

Our Lady of the Desert Catholic Church

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Office Open Monday-Thursday, 9:00am-2:00pm, Closed on Fridays

Third Sunday of Easter - April 19, 2026

Saturdays: Vigil English Mass 4:00pm—Sundays: 7:30am English Mass, 9:30am English Mass, 11:30am Spanish Mass & 2:00pm English Mass. Weekday English Mass 7:30am Monday-Saturday. Adoration on Fridays 8am-7pm; Confessions: Saturdays at 2:30pm or by appointment.

Church is closed at 12 noon, Monday thru Thursday. On Fridays at 7:00pm.
La Iglesia cierra a las 12 mediodía lunes a jueves, los viernes a las 7pm.

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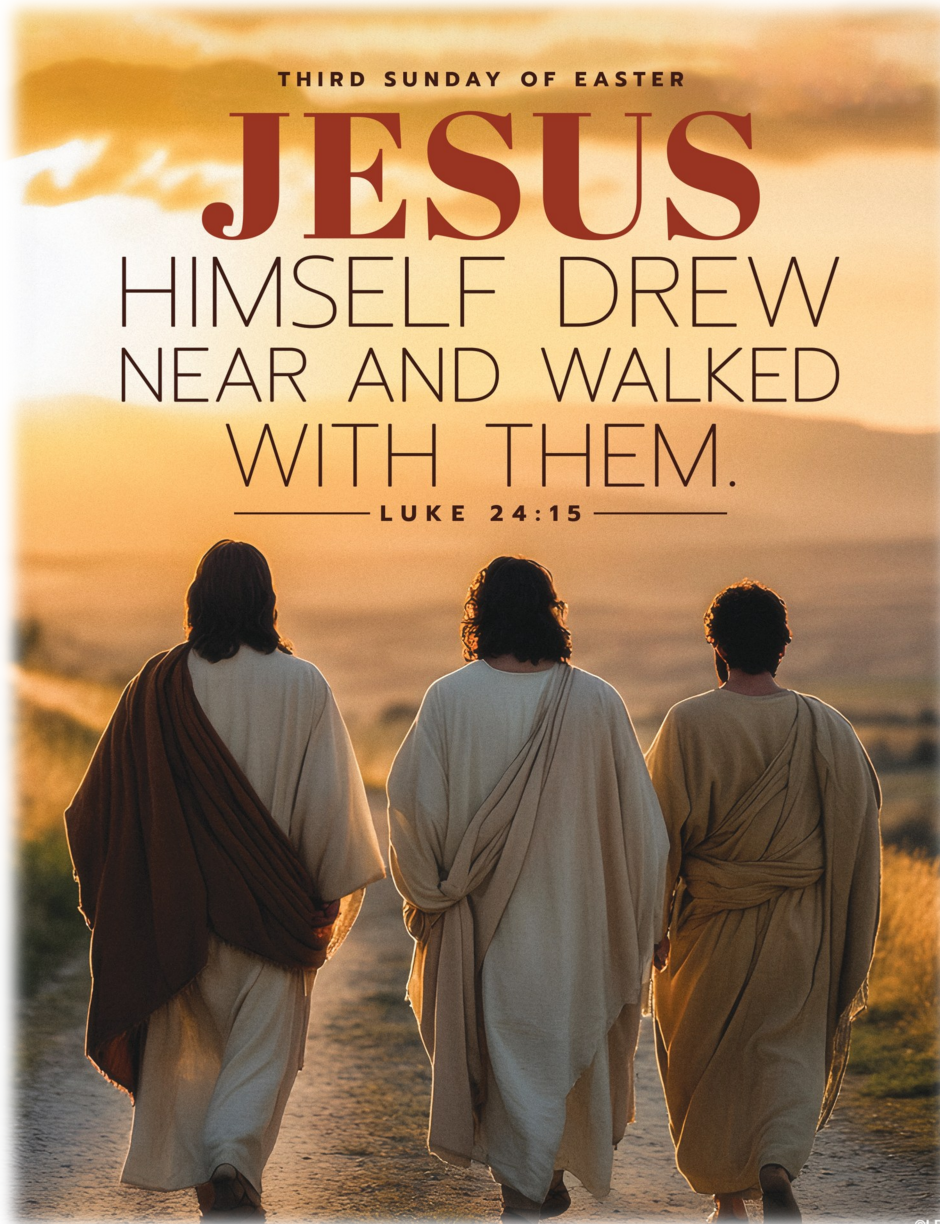
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Para una emergencia SOLAMENTE de
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Our Mission - We, as members of Our Lady of the Desert Church, through the guidance of our Blessed Mother Mary, are a community of believers in Jesus Christ, from whom we have the mission of making His Gospel alive in our parish and in the world. By living out His Gospel, we help to shape a society with greater respect for human life, economic and environmental justice, cultural diversity, and global solidarity, so that we will build a church where everyone feels welcome and through it will find happiness and salvation.

