

ST. THERESE PARISH

MISSION STATEMENT

“We the people of St. Therese Parish, are disciples of Jesus, led by the Holy Spirit and made one in our celebration of the Eucharist. Nourished by our faith and with a desire to serve others, we are to hear the word of God, keep it, and share the Good News.”

SUNDAY, JUNE 9 - PENTECOST SUNDAY



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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday: Recitation of the Holy Rosary at 6:10 p.m. followed by Miraculous Medal Novena & Mass at 6:30 p.m.

Thursday: 8:30 a.m.

Vigil Saturday: 5:30 p.m. · **Sunday:** 10:30 a.m.

HOLY DAYS: Check bulletin prior to Holy Day

STAFF

Rev. John J. Schneider, Pastor

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Rev. Norman Gajdzinski, Pastor Emeritus

Rev. Mr. Robert Bugaj, Deacon

Mrs. Nancy Heineke, Parish Catechetical Leader & Coordinator of Youth Ministry

Mr. Frank Kozuch, Music Director

Mrs. Linda Schiavone, Office Manager

SACRAMENTS

CONFESSIONS: Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

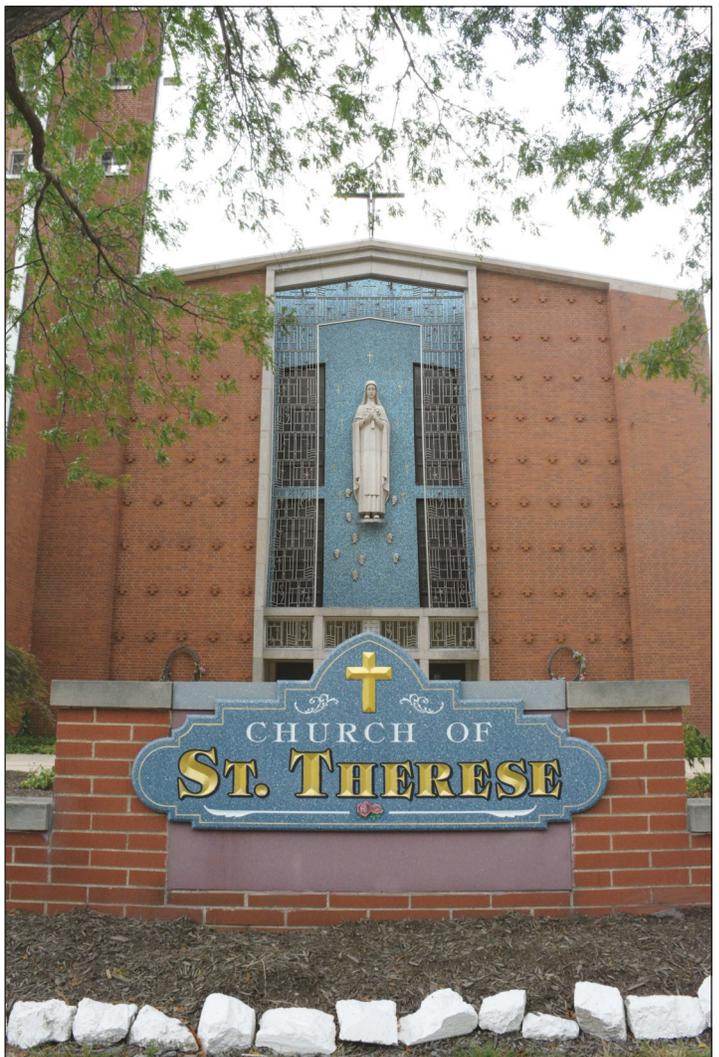
SICK CALLS: Please call the Parish Office.

WEDDINGS: Please contact the Parish Office one year prior to the date of the wedding. Time is necessary for instructions, paperwork and sacramental preparation.

BAPTISMS: Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements in advance. Pre-Baptismal instructions are required for parents.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Please call or stop in at the Parish Office.

BULLETIN DEADLINE...MONDAY AT NOON



JUNE 9, 2019

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 8, 2019

Vigil

5:30 PM Jean D. Skuta

Sunday, June 9—Pentecost Sunday

10:30 AM For the People of the Parish

Monday, June 10

6:30 PM Thomas Leciejewski St. T

Tuesday, June 11-St. Barnabas

No Mass

Wednesday, June 12

8:30 AM Paul Kobylesky, Jr. SS. P&P

Thursday, June 13-St. Anthony of Padua

8:30 AM Joanne Biegacki St. T

Friday, June 14

8:30 AM Robert A. Dobies II SS. P&P

Saturday, June 15

Vigil

5:30 PM The Mastrodonato & Miano Families

Sunday, June 16-The Most Holy Trinity

10:30 AM Elizabeth Alder
(Holy Name Mass)

Please note that this schedule includes the weekday Masses for both St. Therese & SS. Peter and Paul, but only the weekend Masses of our parish.

Readings for the Week

Sunday: Acts 2:1-11; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

Monday: 2 Cor 1:1-7; Mt 5:1-12

Tuesday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3; Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday: 2 Cor 3:4-11; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: 2 Cor 3:15-4:1, 3-6; Mt 5:20-26

Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 5:27-32

Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21; Mt 5:33-37

Mass Intentions

Our 2020 calendar for Mass intentions is now open for scheduling. Please stop in the rectory or call us at 216-581-2852, Monday thru Friday 9:30am—2:30pm to schedule. At this time, there will be a limit of 2 Mass dates per person.

Thank you.

