a springtime wonderland!

50/50 Raffle Tickets on Sale Now!



Would you like to win a stack of cash???? Who wouldn't, right? How much cash you ask? I'm not sure because it depends on how many 50/50 raffle tickets we sell. Oh, so you are a summer resident but you don't think you can buy raffle tickets from the Madonna Guild? WRONG!! Just contact Tess Durfee at 626-221-9152 or email her at tessrdurfee@gmail.com and she will get the tickets to you.

For those of you who are unfamiliar with a 50/50 raffle, the winner gets 50% of the proceeds of all the 50/50 raffle tickets sold and the Madonna Guild gets the other 50% to fund our work in 2025. Last year, in November, we sold over \$1,400 in 50/50 raffle tickets so the winner received over \$700 You don't have to be present on May 11th to win. Please buy tickets and help fund our work for this parish and our White Mountains community!

In Review: Walking with Jesus to Jerusalem



For six weeks our group of book study enthusiasts, have been on a literary journey, traveling with Jesus on his way from Ash Wednesday to the events of Holy Week. Each day of Lent we were given a reading and questions to meditate upon. Each day we walked and talked with Jesus. On Wednesday, each week, we met as a group to discuss how the “Trip” was progressing.

Holy Week was approaching quickly and so did the last Wednesday group session. This would bring our Jerusalem journey to an end. How were we going to bring this journey to an “appropriate” end?

Jesus Christ gave us the Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist during Holy Week at The Last Supper. This meal, which included the apostles, was held on the first day of the Jewish feast of Passover. The significance of the events which took place in that time and space are endless.

On Wednesday March 27 the Spiritual Book Study, under the guidance of Mindy Savoia, experienced some of the foods, activities, traditions, and faith of a Jewish Passover meal celebration. With greater understanding of the historic events of the Passover and Exodus came a greater appreciation of how the Old Testament and New Testament are better understood as a whole!

Thank you, Mindy Savoia, author and educator, for sharing your knowledge of Jewish traditions with us! Mindy is the author of several publications. Her latest book is entitled, Missed Gifts of the Holy Spirit. which will be read by the book study class from May 8th to June 12th on Wednesdays, from 9:30am to 10:45am. Mindy will be facilitating these classes. — Bernie McConnell

Next Book Study: The Rocking Chair Prophet

The next book study begins Wednesday, April 10th and runs until Wednesday, May 1st . The title is Rocking Chair Prophet by Matthew Kelly and the book is free. The book studies are open to all and meet in the Church Overflow Hall from 9:30am till 10:45am. Contact Bernie to register or for questions 703 508 1573.

Rosary Ministry

The Rosary Ministry continues to amaze! Recently, two more ladies have joined!!

Dorothy Dobry sent out two shipments of 300 rosaries each to our favorite flight attendant, Mary Ann Lynch. Dorothy also sent small cards describing how to pray the rosary to Chaplain Lungu at Florence Prison.

If you would like to learn to make rosaries, Dorothy 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.



Shawl Ministry

The ladies of the Prayer Shawl Ministry have crocheted 15 more shawls or lap robes in the last month! Amazing!!

Terry Linn says 6 prayer shawls/lap robes were given to Solterra Senior Living and 12 to the cancer center to provide much needed comfort for those receiving them.

The first white baptismal blanket was given to an infant in our parish this month.

If you are interested in joining the prayer shawl 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.

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.

Next meeting is Thursday, May 2nd at 10am in the Madonna Room.



Summer Tea Coming June 10th

CAN YOU FEEL THE EXCITEMENT???? The weather is changing! The birds are chirping! The daffodils are blooming! Our year-round residents are planning their spring and summer adventures! Summer residents and visitors are deciding when they will head to the White Mountains for a bit of small town living.

