Upcoming at the Casa

Young Adult Symposium
With Maureen Day & John Roberto
Saturday, October 12, 8 am - 5 pm

Veterans’ Court
With Nathan Foundas
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The Conventual Church of
Our Lady of the Angels
at the Franciscan Renewal Center

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Patience is a Virtue

“Patience is a virtue, my dear.” My mother used to say that to me as a child. A lot. And there was usually a bit of a sing-song quality to how she said it, which made it sound perhaps a bit sarcastic…but her sub-text was crystal clear. And she was right. My mother was usually right. Okay—always right. By the number of times she said that to me, I came to realize that I wasn’t a very patient person. But, I’d like to think that my mother’s efforts made a difference over time, and that I’ve actually cultivated more patience. Well, if not more patience, perhaps at least I’m a little less rash, and a little more considerate of the possible consequences of my actions. My Mother planted the seeds of patience in me that are still growing (I hope). My Mother had other wisdom for me as well. Too many to go into them all, but here are a few seeds she planted:

“Everything in moderation, my dear.” (She’d say as I consumed an entire container of ice cream in one sitting.)

“You have to take every opportunity to celebrate, otherwise every day is the same as the one before it…birthdays, anniversaries, holidays…” And she did. And so do I. “Sundays smell different.” She was right…Sundays DO smell different. Actually, she made them smell different by the way we were taught to “be” on Sundays.

My Mother was apparently quite the “gardener,” planting tiny mustard seeds of wisdom throughout my life.

Not unlike the stories in today’s readings—did you hear it? “…the vision still has its time…if it delays, wait for it, it will surely come, it will not be late. The rash one has no integrity…”

“Patience is a virtue, my dear.” Thanks, Mom.

Peace,

Norbert Zwickl

TAKE A TOUR

DISCOVER THE VISION
Friars and staff will take you on a one-hour, behind-the-scenes tour of the Casa’s unique services and ministries.

Thursdays
October 17 6:00 pm
November 7 11:00 am
November 21 6:00 pm
December 5 11:00 am

Reserve your spot today:
online: thecasa.org/discover-vision/
phone: 480.355.5631
e-mail: rsvp@thecasa.org

CHURCH ART & ARCHITECTURE
Special Summer Schedule
Tours for Families, Friends, and Groups by request one week in advance.

To schedule a summer tour:
phone: 480.948.7460 (Front Desk)
e-mail: churchtours@thecasa.org
Are you thinking of becoming Catholic?

Are you seeking full initiation into the Roman Catholic church? If so, then you are invited to explore “A Journey in Faith: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA).”

The RCIA is the sacramental formation process that prepares individuals for living the Christian life in the Roman Catholic community and tradition.

The RCIA sessions begin Tuesdays starting in October from 7 - 9 pm. The first four “inquiry sessions” are open and you are encouraged to attend all four sessions, but are welcome to begin attending anytime during those four weeks. These inquiry sessions are designed to help you discern whether or not you want to continue on this Journey in Faith through full initiation into the Catholic Church at Easter. Please call Kathleen Garast at 480.483.3803 for more information. You can also email us at rcia@thecasa.org.

Seeking Sponsors for the RCIA

We are also seeking community members to walk with these individuals as Sponsors on this Journey in Faith. Sponsor training will begin in October as well. For more information, call Jeff Rochford at 602.369.7882.

Seeking Sunday Catechists for RCIA

We are also seeking community members to break open the Word with our seekers at Mass on Sundays.

Donation bins for the poor and hungry

We have donation bins in the Lobby of the Casa, for collecting food and clothing items for the poor and homeless. It’s a few extra steps out of your way...

From the very beginning, Christians have brought, along with the bread and wine for the Eucharist, gifts to share with those in need. Tithing and almsgiving are acts of worship and express not only our desire to help those in need but also our generosity to God.

Many people, when they are grocery shopping, pick up an extra jar of peanut butter, or cans of tuna, and bring them to church on Sunday to put in the donation bins. What can you bring?
FAMILY CATECHESIS, SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

PRAYING THE ROSARY AS A FAMILY

Many Catholic parents would love to say the Rosary with their kids...if the experience wasn’t quite so, erm...fraught. At our house, we barely make it out of the preliminaries before the littles are swinging their beads around like lassos—which inevitably become airborne missiles—and if you have ever been whacked in the face by a rosary mid-Hail Mary, you know it kind of ruins the mood. Fortunately, we’ve come up with a couple insights that help us to pray the rosary as a family in a more sane and meaningful way!