Nuestra Misión - Nosotros, como miembros de la Iglesia de Nuestra Señora del Desierto, con la dirección de Nuestra Madre María, somos una comunidad de creencia en Jesús Cristo, que tenemos la misión de hacer su evangelio vivo en nuestra parroquia y en el mundo. Viviendo su evangelio, ayudamos a formar una sociedad con mayor respecto a la vida humana, a la economía y justicia al ambiente, diversidad cultural, y la solidaridad global, de modo que construyamos una iglesia donde todos se sientan bienvenidos con felicidad y salvación.

Jesus came back into the world through a naïve stranger to give the disciples on the road to Emmaus what they needed. By the way, those disciples might as well be us. What did they need? The disciples needed a faith that is love. They could not understand why Jesus, if he was the Messiah, had to suffer and die on the cross.

Sound familiar? How many times do we refuse to accept our own suffering? How many times have we headed away from Jerusalem, away from the resurrection, away from the church, and away from the good news, because we cannot accept our suffering? But even when we are headed in the wrong direction, Jesus comes to our rescue. Jesus gives us the power to go back in the right direction. And Jesus gives us the power to become the Risen Christ for others. How? By transforming our faith into more than faith. Let's see how Jesus does it.

Jesus asked: "was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" So Jesus interpreted the scriptures for the disciples. He took them back to the fall of Adam and Eve and their greatest enemies—Satan and sin—to show them the Messiah would come not to conquer a political enemy but to defeat sin and evil. He showed them how the victories of the flood, of Israel out of Egypt, of David over his enemies, were all victories over sin and evil. So as the disciples listened they began to understand that the cross was necessary--necessary for Jesus' victory over sin and evil. And our cross is necessary for Jesus' victory over sin and evil. They were transformed. Their hearts were burning. Their hearts were opened. The scriptures made perfect sense.

Then suddenly they were home. How did they respond? With love and friendship. They invited Jesus to come in and abide with them in their home—and in their hearts. Then they had another encounter. Jesus took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. That did it. Suddenly in that table fellowship they were overwhelmed with the love of the risen Jesus. Their eyes were opened and they recognized him. And just as suddenly, Jesus vanished from their sight.

But it didn't matter. Their lives were changed forever. They could never go back to the way they were before. Jesus was gone. But Jesus was present—in their hearts--now more powerful than ever. Now their hearts were filled with the power of faith that is more than faith—the power of faith that is love. So they hurried back to tell the others what and who they had seen and heard.

Does that story sound familiar? It should. That is our story. It is going to happen to us right now in this mass. We are about to receive the same power into our heart—the power of faith that is more than faith—the power of faith that is love. And when we receive that power, it is going to transform us into the Risen Christ for others. All we have to do is open our heart and invite the risen Jesus inside.

Jesús vino a través de un forastero ingenuo para darles a los discípulos en el camino de Emaús lo que necesitaban. Por cierto, esos discípulos podían ser nosotros. ¿Qué es lo que necesitaban? Los discípulos necesitaban una fe que es el amor. Ellos no podían entender por qué Jesús, si él era el Mesías, tuvo que sufrir y morir en la cruz.

