



August 2024

St Mary of the Angels Catholic Church

Madonna Guild News

Putting Our Fundraising in Focus!

At our July meeting, the ladies of the Madonna Guild voted to focus most of our fundraising efforts on our successful Made On The Mountain Craft Fair & Bake Sale.

What this means for the Madonna Guild going forward is that we are going to increase the craft fairs from one day events to two day events falling on a Friday and Saturday in May and November of each year. As well, the hours each day will be expanded to 9am to 4pm to give ample time for people in our community to visit and to shop.

We will no longer participate in the Run To The Pines Car Show where in the past we have sold our homemade baked goods. We will, however, continue to sell our delicious pies, cobblers, muffins, fruit breads, brownies, etc., at the Made On The Mountain Craft Fair & Bake Sales. Our next craft fair is November 8th/9th, 2024 (see flier page 9).

This change allows us to eliminate having to move large quantities of setup equipment as well as our baked goods off the Church campus and also eliminates the challenge of keeping our baked goods cool outdoors in the summer heat.

As far as what we plan to use our fundraising dollars on, we plan to continue to support and/or expand our many ministries (see the list on page 7), to support our parish by helping to fund property and facility improvements, and to expand our contribution to local worthwhile charities in the community such as Catholic Charities in Lakeside, White Mountain Villas in Show Low (low income housing), Walking Down Ranch in Lakeside (veterans), and the RE Center in Pinetop (free meal program).

As a matter of fact, the Madonnas voted to donate **\$10,000** of our funds to pay for the materials to replace damaged siding on the east side of the Church building.

So when you see us fundraising, now you know the judicious way in which we use those funds!



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We Need Your Blood!

The Madonna Guild is sponsoring its second and last blood drive of 2024 on Thursday, August 22nd 12:30pm-5:30pm in the SJFC. Madonnas will be signing up blood donor volunteers after Masses on August 10th/11th as well as after Masses on August 17th/18th. We appreciate your help with this life-saving cause.

If you can help with the blood drive, please call Dorothy Dobry at 923-368-7371.

Meet & Greet: Getting to Know You!!

On Monday, July 22nd, the Madonna Guild hosted a Meet & Greet in the Overflow Hall. It was a wonderful opportunity for current and new Madonnas to get to know each other. There were about 25 ladies who attended including about 5 ladies who had never attended a Madonna meeting.

Some of our current ministry participants spoke about their involvement in Madonna ministries. Dorota Rapacz spoke about the Parish Library Ministry, Barbara Sue Smith discussed the prayer shawl Ministry, Linda Dodson spoke about her involvement in the Rosary Ministry, Rose French described the Social Activities Ministry, Terry Linn talked about fundraising in the form of our Craft Fairs, and Bernie McConnell described the upcoming Parish Potluck which falls under the Social Activities Ministry.

As always, there was lots of delicious food to enjoy as well as a game to get us all talking and laughing.

A special thanks to our Social Activities Ministry chaired by Christina Vasquez and her team of Linda Dodson, Rose French, Sherry Mannikko, and Liz Neal as well as all the ladies who brought food and helped to set up and clean up. We had a great time!



The Chosen, Season 4, Continues!

Come experience the ministry of Jesus through the eyes of His disciples!!

The Chosen streaming series continues into its 4th season in the Overflow Hall of St. Mary's Church. One episode is being shown each Wednesday at 9:30am through the end of season 4 on August 28th. A discussion of the episode will take place each week.

All are welcome and encouraged to participate. For more information, call or text Bernie at 703-508-1573.



CHRISTMAS STOCKING STUFFERS NEEDED!

Have you been traveling recently? Did you bring home your hotel-sized shampoo and conditioner? If you are not going to use them, please don't throw them away! The Madonna Guild would like to include them as stocking stuffers for this year's 300+ Christmas stockings.

Throughout the year we collect individually packaged toothbrushes, toothpaste, lotion, bars of soap, shower gel, hand sanitizers, mini notepads, shampoo, conditioner, pens, and deodorant. All items, except toothbrushes and pens, should be small or travel sized.

Please drop off your donations at any of the Masses, in the parish office or bring them to our monthly meeting. Summer residents and visitors, please keep adding to your stash of these items as you travel and donate them when you are next in the White Mountains. For questions, please contact Arleen Caruth at 928-367-2080.

Rosary Ministry

The Rosary Ministry is doing so well that Dorothy Dobry just received a new shipment of supplies!

Dorothy reports that in the last 10 years, the rosary ministry at St Mary's has made 17,000 rosaries!!

Chaplain Lungu requested more rosaries be sent to his prison ministry in Florence, AZ.

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 10 more shawls/lap robes and 100 pocket shawls in the last month! That is outstanding!

Ten more of the shawls/lap robes will be donated to the local Cancer Center.

The ladies are grateful for the donation of 5 bags of yarn from a parishioner. Thank you to all who have and continue to donate yarn!

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, August 1st at 10am in the Madonna Room.



It's Time for Friends, Food, Family & Fun!

