

Our Lady of the Desert Catholic Church

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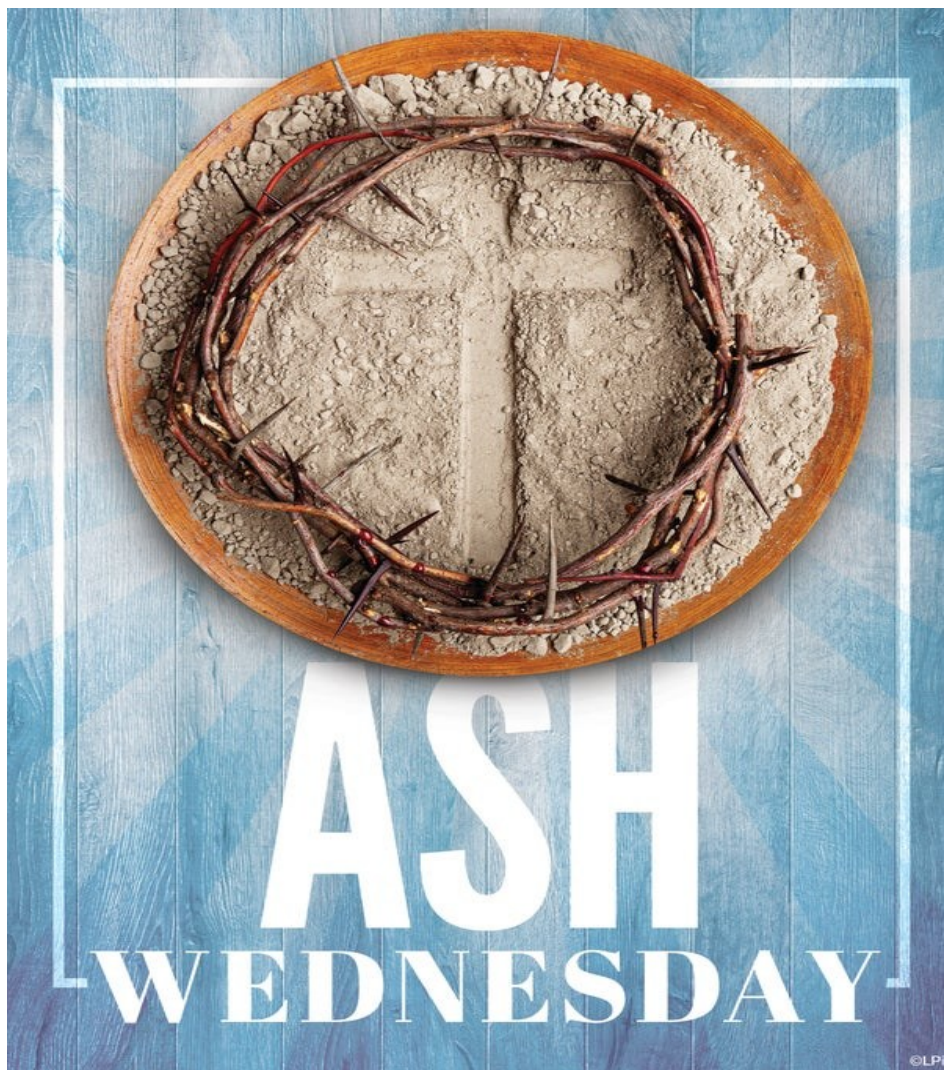
6th Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 15, 2026

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.

February 18th —Ash Wednesday (Miércoles de Ceniza):

7:30am English Mass, 12pm Noon English Mass,
4:00pm English Mass, 7:00pm Bilingual Mass



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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 is telling us: "Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill." What does that mean? It means we are no longer going to follow a law that is a set of written rules. Now we are going to follow the law of the Holy Spirit that is already written in our hearts.

How? God gives us the power—the power of grace. The power of God's grace will transform us into a completely new person. And then we will live in a new consciousness of God's will. And God's grace will fill us with the power of preventative holiness. What is preventative holiness? Preventative holiness is living a life that is so holy it protects us from breaking God's commandments. How can we live that kind of life? By living in the law of the Holy Spirit that is already written in our hearts. Jesus is telling us, this is what we have to do if we really want to fulfill God's commandments about murder, adultery, and lies. In order to fulfill the commandment not to commit murder, we have to eliminate anger in our heart (Mt. 5:21-26). What should we do when we get angry at someone? Is there preventative holiness for anger? Yes there is. We need to ask God for the grace to overcome anger and to forgive. Then we need to act like we already have grace, and pray for the person who offended us and forgive them. We forgive them if we stop wanting revenge and we wish them well.

