

# LABOR DAY

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Together with a culture of work, there must be a culture of leisure as gratification. To put it another way: people who work must take the time to relax, to be with their families, to enjoy themselves, read, listen to music, play a sport.

Pope Francis



September 4, 2022



OUR LADY OF  
LOURDES  
PARISH & MISSION AT LAKE PLEASANT PKWY

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### Office Hours:

Sunday: 8:00a.m. - 1:00p.m.  
Monday - Thursday: 8:00a.m. - 4:00p.m.  
Friday: 8:30a.m. - 12:00p.m.

**For information about the Sacraments, including access to our 24-hour Anointing of the Sick and Funeral lines, please call the main office phone.**

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#### Mass Times:

Daily (Monday - Saturday)	8:30a.m.
Saturday	4:00p.m.
Sunday	9:00a.m.
Sunday	11:00a.m.

Vistancia Elementary School  
30009 N. Sunrise Point, Peoria, AZ 85383

Sunday	1:00p.m.
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#### 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*.

Please make checks out to *FullCircle Program*

## Bernadette's Brew

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!

## There Is A Solution

Dear Friends,

September is National Recovery Month; bringing awareness that there is a solution to the problem of addiction/alcoholism. Alcoholics Anonymous, the granddaddy of recovery, puts it this way, when describing how to deal with the problem: "without help it is too much for us. But there is one who has all power-that one is God. May you find him now!"

And lest we think the problem is someone else's, Alcoholics Anonymous reminds us that the problem, "engulfs all whose lives touch the sufferer's. It brings misunderstanding, fierce resentment, financial insecurity, disgusted friends, and employers, warped lives of blameless children, and wives and parents... ". Which is why there is also the Al-anon Family of recovery programs, to help all those affected directly or indirectly by the addict/alcoholic behavior.

Alcoholics Anonymous is most famous for its Twelve Steps. From a spiritual point of view, they contain nothing new, nothing that hasn't been part of most religious traditions in the West: the need for faith in God, confession of sins/faults, a commitment to working on personal character defects or vices, practicing virtue, making amends for harm done, daily personal inventory or examination of conscience, prayer and meditation and self-sacrificial service. What is unique about the Twelve Steps is that these spiritual principles were put together in such an order that they could be applied to the problem of alcoholism and by extension other addictions, in such a way to provide relief for the sufferer.

Though the spiritual principles were already available, it took until 1939 for them to come together in the 12 Steps. However, there were some who used the principles and did find relief from their suffering. One such example was a man known as Matt Talbot. Matt was a working-class man in Dublin, and he gradually burned his life to the ground with his drinking. No matter how many times he stopped drinking, he could not find a way to stay stopped. He had the best of intentions but no willpower over his drinking.

During that time in the 19<sup>th</sup> century, Temperance Societies sprung up. Seeing the devastation that alcohol was causing so many individuals and families, these Societies asked people to "take the Pledge", that is swear off alcohol for various periods of time. Here in the US that movement would culminate in the passage of the 18<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the Constitution. Matt tried many times to take the pledge but was not able to honor it for very long.

Finally, realizing that he was spiritually bankrupt and had no power to control his drinking, he surrendered his will to God's will and found his way to becoming sober. But he realized quickly that he would need continued spiritual help to stay that way. From then on, he lived life with daily Mass, pray, penance and acts of sacrificial service. The man who was once a disgrace to his family and community became an almost saint-like man and stayed sober for the next 40 years until his death.

In many ways he applied the 12 Steps to his alcohol problem even before there were the 12 Steps. Thankfully for us, we don't have to search too hard for the solution. However, the tricky thing with alcoholism and addiction, one of its chief symptoms is that it tells you emphatically that you don't have a problem. And so, if you know someone who has a problem but won't admit they have a problem, ask Matt Talbot to intercede for them, that they may have a moment of clarity and a spiritual awakening. (His cause for sainthood has been on-going.)

*"Lord, you give us the example of Venerable Matt Talbot as a man who seemed completely lost and beyond your grace. In a single moment, you pierced his heart and changed his mind, leading him back to you. Jesus, I pray for this same conversion and transformation for \_\_\_\_\_ in your perfect will and timing and for your greater glory. Amen."*

Love, Fr. John B.

PS Come to Bingo on the 17<sup>th</sup> in Madonna Hall and support the FullCircle Program for Youth at Risk! Details and tickets available on our website or in the Parish office.

## Mass Intentions

### September 4: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

**9:00a.m.:** For the Repose of the Souls of Louise & Carol Voit

**11:00a.m.:** Telesford & Epifania Tapdasant†

**1:00p.m.:** Gerald Cerepat†

### September 5

David Sturdy†

### September 6

Shawn Mansert†

### September 7

Lucille Egan†

### September 8

Rosario & Frances Robles†

### September 9

Blessed Frederic Ozanam Canonization Feast Day

### September 10

**8:30a.m.:** Maria Ranieri†

**4:00p.m.:** Nicholas Haja†

### September 11: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**9:00a.m.:** Bob Lorenzen†

**11:00a.m.:** For the Well-Being of the Congregation of OLOL

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

## 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](mailto:divinemercyprayers7@gmail.com).

## Readings for the Week

### Sunday: Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 9:13-18b; Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 & 17; Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33

### Monday

1 Cor 5:1-8; Ps; 5:5-6, 7, 12; Jn 10:27; Lk 6:6-11

### Tuesday

1 Cor 6:1-11; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a & 9b; Lk 6:12-19

### Wednesday

1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17; Lk 6:20-26

### Thursday: Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 13:6ab, 6c; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

### Friday: Memorial of Saint Peter Claver, Priest

1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6, 12; Jn 17:17b, 17a; Lk 6:39-42

### Saturday

1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:12-13, 17-18; Lk 6:43-49

### Sunday: Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19; 1 Tm 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32 or Lk 15:1-10

## 2023 MASS INTENTIONS

The Mass Book for 2023 will open on **September 8**. We will be offering Mass Intention scheduling in Madonna Hall that morning. Please come prepared with your Mass Intention information sheet (available on the website or in the office) filled out and our volunteers will help you schedule your Mass Intention.