St. Mary of the Angels Parish Potluck

Sunday August 25, 3pm-6pm

St. Joseph Family Center

Yes it's time for the Parish Potluck! As usual, this annual event is sponsored by both our local chapter of the Knights of Columbus, and Madonna Guild. James T and His Band will be joining us again! Also present will be a Madonna Basket Raffle and a K of C 50/50 Raffle to benefit charities. (see flier page 8)

We are asking that each Madonna consider volunteering their time and either a side dish, salad, or dessert for the event. These dishes should be brought to the SJFC Aug. 25 between 12:30pm and 3:00pm. Please note on the dish if it was made for a special diet, for example, Gluten Free or Sugar Free. As a suggestion those with the last name beginning with "A to H" bring a Salad, "I to R" bring a Side Dish, and "S to Z" bring a Dessert.

Last year we served approximately 160 parishioners. This year we hope to have even more parishioners attend. Several areas, of the floor plan, have been modified to accommodate a large group as well as an additional buffet line. This all means we will need more volunteers! Please consider adding your name to the list of helpful ladies and gentlemen who have already joined. We have lots of fun and it's a great way to get to know your fellow parishioners!

Please let Bernie McConnell know if you are able to volunteer anytime on August 25th during the hours between 2pm to 7pm. Thank You! Please call Bernie at 703-508-1573.

Surely A Good Time To Be Had By All!

—Bernie McConnell

CHURCH NEWS

All weekend Masses are in the SJFC and 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



For Your Reflection...

Father, I pray for a spirit of cooperation and eagerness to contribute to the needs of the whole body, so that Your Church is built not just with sweat, bricks, and mortar but with love, integrity, care and cooperative teamwork. Therefore we go forth in unity and purpose as we do our part in building each other up and encourage others to use their God-given talents and acquired skills, all the while striving for unity in the faith. In our service, we desire to please You even as we serve and strengthen one another. In the name of Jesus, we go forth in faithful service.

NEXT MEETING

The next Madonna Guild meeting will be on Wednesday, August 14th in the Overflow Hall at 11:30am. We would love to have you join us! Please call Katherine at 928-595-2888 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
"The Chosen" Season 4	Jul 10th-Aug 28th	Overflow Hall, 9:30am
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>	Sep 4th-Oct 30th	Overflow Hall, 9:30am
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	BOOOOOO!!!!!!
Election Day	Nov 5th	Don't Forget to Vote!
Prayer Shawl Meeting	Nov 7th	Madonna Room, 10am
Craft Fair #2 Set Up	Nov 7th	SJFC, 6am-4pm
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!

MADONNA GUILD

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CHAIRPERSON & CO-CHAIR CONTACTS

Please contact the ladies listed below for more information.

Ministry	Chairperson	Phone
Bereavement	Mary Matthew	602-463-7645
Blood Drive	Dorothy Dobry	928-368-7371
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
Funeral Luncheons	Mary Kay Nelson	602-478-0609
—Co-Chair	Christina Vasquez	909-313-9639
Library	Liz Neal	928-434-0677
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	928-434-0677
—Co-Chair	Rose French	928-551-7780
—Co-Chair	Sherry Mannikko	602-810-1593
Stockings (Cut/Sew)	Terry Linn	734-259-9826
Stockings (Decorate)	Kriss DesRocher	480-967-3522
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St Mary of the Angels Church

Join Us At Our Parish Potluck Dinner St Joseph Family Center Sunday, August 25, 2024, 3pm-6pm

Please Bring A Dish to Share

Last Name Starting with:

A Through H

I Through R

S Through Z

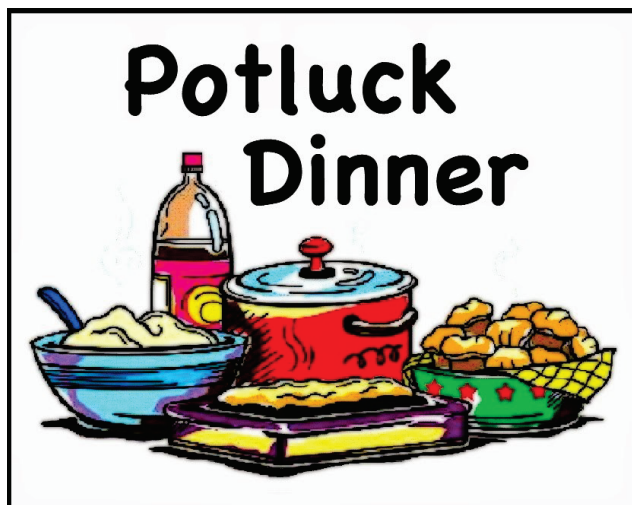
Salad

Side Dish

Dessert

50/50 Raffle

Basket Raffle





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MADE ON THE MOUNTAIN



White Mountains Arts & Crafts Fair

Friday & Saturday

November 8 & 9, 2024

9 AM - 4 PM

St. Joseph Family Center

1915 S. Penrod Lane - Pinetop, AZ

Over 40 local craft vendors!

Plus Church bake sale.

Get all your Christmas shopping completed
with special hand crafted gifts.

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
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