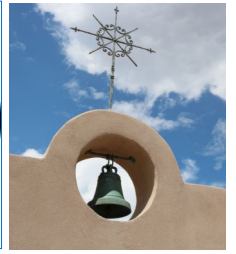




# OUR LADY of Joy

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## 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

And it happened that, while [Jesus] was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. - Lk 24:30-31

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### Our Lady of Joy Mission Statement

Our mission is to build a community of missionary disciples through the sacraments, prayer, acts of charity, and evangelization and catechesis based on the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church.



[www.oloj.org](http://www.oloj.org)

### Liturgy Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass:

5:00PM (also via Livestream)

Sunday Masses:

7:00AM, 9:00AM, 11:00AM (also via Livestream)

4:00PM Teen Mass

Daily Mass: 8 AM Monday—Saturday

### Confession/Reconciliation

Tuesday-Friday 7:30AM –7:50 AM

Saturday: 4 PM -4:50 PM

Sunday: 20 minutes before each Mass

### Regular Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday:

8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Friday:

8:30 AM - 3:00 PM

Sunday:

8:00 AM - 12:30PM

### Church Hours

Sunday-Friday: 7:00 AM –5:00 PM

Saturday: 7:00 AM-6:00 PM

Adoration Chapel is open 24/7 with key fob at night

### Café & Gift Shop Hours:

The café is open Monday through Friday from 8 AM to Noon and on Sundays 8 AM to 12:30 PM. The Gift Shop is open 8:30 AM to 3 PM Monday through Friday and after all Sunday morning Masses. If there is no volunteer in the shop, purchases may be taken to the parish office.

#### False Solicitations

Please know that none of our priests engage in email or text solicitations and that all such requests should be ignored.

#### Mailing Address

Mail delivery in Carefree is to Post Office boxes only. Our PO Box number can be found at the top of this page.

April 19, 2026 Third Sunday of Easter

***Catholicism for the Curious  
with Deacon Dan Doheny***

**Thursday, May 21 6:30 - 8 pm Parish Hall  
Marriage, Convalidation, Annulments**

**Catholicism for the Curious** is a monthly program for all curious people who want to deepen their understanding of Church teachings. The program, led by Deacon Dan Doheny, meets the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall. There is no charge and no RSVP is required.

We hope to see you there!  
[deacondanaz@gmail.com](mailto:deacondanaz@gmail.com)

**LAURA HICKS ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT**

After serving at Our Lady of Joy for 24 years, it is with a mixture of joy and reflection that I write to share the news of my upcoming retirement as Director of Parish Operations, effective June 30, 2026.

Twenty-four years ago, after being hired, I never imagined the profound impact this community would have on my life and my family's life. I feel blessed to have worked closely with so many of you over the years and to have met your families and loved ones. Serving this parish and working alongside such dedicated leaders has been one of the greatest privileges of my career. Over the years, I have been deeply inspired by your commitment to our mission and the selfless way you lead your respective ministries. Together, we have worked through seven remodels, welcomed two different orders of sisters, and celebrated major milestones of the church and of our beloved priests--all while witnessing God's work in the life of our congregation.

For the next two and a half months, I remain committed to finishing a few ongoing projects, preparing next year's budget, and working with Fr. Jess and the leadership team to help find my successor. I am extremely grateful for your partnership and friendship. While I look forward to spending more time with my husband, Bill, and my family, and to exploring new personal passions, I will always cherish the memories we have built together here at Our Lady of Joy.

With thanks and gratitude,

*Laura Hicks*

Director of Parish Operations



**A MESSAGE FROM  
FR. JESS**

Dear Family of God,

**Why did Pope Francis Proclaim the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time as the Word of God Sunday?**

**"He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures" (Luke 24:45).**

Pope Francis has written an Apostolic Letter on September 30, 2019, with this title, so he can encourage us to read, study, reflect and practice what we learn from the Bible which is the Word of God. Why? Because, we have to know that:

**First, Jesus is the ultimate teacher of the Sacred Scriptures. He knows and proclaims the importance of the Old Testament to understand more deeply the New Testament. The New is hidden in the Old and the Old is fulfilled in the New. It is not enough to just read the New or the Gospel only. We have to learn and study too the Old, so that we will know what is being prophesied in the Old, that is being fulfilled in the New. We call this method Typology.**

**Secondly, on the same day after Jesus's resurrection he did this Bible study with these two disciples. Telling us how important is the Word in order to know Him. But they only recognized him during the breaking of the bread, the same thing He did during the last supper. The Word of God is inseparable with the Eucharist. That is why every Mass we have Liturgy of the Word and then Liturgy of the Eucharist. We will understand more the Eucharist and our mission when we are attentive to His Word.**

**May we all recognize Our Lord Present in our midst, in the Church, and in the Eucharist by being attentive to His Word.**

**Yours in Christ through Mary Immaculate,**

**Fr. Jess Ty**



Life Teen (9-12th grade)



Meets on Sundays, 5:00 pm-6:30 pm

Come join us as we discuss the Virtue of Justice!

