



Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 23, 2025

I rejoiced because they said to me,
“We will go up to the house of the LORD.”— *Psalm 122:1*

Nuestro Señor Jesucristo, Rey del Universo

23 de noviembre de 2025

*Qué alegría cuando me dijeron: “Vamos a la casa del Señor”.
— Salmo 122 (121):1*

Question of the Week

Theme: In Christ, everything continues in being.

Breaking Open the Word

Suggested text for faith sharing: Today’s Gospel

Step One: Listen to the Word

As you hear this familiar story of Jesus on the cross, what words or phrases catch your attention? In this reading, what touches your heart? What image strikes you?

Step Two: Look into Your Life

Question for Children: Jesus is always kind to those who love him. How do you show your love for Jesus?

Question for Youth: This week we celebrate Christ the King.

In the best sense of the word, a King is some one who cares for the people under his care, and also has authority over them. When have you felt Jesus’ care for you? How do you allow Jesus to have authority over you?

Question for Adults: As you think about Jesus on the cross, having compassion on the “good thief,” what lesson do you draw from it for your own life?

Preguntas de la Semana

Tema: En Cristo, la vida continúa.

Apuntes de la Palabra

Texto sugerido para compartir la fe: El Evangelio de hoy

Paso uno: Escuchar la Palabra

Al escuchar esta conocida historia de Jesús en la cruz, ¿qué palabras o frases llaman su atención? En esta lectura, ¿qué les toca el corazón? ¿Qué imagen les impacta?

Paso dos: Examinar su vida

Pregunta para los niños: Jesús siempre es bueno con los que lo aman. ¿Cómo muestran su amor por Jesús?

Pregunta para los jóvenes: Al final, como lo muestra el Evangelio de hoy, Jesús nunca dejó de perdonar. En tu vida de joven, ¿qué papel juega el perdón? ¿Cómo has aprendido a perdonar?

Pregunta para los adultos: A medida que piensan en Jesús en la cruz, en la compasión que tuvo por el “buen malhechor”, ¿qué lección sacan de esto para sus propias vidas?

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: 2 Sm 5:1-3/Ps 122:1-5/Col 1:12-20/
..... Lk 23:35-43
Monday: Dn 1:1-6,8-20/Ps 3:52-56/Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45/Ps 3:57-61/Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6,13-14,16-17,23-28/Ps 3:62-67/
..... Lk 21:12-19
Thursday: Dn 6:12-28/Ps 3:68-74/Lk 21:20-28
Friday: Dn 7:2-14/Ps 3:75-81/Lk 21:29-33
Saturday: Dn 7:15-17/Ps 3:82-87/Lk 21:34-36
Next Sunday: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-9/Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44



LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo: 2 Sm 5:1-3/Sal 122:1-5/Col 1:12-20/
..... Lc 23:35-43
Lunes: Dn 1:1-6,8-20/Sal 3:52-56/Lc 21:1-4
Martes: Dn 2:31-45/Sal 3:57-61/Lc 21:5-11
Miércoles: Dn 5:1-6,13-14,16-17,23-28/Sal 3:62-67/
..... Lc 21:12-19
Jueves: Dn 6:12-28/Sal 3:68-74/Lc 21:20-28
Viernes: Dn 7:2-14/Sal 3:75-81/Lc 21:29-33
Sábado: Dn 7:15-17/Sal 3:82-87/Lc 21:34-36
Próximo Domingo: Is 2:1-5/Sal 122:1-9/Rom 13:11-14/
..... Mt 24:37-44

Jesus I Trust in You

Jesús en ti confío



Pray for ...
Johnny Alvarado
Rose Cruz,
Gloria & John Dunham,
Adrianne Foreman
Thomas Goddard
Norma Jimenez
Nancy Lawson
Pedro Rodriguez,
Eli Rubinstum,
Amanda & Dakota Thompson,

Mitzie Carroll,
Lisa M. Davis,
Steve & Mary Dorshak,
Rose Fortin
Matthew Goddard
Allan Lucas
Deacon Glenn Miller
Elenore Rose,
Christopher Scott,
Donna Vincent

Luisa Constantino
Pamela Davis,
Lourdes Elliot
Maggie Giron,
Ellen Holden,
Remedios V.de Leon
Tom Murren
Nick Rnich,
Mike & Mary-Cho Sabol,
Rikki Zeller,

John Cava,
Melissa Delaney,
Dwayne Foreman
Sally G.
Irene Hyek,
Ruth Munoz,
Bernadine Reid
Joel Rivera
Joseph Spoonhower
Sandy Widman,

All the men and women deployed overseas. Names will remain on list for 30 days unless we are notified otherwise. To include, a name please contact the parish office at 760- 365-2287. If a person is ill long term, know that they are in our daily prayers.



