

April 3, 2022

Fifth Sunday of Lent

# RENEWAL

The Franciscan Renewal Center • *A Community of the Franciscan Province of Saint Barbara*



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On this Fifth Sunday of Lent, the Church anticipates the new life to come at Easter just before we are plunged into the passion and death of our Lord that will be commemorated during Holy Week. Whether we hear the Cycle C Gospel of the woman caught in adultery, or the Cycle A Gospel of Lazarus being raised from the dead, both of whom get a second chance at life, and both from the Johannine tradition, Jesus makes manifest his power and desire to renew.

I am writing this reflection immediately after the weekend celebrating friar art, and I'm overwhelmed with gratitude for all of you who stopped by to browse and purchase an item supporting the Fraternal Care Trust. The motivation behind the display of art was to share a part of the new friar community assigned to the Casa.

In our own way, we all are trying to be agents of renewal, partners with Christ. We may not raise the dead or rescue public sinners from capital punishment, but we have been known to offer spiritual life support at critically important times. For me, art can be part of that critical spiritual support. Art is so life-giving, including how it is created, all the way to how it is experienced by the viewer. The process of making art is holy because when we create, we identify with the Divine Creator. Color, form, texture, shape, contrast: these are all part of a visual language. Even Jesus makes marks in the sand when he's waiting to see if any of the woman's accusers might cast a stone at her. What was he drawing in that sand? A holy image?

I pray that this Lent has been a powerful experience of renewal for you. Let us continue to discover God's gifts in each other as we open ourselves to the Divine Creator who desires that we know and experience the fullness of life in abundance that comes only through Him!

Together with you on the journey,  
Fr. Daniel Barica, OFM, Rector

The Conventual Church of  
**OUR LADY of the ANGELS**

at the Franciscan Renewal Center

|  |                             |                                   |
|--|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>Sunday Mass</b>   | <b>Saturday</b>             | <b>4:00 pm</b>                    |
|  | <b>Sunday</b>               | <b>7:30 am; 9:15 am; 11:00 am</b> |
| <b>Daily Mass</b>  | <b>Tuesday – Friday</b>     | <b>8:00 am</b>                    |
| <i>Sat. 4 pm, Sun. 9:15 am, and Daily Mass also available on <a href="https://www.youtube.com/theCasaFRC">YouTube.com/theCasaFRC</a></i> |                             |                                   |
| <b>Communion</b>   | <b>Sunday</b>               | <b>12:00 - 12:30 pm</b>           |
| <b>Taizé Prayer</b>  | <b>Wednesday</b>            | <b>7:00 pm</b>                    |
| <b>Reconciliation</b>  | <b>Saturday</b>             | <b>2:00 - 3:00 pm</b>             |
| <b>Guest Services Desk</b>   | <b>Sun. - Sat.</b>          | <b>6:00 am - 7:30 pm</b>          |
| <i>Guest Services Desk hours subject to change</i>   |                             |                                   |
| <b>Bookstore</b>   | <b>Sunday</b>               | <b>8:00 am - 1:00 pm</b>          |
|  | <b>Monday &amp; Tuesday</b> | <b>Closed</b>                     |
|  | <b>Wed. - Fri.</b>          | <b>10:00 am - 2:00 pm</b>         |
|  | <b>Saturday</b>             | <b>11:00 am - 5:30 pm</b>         |

Please see pg. 10 for this week's Mass Intentions.  
For weekly readings, visit <https://bible.usccb.org/>.

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# Song of the Shadows



## Wednesday, April 6 at 7 pm

Join the Casa Choir and musicians for this moving musical event, remembering the Passion of Jesus.

The earthly life of Jesus began in the shadows of a rugged stable. In the shadows of ancient temples, he taught “let there be light” and hope began to live where once only despair and night had ruled. In the shadows of an upper room, he experienced betrayal but taught the world about forgiveness and servanthood. In the midnight of Gethsemane, Jesus struggled just as we do with the lengthening shadows of life, and still he taught us about obedience and sacrifice. Past Pilate’s court, Jesus walked through the valley of the shadow of death as he accepted his cross.