1. Skip the beads, or get kid-friendly ones. When your kids are old enough purchase a kid friendly durable rosary, such as a cord rosary.

2. Start with one decade. Praying one decade of the rosary should take a little longer than five minutes.

3. Shorten the decades. Say the entire rosary, but only say three Hail Mary prayers for each decade. This is a good way of introducing your children to the order of the mysteries and rhythm of the rosary.

4. Use pictures to aid meditation. Find pictures (online or in a book) illustrating each mystery of the rosary. Display as you explain and then pray each mystery.

5. Set a prayerful mood. Before you begin sing a Marian hymn or practice thirty seconds of silence.

6. Ignore the kids and pray. Someday your kids will grow into the practice, in the meantime, Mary, mother of us all, surely sympathizes!

This article is adapted from the book 77 Ways to Pray with Your Kids by Jerry J Windley-Daoust.

FAMILY FAITH ACTIVITIES
27th Sunday of Ordinary Time Oct. 6

REFLECTION: How would you describe what the word ‘faith’ means? When the disciples ask Jesus to increase their faith, He counters with a change in perspective. They are interested in quantity while Jesus is focusing on quality. His metaphorical use of the tiny mustard seed that grows into a large tree with deep roots, difficult to uproot, tells us that a small amount of genuine faith is able to realize the impossible. Faith is to have complete trust and belief in some person or thing. Just like the mulberry tree takes time to grow, we too must trust and wait patiently for the right time for events to unfold. Although not an easy task in this instant gratification culture, we can hold tight to our faith, never wavering, knowing that God is with us and that our faith in His love will prevail.

CONVERSATION:
Who do you see as having great faith in God?

PROCLAMATION/DISCUSSION:
• What do the disciples want Jesus to do?
• What does Jesus tell his disciples about faith?
• Why does Jesus use the example of a mustard seed?

ACTION: Autumn is a time for seeds to fall in hope for spring’s new life. Take a nature walk with your family. Point out the seeds that fall from the trees. Share with your family that almost every big thing God does for us starts off small. Like the seeds that grow into tall trees or large scrubs. He can do the same for us, if we allow Him to (Word-Sunday.com).

PRAYER: Dear God, You want us to have faith in You. Help make our faith strong. Amen.
VOLUNTEER VOICE – Ordinary People, Extraordinary Hearts!

Casa Habitat Ministry

Many of our Casa volunteers have been inspired by their work serving with the Casa Habitat Ministry. Hear about some experiences in their own words:

"I am reminded of my immigrant grandparents. They, like so many of the Habitat recipients, were also working poor. Serving as part of the Habitat ministry makes me feel like I am paying it forward for the support my family was given so many years ago." – Maria Lewis

“One very special memory I have is the Blackman family—a single Mom with three kids. The very first day of our build was her birthday and she said it was the best birthday present ever! On dedication day, she was so grateful for this home and for everyone who had helped build it." – Laure Niehaus

“Habitat provides the brick and mortar to build a life for families in need.” – Janis Raynak

If you would like to learn how you too can be inspired by serving with this life giving ministry, email thecasahabitat@thecasa.org for information about the upcoming October build.

– Pat Bennier, Director of Volunteer Services

For volunteer opportunities, contact Pat Bennier at volunteer@thecasa.org or 480.355.0361

Thank you for your stewardship!

Mass Offerings

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We received 266 collection envelopes.

SUPPORT GROUPS

No appointments required. All Are Welcome.

Monday: 6:30 - 8 pm: Divorce/Separation/Relationship Endings
Tuesday: 5:30 - 7 pm: Grieving the Loss of a Loved One
         6:30 - 8 pm: Depression and Anxiety
Wednesday: 6:30 - 8 pm: Addiction & Family

Books and Blessings

bookstore & spiritual boutique at the Casa

Featuring original art, gifts, jewelry, statuary, greeting cards and books that feed the heart and soul. Located in the Capistrano building.