Edge (6-8th grade)

Meets on Wednesdays, 5:30pm-7:00pm

Come join us as we discuss The Ark of the Covenant!

### Attention Catholic Women!

Are you a young female adult, college age or older? Are you on fire for the Lord? Are you passionate about bringing Christ to our youth? If so, Join Life Teen Core!

We are looking for young adult volunteers to help on Sunday nights after the 4 pm Mass with our Youth Ministry program for high school students. Currently, we have a good base of righteous men to help lead but we are in need of young women to volunteer!

If you feel called or have any questions, please contact Ethan Bowers at [ebowers@oloj.org](mailto:ebowers@oloj.org) or at 480-346-3046.



### St. Vincent de Paul Spring Food Drive April 18-19 and April 25-26

The St. Vincent de Paul conference of Our Lady of Joy collects food for needy families in Spring and November. **This year's spring drive for the benefit of Foothills Food Bank begins the weekend of April 18-19 with distribution of food bags to parishioners.** You can take as many bags as you are able to fill. The need for food is tremendous!

**Collection of filled bags will be on April 25-26.** Bring your filled bags to the parish before Mass. A grateful Vincentian will greet you and accept your contribution.

Cash and check donations are also welcome. Please make your check payable to: Foothills Food Bank. The food bank has been a wonderful partner for our St. Vincent de Paul conference, helping us to meet the needs of those less fortunate in our community. Thank you for providing us the means to feed God's poor!

Contact: Scott Freeman at 602-552-5179 or at [freeman\\_home@hotmail.com](mailto:freeman_home@hotmail.com)

### Welcome to Our Lady's Corner— Your Source for Catholic Inspiration



In whatever state a soul might be, it ought to pray.

- The soul, which is pure and beautiful must pray, or else it will lose its beauty. A soul which is striving after this purity must pray, or else it will never attain it
- A soul which is newly converted must pray, or else it will fall again
- A sinful soul, plunged in sins, must pray, so that it might rise again
- There is no soul which is not bound to pray, for every single grace comes to the soul through prayer.

Diary of St. Faustina, 146

Prayer is crucial. Prayer is necessary for the life of a soul. Your soul is very important. How do you take care of it?

- Welcome the Father, the Son, the Holy Spirit
- Talk to them - tell them EVERYTHING. Don't think there is one single thing that they do not want to hear from your lips.
- Spend time praising them - thanking them
- Read the day's gospel, or any bible passage. Then go back and read it again - slowly. What stands out? Spend a few minutes with this. THIS IS HOW THEY SPEAK TO YOU. Jesus said that His voice is so soft that only a recollected soul can hear Him. A recollected soul is one who pays attention to the presence of God in their soul, so read the passage focusing on the presence of God in your soul.
- Spend a minute or two reflecting. What is the takeaway? -Say, "Jesus, deliver me from the notion that I can make it on my own. Help me to trust and lean on you in all my ways."

Who doesn't have 20 minutes to pray this way every day? Nobody.

## SANCTITY OF LIFE

Our Lady of Joy Sanctity of Life meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month in August through June from 9 AM to 11 AM in the Parish Hall. New members and guests are always welcome! We support, take part in events, and actively work on projects in our community that affect *all life from conception until natural death*.

Contact: Kathy Heisler 602-418-7858  
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## MILITARY VETERANS MINISTRY

The Our Lady of Joy Military Veterans Ministry exists to pray for, honor, connect and serve the veterans in the community. If you would like to find out more about the ministry or would like to be informed via email of the various activities of the ministry, please contact Mike Wold at [milvetministry@gmail.com](mailto:milvetministry@gmail.com)

If you or a veteran friend or veteran family member need information about available resources or needs other assistance, please contact Mike Wold.