Saturday, 11/22/25
4:00pm

Fr. Frederic Nelson, RIP
Requested by James McCarthy

Sunday, 11/23/25
8:00 a.m.

William McCarthy, RIP
Requested by James McCarthy

9:30 a.m.

Bruce Billington, RIP
Requested by Jeff Billington

11:00 a.m.

Irma y Gricelda Pantoga, RIP
Requested by Silva family

Monday, 11/24/25
9:00 a.m.

William McCarthy, RIP
Requested by James McCarthy

Tuesday, 11/25/25
9:00 a.m.

Fr. Frederic Nelson, RIP
Requested by James McCarthy

Wednesday, 11/26/25
9:00 a.m.

NO MASS

Thursday, 11/27/25
9:00 a.m.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING
People of the Parish

Friday, 11/28/25
9:00 a.m.

NO MASS

Saturday, 11/29/25
4:00 p.m.

Margaret Hyek, RIP
Requested by family and friends

Sunday, 11/30/25
8:00 a.m.

Raymond Tous, RIP
Requested by Mary Tous

9:30 a.m.

Marge Colburn, RIP
Requested by Mary Agre

11:00 a.m.

People of the Parish



Advent Penance Service

Please join us for St. Mary of the Valley's
Advent Penance Service scheduled for
Tuesday, December 2nd at 6:30pm.
We will have several priests from the area
here to hear confessions in both English and Spanish.

FIRST FRIDAY

Please join us on **Friday, December 5th, which is
First Friday.** For Adoration of the Blessed Sacra-
ment from **7am to 7pm** in the daily chapel. There is a
sign-up sheet in the hallway by the chapel.

*Les invitamos a unirse a nosotros el viernes
7 de noviembre, Primer Viernes Santo. Adoración
al Santísimo Sacramento de 7:00 a. m. a 7:00 pm. en la
capilla. Encontrarán una hoja de inscripción
en el pasillo junto a la capilla.*



Sunday, November 23

8:00 a.m. Mass - English
9:00 a.m. Rosary ~ Chapel
9:30 a.m. Mass - English
11:00 a.m. Mass - Spanish

Monday, November 24

9:00 a.m. Mass
4:45 p.m. Youth Choir
6:00 p.m. Adult Choir
6:00 p.m. NO Religious Education
6:00 p.m. NO OCIA

Tuesday, November 25

9:00 a.m. Mass
9:45 a.m. NO Bible study / Faith sharing
7:00 p.m. Spanish Prayer Group

Wednesday, November 26 PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

9:00 a.m. NO Mass
5:30 p.m. Evening Star Prayer group
7:00 pm Comunidad Misioneros del Amor de Jesus

Thursday, November 27 HAPPY THANKSGIVING PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

9:00 a.m. Mass

Friday, November 28 PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

7:30 am NO Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
9:00 am NO Mass
7:00pm Perseverando en la Fe

Saturday, November 29

9:30 am. NO Confessions
4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass

Sunday, November 30

8:00 a.m. Mass - English
9:00 a.m. Rosary ~ Chapel
9:30 a.m. Mass - English: Rite of Acceptance
11:00 a.m. Mass - Spanish

Upcoming Events

November 27 Thanksgiving day Mass 9:00am
December 2 Advent Penance Service 6:30pm
December 12 Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration
December 13 & 14 Annual Bake Sale after Mass
December 16 ~ 23rd Posadas
December 24 ~ 25th Christmas Celebrations

Other activities that we are planning:

See's Candy Fundraising ~ November 1 ~ 25th
Children's Christmas Pageant ~ Dec. 24th
Decorate the Church for Advent & then Christmas

As you can see the parish is going to be very busy with these
and other activities through the holidays. Let be sure to keep
Jesus and our faith as the focus!!

See's Candy



If you wish to purchase your See's Candy on-line we
have a "YumRaising" shop which is now open **through Dec. 1st.**
St. Mary's receives a percentage of every order placed!
[St Mary of the Valley Catholic Church | See's Candies Yum-
Raising](#) Our Youth will also be taking orders to be delivered
here to the parish beginning next week!