Monday - Friday 10:00 am - 2:00 pm
Saturday 10:00 am - 6:30 pm
Sunday 8:30 am - 2:00 pm and 5:30 - 8:30 pm

Please stop by. We look forward to serving you! Visit us online at Booksandblessingsgiftshop.com.

For more information about our Counseling Ministry, please call 480.948.7460, ext. 134 or email: counseling@thecasa.org

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You are invited to join us next Sunday morning.

**Just Scripture**  
Sunday, October 13  
9:00-10:30 am Sr Luca Room

*How does God’s Word speak to you?*

During this monthly Scripture reflection, we discuss how the Sunday readings connect with our daily life. You are invited to join with others for:

- Sharing from a perspective of Franciscan values
- Biblical issues of justice and mercy that impact our world today
- No previous study of Scripture or biblical training necessary

Throughout the **10th Anniversary year**, please join us on any second Sunday of the month. For more information, contact: kgarast@aol.com. Provide your contact information and you will receive the monthly invitation, readings and meeting location.

**All Are Welcome!**

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**Casa Grounds for Solidarity**  
Every Purchase Matters  
Next sale is October 12 & 13

Cafe Justo fair trade coffee sales give hope in the face of desperation by providing a living wage.

Cafe Justo is excellent, pure, organic coffee; and the taste is even more delicious knowing that you are reducing poverty for Mexican Families. Our yearly goal is to sell 1200 pounds of coffee so that an extended family can remain on their lands.

**Will you help us meet our goal?**

Look for our tables in the Hospitality area after Mass. If you would like to join the ministry contact Eileen Waldron at: casagrounds@thecasa.org.

**Delicious. Organic. Sustainable.**  
Buy Fair - Be Fair.

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**Sharing the Journey: Migrant Realities on the Southern Border**  
Sunday, October 13, 2019  
4:30 - 6:30 pm

With Bishop Eduardo Nevares, Fr. Sean Carroll, SJ from Kino Border Initiative, Br. David Buer, OFM.

Come and learn the stories of migrants and the Catholic leaders who have been working with them, and discover what God is calling each of us to do. This event is a collaboration with the Valley Interfaith Project (VIP). Fr. Sean will also be the homilist at the 7 pm Mass. **See FRC Programs Calendar for more info and to register for this free event.**

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**The Casa Habitat Ministry**  
**A Home is Where the Heart Is**

Help build the 13th Casa Habitat Home with our fellow builders from the St Patrick's Catholic Community.

No tools or experience is required. Wear closed-toe shoes, regular work clothes in layers, and be ready to get dirty. The construction crew must be at least 16 years old to be on-site.

**2019 FALL Build Dates:**
- 7:30 am start time.
  - October 5, 2019 - Framing/Wall Signing
  - November 16, 2019 - Complete Framing
  - December 14, 2019 - Begin Drywall
  - January 18, 2019 - Begin Doors & Trim
  - January 25 or February 8th, 2019 - TBD - Finish Interior Paint/Begin Exterior Paint/Landscape

To help build, please sign-up through email: thecasahabitat@thecasa.org.

For more information about Faith in Action Ministries, contact us at 480.948.746. Patti Sills-Trausch at x130 or socialconcerns@thecasa.org, or Laura Libertore at x156 or laura@thecasa.org.
Check Out These Retreats!

Oct. 14 - 16  
Embracing a Spirituality of Imperfection: Following the Example of Henri Nouwen

Oct. 18 - 20  
The Way of Henri Nouwen: Befriending Tension in Our Journey

Oct. 25 - 27  
Twelve Gifts for Living: A Healing, Well-Being & Peace Retreat

Oct. 31 - Nov. 8  
St. Bonaventure’s Journey Into God
Nov. 15 - 17  
Walking the Footsteps of Thich Nhat Hahn and Thomas Merton

Dec. 13 - 15  
Grief and Loss Retreat
Dec. 13 - 15  
Emmaus Retreat for Grieving Parents

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Young Adult Symposium
Saturday, Oct. 12, 8 am - 5 pm
Maureen Day & John Roberto

This session explores ministry with young adults in two ways. First, from the church community perspective: What do churches who engage young adults look like: What are they doing? What are their most effective practices? How can churches be more inclusive of young adults? Second, from the young adult perspective: What are practices and approaches that nurture the faith and spiritual life of young adults? What are examples of effective young adult specific programs and initiatives – in churches and in the community? What resources are available to develop young adult programming?

