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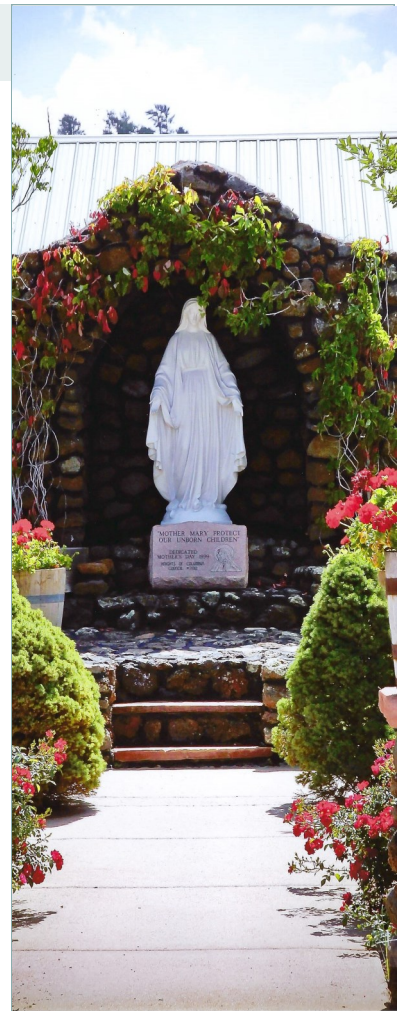
# Madonna Guild News

## We Served Our Church & Community More In 2024!

Thank you for the tremendous amount of work YOU did to support our Church and our White Mountain community in 2024! The Madonna Guild:

- distributed 132 handmade prayer shawls/lap robes and 225 pocket shawls to provide comfort to patients at the Summit Cancer Center, to local nursing homes and to individuals in need.
- distributed 6,038 handmade rosaries to the Florence, AZ prison and to churches throughout the world
- donated \$3,000 to St Francis Church in White River, AZ
- operated two blood drives to collect life-saving blood products
- prepared and served numerous funeral luncheons throughout the year to help grieving families
- distributed locally 300+ handmade Christmas stockings brimming with personal care products, a rosary, and candy to Catholic Charities, Walking Down Ranch (veterans), Meals on Wheels, and White Mountain Villas (low-income housing)
- donated \$10,000 in materials and paint for the exterior upkeep of our Church building
- presented religious book & video study classes throughout the year
- celebrated Father Dan Daley's 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary at St Mary's Church with a Parish Potluck
- gifted 500 books at Christmas to parishioners and to summer residents
- with the help of our parishioners, we donated supplies to the nursing home run by Little Sisters of the Poor in Gallup, NM
- distributed the fixings for Thanksgiving meals to our local community
- paid school tuition for a teenager in Uganda
- stocked and operated a religious library for our parishioners
- welcomed year-round and summer visitors with a Summer Tea

YOU ARE AMAZING!



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## Catching Up with the Spiritual Book Study Ministry!

The New Year 2025 certainly has had a challenging first month for the Spiritual Book Study. Now it seems that all has turned out the way God planned all along.

After not being able to order enough copies of our original selection, Heaven: an Unexpected Journey, we decided to take advantage of having just distributed the parish Christmas Book. We had plenty of copies of Matthew Kelly's The Three Ordinary Voices of God. January 15th was our first session. Several participants have noticed how timely the thoughts and ideas Matthew shares are, reflecting current Church readings as well as current personal issues. It's all about God's "timing" for us.

Are you listening to God's voice? He is speaking to you every day and in many ways. Don't miss Him! If you have not gotten your copy of The Three Voices of God, they are still available in the back of St. Mary of the Angels Church, one per family.

NEXT Spiritual Book Study is from Ascension Press entitled FULFILLED: Uncovering the Biblical Foundations of Catholicism. So if you really want to know why we believe what we do, this session is for you. Each Wednesday from February 19 to April 9th we will watch a lively 30 min video, followed by discussion. The book for this session is \$12.

Our Book Studies meet Wednesdays, in the Church Overflow Hall, at 9:30am. All are welcome and if you need information call Bernie at 703-508-1573. Hope to see you there! — Bernie McConnell



## Rosary Ministry

Dorothy Dobry's team of rosary makers is off to a great start in 2025! A shipment of 430 rosaries went out to flight attendant Mary Ann Lynch for distribution. Dorothy is also putting in an order for more supplies.

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 talented ladies making prayer shawls continue to outdo themselves! At their February 6th meeting the ladies gave 51 shawls, 9 lap robes and 126 pocket shawls. Absolutely outstanding work!

Can you donate yarn? The ladies need 3 skeins of 4 ply yarn to make a single shawl. Walmart has the yarn as well as Michael's and Hobby Lobby in Flagstaff and the Valley.