¿Suena familiar? ¿Cuántas veces no podemos aceptar nuestro sufrimiento? ¿Cuántas veces nos hemos dirigido lejos de Jerusalén, lejos de la resurrección, lejos de la iglesia, y lejos de las buenas nuevas, porque no podemos aceptar nuestro sufrimiento? Pero hasta cuando vamos en la dirección equivocada, Jesús viene a nuestro rescate. Jesús nos da el poder para retroceder en la dirección correcta. Y Jesús nos da el poder para convertirnos en el Cristo resucitado para los demás. ¿Cómo? Al cambiar nuestra fe en algo más que la fe. Vamos a ver como lo hace Jesús. Jesús les preguntó: "¿Acaso no era necesario que el Mesías padeciera todo esto y así entrara en su gloria?" Así que Jesús interpretó las Escrituras para los discípulos. Él los llevó de vuelta a la caída de Adán y Eva y sus mayores enemigos: Satanás y el pecado—para mostrarles que el Mesías vendría no para conquistar a un enemigo político sino para derrotar el pecado y el mal. Les mostró cómo las victorias de la inundación, de la liberación de Israel, de David sobre sus enemigos, fueron todas las victorias sobre el pecado y el mal. Así que al escucharlo a Jesús, los discípulos empezaron a comprender que la cruz fue necesaria--necesaria para la victoria de Jesús sobre el pecado y el mal. Y nuestra cruz es necesaria para la victoria de Jesús sobre el pecado y el mal. Ellos se transformaron. Sus corazones ardieron. Sus corazones se abrieron. Entendieron las Escrituras perfectamente. De repente llegaron a casa. ¿Cómo respondieron? Con el amor y la amistad. Lo invitaron a Jesús para venir y morar con ellos en su casa--y en sus corazones. Luego tuvieron otro encuentro. Jesús tomó el pan, pronunció la bendición, lo partió y se lo dio. Eso fue suficiente. De pronto, en esa mesa de comunidad fueron abrumados con el amor de Jesús resucitado. Se les abrieron los ojos y lo reconocieron. Pero de repente, se les desapareció.

Pero no importo. Sus vidas cambiaron para siempre. Ellos nunca podrían volver a ser como eran antes. Jesús se había ido. Pero Jesús estaba presente--en sus corazones --ahora más poderoso que nunca. Ahora sus corazones estaban llenos del poder de la fe que es algo más que la fe—es el poder de la fe que es el amor. Así que se apresuraron en volver para decirles a los demás de lo que habían visto y oído. ¿Suena familiar? Debe. Esa es nuestra historia. Eso mismo nos va a pasar ahora a nosotros en esta masa. Estamos a punto de recibir el mismo poder en nuestro corazón--el poder de la fe que es algo más que la fe--el poder de la fe que es el amor. Y cuando recibimos ese poder, nos va a convertir en Cristo resucitado para los demás. Todo lo que tenemos que hacer es abrir el corazón e invitar a Jesús resucitado por dentro.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 18th, 4:00pm Vigil Mass:

Sally Evans †
 Eleuterio "Terry" Mendoza †
 Janis Watkins (comfort & healing)
 Barbara Thomas (healing)
 Betty Hupman (special intention)
 Frank Hupman (special intention)

Sunday, April 19th, 7:30am Mass:

Phillip Macaluso (healing)
 Angelina Balderama †
 Mario Glurgstante †
 Ruben Madrigal †
 Derrick Wyatt †

Sunday, April 19th, 9:30am Mass:

Patrick Negrete †
 Iwona & Matewuz Oktaba †
 Mary Hepler †
 Lorie J. Slavick †
 Steve Schafer †
 Jake Padilla (wisdom & development)
 Lusine Padilla (healing)
 Mary & Charles Spalding (58th wedding anniversary)

Domingo, 19 de abril, 11:30am misa:

Jesse Félix (por protección)
 Maria Elena & Jesús Vaca (sanación física & espiritual)
 Eulana Perez Antecon (cumpleaños)
 Elvia Rios & Andres Hernandez †
 Gerardo Ismael Diaz †
 Maria Irene Palacios †
 Martin Duran †
 Cruz Lua †
 Natalia Sandoval †
 Por las almas del purgatorio

Sunday, April 19th, 2:00pm Mass:

Rey Martinez (protection, conversion & health)
 Michael Lampignano †
 Donald Sterner †

Monday, April 20th, 7:30am Mass:

Carrie Stratton (birthday)

Tuesday, April 21st, 7:30am Mass:

Mary Hepler †

Wednesday, April 22nd, 7:30am:

Amanda & Carlos Velasquez †

Thursday, April 23rd, 7:30am Mass:

Francisco Gabriel †

Friday, April 24th, 7:30am Mass:

Saturday, April 25th, 7:30am Mass:

Mass intentions are \$10.00. You can call the office or drop your request in the mail slot of the office door a week ahead to appear in the bulletin.