In order to fulfill the commandment not to commit adultery, we have to avoid lust in our heart (Mt. 5:27-32). Is there preventative holiness for lust? Yes there is. It means we have to get creative and avoid lust before it happens. We have to avoid putting ourselves in a situation that may cause us to lust. We have to avoid porn sites on our computer and porn magazines in stores. What if lustful thoughts come anyway? Then we need to ask God for the grace so they will just pass through us without affecting us. And every time a lustful thought comes into our head, we should pray an Our Father. In order to fulfill the commandment not to tell lies, we have to eliminate dishonesty in our heart (Mt. 5:33-37). Is there preventative holiness for dishonesty? Yes there is. We have to become persons of integrity. As painful as it may be, our "yes" has to mean "yes," and our "no" has to mean "no." As a disciple, we have to always speak the truth, without adding to it, and without remaining silent when it needs to be told. Jesus also said "if your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out," and "if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off." What does that mean? It means that just like a doctor might remove an infected organ in order to save the life of the whole body, so we must be ready to cut off and tear out anything that causes us to sin in order to save our soul.

Jesús nos está diciendo: "No crean que he venido a abolir la ley o lo profetas; no he venido a abolirlos, sino a darles plenitud." ¿Qué significa eso? Significa que ya no vamos a seguir una ley de reglas escritas. Ahora y en adelante vamos a seguir la ley del Espíritu Santo que ya está escrita dentro nuestros corazones.

¿Cómo? Dios nos da el poder--el poder de la gracia. El poder de la gracia de Dios nos va a convertir en una persona completamente nueva. Y así viviremos con una nueva conciencia de la voluntad de Dios.

Y la gracia de Dios nos llenará con el poder de la santidad preventiva. ¿Qué es la santidad preventiva? La santidad preventiva es vivir una vida tan santa que nos protege de romper los mandamientos de Dios.

¿Cómo podemos vivir ese tipo de vida? Al vivir la ley del Espíritu Santo, que ya está escrita dentro nuestros corazones. Jesús nos está diciendo que esto es lo que tenemos que hacer si de veras queremos cumplir con los mandamientos de Dios de no matar, no cometer adulterio, y no mentir. Para cumplir con el mandamiento de no matar, tenemos que quitar la ira de nuestro corazón (Mt. 5:21-26). ¿Qué debemos hacer cuando nos enojamos con alguien? ¿Hay santidad preventiva para la ira? Sí lo hay. Tenemos que pedirle a Dios por la gracia para vencer la ira y para perdonar. Entonces tenemos que actuar como si ya tenemos la gracia, y orar por la persona que nos ofendió y perdonarlos. Les perdonamos si ya no queremos venganza y les deseamos lo mejor.

Para cumplir con el mandamiento de no cometer adulterio, tenemos que evitar la lujuria en nuestro corazón (Mt. 5:27-32). ¿Hay santidad preventiva para la lujuria? Sí lo hay. Significa que tenemos que ser creativos y evitar la lujuria antes de que ocurra.

Tenemos que evitar poniéndonos en una situación que pueda causar la lujuria. Tenemos que evitar sitios pornográficos en la computadora y revistas pornográficas en las tiendas. ¿Qué si vienen comoquiera los pensamientos lujuriosos? Entonces tenemos que pedirle a Dios por la gracia para que los pensamientos solamente pasen por nosotros sin afectarnos. Y cada vez que un pensamiento lujurioso entra en nuestra cabeza, debemos rezar un Padre Nuestro. Para cumplir con el mandamiento de no decir mentiras, tenemos que quitar la deshonestidad en nuestro corazón (Mt. 5:33-37). ¿Hay santidad preventiva para la deshonestidad? Sí lo hay. Tenemos que convertirnos en personas íntegras. Por doloroso que sea, tenemos que decir "sí" cuando es sí, y "no," cuando es no. Como discípulo, siempre tenemos que decir la verdad, sin agregarle más, y sin quedarnos cayados cuando hay que hablar. Jesús también dijo: "Si tu ojo derecho es para ti ocasión de pecado, arráncate y tíralo lejos," y "si tu mano derecha es para ti ocasión de pecado, córtatela." ¿Qué significa eso? Significa que así como un doctor puede cortar y arrancar un órgano infectado para salvar la vida de todo el cuerpo, también nosotros tenemos que estar listos para cortar y arrancar todo lo que nos hace pecar para salvar nuestra alma.

We are thankful to our parishioners Matt, Mark & Paszkowski family for the work of assembling and designing the beautiful case holding St. Carlo Acutis relic. The relic, behind the Ambo, has a home in our Church.

May St. Carlo intercede on behalf of us all.

Agradecemos a nuestros feligreses Matt, Mark y la familia Paszkowski por el trabajo de ensamblaje y diseño de la hermosa vitrina que contiene la reliquia de San Carlo Acutis. La reliquia, ubicada detrás del ambón, ya tiene su casa en nuestra iglesia.