From the Pastor's Desk

THE TRUE KINGSHIP OF JESUS CHRIST

What kind of King is Jesus? How do you envision him? Remembering that they were promised a king from the line of David, the Israelites hoped for a Messiah who would set their political problems aright and bring about a worldly kingdom of Judaic power. Even Psalm 122 seems to describe this type of ruler. Luke's Gospel today shreds that image after the whip of the Roman soldiers tore at Jesus' flesh. Still, the Romans flaunted the traditional notion with their ironic inscription above King Jesus' crown of thorns. Soldiers and ordinary people jeered the royal title at him. Yet the throne of Jesus was the cross of Christ, from which he dispensed kingly mercy and justice toward the humble criminal who shared his execution. Writing to the Colossians, Saint Paul describes the truth about Jesus and his kingship, using words like fullness, peace, and forgiveness. So let us go rejoicing!

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LA VERDADERA REALEZA DE JESUCRISTO

¿Qué clase de Rey es Jesús? ¿Cómo te lo imaginas? Recordando que se les prometió un rey del linaje de David, los israelitas esperaban a un Mesías que arreglara sus problemas políticos y trajera un reino terrenal de poder judaico. Incluso el salmo 122 parece describir este tipo de gobernante. El Evangelio de Lucas de hoy destruye esta imagen después de que el látigo de los soldados romanos desgarrara la carne de Jesús. Sin embargo, los romanos hicieron alarde de esa noción tradicional con la inscripción irónica en el letrero que pusieron sobre la cabeza de Jesús que está coronada con espinas. Los soldados y la gente de a pie se burlaban de su título de realeza. Sin embargo, el trono de Jesús era la cruz de Cristo, desde la que administraba misericordia y justicia majestuosa hacia el criminal humilde que compartía su ejecución. Al escribir a los colosenses, san Pablo describe la verdad sobre Jesús y su realeza, utilizando palabras como plenitud, paz y perdón. Así que ¡vamos a alegrarnos!

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HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Parishioners celebrating a Wedding Anniversary are encouraged to let us know! We'd like to applaud this special event with you. We will list anniversaries in the bulletin. Please complete this form and return to the parish office.

***Congratulations to the following couples celebrating Anniversaries
In November/December***

11/2: Carol & Cesar Garcia ~ 63rd
12/14: Rafael & Rosalinda Castro ~ 34th
12/27: Elazar & Alda Correa ~ 49th
Alan & Julia Jones

Do you have an upcoming Wedding Anniversary?
Let us know so that we may celebrate
with you in our prayers!

Couple's names: _____ Phone: _____

Anniv. Date: _____ # of Years: _____

Daily Chapel Access

The Daily Chapel is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for registered parishioners. If you are interested in access to the chapel during off-hours, please contact the office at 760-365-2287 for details.



Acceso diario a la Capilla

La Capilla esta disponible ahora las 24 horas del día, los 7 días de la semana para miembros registrados en la parroquia. Si están interesados en tener acceso en horas NO de oficina, por favor contacten la oficina al 760-365-2287 para detalles.



Friday Adoration/Exposition

Please join us for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the chapel each Friday from 7:45 am to just before the 9:00am Mass.

la Adoración del Santísimo Sacramento

Únase a nosotros para la Adoración del Santísimo Sacramento en la capilla todos los viernes a partir de las 7:45am hasta justo antes de las 9am Misa

Homebound ~ Ministry to the Sick

Do you know someone who is homebound or in the hospital and would like to receive Communion? Please contact the parish office at 760-365-2287 so that one of our Eucharistic Ministers may bring them Communion.

Ministrar a los enfermos

Conoces a alguien que ya no puede salir de casa o esta en el hospital y quisiera recibir Comunión? Por favor contacten la oficina de la parroquia al 760-365-2287 para que uno de nuestros Ministros de Eucaristía a los enfermos puedan llevarles la Comunión.

***Have you remembered St. Mary of the Valley
Joshua Tree & Yucca Valley in your will or trust?
Your bequest is our future!***

Knights of Columbus

Have you ever thought about becoming a Knight?
Contact Ted Carter @ 760- 418-5640 for information.

DON'T FORGET TO PURCHASE SCRIP....

Online Giving

You are now able to donate to St Mary of the Valley ~ Yucca Valley and Joshua Tree Online or with your smart phone. It's easy and secure. Go to the parish website: stmaryofthevalley.com and check it out!!

Thanksgiving baskets

Thank you for your wonderful support and cooperation in supporting our youth and the needy of our parish and community.
20 Thanksgiving baskets will be distributed due to your generosity!

May you and your family have a blessed Thanksgiving.



WELCOME TO ST. MARY OF THE VALLEY CATHOLIC COMMUNITY



Welcome!

We extend our hands and hearts to all who worship with us today. All are welcome here! Whether long-time residents or newly arrived in the parish, we thank God for you. Know that you and your family are in our prayers today and everyday. We ask ALL adults living in the parish to register with the parish office. If we have this information, we can better meet your needs. Registration forms are available during the week in the parish office or from the ushers.