Ministries

Adoration Fridays 8am-7pm: Arcelia Diaz 760 784-1840

Alpha: Tom Strand 760 242-4463

Altar Servers: Elizabeth Schafer 760 508-9872

Bible Study (Thursdays): Margaret Curran
 margaret@curraninc.com

Catholic Daughters: Regent Lorena Meza, 760 617-7816,
 meetings 2nd Sat. of the month 11:15am

Choir Directors:

Wendy Durke (4:00pm Sat. English Vigil Mass)

Stephen Arment (7:30am English Mass)

Christina Rohrbaugh (9:30am English Mass)

Ramiro Alvizures (11:30am Spanish Mass)

Rhonert Pascual (2:00pm English Mass)

Dance/Exercise Senior Class: Cicy Rosado 760 219-6022

Deaf/Hard of Hearing: Tina Wilson 818 631-8462 V/Text

Emmaus Spiritual Accompaniment: Anne Bremser,
 (760) 985-7664 or atbremser@gmail.com

Eucharistic Ministers: Andrea Mendoza 760 242-4427,

Spanish: Jesus & Norma Martinez 909 261-9742909 265-6387

Finance Council: Steve Curran, Sylvia Uranda & Cheryl Oakleaf

Flowers (Church- Altar): Ortencia 714 737-2224

Food Pantry: 760 242-5544, Wed. & Thurs., 9am-11:30am

Knights of Columbus: Art Negrete 760 881-0686

Lectors: Steve Tyrrell 909-224-1500, sttyrrell@gmail.com;
 Spanish: Sylvia Felix 909 709-3316

Life Teen: Chris Hoover (760) 792-0731

Linen Ministry: Flo 760-887-1117

Marriage Preparation Classes:

English- Tom & Ilene Gilmore 760 490-4568,

Spanish- Patrick & Lisette Lopez 626 626-1960

OL of Fatima Blue Army Prayer Group: 8:30am,

1st Saturday in Church, Maryellen 760 885-9290

Pro-Life: MaryAnn Carroll 760 508-2390

SCRIP: Buy after Sunday Mass or Pre-order in the Office

Serra Club High Desert: Diane Seixas 760 596-1333

Sunday Scripture Study: Tuesdays 10am,

Peggy Perring-Mulligan 760 961-2617

Ushers: Robert Wilson 909 695-2020 (Head of Ushers)

Ralph Knipstein (4pm Vigil Mass)

Patrick A. Lopez (7:30am Mass)

Flo Donaldson & Roger Perez (9:30am Mass)

Jose Fernandez (11:30am Spanish Mass)

Robert Cardenas (2:00pm Mass)

Narcotics Anonymous — Call David 760 979-9192,

7:00pm Mondays in the Ministry Building

A.A. Alcoholics Anonymous — Call Nick 760 900-8290,

5:30pm Tuesdays in the Ministry Building

A.C.A Adult Children of Alcoholics - Call Liz 760 242-8310

Mondays 6pm & Thursdays 10am in the Ministry Building

CEA H.O.W Compulsive Eaters - Call Liz 760 242-8310

Saturdays 9:30am in the Ministry Building

Online Giving is available visit our website: *oldccav.org* click on the Online Giving link and complete registration. You manage your own account. Convenient, Secure & Confidential. **You may call Tech OSV at 1 800 348-2886, option 2, for assistance.**

If you register for Online Giving, check with the office if you are registered to the Church. **It is a different registration.** Parish registration form can be printed from our website or stop by the office.

Weekly Collection: Easter April 4 (5), 2026

Plate: \$10,636.70
 Envelopes: \$16,408.00
 Online Giving: \$7,777.00

2026 Diocesan Development Fund Campaign Progress

Diocese Goal: \$84,000.00
 Gifts Received: \$35,779.90
 Donors: 60 As of: April 12, 2026



We PRAY for ALL our brothers & sisters!
¡Rezamos por TODOS nuestros hermanos y hermanas!

Aracely Segarra , Rey Martinez, Diana Martinez, Jim Chambers, Phillip Macaluso, Andres Dominguez, Mo Hatley, Nancy LaCivita, Terri Koenig & Family, Sonja Caudle & Family, Billie Ford, Mitcha Green, Eddiee Oster Hues, Eddie & Ana Chro, Pablo Luna, Homer Mercado, Remy Vasquez, Rhode Qcubillo, Rhodel Qcubillo, Niles Perlas, Fely Uy, Lita Santiago, Monica Acab, Norma Padilla, Milagros Agoncillo, Celestino Agoncillo, John Perring-Mulligan, Jesse Felix, Sr. Mary Jo Piccione, Sr. Josephine Bryan, Alex, Anthony, Eric, Hans, Victor & Leonor, Maria Luisa, Nando & Yaddy De Leon, Rosa Arcilia, Rich Phillips, Jim Huegel, Diane Marasco, AB Brand, Debbie Brice, Diane Cipriano, George & Karla McCague, Sue Cirillo, Ruth York, Barbra Dillman, Robert Dillman, Chris Pullen, Steve & Sue Rossen, Bernadette Hinshaw, Louise & Gary Smith, Fr. Paul Smith, C.R., Ramon Salvatierra & Family, Richard Avalos & Ophelia Salvatierra, Joseph Fierro & Family, Erick Vidana, Monique Avalos & Kids, Santos Family, Gil Lopez, Andeson Family, Mari Krampach, Deb Huff, Sandra Perrault, Joseph M. Senteno, Richard D. Senteno.