When making your plans, please put our Summer Tea on your calendar for June 10th 2pm-4pm in the Church Overflow Hall. You need to reserve your seat as space is very limited. Please call or text Christina Vasquez at (909)313-9639. Due to the popularity of the Summer Tea, **NO ONE WILL BE ADMITTED WITHOUT A RESERVATION**. If you haven't spoken directly to Christina about attending, you are not on the list for the Tea.

This year, we are planning to raffle off a variety of baskets featuring fun and exciting themed items you will treasure! The ladies here at St Mary's have been working hard to gather items you will use and enjoy! Raffle tickets are \$5 each and can be purchased at the Tea. You must be present at the Tea to win!

Please bring tea fare for others to enjoy! This could be mini desserts, tea sandwiches or a delicious salad for 6. Hot tea, iced tea, clotted cream, jam and lemon slices will also be provided.



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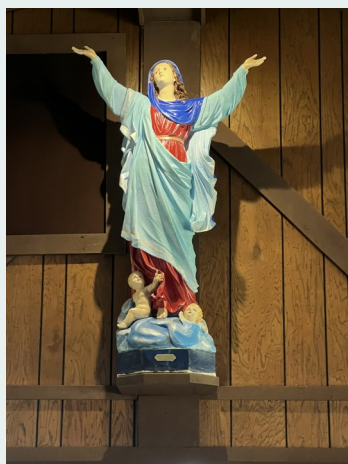
All Masses are in the Church.

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



A Special Thank You!

Since last year, Christina Vasquez, Chair of social activities, has been searching for a business to embroider two more tablecloths with our logo for special functions we hold. We were worried about the cost. The 3 tablecloths we had were embroidered years ago and the original design setup was lost.

Help came from Bernie McConnell who donated two beautiful plain white tablecloths and Sherry Mannikko who arranged with Barbara Knight of Pinetop Star Quilt Shop to scan our logo and to complete the embroidery at her shop! Linda Dodson also donated the plastic table covering to protect the new tablecloths while in use.

Most days it really does take a village! We now have a total of 5 beautiful embroidered tablecloths for all our needs. Thank you ladies!

NEXT MEETING

The next Madonna Guild meeting will be on Wednesday, April 10th in the Madonna Room at 11:30am. We would love to have you join us! Please call Katherine at 929-595-2888 with any questions.

PUBLISHER'S NOTE

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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 2024

Event	Date	Notes
<u>Rocking Chair Prophet</u>	Apr 10th-May 1st	Overflow Hall, 9:30am
Madonna Meeting	Apr 10th	Madonna Room, 11:30am
Prayer Shawl Meeting	May 2nd	Madonna Room, 10am
<u>Missed Gifts of the Holy Spirit</u>	May 8th-June 12th	Overflow Hall, 9:30am
Madonna Meeting	May 8th	Overflow Hall, 11:30am
CCD Family Party	May 8th	SJFC, 6pm
Craft Fair #1 Set Up	May 9th	SJFC
Craft Fair #1	May 11th	SJFC, 9am-2pm
Mother's Day	May 12th	
Weekend Masses Move to SJFC	May 25th	Through Memorial Weekend
Memorial Day	May 27th	Office Closed
Prayer Shawl Meeting	Jun 6th	Madonna Room, 10am
Tea Set Up	Jun 6th	Overflow Hall, 11am
Summer Tea	Jun 10th	Overflow Hall, 2pm-4pm
Madonna Meeting	Jun 12th	Overflow Hall, 11:30am
Father's Day	Jun 16th	
Juneteenth	Jun 19th	Office may be closed
Blood Drive #1	Jun 20th	SJFC, 12:30pm-5:30pm
"The Chosen" Season 4	Jun 26th-Aug 14th	Overflow Hall, 9:30am
Decorate Stockings	Jun 27th	Overflow Hall, 9am
Independence Day	Jul 4th	Office Closed
Prayer Shawl Meeting	Jul 4th	NO MEETING
Madonna Meeting	Jul 10th	Overflow Hall, 11:30am
Meet & Greet	Jul 22nd	Overflow Hall, 2pm-4pm
Prayer Shawl Meeting	Aug 1st	Madonna Room, 10am
Quilt Show (& Set Up)	Aug 2nd-10th	SJFC Closed
Madonna Meeting	Aug 14th	Overflow Hall, 11:30am
Blood Drive #2	Aug 22nd	SJFC, 12:30pm-5:30pm
Parish Potluck	Aug 25th	SJFC, 3pm-6pm
<u>Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible</u>	Aug 28th-Oct 23rd	Overflow Hall, 9:30am