Yet it is the silhouette of that same cross which offers rest and shelter for those who are weary from the journey. In that sacred shadow, we can discover our faith, trusting God to be our guide.

Let no one walk alone as we confront the “dark night of the soul”. May we find comfort in this: that wherever there are shadows, there is also light.

## Next Sunday, April 10 is Palm Sunday

Masses only at 7:30 am and 10 am outdoors in Palm Court. Please note the change in Mass times. There is no evening Mass on Saturday.

### The Easter Triduum

#### **Thursday, April 14 – Holy Thursday**

Mass of the Lord’s Supper at 7 pm

#### **Friday, April 15 – Good Friday**

Stations of the Cross at 12 noon

Celebration of the Lord’s Passion at 3 pm

#### **Saturday, April 16 – Holy Saturday**

The Easter Vigil at 8 pm

#### **Sunday, April 17 – Easter Sunday**

Masses at 6:45 am, 8:45 am, and 11 am

### **The Easter Triduum**

The “Triduum” has an honored place as the summit of the entire liturgical year – from the evening of Holy Thursday to the evening of Easter Sunday. Though chronologically three days, the Triduum is a single celebration, unfolding for us the unity of Christ’s Paschal Mystery.

All are invited to join in capturing something of the grace of these most important moments, not just retracing the Lord’s steps during his last days in Jerusalem -- but being drawn into the whole event of Jesus’ passion, death, and resurrection.

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### Gospel Reflection for Parents

There are few people that we know better than the members of our own family. We know one another's strengths and abilities, and we also know one another's limitations and weaknesses. Like the Pharisees in today's Gospel, we may be tempted to focus on the faults and sins that familiarity with one another can sometimes reveal. As family members, however, we also have the ability to see one another's faults and sins within the context of the whole person. When we can keep this perspective, we are more likely to look upon one another with compassion. Family life, then, presents us the opportunity to see one another as God sees us, not with judgment and condemnation for our weaknesses and failings, but with mercy and compassion. When we learn to withhold judgment for the faults we know are there and seek the best in one another, we help one another to experience the depths of God's compassion, mercy, and love.

*(Sunday Connection, Loyala Press)*

**"LET THE  
ONE AMONG  
YOU WHO IS  
WITHOUT  
SIN  
BE THE  
FIRST TO  
THROW A  
STONE AT  
HER."**



### Youth Volunteers Needed for Palm Sunday Masses April 10th, 2022



Email  
donna@thecasa.org  
or sign up using the  
QR code!



#### Attention Parents!

Be sure to stop by the Family Catechesis table after Palm Sunday Masses to pick up your "Holy Week In A Box" materials for at-home formation during Holy Week 2022!

#### YOUTH MINISTRY

This Sunday is a busy one for Youth Ministry! Edge and Friends of Francis will meet at the Youth Room at 10:30 am, and our Film & Theater Ministry will meet at noon! Join us! To learn more about all our youth activities, contact Cheryl Hentz.

*You can also join our Flocknote email list to get the latest Youth Ministry updates.*



#### Lent Trivia for the Family - Week Five

1. How many times does Jesus fall in the Stations of the Cross?
2. Who helped Jesus carry his cross?
3. When does Lent officially end?
4. What is the Triduum?

ANSWERS:  
1. 3 2. Simon of Cyrene 3. At sundown on Holy Thursday  
4. "Triduum" comes from the Latin word for three, and it includes the three holiest days of the church year, beginning at sundown on Holy Thursday through Good Friday and Holy Saturday, to sundown on Easter Sunday.

For Sacrament Preparation, contact Patty Tafolla at [dcm@thecasa.org](mailto:dcm@thecasa.org);  
for Family Catechesis & Infant Baptism, contact Donna Kinzie at [donna@thecasa.org](mailto:donna@thecasa.org);  
for Youth Ministry, contact Cheryl Hentz at [chentz@thecasa.org](mailto:chentz@thecasa.org).



### Planning Your Faith

You wouldn't go on a trip without first planning what to pack in your bag!  
Our spiritual path and journey toward living holy lives needs some planning too.

Let us help you with your faith plan. We can:

- Evaluate your current spiritual practices.
- Discern which areas you would like to improve.
- Provide resources and support for your journey.