Note: This information is confidential.

Bienvenidos!

Extendemos nuestras manos y corazones a todos aquellos que hoy vienen a adorar con nosotros. Todos son bienvenidos aquí! Si son residentes de mucho tiempo o nuevos en la parroquia, damos gracias a dios por todos ustedes. Sepan que ustedes y sus familias están en nuestras oraciones hoy y todos los días. Pedimos a todos los adultos en la parroquia registrarse en la oficina de la parroquia. Si nosotros tenemos esta información, podemos conocer mejor sus necesidades. Las formas para registrarse están disponibles durante la semana en la oficina de la parroquia o de las personas que reciben a la gente en las misas.

Nota: Esta información es confidencial.

Parish Prayer and Faith Sharing Opportunities



Did you know that, St. Mary of the Valley has the following prayer/faith sharing opportunities? Everyone is welcome to join any or all of these groups. For more information please contact the parish office at 365-2287.

- Mon., Tues, Thur, Friday 9:00am Daily Mass
- Faith sharing/Bible Study group ~ Tues. 9:45am
- Relentless Love Prayer Community ~ Tues. 7:00 p.m.
- *Temporadas de fe todos están invitados de 7:00pm ~ 8:30pm Hay un tiempo para cada cosa y un momento para hacerla bajo el cielo.*
- Charismatic prayer group: Wednesday at 5:30 pm in the chapel
- *Sanados Por Sus Llagas* ~ Wednesday. 7:00 p.m.
- Spanish Faith Sharing at 7:00 p.m. on Friday evenings.
- ALL parishioners are invited to join the Altar Rosary Guild in praying the rosary every Sunday at 9:00 am. in the chapel.
- Fridays: Adoration from 7:30 am ~ 8:45 am
- Men's Fellowship ~ 3rd Thursday of the Monty
- Divine Mercy Cenacle: Friday at 10:00 am in Yucca Valley and daily at 8:00am, prior to the 9am Mass. Contact the parish office for more details.

Jubilee Year of Hope 2025

LOW DESERT JUBILEE PILGRIM SITES

St Joan of Arc, Blythe
Sacred Heart, Palm Desert

Our Lady of Solitude , Palm Springs
Sanctuary of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mecca
St. Mary of the Valley, Yucca Valley

The Holy door here at St. Mary of the Valley is open Mon. ~ Fri from 7am ~ 4:30pm or by appointment



DON'T FORGET TO PURCHASE SCRIP....

Help support St. Mary of the Valley & St. Christopher of the Desert



Stater Bros: St. Mary's offers "gift cards" that may be purchased to pay for your weekly grocery needs! Stop by the table after Mass, to purchase your card or for more information. Fiscal year (7-1-25/6-30-26)...**\$1,342.00**

* *Don't forget....we are collecting aluminum cans and plastic bottles with CRV (CA recycle symbol) to help with our parish expenses. The container for cans is available before and after Mass. Fiscal year (25/26): **\$829.00***

"STEWARDSHIP BY THE BOOK"

Thank you for living your families Covenant with our Lord



Fiscal Year: July 1, 2025 ~ June 30, 2026

Total Offertory November 15/16, 2025

Weekly ordinary income	
On Line giving:	\$ 940.00
Plate:	\$2,131.00
Env.:	\$2,780.00
Total:	\$5,851.00

Month to date: \$19,197.00 **goal \$25,000**

Year to date ordinary: \$85,546.23 goal: \$300,000

FYTD total income: \$182,888.32 goal: \$468,299

Weekly Accounts payable: \$7,639.74

Month to date accounts payable: \$32,134.18

FYTD accounts payable: \$171,262.69

Attendance: 4:00 pm 106 8:00 am 175
9:30am 249 11:00am 146 **Total: 676**

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT



Nativity Play

St. Mary of the Valley will celebrate a Family Christmas Mass at 6:00p.m. on December 24, 2025 . At this Mass we will be having our traditional *Children's Christmas Pageant*. We are inviting ALL children and youth to be a part of this celebration. . If your son/daughter is interested in being part of the pageant, please attend the rehearsal on **Monday, December 19th at 4:00pm**. For more information please call the parish office at (760)365-2287.

SAFE THE DATE



The Annual Diocesan Golf tournament to support our Catholic Schools will take place on **Monday, December 18th**. Contact the parish office for more information!!

Reach Out Morongo Basin

Reach Out depends on the generosity of volunteers. Call Coleen at 760-369-8671 to see how you can help this community organization.