Calendar 2024 (Con't)

Event	Date	Notes
Labor Day	Sep 2nd	Office Closed
Prayer Shawl Meeting	Sep 5th	Madonna Room, 10am
Madonna Meeting	Sep 11th	Overflow Hall, 10am
Bake Sale Set Up	Sep 20th	Meet at Church, 9am
Bake Sale Pies Delivered & Packaged	Sep 20th	12pm-4pm
Run To The Pines Car Show & Bake Sale	Sep 21st	Pinetop Country Club
Priest Retreat	Sep 23rd-27th	Father Dan Away
Prayer Shawl Meeting	Oct 3rd	Madonna Room, 10am
Madonna Meeting	Oct 9th	Overflow Hall, 11:30am
Columbus Day	Oct 14th	
CCD Halloween Party	Oct 30th	SJFC, 6pm
Halloween	Oct 31st	
Election Day	Nov 5th	
Pray Shawl Meeting	Nov 7th	Madonna Room, 10am
Craft Fair #2 Set Up	Nov 7th	SJFC
Craft Fair #2	Nov 9th	SJFC, 9am-2pm
Veterans Day	Nov 11th	Office May Be Closed
Madonna Meeting	Nov 13th	Madonna Room, 11:30am
Thanksgiving Mass	Nov 28th	Church, 9am
Prayer Shawl Meeting	Dec 5th	Madonna Room, 10am
Stuffing Christmas Stockings	Dec 11th	Overflow Hall, 10am
Madonna Christmas Party	Dec 11th	Overflow Hall, 11am
Christmas Eve Childrens Mass	Dec 24th	SJFC, 6pm
Christmas Eve Mass	Dec 24th	Church, 8pm
Christmas Day Mass	Dec 25th	Church, 10am
Christmas Holidays	Dec 25th-Jan 1st	Office Closed
New Year's Day Mass	Jan 1st	Church, 10am

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!

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CHAIRPERSON & CO-CHAIR CONTACTS

Please contact the ladies listed below for more information.

Ministry	Chairperson	Phone
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Blood Drive	Lorraine Robertson	928-242-8174
Book Studies	Bernie McConnell	703-508-1573
—Co-Chair	Mary Knaust	928-368-3654
—Co-Chair	Terry Linn	734-259-9826
—Co-Chair	Mary Kay Nelson	602-478-0609
—Co-Chair	Dorota Rapacz	928-275-5942
Community Outreach	Arleen Caruth	928-367-2080
Correspondence	Liz Neal	928-434-0677
Fundraisers	Terry Linn	734-259-9826
—Co-Chair	Tess Durfee	626-221-9152
Funeral Luncheons	Mary Kay Nelson	602-478-0609
—Co-Chair	Christina Vasquez	909-313-9639
Library	Dorota Rapacz	928-275-5942
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—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
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3rd MADE ON THE MOUNTAIN



White Mountain Arts & Crafts Fair

Saturday, May 11, 2024

9 AM - 2 PM

St Mary of the Angels Madonna's

St. Joseph Parish Hall

1915 S. Penrod Lane - Pinetop, AZ

Over 40⁺ local craft vendors!

Special hand crafted gifts

PLUS...Church bake sale

Terry Linn 734-259-9826



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
Margie Zavala, Treasurer