OLA YA faith plans are for young adults who are:

- Parents with young children.
- Newly married couples.
- Single or in a relationship.

*To begin your journey,  
contact Cheryl Hentz to set up a time to chat.*

Young Adult Ministry is on social media!



**Instagram**

[www.instagram.com/casa\\_olaya\\_ministry/](http://www.instagram.com/casa_olaya_ministry/)



**Facebook Young Adult Group**

[www.facebook.com/groups/olacasayoungadults/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/olacasayoungadults/)

# OLA YA

For Young Adult Ministry, contact Cheryl Hentz at [chentz@thecasa.org](mailto:chentz@thecasa.org)



### DISCOVER THE VISION

*An introduction to the Casa's mission and ministries.*

#### Thursdays

|          |                              |
|----------|------------------------------|
| April 7  | 11:00 am<br><i>In person</i> |
| April 21 | 4:30 pm<br><i>Virtual</i>    |
| May 5    | 11:00 am<br><i>In person</i> |
| May 19   | 4:30 pm<br><i>Virtual</i>    |

*Reserve your spot today:*

online: [thecasa.org/discover-the-vision](http://thecasa.org/discover-the-vision)  
phone: **480.355.5631**  
email: [rsvp@thecasa.org](mailto:rsvp@thecasa.org)

### ART DOCENT TOURS

*Explore the Art of the Casa*

#### Public Tours

Wednesday *first and third Wed.*  
11:30 am – 12:30 pm  
Sunday *first and third Sun.*  
12:30 pm – 1:15 pm

**There will be no tours on April 17**

#### Tour Requests

We welcome requests for Docent Art Tours for groups, families, and friends 7 days in advance.

*To schedule a tour*  
email: [churchtours@thecasa.org](mailto:churchtours@thecasa.org)  
phone: **480.948.7460**



For information on how you can help sustain the Casa, please contact:  
Development Manager Paula Tobin [ptobin@thecasa.org](mailto:ptobin@thecasa.org) 480.355.5631

## State Funding for the Common Good

Join the discussion as the VIP Casa Core Team presents changes to the Arizona State tax code passed in Summer 2021 and how the changes align with Catholic Social Teaching. In this event, we will also discuss how the new State budget could result in a \$1.9 billion loss in state revenue, affecting the State's funding of critical services (public safety, transportation, parks, infrastructure, etc.)



**Wednesday, April 20 6:30 pm - 8 pm**

Please register in advance at [frc.retreatportal.com](http://frc.retreatportal.com).



**Service Opportunity Update**  
The **Hunger Action Ministry** Spring service dates: April 26 and May 7

**Tuesday April 26, 4 - 6:30 pm**

Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) Main Dining Room, up to 25 volunteers needed and can include children age 9+ accompanied by adult. Volunteers participate in meal preparation, greeting and seating clients, serving meals and cleanup. Some volunteers will also help in the Dream Center helping students with homework, reading, etc.

**Saturday, May 7, 9 am-12:30 pm, Hearts and Hands Special Event** with SVDP, *any age volunteer* (children are welcome). We need at least 30 people. This event offers a variety of projects the focus on the impact of giving/service. This includes craft projects centered on themes of blessings, love and hope. Activities can also include making hygiene packets, sack lunches, etc.

Contact [hungeraction@thecasa.org](mailto:hungeraction@thecasa.org) for details. Watch future bulletins for sign-up information.

It is time to register for:

## Unlocking the Key to *Laudato Si'* Film and Art Festival



**Saturday, April 9 11 am - 5 pm**

- Four feature films plus a variety of shorts.
- Time to learn more about Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si'*.
- Time for discussions and contemplation.
- Lunch, refreshments, and a wine reception to close the event.

Thank you to the Victory Nolls Sisters and Catholic Climate Covenant for a grant for this event.

**Fee: \$45** Scholarships are available. Register at [frc.retreatportal.com](http://frc.retreatportal.com).



## Build Houses Change Lives With Casa Habitat

**Build on Faith:** The **Casa Habitat Ministry** needs builders at 7:30 am on *Saturdays: April 2, April 30 and May 21* (at 6:30 am) on our Caritas Coalition house.