Fee: $10, includes lunch. Pre-registration required.

Veterans' Court
Tuesday, Oct. 15, 7 - 8:30 pm
Nathan Foundas

The goal of Veterans’ Court is to restore veterans to being successful, contributing members of the community.

Fee: Free. Registration is appreciated.

Who Am I? I Am Grieving
Thursday, Oct. 17, 6:30 - 8:30 pm
Marcy Moore, MPS

This series will include reflection, meditation, and journaling in order to examine your inner thoughts and feelings and provide a place for healing.

Fee: $40 per person for 3 classes. Pre-registration required.

Creation Connection Movie Night
Friday, Oct. 18, 6 - 9 pm
Care for Creation Ministry Team

Movie Title: Chasing Coral.
Coral reefs around the world are vanishing at an unprecedented rate. A team of divers, photographers and scientists set out on a thrilling ocean adventure to discover why and to reveal the underwater mystery to the world. This elusive story may be out of sight, but the solutions exist all around us.

Fee: $10 includes a light dinner, movie and discussion. Pre-registration required.

For more information or to register for any of these programs please visit thecasa.org or call 480.948.7460 ext. 132
Science & Faith
Saturday, Oct. 19, 9 am - 12 pm
Paul Mueller, SJ

Since Jesus is the Way, the Truth, and the Life, we need to be concerned not only with what is True in science and in faith but also with what that means for us – for our Way of Life. Fr. Mueller’s approach will be both academic and pastoral.

Fee: $30 with lunch at 12 pm.
Register with The Vatican Observatory for $45.
Pre-registration required.

The Vatican Observatory
Saturday, Oct. 19, 12 pm - 3 pm
Paul Mueller, SJ

Learn about the particular history of the Vatican Observatory: Why does the Pope have an observatory? What are its activities and contributions, historically and in the present day? We will discuss several modern discoveries in astronomy and astrophysics, and reflect on what they could mean for faith and for human life.

Fee: $30 with lunch at 12 pm.
Register with Science & Faith for $45. Pre-registration required.

Franciscan Vision Series:
St. Francis and the Psalms
Saturday, Oct. 19, 9 - 11 am
Fr. Garrett Galvin, OFM

Since Francis is often portrayed as preaching to animals and remembered for his Canticle of Creation, it may come as a surprise that there is such a large focus on the psalms in his writings. Yet, we would do well to see how frequently Christ turns to the psalms. Francis follows his example. We are invited to do the same.

Fee: $95 per person.
Pre-registration required.

Lady Jacoba's Gift: A Franciscan Approach to Dying and Death
Saturday, Oct. 26, 9 am - 3 pm
Darleen Pryds

A Franciscan Approach to Dying and Death.

Fee: $50, with lunch.
Pre-registration required.

Envisioning a Beautiful World
Saturday, Oct. 26, 9 am - 12 pm
Laura Libertore

Join Laura as we explore the key themes and principles of Catholic Social Teaching as they apply to peacemaking, the common good and how they shape our call to lives of love and service in the world.

Fee: $35 includes lunch,
Pre-registration required.

Old World Angel Painting Workshop
Saturday, Nov. 2, 9 am - 4:30 pm
Lisa Fitzgibbons

You’ll learn techniques in painting, texture, aging and gold leaf, while creating a beautiful little icon inspired by the lost art of ancient monasteries.

Fee: $75, including lunch and all materials.
Pre-registration required.

Popcorn, Pizza & Peace
Saturday, Nov. 2, 6 - 9 pm
Albert Celoza

Movie title: “Won’t You Be My Neighbor?”

Fee: $10 per person includes pizza, refreshments, popcorn, movie and discussion.
Pre-registration required.

Franciscan Vision Series:
Treasure in Heaven Equals Treasure on Earth
Saturday, Nov. 9, 9 - 11 am
Fr. Joe Chinnici, OFM

How do we use the resources we have to help others? Money, property, government—all issues which are hotly contested today. Does the Franciscan social tradition have anything to guide us towards an “economics of abundance and an economics of provision”? Come and discover the early Christian roots of the tradition, its basic Gospel commitments, its theory and practice, and its challenge to live an “ethics of sustainability.”