## Readings of the Week ©LPI

### Week of April 19, 2026

Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2 and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35  
Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/Jn 6:22-29  
Tuesday: Acts 7:51-8:1a/ Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab/Jn 6:30-35  
Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/ Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/Jn 6:35-40  
Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/ Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/Jn 6:44-51  
Friday: Acts 9:1-20/ Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 6:52-59  
Saturday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/ Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20  
Next Sunday: Acts 2:14a, 36-41/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10

### MOVED, MARRIED OR HAD A BABY? NEW PHONE NUMBER? NEW EMAIL?

We are happy to update your parish record with any recent life changes! Just call the Parish Office at 480-488-2229.



OLOJ Knights of Columbus  
[www.kofc11116.org](http://www.kofc11116.org)

- Golf Fore Charity: Monday, May 4 "Sign Up Now"
- Council Officer Meeting: Tuesday, May 12
- Assembly & Council Meetings: Thursday, May 14 Officer Election
- Council Officer Meeting: Tuesday, June 9
- Assembly & Council Meetings: Thursday, June 11
- Arizona Rosary Celebration: Friday, June 19

Catholic men ages 18 and older are invited to join the Knights. Contact Mike Maniglia at 408-314-7600 or email [m2.busdev@yahoo.com](mailto:m2.busdev@yahoo.com)

### WHY BECOME A KNIGHT?



**PUT YOUR FAITH IN ACTION!**  
JOIN COUNCIL 11116 ONLINE TODAY!



### Spring Clothing Drive Is a Success!

Thank you to all our parishioners who donated items for the St. Vincent de Paul Spring clothing drive. Through your donations we collected 28 bags of clothing and 38 bags of shoes as well as small appliances and home goods. The Our Lady of Joy Conference of St. Vincent de Paul sends a grateful thank you and prayers to all who participated.

### For the week of April 19- April 25, 2026

The Sanctuary Candle has been sponsored in honor of **Jessica Baranda** at the request of Papa Savasta

The Adoration Candle has been sponsored in memory of **Bonnie Tamborski** at the request of Robert Tamborski



*May the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen*

## Want to Join the Catholic Church or Receive a Sacrament?

If you or someone you know would like to become Catholic or receive the sacraments (baptism, communion, confirmation), OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults) can help! Please reach out to Deacon Dan at [deacondanaz@gmail.com](mailto:deacondanaz@gmail.com). Our next session of classes will begin on Sunday, September 13th.



## Grief and Healing After Infant Loss

Presented by The Institute for Reproductive Grief  
Tuesday, April 21 at 9 am in the Parish Hall

Dr. Michaelene Fredenburg, CEO and founder of the Institute, will discuss her unique approach to grief and healing after infant loss. The Institute is the global authority on grief after reproductive loss, equipping individuals as well as frontline medical teams and chaplains to provide compassionate, whole-person care to families experiencing miscarriage, stillbirth, infertility, and neonatal loss. With one in four pregnancies ending in miscarriage, often with limited emotional support, this work is both urgent and deeply impactful. All are welcome.



## THAT MAN IS YOU

All men are invited to join "That Man Is You", a fellowship devoted to becoming men after God's own Heart. TMIY explores the pressures and temptations that men face in our modern culture, especially those relating to our roles as fathers and husbands.

Please join us on Fridays for a hot breakfast at 6 am followed by a video and discussion from 6:30 – 7:30 in the Parish Hall. No registration required.

## GriefShare--A GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Tuesdays from January 20 - April 28  
9 am - 10:30 am in Room 1 of Parish Hall  
Led by Chaplain Miriam Rosa Cummo

We offer help and encouragement after the death of a loved one. A GriefShare support group is a safe, welcoming place where people understand the difficult emotion of grief. At this 13-week session, you will receive valuable guidance and tips, leading you to relief, comfort and peace of mind. No registration required.

If you have questions, contact: Miriam at:  
[mrosa211@yahoo.com](mailto:mrosa211@yahoo.com)  
[www.griefshare.org](http://www.griefshare.org)



## Memorial Garden for Unborn Children

Our Sanctity of Life Ministry presents a sacred space of peace and remembrance to honor the lives of unborn children lost through abortion or miscarriage. The Memorial Garden for Unborn Children, located just east of the church, offers a place for prayer, reflection, and healing.

Families and individuals are invited to order a Remembrance Plaque to be placed within the garden as a lasting tribute. Each plaque serves as a symbol of love, hope, and faith in God's mercy.

Plaque Information: Cost: \$100 Order forms are available in the Parish Office. If this presents a financial hardship, please let us know.