Interested in joining the prayer shawl ministry? Terry can get you started. She can teach you 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, March 6th at 10am in the Madonna Room.**



## 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.





## CHURCH NEWS

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](mailto:robertson-pl406@gmail.com)



## Looking for Spiritual Enrichment?

- [dynamiccatholic.com](http://dynamiccatholic.com) (free!) Sign up for “Best Lent Ever” with Matthew Kelly
- [The God Minute](http://thegodminute.org) (App) or [thegodminute.org](http://thegodminute.org) (both are free!)
- [Hallow: Prayer & Meditation](http://Hallow:Prayer&Meditation.com) (a Catholic App with an annual subscription fee)

## NEXT MEETING

The next Madonna Guild meeting will be on Thursday, February 13, 2025 at 11:00am in the Overflow Hall. We would love to have you join us! Please call Katherine at 928-595-2888 with any questions.

## PUBLISHER’S NOTE

This Madonna Guild Newsletter is published for the Madonna Guild by Katherine Larson (Galhotra). The sole responsibility for the layout and accuracy of this Newsletter lies with Katherine. If you find any errors or omissions, please contact Katherine at 928-595-2888.

## 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.

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## 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.**

## CHAIR & CO-CHAIR CONTACTS

Ministry	Chairperson	Phone
Bereavement	Mary Matthew	602-463-7645
Blood Drive	Dorothy Dobry	928-368-7371
—Co-Chair	Vicki Picard	928-369-8601
Book Studies	Bernie McConnell	703-508-1573
—Co-Chair	Mary Kay Nelson	602-478-0609
Community Outreach	Arleen Caruth	928-367-2080
Correspondence	Liz Neal	928-434-0677
Fundraisers	Terry Linn	734-259-9826
—Bake Sale	Marge Shadowens	480-586-4204
—Bake Sale	Dorota Rapacz	928-275-5942
—Boutique	Bernie McConnell	703-508-1573
—Boutique	Geannine Aguilar	602-430-7508
—Logistics	Liz Neal	928-434-0677
—Logistics	Alice Spieler	480-688-9835
—50/50 Raffle	Tess Durfee	626-221-9152
—Vendor Raffle	Liz Neal	928-434-0677
—Vendor Raffle	Donna Halcisak	480-639-9691
—Volunteer Food	Christina Vasquez	909-313-9639
Funeral Luncheons	Kriss DesRocher	480-967-3522
—Food	Dorothy Dobry	928-368-7371
—Setup	Sue Slaughaupt	509-630-2153
—Serving	Sherry Mannikko	602-810-1593
—Cleanup	Terry Linn	734-259-9826
Library	Liz Neal	928-434-0677
Madonna Ambassador	Mary Kay Nelson	602-478-0609
Madonna Kitchen	Christina Vasquez	909-313-9639
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

# Calendar 2025

<b>Event</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Three Ordinary Voices of God	Jan 15th-Feb12th	Overflow Hall, 9:30am
Prayer Shawl Meeting	Feb 6th	Madonna Room, 10am
Madonna Meeting	Feb 13th	Overflow Hall, 11am
February Birthday Luncheon	Feb 13th	Red Devil, 12:30pm
President's Day	Feb 17th	OFFICE CLOSED
<u>Fulfilled: Biblical Foundations of Catholicism</u>	Feb 19th-Apr 9th	Overflow Hall, 9:30am
Ash Wednesday	Mar 5th	Masses 8am & 6pm
Prayer Shawl Meeting	Mar 6th	Madonna Room, 10am
Madonna Meeting	Mar 13th	Madonna Room, 11am
March Birthday Luncheon	Mar 13th	TBD, 12:30pm
St Patrick's Day	Mar 17	
Prayer Shawl Meeting	Apr 3rd	Madonna Room, 10am
Madonna Meeting	Apr 10th	Madonna Room, 11am
April Birthday Luncheon	Apr 10th	TBD, 12:30pm
Palm Sunday	Apr 13th	
Penance Service	Apr 14th	Church, 6pm
Holy Thursday	Apr 17th	Mass 6pm
Good Friday	Apr 18th	Mass 6pm
Holy Saturday	Apr 19th	Mass 6pm
Easter Sunday	Apr 20th	Masses 9am & 6pm
OFFICE CLOSED	Apr 21-25th	OFFICE CLOSED
Prayer Shawl Meeting	May 1st	Madonna Room, 10am
Mother's Day	May 4th	Celebrate Moms
Cinco de Mayo	May 5th	
Madonna Meeting	May 8th	Madonna Room, 11am
May Birthday Luncheon	May 8th	TBD, 12:30pm
Craft Fair Setup	May 15th	SJFC, 8am-4pm
Craft Fair	May 16th-17th	SJFC, 9am-4pm
Weekend Masses Move to SJFC	May 24th	SJFC
Memorial Day	May 26th	OFFICE CLOSED

