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Daily (Monday - Saturday)	8:30a.m.
Saturday	4:00p.m.
Sunday	9:00a.m.
Sunday	11:00a.m.
<u>Vistancia Elementary School</u>	
30009 N. Sunrise Point, Peoria, AZ 85383	
Sunday	1:00p.m.

Confessions:

Saturday 9:30a.m.-10:30a.m.

Adoration:

Thursday 9:00a.m.-11:00a.m.

Fr. John's Pasta Sauce

Fr. John's pasta sauce is available for purchase during regular office hours and before Saturday 4:00p.m. Mass. Jars are \$8.50 and come in Divine Tomato Basil and Spicy Arrabiata.

Proceeds benefit *FullCircle*.

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Open Sundays after 9:00a.m. Mass. Bring a bulletin and join us for coffee, donuts or fritters, and fellowship! We look forward to seeing you there!

Our Mother's Day

Dear Friends,

*And when the broken hearted people living in
the world agree,
There will be an answer, Let It Be....
"Let it Be" by the Beatles"*

We are the broken hearted who have found the answer. Most of us have had the "slings and arrows of outrageous fortune" pointed at us, and yet rather than remaining as victims we find the answer in faith. What we agree on even amid so much disagreement is that Jesus is the answer to our broken hearts and wounded souls.

Paul McCarthy, who wrote the lyrics to the song "Let it Be", explained that the genesis of the song came at a time when the Beatles were fracturing, and their business was a mess. He said that he had a dream about his deceased mother, Mary, who was an Irish Catholic and she said to him (about his current dilemma) "Paul, just let it be". Good motherly advice.

McCartney was often asked if the song had any religious meaning. McCartney always gave a rather good answer, saying: "I don't tell people how to interpret my music or what meaning to find in my songs". Songs, like poetry and art usually carry many levels of meaning, even meanings that the writer didn't intend or even think of. Such is the thing we call inspiration.

And so, he wrote: "when I find myself in times of trouble mother Mary comes to me, speaking words of wisdom: let it be. And in my hour of darkness, she is standing right in front of me, speaking words of wisdom: let it be."

I think that it is almost impossible for Catholics, when they hear those lyrics not to think about another mother Mary: the Mother of Jesus, the Great Mother of God. Maybe that's not who McCarthy was writing about but that's who comes to mind. How could it not? The Blessed Mother Mary is such a towering figure in our faith and the one who when we find ourselves not able to approach God, she is the one who we can go to in our need. Why? Because she had her own times of trouble and hour of darkness that makes her understand ours.

Whenever I hear stories of women in Afghanistan who are threatened with stoning, I think of how this same threat had to hang over Mary's head. As the Scriptures tell us "Joseph wanted to divorce her quietly so as not to expose her to the Law". Yet we never hear Mary protesting her innocence but just trusting that despite human fears, God's will would be done. What hope she offers to those who face the fickleness of human forms of vengeance! And what strength she gives to those who face the unplanned or unanticipated curve balls that life throws at us!

But I think most of all she shows us that come what may, God can use the circumstances of our lives for some greater purpose. We just must remain faithful as Mary did to see it through.

It makes sense then that the Church celebrates Mary's Assumption every August 15th. For us as Catholics, it's another sort of Mother's Day on which we recall the wisdom and tender love of our Mother. The Feast of the Assumption is critically important because it gives us the final picture of how things will ultimately turn out. The Church wants us to keep that vision in our sights so as not to lose hope and to push on no matter what.

Mary's "Let it Be" gives us the courage and the wisdom to likewise surrender to God and offer our own "Let it Be".

Love, Fr. John B.

PS This year, since August 15 is a Monday, while still a Holy Day, it is not a day of obligation. When Holy Days fall on Saturday or Monday, in the US, the obligation is dropped except for December 8 and December 25.

Mass Intentions

August 14: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00a.m.: Moquin Family

11:00a.m.: in Thanksgiving for Armand & Lily Barone

1:00p.m.: for the Parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes

August 15

Ross Tudisco†

August 16

David Shelton†

August 17

Sharon Niemiec†

August 18

Ken Kroent†

August 19

Living & Deceased Members of the Susalla & Holdwick Families

August 20

8:30a.m.: Happy 29th Birthday—Kaitlynn Eaton

4:00p.m.: For the Repose of the Souls of Donald Jordan, Lysle Oveson & Annette Hopp

August 21: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00a.m.: For the Parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes

11:00a.m.: Living & Deceased Members of Tapdasan & Barone Families

1:00p.m.: Lucas Borrest†

More Opportunities for Prayer:

Miraculous Medal Novena: join us each Monday after daily Mass (excluding most holidays or whenever the office is closed) to pray to Our Lady. Prayers take approximately 15 minutes. Booklets with the prayers will be provided and collected following the Novena.

