



*St. Theresa of the
Child Jesus Church*
2800 East Ramon Road, Palm
Springs, CA 92264



5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden.” - Mt 5:14

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760-323-2669 Ex. 315
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Mass Times:

Mon.-Fri.– 7:30am (Daily Mass)
Saturday
5:00 pm English
7:00 pm Spanish
Sunday
7:00 am English
8:30 am Spanish
10:30am English
12:30pm English
Monday—Friday
7:30 am English
Adoration—8:00am-3:00pm
Saturday Confessions—
3:30pm-4:30pm

Our Parish Mission Statement:

St. Theresa is a welcoming multicultural, diverse Roman Catholic community; aspiring to make God the center of our lives, striving to proclaim Jesus' message of Hope, Forgiveness, Love and Compassion to all.

Nuestra Misión Parroquial:

Santa Teresa es una Comunidad Católica Romana, con diversidad multicultural. Aspiramos a tener a Dios como centro de nuestras vidas. Proclamamos el mensaje de Jesús que es; Esperanza, Reconciliación, Amor y Compasión al Próximo.

Rev. John Kavcak, M.S.C./ Pastor

Rev. David Foxen M.S.C. /Parochial Vicar

This parish is staffed by the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart (M.S.C.)

For more information visit the M.S.C.

website: <http://www.misacor-usa.org>

PASTOR'S COLUMN:

Forgive me for changing the format of “The Pastor’s Column” this week, but I think this is something the parish needs to know and understand.

The parish infrastructure, like the pastor, are getting old and needs to be updated and replaced! Over the past few weeks, the sewer pipes that takes care of the school and the two rooms that were added later to the present church, (the **youth room and the daily chapel**) have been failing and backing up. At the end of January, raw sewage flowing into these rooms through the floor drains.

We have engaged plumbing professionals equipped with cameras and roter machines for over two weeks to address the issue. This situation has imposed considerable stress and challenges on the school and its sewer system. Last week, upon opening an inspection lid in the east parking lot, there was an unintended release of wastewater over part of the parking area. This incident created a biohazard that required intervention by the Palm Springs Fire Department, Water District personnel, two large vacuum trucks, and a specialized biohazard team to resolve.

The parking lot has been cleaned and sanitized and everyone “thinks” the blockage has been removed. However, **the youth room and chapel** are still off limits while the insurance people and a “mitigation team” figures out how to clean it up, what needs to be replaced, and how to protect this from happening again.

My dear people; the parish infrastructure is aging and we have many things that need to be fixed and replaced. The wooden beams that stick out from the roof line of the church, the retaining wall in front of the church, part of our sewerage system, painting and refurbishing the inside of the church and, “the big elephant in the room,” the church air condition system are all old and is some cases, original!

This is why we have our **135 Ministry** and other ways of trying to raise funds to preserve our parish heritage. If you can and would like to donate to any of these many needs and would like to know how, please contact the parish rectory and we can put you in contact with a member of our **Parish Finance** or **Building and Grounds** council members who can help you.

Thank you for your kind attention and support over the years.
Fr. John

Visit our website to sign up to
Online Giving and get started.
<https://osvhub.com/st-theresa-ps/funds>
January Contribution

1/4/26– \$14,160.50
1/11/26- \$15,456.15
1/18/26-\$12,107.00
1/25/26–\$12,115.00

New Year’s Day
\$3,374.00

Total: \$53,838.65

On-Line Giving
\$6,740.00

School Tuition Assistance
\$4,686.00

Diocesan Development Fund

We have met our diocesan goal of \$54,900. We will give you a final number for 2025 in the next weeks . Many Thanks to those that have pledged and donated!.....We are better together!

How to support the DDF:

The 2026 Goal is \$56,300, with your help we can reach it.

Make Pledge: Use a DDF envelope and send it to the Diocese or drop it into the collection basket at Mass (card, cash, or check) Make a Donation: Indicate on the check or envelop “DDF2026” Online Donation: visit our website and make a donation under the DDF 2026 tab.