## Calendar 2025 (Con't)

Event	Date	Notes
Prayer Shawl Meeting	Jun 5th	Madonna Room, 10am
Madonna Meeting	Jun 12th	Overflow Hall, 11am
June Birthday Luncheon	Jun 12th	TBD, 12:30pm
Father's Day	Jun 15th	Celebrate Dads
Juneteenth	Jun 19th	OFFICE CLOSED
Blood Drive #1	Jun 19th	SJFC, 12:30pm-5:30pm
Summer Tea	Jun 23rd	Overflow Hall, 12pm-3pm
Prayer Shawl Meeting	Jul 3rd	Madonna Room, 10am
Independence Day	Jul 4th	OFFICE CLOSED
Little Sisters of the Poor Collection	Jul 5th-6th	At All Masses
Madonna Meeting	Jul 10th	Overflow Hall, 11am
July Birthday Luncheon	Jul 10th	TBD, 12:30pm
Meet & Greet	Jul 21st	Overflow Hall, 1pm-3pm
Stocking Decorating	Jul 24th	Overflow Hall, 9am
Prayer Shawl Meeting	Aug 7th	Madonna Room, 10am
Madonna Meeting	Aug 14th	Overflow Hall, 11am
August Birthday Luncheon	Aug 14th	TBD, 12:30pm
Feast of the Assumption	Aug 17th	Masses 9am & 11am
Blood Drive #2	Aug 21	SJFC, 12:30pm-5:30pm
Parish Potluck	Aug 24th	SJFC, 3pm-6:30pm
Labor Day	Sep 1st	OFFICE CLOSED
Prayer Shawl Meeting	Sep 4th	Madonna Room, 10am
Madonna Meeting	Sep 11th	Overflow Hall, 11am
September Birthday Luncheon	Sep 11th	TBD, 12:30pm
Prayer Shawl Meeting	Oct 2nd	Madonna Room, 10am
Madonna Meeting	Oct 9th	Madonna Room, 11am
October Birthday Luncheon	Oct 9th	TBD, 12:30pm
Columbus Day/Indigenous People's Day	Oct 13th	
CCD Halloween Party	Oct 29th	SJFC, 6pm

## Calendar 2025 (Con't)

<b>Event</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Prayer Shawl Meeting	Nov 6th	Madonna Room, 10am
Veteran's Day	Nov 11th	OFFICE CLOSED
Madonna Meeting	Nov 13th	Madonna Room, 11am
November/December Birthday Luncheon	Nov 13th	TBD, 12:30pm
Thanksgiving/OFFICE CLOSED	Nov 27th	Mass 9am
Prayer Shawl Meeting	Dec 4th	Madonna Room, 10am
Madonna Christmas Party/Stuff Stockings	Dec 11th	Overflow Hall, 10am
Christmas Eve Children's Mass	Dec 24th	SJFC, 6pm
Christmas Eve Mass	Dec 24th	Church, 8pm
Christmas Day Mass	Dec 25th	Church, 10am
OFFICE CLOSED	Dec 25th-Jan 4	OFFICE CLOSED
New Year's Day Mass	Jan 1st	Church, 10am



**5th**

**MADE  
ON  
THE  
MOUNTAIN**



**50/50 RAFFLE  
VENDOR  
RAFFLE**

**White Mountain Arts & Crafts Fair**

**Friday & Saturday**

**May 16 & 17, 2025**

**9 AM - 4 PM**

**St Mary of the Angels Church**

**St. Joseph Family Center**

**1915 S. Penrod Lane - Pinetop, AZ**

**Over 40+ local craft vendors!**

**Special handcrafted gift**

**PLUS...Church bake sale, 50/50 Raffle, Vendor Raffle**

**Terry Linn 734-259-9826**



# Madonna Guild

## Membership Form

The Madonna Guild meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month in the Madonna Room, located behind the Church altar, at 11:00 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: \_\_\_\_\_

Summer Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Winter Address: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_ Home: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Date of Birth: Month: \_\_\_\_\_ Day: \_\_\_\_\_

Check the ministries that interest you:

- Blood Drive** (solicit sign-ups or check-in participants)
- Book Studies** (moderate a class or attend classes)
- Fundraisers** (provide baked goods or help with sales or set up/clean up)
- Funeral Luncheons** (set up/serve/clean up luncheon and/or provide food)
- Library** (assist with check out and/or filing of books)
- Prayer Line** (become a Prayer Warrior for ill, deceased, or special intentions)
- Prayer Shawls** (knit or crochet at home, donate yarn – supplies & training provided)
- Rosaries** (make at home - supplies & training provided)
- Social Activities** (arrange social gatherings for Madonnas and to attract new members)
- Stockings for Christmas** (cutting & sewing/decorate stockings)

Hope to see you at the next Madonna Guild Meeting!

Contact us at [madonnapinetop@gmail.com](mailto:madonnapinetop@gmail.com)

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