Religious Education / Sacramental Prep including Confirmation



Sacramental Preparation at St. Mary of the Valley:
First Reconciliation / First Communion and Confirmation
I and II classes meet twice a month on Monday's at 6:00pm

You as parents are the primary teach of your children and we will help you with some of these responsibilities which include but not limited to Mass attendance, helping your students to memorize their prayers, and praying them together as a family, attending parish activities, etc. Being an example of living the Catholic faith.

The fee is \$150 per family per year. (Please note, no one will be turned away due to an ability to pay) Registration for the 25 ~ 26 year has closed for Sacramental Prep classes, but ALL are welcome

for Little Angels / Foundations

Any questions, contact the parish office at 760-365-2287.

Educación Religiosa/Preparación Sacramental incluyendo Confirmación

La Preparación Sacramental en Santa María del Valle comenzará el lunes 8 de septiembre a las 6:00 p.m.

Primera Reconciliación / Primera Comunión y Confirmación I y II

Si este es su primer año, necesitamos una copia del Certificado de Bautismo de su estudiante. Pedimos que al menos uno de los padres asista a esta primera clase, ya que se distribuirán fechas importantes e información en ese momento. Los padres tienen ciertas responsabilidades que prometieron en el Bautismo de sus hijos. Usted, como padre, es el principal educador de sus hijos y nosotros le ayudaremos con algunas de estas responsabilidades, que incluyen, entre otras, la asistencia a Misa, ayudar a sus estudiantes a memorizar sus oraciones y orar juntos como familia, asistir a actividades parroquiales, etc. Ser un ejemplo para su estudiante La tarifa es de \$150 por familia por año. (Por favor, tenga en cuenta que nadie será rechazado debido a su capacidad de pago) Cualquier pregunta, contacte la oficina parroquial al 760-365-2287. Esperamos verlos el lunes 8 de septiembre a las 6:00 p.m.



Youth Ministry Little Angels / Foundations

Little Angels and Foundations will meet once a month on Mondays from 6:00 to 7:00pm

Our next gathering will be on Monday, December 8th and our youth will be attending the Mass for the feast of the Immaculate Conception!

ALL youth ages 6 to 13 are welcome.

Our next gathering will be on December 8 at 6:00pm

High School students are also welcome to come and be "helpers"

SPECIAL NOTE: We are currently looking for a Youth Minister.

If you are interested, please contact the Parish office at: 760-365-2287 for more info.

Ministerios Litúrgicos NECESITAMOS VOLUNTARIOS!!

Estamos en necesidad de ujieres, ministros de hospitalidad, servidores del Altar, lectores, Ministros de Eucaristía, para Yucca Valley. De todas las edades, hombres y mujeres. Se provee entrenamiento. Por favor contacten a la oficina al 760-365-2287 para mas información.

St. Mary's Website:

Do you have pictures of parish events or activities that you would like to share? We are working on updating our website and making it more informative and current! To do this, we need your help. Send your ideas and suggestions to: stmarysyv@telis.org or alanbzzio@gmail.com

Liturgical Ministries

VOLUNTEER TODAY!

We are looking for Cantors, choir members, Ushers, Greeters, Altar Servers, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, & Minister to the Homebound. All ages, male and female. Training provided. PLEASE Contact the office at 760-365-2287 .

Hi Desert Pregnancy Clinic/ Diaper Depot



In support of the Hi Desert Pregnancy Clinic, we are collecting baby items to help young families prepare and care for that new arrival. Please bring items with you to Mass and place them in the "play pen" located in the gathering space.

Thank you for your generosity.

Parish Projects

1. Paint old church, rectory and hall
This will cost us approximately \$25,000
2. New carpet (flooring) in the church
This will cost us approximately \$100,000

St Mary of the Valley Memorial Brick

Would you like to remember a loved one in a special way? You may purchase a memorial brick for just \$75.00 to be placed in the gazebo around the statue of the Holy Family. Stop by the table in the vestibule, or contact the parish office at 365-2287 for details.



Programa de Ladrillo Conmemorativo

Te gustaría recordar a un ser querido de una manera especial? Por solo \$75.00 puedes comprar un ladrillo conmemorativo para colocarlo en la pérgola alrededor de la estatua de la Santísima Familia santo. Pasa a la mesa que esta en el vestíbulo, o contacta la oficina de la parroquia al 365-2287 para mas detalles.

DON'T FORGET TO PURCHASE SCRIP

OCI / ADULT Sacraments



Interested in becoming Catholic? Need Confirmation or 1st Communion?

OCI / Adult Sacrament sessions have begun!
We gather on Monday's from 6 pm ~ 8 pm

Please contact the parish office at 760-365-2287 for more information