Scan QR Code to give



Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK 

Saturday, February 7

5:00pm

Mary Francis “Molly” Cody +

7:00pm-Espanol

Josefina Martinez Lucero +
Jose Salvador Rosales +
Germina Rosales Perez +

Sunday, February 8

7:00am

Fely Balaney Agbayani +

8:30am- Español

Nieves Resendez +
Domingo Resendez +
Justiniano Romo

10:30am

Mayor Rainier A. Leopando +
Gilbert Lopez +
Napoleon Chiu +
Jacob Infante +

12:30pm

Kathleen Kuniej-Cooper-S/I
Arturo Rodriguez +
Manuel Pasion +

5:00pm– Filipino Mass

Johnny & Josie Imus– S/I

Monday, February 9

Fr. Marlin Connole +

Tuesday, February 10

Algo & Kathy Leopando S/I
(In Thanksgiving)
Muriel & Justin Fortuna +

Wednesday, February 11

Carmen Rios De Rivera +

Thursday, February 12

Sally Sauter +

Friday, February 13

John Baker +

**We pray for the sick and for those who care for them:
Oremos por las personas enfermas y por las personas
que cuidan de ellos:**

John Salerno, Bryan Dinnoo, Chuck Stone,
Catherine Dinnoo, Carolyn O’Linn, Alissa Dinnoo,
Norma Cardova Chanman, Ynez Romo, Robin Dinnoo,
Roger Newallo, Norbert Chanman, Laurie Mikolaycik,
Christopher Navo, Nicolette Rusanberg,
Nancy Holmes, Joyce Norvell, Keila David, ,
Aisling O’Connor, Ira Amon, Marie Irwin
Yadira Molina, Richard Martanivick, Carmen Brown,
Leann Alvarez, Cam (Tommy’s Son)
Mahesh Sewnarain, Jose Alex Gonzalez, Carol Patney,
Joseph Ibanez, Monica Newallo, Lloyd Forbes, Tony Chanman,
Anilaine Gamba, Mary , Karen Gunst, Carol Zachik, Mark MyBrick,
Angela Brown,Remy Ruesenberg, Tiffany Moretti, Ken Zachik,
Manuel & Sony Silverio, Esperanza Asejo, Henry McShane,
Joseph Piscope, Melinda Jennings & Family,
Jackie Peters, Florence, Linda Francis,
Angelito Rayos, John Paschal, Christina Eteddgui, Ernesto Cuabo,
Sheila Sparling, Lisa Jarecki, Dennis Cook, Reggie Montoya,
Butch Skillman, Val & Christopher, Luz Maria Matha,
Joseph Godinez, Jerome Godinez, Lucille Godinez, John Griffiths III
Marc Motzer, Ray, Kaiden Dinnoo, Terry Moretti,
Roman Hernandez, Rae Wenzel, Pat Malon, Kathy Kuniej Cooper,
Cristina Alverdiz, Maria Cruz Cardenas, David Landeros,
Jay Bednar, Becky Benedict, Dennis Cook, Susie Hoff, Selena Perez,
Steven Pilgrim, Bob Blum, Pat Quinn, Daniel Chavez,
Steve Schultz,Carmen, Marquez, Rosemarie McMichael,
Juan Zetina, Maria Bedillo

**(Names will be kept for 3 months. Please contact the
Parish Office to remove a name from the list/**

**Los nombres permanecerán por 3 meses. Por favor
de contactar a la Oficina Parroquial para remover un
nombre de la lista.)**



Readings for the week of February 8, 2026

Sunday: Is 58:7-10/Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/1 Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16
Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Ps 132:6-7, 8-10/Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Ps 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11/Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10/Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40/Mk 7:14-23
Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13/Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40/Mk 7:24-30
Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15/
Mk 7:31-37
Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20,
21-22/Mk 8:1-10
Next 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

SAVE THE DATE!!



Lenten Retreat: Wednesday,
March 11th.