Fee: $95 per person.
Pre-registration required.
Where Do You Call Home?

I don’t encounter too many Phoenix natives on a daily basis. Most people I have contact with are originally from other parts of the country. So, I always enjoy learning about where people call home. Any Clevelander’s reading this?

So many people go home for the summer and many are preparing for their return as winter visitors. I look forward to the fall and winter and seeing returning faces. This is my opportunity to welcome them home at the Casa. The Casa is a place that makes everyone feel welcome. It’s a place where you can pick up where you left off, without skipping a beat.

I hear over and over from our community that they wish there was a Casa in their hometown. We are very blessed to have the Casa right where it is, and to have winter visitors who feel so much love for this community, that they return year after year.

Therefore, the Tau Society and La Verna Society are so important to the Casa’s sustainability. You can make a 5-year pledge and give to the Casa today or consider putting the Casa in your will, stating a future gift. The Tau Society and the La Verna Society will ensure the Casa will be here for all our returning community well into the future.

Please contact me to learn more. When we talk, I look forward to hearing about your hometown.

— Sue Force, Donor Relations Officer, 480.355.5631

For information regarding the RENEWING LIVES initiative, please call 480.355.0357 or email sarah@thecasa.org

A GIFT THAT PROVIDES SECURE, STABLE INCOME FOR YOU

Great news for those looking for a way to increase retirement income! A charitable gift annuity with the Casa can give you a guaranteed stream of income for the rest of your life, and allow you to make an outright gift to the Casa at the same time.

Here’s how it works:

• You give cash or marketable securities to the Casa.
• The Casa then pays you a fixed amount of money for your lifetime.
• At the end of your life, whatever funds remain in your annuity account become a gift to the Casa.

Consider the advantages:

• In addition to receiving fixed payments for life, you are entitled to an income tax deduction for the charitable portion of your gift.
• Your capital gains tax liability is reduced if you are transferring long-term appreciated assets.
• A large portion of the income you receive from the annuity is non-taxable.

A charitable gift annuity is a wonderful way to endow what you love at the Casa. And, the remainder of your gift annuity may be designated for the endowment fund of your choice, allowing you to support, in perpetuity, the ministries that have held special meaning in your life. For more information, or to get started, contact Mary Dunn at 480.355.0345, endowment@thecasa.org, or visit our legacy website: http://www.frclegacy.org/.
Mass Intentions
October 6, 2019 – October 12, 2019

**Sunday**
- Benefactors FMU
- Pro-populo
- Julian Byron
- David Hoyt

**Monday**
- Thomas Schipperd

**Tuesday**
- Tobias A. Jones

**Wednesday**
- Rose Caroline Endres Evans

**Thursday**
- Alice Monillas

**Friday**
- Frank Baselice III

**Saturday**
- Claudio Acevedo
- Deanna M. Thomas

For weekly readings, please visit usccb.org.

**Mass Intentions for Next Week**

**Sunday**: Pro-populo; Forrest Dorethy; Jack Henderson; John Pugh.

**Monday**: Patricia M. Kehoe.

**Tuesday**: Teresa Valdivieso.

**Wednesday**: Michael Quish.

**Thursday**: Dr. Dennis PuPello.

**Friday**: Joseph Mars.

**Saturday**: Mario Carlino; Joseph Notaro.

The intentions listed here will be the intentions of the priest and will not be announced to the gathered assembly.

**About the Franciscan Renewal Center**

In 1951, the Casa de Paz y Bien began as a Catholic retreat center in Scottsdale. Now, as the Franciscan Renewal Center (still affectionately called the Casa) we offer opportunities for spiritual growth, healing and transformation that moves lives into the service of others.

The Casa was founded by and is today an active religious community of the Order of Friars Minor—part of the worldwide Franciscan family, following the footsteps of Saints Francis and Clare of Assisi. The Casa is a wholly owned entity of the Franciscan Friars Province of Saint Barbara, based in Oakland, California, that works cooperatively with the Roman Catholic Diocese of Phoenix.

Activities at the Casa include daily Mass, Sunday services, private retreats, gathering space for non-profit groups, as well as volunteer ministries that assist the poor or vulnerable, empower individuals to improve their circumstances, care for the environment, and build community fellowship. Discover more at TheCasa.org or call 480.948.7460.