*"Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you."*

– Jeremiah 1:5

**KINGDOM QUEST**  
AN EPIC JOURNEY TO DISCOVER GOD'S KINGDOM

**OUR LADY OF JOY**  
**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**  
**JULY 13TH - JULY 17TH**  
**9AM - 12 NOON**

**REGISTER HERE:**  
[HTTPS://MYVBS.ORG/OLOJVBS](https://myvbs.org/olojvbs)

TEEN & ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

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For detailed descriptions of our ministries, please visit [www.olj.org](http://www.olj.org) or pick up a Ministry & Resources booklet from the narthex.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

- **April 18-19: Distribution of food bags for St. Vincent de Paul Spring Food Drive after all Masses** See page 3
- **April 25-26: Collection of food bags for St. Vincent de Paul Spring Food Drive before all Masses** See page 3
- **May 10: Crowning of Mary at 9 AM and 11 AM Masses**
- **May 25: Parish Office closed for Memorial Day**

### *A Personal Encounter with Jesus An Opportunity for Eucharistic Adoration*

This Adoration experience takes place on the second Sunday of each month in the church from 2:30 PM to 3:30 PM. Our next monthly Adoration will be on Sunday, May 10.

***Devotion to the Eucharist is the most noble, because it has God as its object; it is the most profitable for salvation, because it gives us the Author of Grace.*** St. Pope Pius X

### Immaculate Mary

There are numerous apparition claims concerning the Blessed Virgin. However, there are only 16 apparitions validated by the Vatican.

**The approved apparition for April is: Our Lady of Zeitoun  
April 2 (1968-1971, Egypt)**

Vignette: Mary appears in luminous form above St. Mark's Coptic Church, witnessed by thousands, Christian and Muslim alike. Inquiry: Approved by Coptic Pope Kyrillos VI. Symbol: Light. Prayer: *Mother of Light, shine Christ's peace upon the world.*

### OUR LADY OF JOY PARISH COUNCIL

**Chris Bos, President  
Sharon Madura  
Mary Ellen Candra  
Veronica Fuller  
Christine Griffin  
Lee Waymire  
Dan Sullivan  
Ethan Bowers**

### ARIZONA ABORTION ALTERNATIVES

The Knights of Columbus at Our Lady of Joy support women who are dealing with the uncertainty of an unplanned pregnancy. They provide support and assistance by directing women who are seeking advice to [www.arizonaabortionalternatives.com](http://www.arizonaabortionalternatives.com). This site offers information about Catholic adoption services, local pregnancy centers and resources for those seeking healing after an abortion.

For 24/7 assistance from our Diocese,  
please call 888-818-4445.

### **MORE THAN 2,000 PARISHIONERS ARE SIGNED UP TO RECEIVE OUR BIWEEKLY EMAIL BLAST! ARE YOU ONE OF THEM?**

If you are not, please send your email address to Lauren at [lhara@oloj.org](mailto:lhara@oloj.org) so that you can be up-to-date with all of the latest and most comprehensive news from our parish and our diocese.

### *Our Lady's Guild*

***We welcome all ladies of the parish to join our  
ministry of faith and friendship***

Our Lady's Guild will have its next meeting April 21st. Guest speaker Stephanie Pressler from Experience Scottsdale will present a "Unique Look at Old Town Scottsdale." Join us for Mass at 8. Fellowship, meeting and guest speaker to follow.

***Guild registration forms are available in the parish office,  
on the parish website and at our meetings.***  
[olojladysguild@gmail.com](mailto:olojladysguild@gmail.com)

### MONTHLY HEALING MASS

**Third Friday of every month at 8 AM**  
Join one of our priests for a Healing Mass and the Rosary followed by prayer for any physical, emotional, mental or spiritual ailment or burden. Our Healing Ministry team will be available after the Rosary to assist in prayer.

## Adoration Chapel Sign-Ups

If you are interested in signing up for an hour of Eucharistic Adoration, please contact Mark Neagle at [adorationscheduler9@gmail.com](mailto:adorationscheduler9@gmail.com) or at (914) 645-3335

## Marian Movement of Priests Prayer Cenacle Meets on Mondays 8:30 AM—10:00 AM

Our Lady's Queen of Peace Prayer Cenacle of the Marian Movement of Priests is calling us to experience joy and peace at Our Lady of Joy Parish. We meet every Monday morning after the 8 AM Mass. We say the rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet in church and then proceed to the Parish Hall for prayers and readings to entrust ourselves to Mary's Immaculate Heart in the spirit of little children. We pray for our priests as well as for the sick, suffering and holy souls.