More details & information coming!

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Salt without flavor is no longer salt. Light that illuminates nothing is no longer light. As Christians, we must be what we have been made to be. So think about it, carefully: what stands between you and being who you were made to be?

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Lord Jesus, grant that I and my spouse may have a true and understanding love for each other. Grant that we may both be filled with faith and trust. Give us the grace to live with each other in peace and harmony. May we always bear with one another's weaknesses and grow from each other's strengths. Amen!

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What to Expect

- Church & School News
- Ministry Spotlights
- Special Events
- Guest Speakers
- Monthly Prayer and Reflection



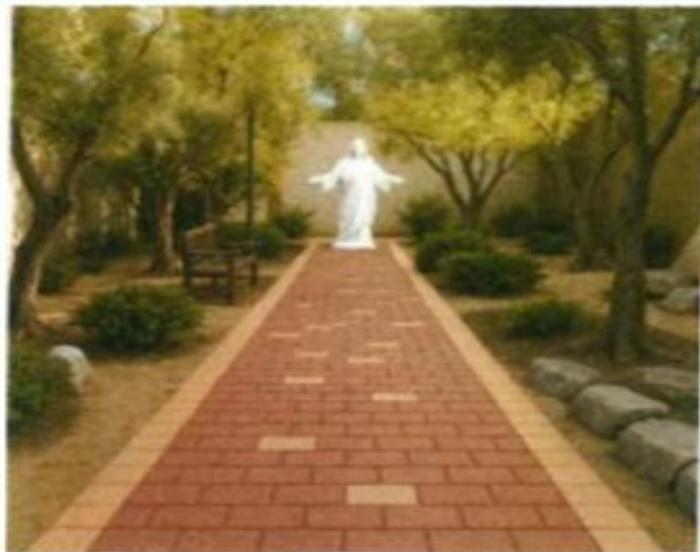
NEW EPISODES RELEASE ON THE THIRD SUNDAY OF THE EACH MONTH

DISCOVER
FAITHFUL VOICES!
-LISTEN EACH MONTH-
JOIN THE CONVERSATION
AND GET INVOLVED IN YOUR
PARISH & SCHOOL

SCAN THE QR
CODE TO LISTEN



KEEP UP TO DATE AT WWW.FAITHFULVOICESPODCAST.ORG



Meditation Garden

Please join us in the restoration of the Meditation Garden by purchasing an engraved brick paver of remembrance which creates a new walkway to the statue of Jesus with outstretched arms. You may do so by getting an order form from the posters located at all church entrances. This form with your check should then be taken to the parish office for processing during normal office hours. You may also purchase online at the parish web site sttheresaps.com. Select the 135 Ministry tab on the home page then the drop down menu Meditation Garden to order.



Proceeds Support St. Theresa School Tuition Assistance Program

in the St Theresa Parish Hall

Each Friday night January through May

EARLY BIRD BINGO begins at 5:00 pm

Buy-In Packets are \$15 for 6 games and 1 pull-tab

REGULAR BINGO begins at 6:30 p.m.

Buy-In Packets are \$25 for 8 games, 1 Special game, and 1 pull-tab; additional pull-tabs are \$1 ea; Dabbers are \$2 ea.

Dinner served 4:30-6:30 p.m. by Parish Ministries for \$12 per plate including drink

Doors open at 4:30 p.m. for dinner and purchase of Bingo packets.

Additional information provided on the Parish website.

WIN CASH \$\$\$\$

WIN DOOR PRIZES

HAVE FUN !

MEET PEOPLE

LAUGH !

EAT DELICIOUS FOOD

SUPPORT OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS



Gifted and Called
LGBTQ Catholics Ministry
Palm Springs
Contact us at:

GiftedandCalled@LGBTQCatholics.faith

Healing After Loss Program

Are you grieving the loss of a loved one? Healing After Loss is here to support you.

This compassionate program offers a **6-session facilitated support group** to help parishioners navigate their grief with understanding and care.