Wear closed-toe shoes, and work clothes in layers. No tank tops or short shorts. Age 16+ can build with our team. To use power tools and ladders, the crew members must be 18 yrs old.

Can't build? Contact Casa Habitat to find out how else you could volunteer or help provide lunches. Contact Laure at [thecasahabitat@thecasa.org](mailto:thecasahabitat@thecasa.org) to get more details and to find out how to sign-up.

For more information about Faith in Action Ministries, or Laura Libertore at [laura@thecasa.org](mailto:laura@thecasa.org) or call 480.355.5645.



My volunteering for the Franciscan Renewal Center grew out of my participation in the Faith in Action Ministry’s (FIA) Nonviolence Leadership Certificate and Act, Love, Walk programs. I wanted to discern and understand my role moving forward into “retirement.” I felt the Casa would be a loving, comprehensive way of gaining the spiritual inspiration and direction I needed. The knowledge and wisdom I have gained and the relationships that have been generated speak to me of the intrinsic value and experience of the Casa community.

My first volunteer opportunity was to serve as Peace Conference chairperson. I then asked to participate in the Care for Creation Ministry. Through my involvement with the Ministry, I was invited to help develop and facilitate FIA programs such as Laudato Sí, Ubuntu/Solidarity, and Terra Amata. The FIA staff produce comprehensive programs that are excellent. It is an ongoing joy to learn and participate!

The Care for Creation Ministry’s latest program is scheduled for Saturday, April 9, 11 am – 5 pm The Unlocking the Key to Laudato Sí Film Festival and Art Show planning committee members are dedicated to presenting an excellent program of award-winning films and creative, re-purposed art. Lunch and a closing wine and bread reception are also included for a modest fee for this on-campus event. Please attend — you won’t be disappointed.

I am called upon to Care for Creation through my relationship with the Holy Trinity and our Living Earth. I choose to serve this calling through the Care for Creation Ministry and Act, Love, Walk opportunities. I support this work with monthly Just Scripture Ministry discussions.

- Michael Powell

CELEBRATING 70 YEARS IN THE VALLEY!

"So it was that, especially after 1970, the Casa became a happening place. Its programs were silent no more. Young people came flooding in from all over the Valley, some of them looking for love but many of them finding faith. Religion—and Catholicism, no less—became fun, the best place for happy weekends. The positive energy was infectious. Literally, there was singing and dancing on the green lawns."

excerpt from *House of Peace and Good*  
by Laurie Devine, OFS

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[thecasa.org/product-page/house-of-peace-and-good](https://thecasa.org/product-page/house-of-peace-and-good)



**One-on-One Therapy for 18+ at the Casa**

Available by appointment. Online sessions also available. Donations are suggested, though no one is turned away due to lack of funds. Email [counseling@thecasa.org](mailto:counseling@thecasa.org) to make an appointment. For an immediate crisis, please call 911 or the Maricopa County Crisis Line at 602.222.9444.

**Grief and Loss Support Group**

Second Wednesday of each month 5:30 – 7 pm  
Facilitator: Joyce Brimhall, LMSW

This support group is facilitated by volunteer licensed therapists. Appointments are not required, however schedules may change (especially during holiday periods), so please call 480.948.7460 or email [counseling@thecasa.org](mailto:counseling@thecasa.org) to confirm times and dates.

Ryan M. Sheade, LCSW, Director of Therapy, Support, and Counseling Ministry  
[counseling@thecasa.org](mailto:counseling@thecasa.org)



### Holy Week Retreat

**Part I: Sunday – Wednesday, April 10 – April 13**

**Part II: Thursday – Saturday, April 14 – April 17**

*with Fr. Andre Cirino, OFM*

This retreat will center on the art of journaling with a focus on the Passion of Jesus Christ. During the Paschal Triduum, we will examine and pray St. Francis' Office of the Passion.