GROWING 
 WITH THE **Gospel**
 CYCLE A

 **COLOR**

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



3rd Sunday of Easter • Luke 24:13-35

 **PUZZLE**

Unscramble words from today's Gospel:

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| Emmaus | Christ | village |
| talking | Moses | bread |
| Cleopas | Prophets | Simon |

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 **MISSION**

Pack a bag with some snacks and your Bible, and take a long walk with your family. When you stop to eat your snacks, read your favorite story about Jesus.

Pancake Breakfast is BACK!! And so is the Quarterly Blood Drive!

On Sunday, May 3rd, the Knights of Columbus will sponsor a pancake breakfast and Blood drive. Scrambled eggs, pancakes, sausage links, hashbrowns, toast and OJ. Adults \$10.00, children six (6) to eight (8) - \$5.00. Under five (5) breakfast is FREE. Breakfast served from 8:00 to 11:00 a.m. Blood drive is from 7:30 am to 1pm.

If you donate a pint of blood BEFORE 11:00am, your breakfast is FREE!!!

BLOOD DRIVE

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Sunday, May 3
7:30 am to 1:00 pm
18386 Corwin Road, Apple Valley
in the Reverend Maurice Cardinal Hall

All donors will be entered into a raffle for the chance to win one of two \$50 SCRIP cards!

Walk-ins Welcome! For appointments, call 800.879.4484, visit lstream.org/applevalley, or scan the QR code above.



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 LifeStream Blood Bank

**SERRA CLUB OF THE HIGH DESERT
Third Sunday of Easter – April 19, 2026**

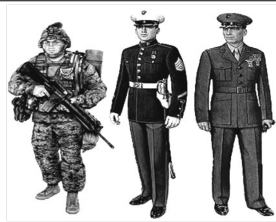
Do you recognize Christ in your life and make hope to him known to others? Maybe you, or someone you know, are being called to the priesthood or consecrated life.

Join the Serra Club of the High Desert to help promote and pray for vocations. Call Diana Seixas at (760) 596-1333 or email Diana at dianaseixas@aol.com. Our next meeting is on Saturday, April 18, 2026, at 5:30 pm following the 4 pm Mass.



Readings for the 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



Families who have a service member in the family that has been called up or deployed to Iran, may bring a picture to the office and it will be posted in the lobby of the church for prayers.

Familias que tengan un miembro en el servicio que han sido llamado a Irán pueden traer una fotografía a la oficina; estarán puestos en el vestíbulo de la iglesia para rezar por ellos.

Lecturas de la semana 19 de abril de 2026

Domingo: Hch 2, 14. 22-33/Sal 15, 1-2 y 5. 7-8. 9-10. 11/1 Pe 1, 17-21/Lc 24, 13-35
Lunes: Hch 6, 8-15/Sal 118, 23-24. 26-27. 29-30/Jn 6, 22-29
Martes: Hch 7, 51-8, 1/ Sal 30, 3-4. 6 y 7 y 8. 17 y 21/Jn 6, 30-35
Miércoles: Hch 8, 1b-8/ Sal 65, 1-3. 4-5. 6-7/Jn 6, 35-40
Jueves: Hch 8, 26-40/ Sal 65, 8-9. 16-17. 20/Jn 6, 44-51
Viernes: Hch 9, 1-20/ Sal 116, 1bc. 2/Jn 6, 52-59
Sábado: 1 Pe 5, 5-14/ Sal 88, 2-3. 6-7. 16-17/Mc 16, 15-20

The Corporal Works of Mercy are charitable actions rooted in the teachings of Jesus, aimed at helping others with their needs. They are based on Christ's words in Matthew 25:35-40, where He identifies acts of service to the poor and suffering as service to Him. These works are considered essential expressions of faith and love for neighbor, emphasizing practical care for human dignity.