Recent participants are saying: “A Safe Space” • “Incredible, Heartfelt Experience” • “A Sense of Community” • “Invaluable to Me” • “I Got So Much Out of It”

Start Date: Thursday, February 19, 2026

Time: 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Location: Rectory behind Our Lady of Guadalupe Church

Schedule: Six consecutive Thursdays

This program is open to parishioners from Our Lady of Solitude, Our Lady of Guadalupe, and Saint Theresa’s parishes. Returning participants are welcome.

Registration is required. To register or for more information: **Email:** olghealing@gmail.com **or Call:** 760-325-5809

We are here to walk with you through this difficult journey.

GOOD GRIEF MINISTRY

Dates for meetings:

(1:30pm in the Youth Room on the east side of the Church)

February 22, 2026

April 26, 2026

March 29, 2026

May 17, 2026

COLUMNA DEL PASTOR :

Perdónenme por cambiar el formato de “La Columna del Párroco” esta semana, pero creo que esto es algo que la parroquia necesita saber y comprender.

La infraestructura parroquial, al igual que el párroco, está envejeciendo y necesita ser renovada y reemplazada. En las últimas semanas, las tuberías de alcantarillado que abastecen la escuela y las dos salas que se añadieron posteriormente a la iglesia actual (la sala de jóvenes y la capilla diaria) han estado fallando y obstruyéndose. A finales de enero, las aguas residuales sin tratar comenzaron a fluir a estas salas por los desagües del suelo.

Hemos contratado a profesionales de plomería equipados con cámaras y desatascadores durante más de dos semanas para abordar el problema. Esta situación ha generado considerable estrés y desafíos en la escuela y su sistema de alcantarillado. La semana pasada, al abrir una tapa de inspección en el estacionamiento este, se produjo un derrame involuntario de aguas residuales sobre parte del estacionamiento. Este incidente generó un riesgo biológico que requirió la intervención del Departamento de Bomberos de Palm Springs, personal del Distrito de Aguas, dos camiones de vacío grandes y un equipo especializado en riesgos biológicos para resolverlo.

El estacionamiento ha sido limpiado y desinfectado, y todos creen que la obstrucción ha sido eliminada. Sin embargo, el salón de jóvenes y la capilla siguen cerrados mientras la compañía de seguros y un equipo de mitigación determinan cómo limpiarlo, qué se debe reemplazar y cómo evitar que esto vuelva a suceder.

Queridos hermanos, la infraestructura parroquial está envejeciendo y tenemos muchas cosas que necesitan ser reparadas y reemplazadas. Las vigas de madera que sobresalen del tejado de la iglesia, el muro de contención frente a la iglesia, parte del sistema de alcantarillado, la pintura y renovación del interior de la iglesia y, el gran problema, el sistema de aire acondicionado de la iglesia, son todos viejos y, en algunos casos, ¡originales!

Por eso contamos con nuestro Ministerio 135 y otras maneras de recaudar fondos para preservar el patrimonio de nuestra parroquia. Si puede y desea donar para cualquiera de estas necesidades y quiere saber cómo, comuníquese con la rectoría parroquial y le pondremos en contacto con un miembro de nuestro Consejo de Finanzas Parroquiales o de Edificios y Terrenos que podrá ayudarle.

Gracias por su amable atención y apoyo a lo largo de los años.

P. John

Fondo de Desarrollo Diocesano (DDF)

Hemos alcanzado nuestra meta diocesana de \$54,900. Se les agradece su apoyo continuo, pasamos la meta juntos!! Les daremos cantidad total en las próximas semanas.

Nuestra Meta para el DDF 2026 es de \$56,300. Lo lograremos igual! Que Dios los bendiga.