**Please note: parishioners are limited to 2 Sunday Masses per month, per person. There are not limits on how many weekday Masses you can schedule. We have many parishioners who want Mass Intentions and a limited number of Masses, so we are limiting the number of Sundays in order to accommodate everyone's request as best we can!**

For questions, please contact Patty in the office at 623-546-2767. Please do **not** email Patty with Mass Intention requests - they are likely to get lost in her emails, as we have had several requests for 2023 already.



**Knights of Columbus Food Drive**

September 15, 2022 | 8 AM to 2 PM

The Knights of Columbus Our Lady of Lourdes Council 11809 is hosting a food drive to benefit Valley View Community Food Bank.

**Two Drop-off Locations**

**Sun City West Foundation**

Corner of RH Johnson & Stardust Blvd.

**Our Lady of Lourdes Church**

19002 N 128th Ave Sun City West



Monetary Donations Also Accepted.

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*Our Lady's Guild*



Some ladies who come do their crafts in Madonna Hall. Bazaar Chairs, Debbie Aldridge and Christa Scott (pictured back row)

The Guild is getting ready for the First Annual Bazaar which will take place on Friday, November 4th and Saturday, November 5th in Madonna Hall. There will be many booths at the Bazaar from Baking, Odds and Ends, Collectibles, Knitting, and everything and anything you could ever want or need.

Several tables of ladies work on their crafts each Wednesday. Come and join them! You can make new friends while enjoying a cup of coffee and a snack. For more information regarding the Bazaar, please contact: Christa Scott at (602) 505-4182 or Debbie Aldridge at (623) 229-5607. They are waiting to hear from you!

The Book Club meets on September 8 at 9:30a.m. in the Fr. McGivney Room. "The Lost Wife" by Alyson Richman is up for discussion.

The Franciscan Renewal Center is having a day retreat on October 7 from 9a.m. to 4p.m. Sign up on their website for 'Your Story, Your Legacy.' The cost is \$85 and we will car pool from the OLOL parking lot.

We are also looking for a new Historian to take pictures of Guild events and record those events this year.

Our Lady's Guild will hold its first meeting of the year in Madonna Hall on September 12 at 9:30a.m. Socialization and sign-in will start at 9:00a.m. The "Getting to Know You!" will start at 9:30a.m. Guests are always welcome! For more information regarding Our Lady's Guild, please contact President Lori Duryea at (623) 243-6952.

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TO BENEFIT

**FULLCIRCLE**

OUR LADY OF LOURDES CATHOLIC CHURCH  
 19002 N. 128TH AVE  
 SUN CITY WEST, AZ 85375

**September 17, 2022**

**6pm (Early Bird Games Start at 5:30pm)**

**Tickets on Sale Now on the FullCircle Website**  
**fullcircleprogram.com**

**Regular Admission: \$40 (10 games & refreshments)**

**All Inclusive Admission: \$65 (includes early bird and jackpot games & refreshments)**



**Your Sacrificial Giving - August 21**

<b>Plate Giving</b> (cash & check)	\$10,316
<b>Mission Giving:</b>	\$1,169
<b>Plate Giving</b> (electronic)	\$14,235
<b>Total Giving</b>	<b>\$25,720</b>
<b>Maintenance Fund</b>	\$148.50
<b>Respect Life Ministry</b>	\$49.50
<b>LP - Building Fund</b>	\$450
<b>Flowers</b>	\$50
<b>St. Vincent de Paul</b>	\$452



We are single due to the death of a spouse, divorce, or by choice. We are not a singles club, we are a faith based social group that brings lives together when you want to have someone in your life to share activities with.

**SOLO SPOUSE GROUP**

**1ST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH MEETING TO OUTLINE ALL THE PLANS FOR THE MONTH AHEAD**

AT THE MEETING, YOU ARE PROVIDED A CALENDAR OF THE ACTIVITIES, AND YOU CHOOSE WHICH ACTIVITIES YOU SIGN UP FOR DURING THAT MONTH.

1ST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH | 4:00 PM  
 OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH (MADONNA HALL)  
 19002 N. 128TH AVE. SUN CITY WEST, AZ 85375

Organizers Contact: John Battoe 623-977-7073

Church Contact: Whitney Lynch 623-344-7285

If unable to attend the Monthly Meeting you may pick up the Monthly calendar of activities In Our Lady of Lourdes Church Office with Receptionist

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**OUR LADY'S GUILD**  
**First Annual Fall Bazaar**

We need YOU at our craft workshops!



WEDNESDAYS 9:00A..M.-11:30A.M.

MADONNA HALL

QUESTIONS OR DONATIONS:

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Bernadette's Brew will return after the 11:00a.m. Mass on September 11!

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