**For details and registration, visit [frc.retreatportal.com](http://frc.retreatportal.com)**

**For any questions concerning this event please contact [lora@thecasa.org](mailto:lora@thecasa.org)**



### Your Story, Your Legacy: A Full Sensory Exploration

**Friday, April 22 | 9 am – 4 pm**

*with Mary Dunn*

This full-day retreat will engage you in a thoughtful and inspiring look at the stories of how you came to be the person you are and the qualities of your life that can be a true legacy to future generations.

**Fee: \$85 includes lunch. Pre-registration is required.**

**For details and registration, visit [frc.retreatportal.com](http://frc.retreatportal.com)**



### Retirement and Conscious Aging Retreat

**Friday – Sunday, May 13 – May 15**

*with Jim Briggs*

As you consider your retirement years and grasp the reality of growing older, this retreat will explore the benefits and joys as well as the challenges and concerns ahead. How do we live this stage of our life well and see aging as a blessing?

**Fee: Including meals: \$135; with lodging \$250 single**

**For details and registration, visit [frc.retreatportal.com](http://frc.retreatportal.com)**



### Learning to Play the Native American Flute

**Saturday, May 21 | 9 am – Noon**

*with Bette Acker and Sherry Vames*

Begin your flute journey! ... It has been said that the sound of the Native American Flute has the power to soothe and heal with its haunting tones. Join us for this fun, hands-on Beginner Class.

**Fee: \$30, plus \$60 materials (payable in class) includes Authentic Native American Flute. Pre-registration is required.**

**For details and registration, visit [frc.retreatportal.com](http://frc.retreatportal.com)**



### Emmaus Retreat for Grieving Parents

**Friday – Sunday, May 27 – May 29**

*with Marianne Gouveia and Greg Eckerman*

Of all the pains that life can hand us, arguably the most searing is the loss of a child. This unique ministry that serves the spiritual needs of grieving parents whose children of any age have died by any cause, no matter how long ago.

**Fee: Including meals: \$135; with lodging \$250 single**

**For details and registration, visit [frc.retreatportal.com](http://frc.retreatportal.com)**

To see all of our upcoming programs and to register, please visit [frc.retreatportal.com](http://frc.retreatportal.com) or email [lora@thecasa.org](mailto:lora@thecasa.org)



### **Grief and Loss Retreat**

**Friday – Sunday, June 3 – June 5**

*with Timothy Ringgold, MT - BC*

Anyone who has known the joy of love has most likely experienced the pain of loss. Grief is a natural part of life, yet we all grieve differently and often need help to find our way through it.

**Fee: Including meals: \$135; with lodging \$250 single**

**For details and registration, visit [frc.retreatportal.com](http://frc.retreatportal.com)**



### **Divorced and Separated Retreat**

**Friday – Sunday, June 3 – June 5**

*with Judith McHale, MA, LPC and Tom Mitchell, Ph.D.*

Judith and Tom will gently guide you through the emotional process of parting with a step-by-step guide to renew, restore, and rebuild after our relationship ends.

**Fee: Including meals: \$135; with lodging \$250 single**

**For details and registration, visit [frc.retreatportal.com](http://frc.retreatportal.com)**



### **Intercommunity Sisters Retreat**

**Sunday - Friday, June 5 – June 10**

*with Sr. Patricia Phillips, SMSM*

"God makes a way where there is no way. Are you willing to walk the path God opens for you, are you willing to keep on the journey no matter the cost? There are seeds to be sown, planting to be done and harvesting to happen."

**Fee: Including meals: \$150; with lodging \$300 single**

**For details and registration, visit [frc.retreatportal.com](http://frc.retreatportal.com)**



### **Dry Heat Retreat: Lessons from Thomas Merton**

**Friday - Sunday, June 17 - June 19**

*with Peter Pearson, M DIV*

Merton's very human journey can give us hope, and his insights can offer some guidance as we make our way along the spiritual path. Over the course of our weekend together, we will pray, listen, share in conversation, and unpack some of Merton's lessons applied to our own lives.

**Fee: Including meals: \$135; with lodging \$250 single**

**For details and registration, visit [frc.retreatportal.com](http://frc.retreatportal.com)**



### **Marriage: It's Not for the Faint of Heart**

**Friday - Sunday, July 8 - July 10**

*with Ryan M. Sheade, LCSW and Erica Tatum - Sheade, LCSW*

This retreat will help to develop your relationship beyond simply "doing what you're supposed to" or "making it work" and into a marriage that is fulfilling and full of meaning and purpose for both partners.