Donacion en linea

<https://osvhub.com/st-theresa-ps/funds>



Las lecturas de la semana del 8 de febrero de 2026

Domingo: Is 58, 7-10/Sal 111, 4-5. 6-7. 8-9/
1 Co 2, 1-5/Mt 5, 13-16

Lunes: 1 Re 8, 1-7. 9-13/Sal 131, 6-7.
8-10/Mc 6, 53-56

Martes: 1 Re 8, 22-23. 27-30/Sal 83, 3. 4.
5 y 10. 11/Mc 7, 1-13

Miércoles: 1 Re 10, 1-10/Sal 36, 5-6.
30-31. 39-40/Mc 7, 14-23

Jueves: 1 Re 11, 4-13/Sal 105, 3-4.
35-36. 37 y 40/Mc 7, 24-30

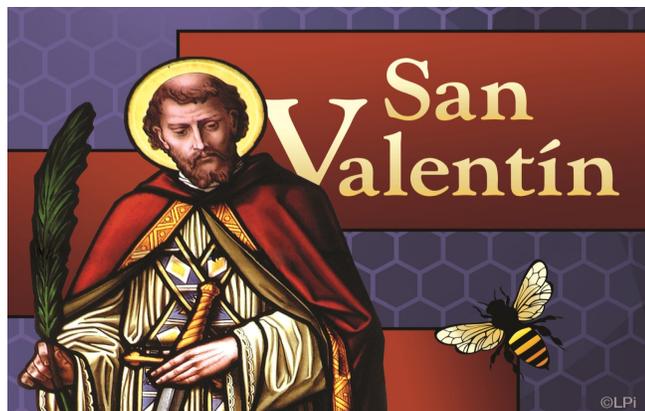
Viernes: 1 Re 11, 29-32; 12, 19/Sal 80,
10-11. 12-13. 14-15/Mc 7, 31-37

Sábado: 1 Re 12, 26-32; 13, 33-34/
Sal 1065, 6-7. 19-20. 21-22/Mc
8, 1-10

Domingo siguiente: Eclo 15, 15-20/Sal 118, 1-2.
4-5. 17-18. 33-34/1 Co 2, 6-



Señor Jesús, concédenos a mi cónyuge y a mí un amor verdadero y comprensivo. Concédenos que ambos estemos llenos de fe y confianza. Danos la gracia de vivir juntos en paz y armonía. Que siempre soportemos nuestras debilidades y crezcamos con nuestras fortalezas. ¡Amén!



VIVIR LA LITURGIA - INSPIRACIÓN DE LA SEMANA

La sal sin sabor ya no es sal. La luz que no ilumina nada ya no es luz. Como cristianos, debemos ser lo que hemos sido hechos para ser. Así que piénsalo, cuidadosamente: ¿qué se interpone entre tú y ser quien fuiste hecho para ser?

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Bendición de la Misión

Bendícenos en nuestro camino, oh, Señor. Comparte con nosotros como nosotros compartimos con los demás. Sánanos mientras ayudamos a otros a sanar. Provéenos mientras abrimos nuestras manos en caridad. Todo don viene de Ti. Estás en el corazón de todo lo que es bueno. Comparte esa bondad con nosotros hoy, abundantemente. Amén.

TIEMPO DE IMPUESTOS.....

Si necesita un resumen de su Donación anual 2025, aquí en St. Theresa Church, llame a la oficina parroquial al 760-323-2669, estaremos encantados de enviarle una carta de su contribución para el año.

¡Gracias!

Felígreso/a registrado/a

Si ha cambiado de domicilio o número de teléfono, por favor, comuníquese con la oficina parroquial para que podamos actualizar su información.

Si desea registrarse como feligrés/a, puede hacerlo en nuestro sitio web: sttheresaps.com

**Saint Theresa Parish
Year to Date Statement of Operating Income and Expenses
For the Six Months Ended December 31, 2025**

The month of December shows a net operating income of \$6,614. The first six months ended December 31, 2025 of our fiscal year showed a net loss from operations of \$16,349. This was favorable to budget by \$69,601 for two primary reasons. First, we had a one-time income item of \$13,213 which was the Federal Employee Retention Credit payment for the employee positions maintained during the Covid Pandemic. Second, payroll expenses were favorable to budget because we were not fully staffed for July through October. The remaining six months of January through June are projected to produce an approximate total operating net income of \$27,000. We expect to have an operating net income for the twelve months of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026 of approximately \$10,000.