Divine Mercy Devotion: a staple devotion in our parish for over 20 years, Divine Mercy meets each Thursday morning following daily Mass with a social following in Madonna Hall. Join us as we pray to obtain our Lord's mercy on us and on the whole world. Contact Fred Malcolm for more information at divinemercyprayers7@gmail.com.

Readings for the Week

Sunday: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53

Monday: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56

Tuesday: Memorial of Saint Stephen of Hungary

Ez 28:1-10; Dt 32:26-27ab, 27cd-28, 30,35c; Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday

Ez 34:1-11; Ps 23:1-3A, 3b-4, 5, 6; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday

Ez 36:23-28; Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Memorial of Saint John Eudes, Priest

Ez 37:1-14; Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Memorial of Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

Ez 43:1-7ab; Ps 85:9ab & 10, 11-12, 13-14; Mt 23:1-12

Sunday: Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 66:18-21; Ps 117:1, 2; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30

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PRAYER PROGRAM

THIS OPPORTUNITY IS FOR ANYONE WHO IS SEEKING SPECIAL HEALING AND COMFORT FOR THEMSELVES. WITH MODIFICATIONS, THE PRAYERS CAN ALSO BE SAID FOR A LOVED ONE. BY PRAYING THIS PROGRAM WITH THE STATUE, YOU ARE PETITIONING THROUGH BLESSED FR. MCGIVNEY, FOR A MIRACLE TO OCCUR AND ASKING FOR YOUR SPECIAL INTENTION TO BE ANSWERED BY GOD.

After your prayer program is completed the statue will be returned to the office. The prayer booklet is yours to keep.



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623-344-7285, wlynch@loloscw.org.



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Parish Choir News

Choir practices will start Thursday,
August 18 at 3pm in the church!

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Lord? We're ready to have you! No
auditions or music reading necessary.

Questions? Call or email Kaitlynn
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Calendar of Events

Monthly Meeting

Wednesday, September 21

Social time: 9:00

General Meeting: 9:30

Our Lady of Lourdes Church - Madonna Hall



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FASHION SHOW

Saturday, October 15, 2022

Madonna Hall

Doors Open 10:00 for shopping

Lunch Served 11:30

Shopping after lunch

Tickets on Sale for Baskets and 50/50

Lynn Conner 623-546-9337 & Jean Green 623-824-9817

Menu

Stuffed Chicken Breast

Pork Tenderloin with Apricot Sauce

Rice Pilaf with Cranberries

Baby Carrots

Salad, & Rolls

Apple Turnover



Interested in making a basket for the Fashion Show,
please contact

Regina Vernaskas at 480-695-2880.

Interested in becoming a member of CDA and help in our many events such as Fabulous Pasta Dinner, Advent Brunch, Rummage Sale, Cookie Walk, and more from September to May, please contact Regent Rosemary Dougherty at 623-760-8479.

CDA Motto: "Unity and Charity"

Summer MINISTRY OF CARE

Looking for a summer Ministry? Have some of your friends gone out of state so you have free time? Have some of your regular Ministries taken the summer off? Ministry of Care, which is taking Holy Communion to the Homebound and Care Centers needs volunteer's year round. Especially during the summer when substitutes and vacation Ministers of Care are always in high demand. Please call Whitney Lynch, 623-344-7285 or wlynch@lolscw.org to be trained as a Minister of Care.

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Please go to phoenix.cmgconnect.org to log in to your Safe Environment profile and complete your 2022-2023 renewal. Your username is probably `firstname.lastname.dop` (e.g. `john.smith.dop`). You can reset your password using your email address!

For questions, email Kaitlynn Eaton at keaton@lolscw.org or call 623-344-7292.

Book of Healing & Comfort

THE BOOK OF HEALING AND COMFORT is for the names of people who are sick, not for the deceased. The names of the sick will remain in the BOOK for six months and they will be prayed for at Mass. Please do not repeat the same name in the Book within the sixth month period.

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