**Fee: \$150 per person double including lodging and meals. \$135 per person commuter  
Registration required.**

**For details and registration, visit [frc.retreatportal.com](http://frc.retreatportal.com)**

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<https://www.indeed.com/cmp/Franciscan-Renewal-Center/jobs>

or email: [mike@thecasa.org](mailto:mike@thecasa.org)

### Spiritual Direction



#### An Invitation to Spiritual Growth

Spiritual direction offers one-on-one listening and support for finding God in our lives and deepening that relationship. Spiritual direction or companionship is not counseling, it is holy listening and discernment of God's voice in our lives. Contact

**Cathy Olds, Coordinator of Spiritual Direction Ministry**, at [spiritualdirection@thecasa.org](mailto:spiritualdirection@thecasa.org) to set up an appointment with one of our directors. You can learn more about spiritual direction at [www.thecasa.org/spiritual-direction](http://www.thecasa.org/spiritual-direction).

### Faith Sharing & Prayer Groups

**Casa Men in Spirit.** This faith sharing group of Christian men meets every other Saturday via Zoom for discussion, study, lectures and guidance. Contact Al Sapia-Bosch 602.748.6149, Chuck Jirauch 480.290.9687. [MenInSpirit@thecasa.org](mailto:MenInSpirit@thecasa.org)

**Casa Prayer Partners** petition prayers and prays for our human family. Send requests to: [CasaPrayerPartners@thecasa.org](mailto:CasaPrayerPartners@thecasa.org).

**Casa Rosary Group** has decided to zoom until March 1. We will resume in person March 8. The zoom ID : 622-903-5992 Passcode: 537381 Prayer intentions can be emailed to James Peck at [jgpeck@gmail.com](mailto:jgpeck@gmail.com)

**Centering Prayer** meets Wednesdays, 8:45 am in the Meditation Chapel. All are welcome.

#### Cornerstone Center for Contemplative Meditation

Wednesdays, 11:30 - 1:00. Join us as we pray with the Church for the peace and blessings of the Incarnation! We are located in the Spiritual Direction room located behind the East parking lot.

**Interfaith Healing Prayer Group** meets every Friday following 8 am Mass in the back of the church. Contact Terri at [healingprayer@thecasa.org](mailto:healingprayer@thecasa.org). All are welcome.

**The Order of Secular Franciscans (OFS) Peace Fraternity** meets on the second Sunday of the month. This canonical Order of the Catholic Church is open to lay Catholics. Contact: Pat Kennedy, OFS, at 602.284.9343

### Mass Intentions

April 3 – April 9

#### Sunday

*Pearl Tang*

7:30 am

*Maggie Barica*

9:15 am

*Jeanette Ann Lauer*

11:00 am

#### Tuesday

*Jordan Ross*

8:00 am

#### Wednesday

*Jack Zaccariah*

8:00 am

#### Thursday

*Michael Martinez*

8:00 am

#### Friday

*Herb Bool*

8:00 am

#### Saturday

*No Mass*

4:00 pm

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

The Franciscan Renewal Center ("the Casa") is a place for spiritual growth, healing, and community that is open to everyone, regardless of faith. Activities at the Casa include:

- Weekday (Tues. - Fri.) and Weekend Masses at Our Lady of the Angels Church
- meetings and conferences for religious and nonprofit groups
- therapy, counseling, and support groups
- education, retreats, and events
- family faith formation
- volunteer ministries in service of the poor and vulnerable
- spiritual direction

The Franciscan Renewal Center was founded as a Catholic retreat, called Casa de Paz y Bien (the Casa), by the Order of Friars Minor in 1951. The Franciscan Renewal Center remains an active religious community that seeks to follow in the footsteps of Saints Francis and Clare of Assisi.

The Casa is guided by the Franciscan Friars and works cooperatively with the Diocese of Phoenix.



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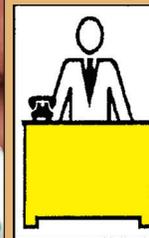
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