Please join us!



## Dr. Brant Pitre Scripture Study

This popular scripture study class meets on Mondays from 10 AM to 11 AM in Rooms 2 and 3 of the Parish Hall. This class is moderated by Fr. Jess. All are welcome! No registration required.

## Legion of Mary

Meets on Saturdays at 8:45 AM in the Library

Legionaries are under the guidance of a spiritual director named by the pastor. The Legion is, in essence, an extension of the heart and hands of the pastor.

Members become instruments of the Holy Spirit through a balanced program of prayer and service. Works may include:

- Parishioner visitation
- Visitation of the sick or aged
- Religious education
- Fatima Pilgrim Virgin Statue rotations
- Sacred Heart Enthronement
- Door to Door Evangelization
- Distribution of Catholic Literature and Rosaries
- First Saturday Devotion

Contact Terri Brubaker for more info:

[terri@chooseablessing.org](mailto:terri@chooseablessing.org) or 775-253-5552



## Sanctuary & Adoration Chapel Candles

All Catholic Churches have Our Blessed Lord in repose at all times in the Tabernacle on the Altar and in their Adoration Chapel (if they have one). Next to the Tabernacle is a candle that must be perpetually lit to indicate the presence of Our Lord.

In addition to Mass Intentions, we offer our parishioners the opportunity to sponsor a Sanctuary Candle or an Adoration Chapel Candle in honor or in memory of a loved one.

We publish these names in our bulletin each week and the sponsor is provided with a card that they can give to the family of the person they are honoring or remembering.

You may sponsor a candle for a \$20 donation by visiting the office or by calling the office at 480-488-2229.



In this Sunday's Gospel, as we hear the story of the disciples on the road to Emmaus, we also come to know that our daily reaching out to our neighbor is our daily walk with the risen Christ; we recognize him in others.

Through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul brings the love and care of Jesus to the poor by assisting with their important everyday needs.

## DO YOU KNOW ABOUT TILMA?

In October 2024, Bishop John Dolan announced his historic seven-year Pastoral Plan on evangelization. Inspired by Our Lady of Guadalupe, the patroness of the Diocese of Phoenix, the plan begins in January 2025 and leads up to December 2031--the 500th anniversary of Our Lady of Guadalupe appearing to Saint Juan Diego on Tepeyac Hill in modern day Mexico City.

For more information about the Seven-Year Pastoral Plan and to read the Pastoral Letter, visit [tilma.dphx.org](http://tilma.dphx.org)

## OLOJ Library Book Review

Title: *Let Nothing Disturb You*

Author: St. Teresa of Avila (John Kirvan, ed.)

Library Bookshelf: Saints section or on the book cart  
Content: (30 Days with a Great Spiritual Teacher Series)

Discover in an easily accessible format. In *Let Nothing Disturb You*, selections from Teresa's writings have been carefully chosen and arranged for morning and evening meditation.

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### Sunday, April 19th

7:00 am† Ed Burki  
9:00 am† Karen Sparks  
11:00 am† Fr Herb Hauck  
4:00 pm Parishioners

### Monday, April 20th

8:00 am† Brother William Mann, OFM

### Tuesday, April 21st

8:00 am Our Lady's Guild Members

### Wednesday, April 22nd

8:00 am† Lottie Stefanich

### Thursday, April 23rd

8:00 am† Helen Codega

### Friday, April 24th

8:00 am† Robert Meeder, Sr.

### Saturday, April 25th

8:00 am† Ralph Solorzano  
5:00 pm Parishioners

### Sunday, April 26th

7:00 am† Jan Whelton  
9:00 am† Rob Neill  
11:00 am† Georgia Lee Hoover Stiles  
4:00 pm† John Rego

### Prayer Intentions and Requests

A family member may request prayers for those who are ill or who are deceased. Contact Lauren at 480-346-3043 or at [lharo@oloj.org](mailto:lharo@oloj.org) to add a name. If the person is deceased, we will need to know if you would like their name to be included in our annual Mass of Remembrance.

#### *For those who are ill:*

Albert Venezia	Bennett Levinson
Ron & Kathy Madden	Gaspere Campisi
Katie Dekker	Carlo Ventitelli
Betty Zeestratten	Brian Sichko
Barb Ehrhart	

#### *For those born to eternal life, especially:*

Jim Botten	Ronald Orson
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