By the end of February, we will be producing a monthly report of the restricted revenue received from the activities of the 135 Ministry and the Columbarium Niche sales. We will also report major repair and replacement expenditures paid for with these restricted revenues. We will also be reporting anticipated future major repairs and replacements. We know that we have over \$1,000,000 in anticipated major repairs and replacements in the next five years and approximately \$2,700,000 over the next 12 years. We need the Columbarium to start producing a steady cash flow, augmented by the 135 Ministry's efforts, in order to have the funds available to cover these anticipated expenditures.

In the first six months of this fiscal year, we have spent \$75,084 on two major repair items. These were reroofing of the Parish Hall and the HVAC units replaced in the youth room of the main church building. Before the end of the current fiscal year we expect to have repaired the exposed wood beams, originally estimated at \$150,000 but perhaps costing more.

Qualified Charitable Distributions / IRA Rollover

You can make a donation to the Parish directly from your IRA. This type of donation is known as a "qualified charitable distribution". This allows individuals age 70 and ½ or older to authorize their IRA administrator to directly transfer up to \$100,000 annually from their IRA to the Parish, tax free. If you are age 73 or older, the amount you transfer can satisfy all or part of your required minimum distribution. Please contact your income tax professional.

Donor Advised Funds

Donor Advised Funds are the fastest growing giving method and tax efficient way to manage charitable donations. Donor Advised Funds allow donors to make a charitable contribution, receive an immediate income tax deduction, and then recommend grants from the fund over time. Please consult with your attorney or tax advisor and take advantage of this exciting new way to managing your charitable contributions.

**Saint Theresa
Operating Income and Expense
For the 6 Months Ended December 31, 2025**

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Operating Revenue		
Contributions and Donations	\$404,029	\$373,220
Fees and Fundraising	65,536	78,822
Investment Income	9,144	8,990
Federal Employee Retention Credit	13,213	0
Other Income	7,535	3,500
Total Revenue	<u>499,457</u>	<u>464,532</u>
Expenses		
Salaries, Payroll Taxes and Benefits	196,364	248,021
Professional Fees	12,668	11,316
Program Expenses	7,944	5,000
Liturgical Expenses	21,615	10,692
General Aid	30,185	27,771
General and Administrative	30,001	25,450
Electricity	53,463	46,600
Property and Earthquake Insurance	24,420	34,200
Facilities Expense	65,109	77,380
Fundraising Expenses	10,785	800
Assessment Expense - Diocese	63,252	63,252
Total Expenses	<u>515,806</u>	<u>550,482</u>
Net Operating Income (loss)	<u><u>(\$16,349)</u></u>	<u><u>(\$85,950)</u></u>