- Feeding the hungry
- Sheltering the Homeless
- Clothing the naked
- Visiting the sick
- Visiting the imprisoned
- Giving drink to the thirsty
- Burying the Dead

The Ten Commandments

1. Love God more than anything else.
2. Use God's name with love and respect.
3. Keep Sunday special for God.
4. Love and obey your parents.
5. Do not hurt others.
6. Be faithful and kind in what you say and do.
7. Do not take what isn't yours.
8. Always tell the truth.
9. Be happy with the family God gave you.
10. Be thankful for what you have.



Donations for the Food Pantry

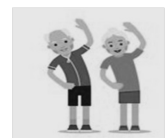
Please **DO NOT** put frozen food items or produce in the basket located in the church concourse. These items can spoil and make people sick so they are immediately placed in

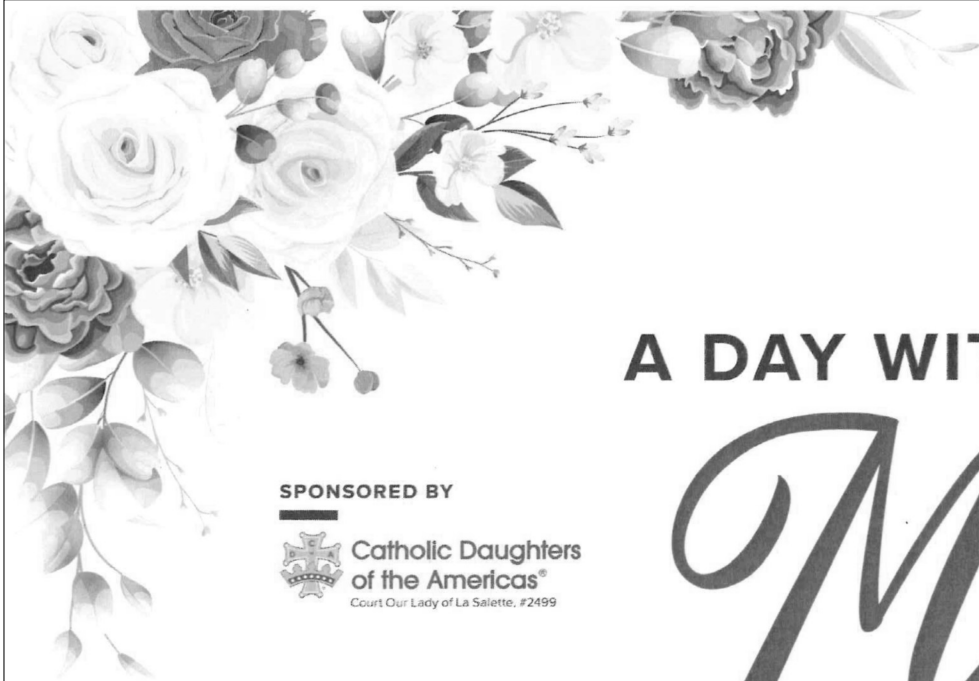
the trash. The Food Pantry only accepts non-perishable and canned goods for distribution. If the food item needs refrigeration, it should **NOT** be put in the donation basket. Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Donaciones para la Despensa

Por favor, **NO** ponga alimentos congelados ni productos frescos en la canasta situada en el vestíbulo de la iglesia. Estos artículos pueden echarse a perder y causar enfermedades, por eso se tiran a la basura de inmediato. La Despensa solo acepta productos enlatados para distribución. Si un alimento requiere refrigeración, **NO** lo triga para donar en la canasta. Gracias por su atención a este asunto importante.

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| 10:00a | ROSARY |
| 10:45a | CROWNING |
| 11:00a | LUNCH |
| 12:00p | SPEAKER |

MAY 16, 2026

10am - 2pm

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Special Guest Speaker

DR. MARY RUTH HACKETT

Mary Ruth Hackett is a mom of four with a doctorate in educational psychology. Her passion for helping others make informed decisions in daily catholic life led to the development of the podcast Parenting Smarts, and an unexpected career writing and speaking about the practical applications of developmental psychology. Dr. Mary Ruth is the author of two books: Daughter by Design and Discernment of Spirits for Beginners.

Catholic Daughters Corner

Court Our Lady of La Salette, #2499

April:

Baby Shower; Blessing Call For Life Pregnancy Center

May:

A Day With Mary

May 16th, 10a-2p

Rosary, Crowning, Lunch & Guest

Speaker

June:

6/13/26: Last Meeting Before

Taking Summer Break... See you in

September!