Que San Carlo interceda por todos nosotros.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 14th, 4:00pm Vigil Mass:

John & Anne Cataneso †

Beverly Gibbs †

Candy Perez † (1st year anniversary)

Jerral Wayne Dysynske †

For all souls in purgatory

Sunday, February 15th, 7:30am Mass:

Marcelo Hernandez †

Jean Wong †

Maria Elena Palacios †

Martin Duran †

Sunday, February 15th, 9:30am Mass:

Angelina Noh (birthday) †

Roraima Padilla †

Laura Miranda †

Philip Macaluso (healing)

Domingo, 15 de febrero, 11:30am misa:

Rafael Romo †

Patrick Negrete †

Ermelina Rios †

Maria Isabel Villa Arzona †

Candy Perez †

Tomas Bañuelos †

Jesús Corona †

Maria De Jesús Araiza †

Natalia Sandoval †

Ambrosio Bañuelos †

Jose Guadalupe Rojas †

Por las almas en el purgatorio

Sunday, February 15th, 2:00pm Mass:

Rey Martinez (protection, conversion & health)

Dan Herman (healing)

Office Closed, President's Day, Feb. 16th, 7:30am Mass:

MaryJo McLeod †

Tuesday, February 17th, 7:30am Mass:

Steve Schafer †

Ash Wednesday, February 18th, 7:30am:

Ulysses Herrera (birthday)

Roberto Soriano †

Eleuterio "Terry" Mendoza †

12 Noon English Mass

4pm English Mass

7pm Bilingual Mass

Thursday, February 19th, 7:30am Mass:

Henry M. Rodriguez †

Lucy Bonello †

Henry Padilla †

Friday, February 20th, 7:30am Mass:

Saturday, February 21st, 7:30am Mass:

Arcelia Diaz (in thanksgiving)

Jessica Elena Diaz (birthday)

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: (Wednesdays) Jim Chambers 760 242-8310

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 909 261-9742/909 265-6387

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

Prayer Line: Cynthia May (682) 970-4115

Pro-Life: MaryAnn Carroll 760 508-2390

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

Senior Pot-luck Luncheon Gilda Vincent 760 961-8830

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

Church Office will be closed on Monday,
February 16th for President's Day

Blessing Mass**Sunday March 8th – 9:30 A.M. Mass**

For Children and Adults with Exceptional Needs

Any questions or interest in participating in this mass

Contact Bob Johnson (760) 486-3798

All are Welcome!

Hosted by Knights of Columbus



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

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, Senteno Family, Henry Burt, Nicole Cantu, George & Leilani Sullivan, Olivia Potter, Emily Chapa & Family, Nellie Alvarado & grandchildren, Richard & Carmen Franco & Family, Florian Domino, Rey Martinez, Eddie & Ana Caro, Deysi Flores & Kids, Santos Family, Zykia Padmore, Rose Anderson, Araceli Burrell, Jesse Astorga & Family, Mariano Lopez, Mark Marasco, Nancy LaCivita, Rocio Gonzalez, Johnny Jacob Gonzalez, Ulissus Herrera, Silvia, Irma, Elsa, Rene, Alex, Anthony, Eric, Hans, Victor & Leonor, Maria Luisa, Nando & Yaddy De Leon.

Are You Being Called?

Do you have questions about the priesthood or just want to learn more about what being a priest is like?

Call or Visit the Vocations Office

12716 Oriole Ave.

Grand Terrace, CA 92313

909.783.1305

vocations@sbdiocese.org



HelpOurMarriage.org
RETRouvaille
 A LIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES

A program specially designed for troubled marriages, Retrouvaille consists of a weekend experience and a series of 12 presentations offered within the three months following the weekend phase.

Ralph & Monica Martinez (English)

losangeles@helpourmarriage.org

Registration: (909) 900-5465

AyudaNuestroMatrimonio.org
RETRouvaille
 UN SALVAVIDAS PARA TU MATRIMONIO

- Spanish

Refugio and Irma Chavez (Español)

(951) 688-9219

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: Jan. 31 & Feb. 1 25, 2025

Plate: \$5,098.42

Envelopes: \$14,129.00

Online Giving: \$4,508.45

2026 Diocesan Development Fund**Campaign Progress**

Diocese Goal: \$84,000.00

Gifts Received: \$1,055.00

Donors: 8 As of: Feb 08, 2026

2nd Collection for DDF on March 7th & 8th

*Over 100 parents of Faith Formation students attended the
Live & Share Christ Retreat in English & Spanish*



EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

retreat

FEBRUARY 28, 2026
9:00am—1:00pm

8:30am: HOSPITALITY
9:00am —12:00pm: SESSIONS
10:30am: BREAK
12:00am—1:00pm: LUNCH

O Heavenly Father, I thank You for calling upon me to serve You and Your people. Help me to be worthy of this extraordinary honor. Let me nourish Your people with the witness of my life while I feed them with the Body of Christ. Grant Your strength and holiness to all Your Ministers of the Eucharist, and make them worthy to bring Christ to others.
Amen.