Deacon Peter Solan

Our Lady's Desert Roses, Palm Desert, CA Chapter

Saturday, March 7, 2026

Magnificat Palm Desert
Our Lady's Desert Roses

**Palm Desert Chapter Prayer Meal
with Deacon Peter Solan**

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

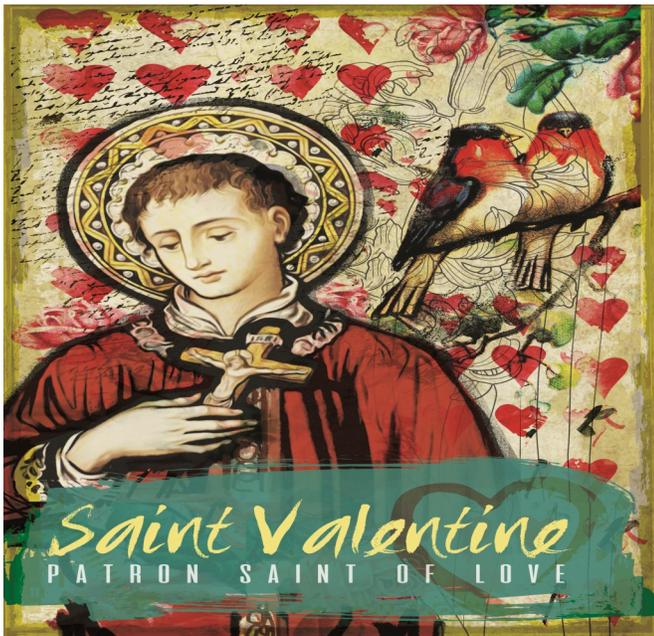


Woodhaven Country Club
41555 Woodhaven Drive, East
Palm Desert, CA 92211

**Meal Registration at
MagnificatPalmDesert.net**

Deacon Peter's faith-filled journey is one of selflessness and sacrifice. He has overcome numerous physical obstacles, but his commitment to offering his suffering for the salvation of others is what truly sets him apart. His testimony and walk in faith as a 'victim soul' not only encourages listeners to keep the faith in the face of gripping trials but also offers hope, healing, and inspiration to our community, strengthening our collective faith and perseverance.

Join us as Deacon Peter shares his incredible story of overcoming numerous physical odds, setbacks, and near-death experiences as a testament to the depth of his faith and the power of selfless service.



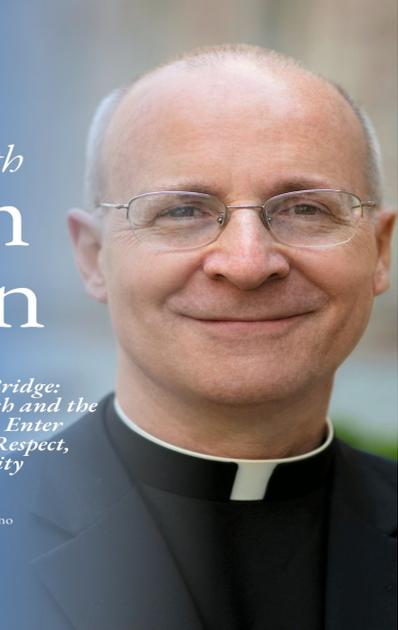
FEBRUARY 22 – 4PM

An evening with
Fr. Jim Martin

Author of *Building A Bridge: How the Catholic Church and the LGBT Community Can Enter Into A Relationship of Respect, Compassion, & Sensitivity*

A joint ecumenical project of the Episcopal Diocese of San Diego and the Roman Catholic Diocese of San Bernardino

The Church of St. Paul in Desert
125 West El Alameda
Palm Springs, CA 92262



Limited seating available. Please visit episcopaldesert.church to register.

TAX TIME.....

If you need a summary of your 2025 annual giving, here at St. Theresa Church, please call the parish office at 760-323-2669, we will be happy to send you a letter of your contribution for the year.

Thank You!

Blessing of Mission

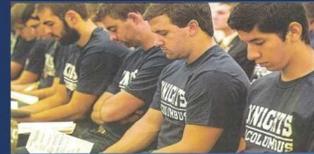
Bless us on our way, O Lord.
Share with us as we share with others.
Heal us as we help others to heal.
Provide for us as we open our hands in charity.
Every gift comes from You.
You are at the heart of all that is good.
Share that goodness with us today, abundantly.
Amen.



**THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
WILL BE HOSTING A FISH FRY
ON ASH WEDNESDAY, FEB. 18,
IN THE PARISH HALL FROM :
5:00PM-7:30PM**



BECOMING A KNIGHT!



Knights of
Columbus

Why Join?



You are invited to put your faith into action. Knights lead with faith. Knights protect their families. Knights serve those in need. We are Catholic men. We live by principles informed by faith. We are sons, fathers, husbands, and grandfathers. Join us on life's greatest adventure to discover the man of God calls you to be.

"I'll show you my faith through my works"



"Mama Mary Pray for Us"