Catholic Valentine's Day Prayer

Heavenly Father, On this day of love, we thank You for the gift of relationships that reflect Your divine care. Bless our hearts to love as Christ loves—patiently, kindly, and without selfishness. May couples grow in faith and unity, friends in loyalty and joy, and those who are single in peace and purpose. Through the intercession of St. Valentine, guide us to see love not only as romance, but as a calling to serve, forgive, and uplift one another. Let every word we speak and every act we do be rooted in Your eternal love. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

SERRA CLUB OF THE HIGH DESERT

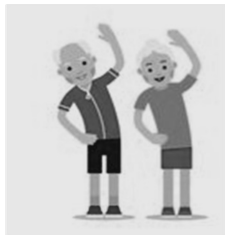
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
– February 15, 2026



"It is loyalty to do His will."

Are you considering following the will of God in the consecrated life or priesthood?

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, February 21, 2026, at 2:00 pm before the 4 pm Mass.



*Dance/Senior Exercise Class
at the Ministry Building:
For more information Call
Cicy at 760 219-6022*

**Got questions
about life**

Alpha

Try ALPHA

760-242-4463

#TryAlpha
alphausa.org

Do you have questions about life? Alpha is an opportunity to explore life and the Christian faith in a friendly, open and informal environment. No pressure, no follow up.

Some comments of people who attended Alpha are, "I was always Catholic, but I lost my path through the years. I have come back to Christ, it showed me how much I truly need Jesus and others prayers." Alpha will start on March 5, 2026 at Our Lady of the Desert in the Hall. Each Alpha session begins at 6:30 PM with dinner, followed by an informative video, and a time for friendly conversation where you can share your thoughts. Alpha is particularly beneficial for those who aren't going to church. So please invite family members, friends, or co-workers who aren't practicing their faith. Registration forms are at the Alpha table in the concourse. For more information call Tom Strand at 760-242-4463.

LIFETEEN SHOE DRIVE

Just have fun cleaning out your closets to gather your gently used shoes (pairs only, no holes or tears) to donate & place them in bags to drop off in the Church Concourse in front of the Men's Bathroom by the Recycling area! We need to collect 4,000 pairs of shoes to meet our goal!

160 bags x 25 pairs of shoes = Our Goal of 4000 pairs!

We can do it together with the everyone's support!

**Readings for the week of February 15, 2026**

Sunday: Sir 15:15-20/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34/1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37
Monday: Jas1:1-11/Ps119:67, 68, 71,72,75,76/Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday:Jas1:12-18/Ps94:12-13a,14-15,18-19/Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 & 17/2 Cor 5:20-6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6/Lk 9:22-25
Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15
Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32

Lecturas de la semana del 15 de febrero 2026

Domingo: Eclo 15, 15-20/Sal 118, 1-2. 4-5. 17-18.33-34/1 Co2,6-10/Mt 5,17-37 o 5,20-22. 27-28.33-34. 37
Lunes: Sant 1, 1-11/Sal 118, 67. 68. 71. 72. 75. 76/Mc 8, 11-13
Martes: Sant 1, 12-18/Sal 93, 12-13. 14-15. 18-19/Mc 8, 14-21
Miércoles: Jl 2, 12-18/Sal 50, 3-4. 5-6. 12-13. 14 y 17/2 Co 5, 20-6, 2/Mt 6, 1-6. 16-18
Jueves: Dt 30, 15-20/Sal 1, 1-2. 3. 4 y 6/Lc 9, 22-25
Viernes: Is 58, 1-9/Sal 50, 3-4. 5-6. 18-19/Mt 9, 14-15
Sábado:Is 58, 9-14/Sal 85, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6/Lc 5, 27-32

GROWING

WITH THE *Gospel*

CYCLE A



COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



6th Sunday in Ordinary Time • Matthew 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37



PUZZLE

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

OBEY

BETTER

MURDER

ANGRY

FAITHFUL

THOUGHTS

PROMISE

KEEP

SWEAR

Y T O B U O M E U Y S
A G L S W E A R O T I
B R E H T I N Y E H A
C I F O R A G E Y O M
E S A T I B R O T U A
O D I S K O Y I E G C
B E T T E R M U N H D
E S H B E T Y R A T A
Y T F A P R O M I S E
A C U H I S E F O L U
W Y L A N M U R D E R



MISSION

Ask your parents to list three ways you can honor them.



Catholic Daughters Corner — Court Our Lady of La Salette #2499
Valentine's Tea Party