Collection-June 1/2

Collection: \$6,988.25* Envelopes Used: 174
St. Vincent de Paul: \$30 Mission Co-op: \$1,260.03
Holy Thursday: \$3 Good Friday: \$2
Peter's Pence: \$10

*Figure includes the following:

Parish Only: \$828 Easter: \$12
Ascension: \$749 Restoration: \$141
Father's Day: \$57 Mother's Day: \$16
Children: \$2 May We Share: \$1,355

Thank you!

Pray for the Sick :

Shirley Zwilling, Dori Herout, Sophie Tessmer, Nancy Kolecki, Jeff Radak, Patricia J. McHale, Joyce Kedzierski, Jacquie Fisher, Josephine Mathews, Helen Yakubik, Mary Cutler, Gregory Skuta, Anthony Amato, Daria Melnyc, Sara Soltesz, Doris Rusnak, Karen Niemczura, Nancy Twingstrom, John Kolar

We are attempting to update our "Pray for the Sick" list. If you know of any names that should be removed or added, please contact the rectory at 216-581-2852.



Please pray for the recently deceased:
Deacon Howard Masony
Ernestine Deliberato



Corpus Christi

On Sunday, June 23, we will have a procession in the neighborhood around the church celebrating the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi). The procession will take place after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. We invite all who are able to join us. At the conclusion of the procession, we will have refreshments in the church hall.

PENTECOST SUNDAY

OUR YOUNG CHURCH...

Please keep the following students in your prayers, as they make their Confirmation Saturday, June 8, 2019, at the Cathedral of St John the Evangelist. The students have worked hard preparing to receive this important sacrament!

Dorothy Jane "Emily" Burgess

Isabelle "Veronica" Marflak

Jack Joseph "Pope Saint John Paul II" Peters

Catherine Marie "Isabelle" Snyder

Anne Magdalen Marie "Bridhe" Snyder

Sydney "Margaret" Wilson

Fr John Schneider will be concelebrating with Bishop Perez at Mass.

St Therese/Saints Peter and Paul's PSR program offers grades 1-8 faith formation, and sacrament preparation.

Enrollment is open now. Call Nancy Heineke at 216.581.2852

Youth Group Meetings over the summer will be advertised through REMIND texting system.



St. Therese Parish is hosting a "Dining for Dollars" event at our neighborhood Applebee's at 9225 Vista Way in Garfield Hts., this Tuesday, June 11, from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. to support our ongoing fundraising efforts.

Apple's will donate 15% of each check to the parish when diners present a flyer to their server. Flyers are included in this church bulletin and are available at the rectory. Thank you for your support!

St Therese Parish Annual Poorman's Reverse Raffle is fast approaching. It will be held after the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, July 14. This year this gala event will be held in the St. Therese church hall. Tickets will be on sale after the Masses beginning the weekend of June 22/23, and will be available for sale at the rectory. Tickets for a chance to win \$1000 and the delicious brunch are \$30. Tickets for a number only will be \$20. Tickets for the brunch only are \$15. Cutoff for the purchase of tickets will be July 7. If you desire specific numbers, please call Bob at 216-328-1258. There will be basket raffles, sideboards and a 50/50 raffle. All proceeds benefit St. Therese parish.

ASK FATHER!

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There is no "Ask Father" this week. Fr. John was away on a pilgrimage. Look for it next week!!!



Fr. John recently received a letter from The Society for the Propagation of the Faith which read in part, "I want to acknowledge and thank you and the people of your parish for the El Salvador-Latin American Collection for 2019. It is one of the most important appeals of the year because it directly supports our priests and religious missionaries who work in El Salvadore...Thank you again and may God bless you for your goodness in supporting our Diocesan Mission in El Salvador." The letter was signed by Rev. R. Stephen Vellenga, Diocesan Director. Our parish gift amount was \$585.

Please Note:

The Holy Name Society Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, June 16, at 10:30 a.m. in honor of Father's Day. Coffee & donuts will be served in the church hall after Mass.

Holy Land Gifts—After all Masses June 8/9

There will be a display of handmade, hand carved articles for sale such as nativity scenes, crucifixes, rosaries, the last supper, and many other beautiful religious articles. Because of the conflict in the region, many Christian families in Bethlehem are struggling to make ends meet. Holy Land Gifts represents over 100 Christian families who make a living selling traditional olive wood handcrafts and religious articles. When you purchase one of the beautiful gifts, you are helping artisans in the Holy Land provide for their families and live and work with dignity in a region fraught with tension and oppression. Thank you for supporting this project to keep Christians present in the Holy Land, the birth place of Jesus.

The next **Seniors' meeting** will be held on Monday, June 17, at 1:30 p.m. in the church hall.

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If anyone would like to correspond with Fr. Damian Ezeani who spoke at our Masses last weekend about the Diocese of Orlu, Nigeria, they can write to him in C/O St. Mary/St. Benedict, 1602 Market Ave. S., Canton, Ohio 44707

Feast of The Sacred Heart of Jesus

The Enthronement of the Sacred Heart Diocesan Center will have the annual Mass of Reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus at 7 p.m. on Friday, June 28, at St. Therese Church, with father Eric Orzech as celebrant. All are invited to attend this special Mass on the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus to make public reparation to the Sacred Heart and ask Jesus' help for all families, our Church, and our world. Call Donna at 440-232-7725 or Marlene at 216-447-9375 for more information. All are welcome.



If you would care to help out at our parish Bingo on Thursday evenings, please leave a message for Pat at the parish office, 216-581-2852. Even if you can only spare a couple hours, we would greatly appreciate your help!

Annual Parish Raffle

Envelopes containing raffle tickets for this year's parish raffle are at the back of the church in alphabetical order. Please pick up your envelope containing 5 books of 6 tickets. We are asking that you sell all your tickets or purchase them yourself. We will again have 2 incentive drawings for those returning all their ticket stubs and money early. Those drawings are for \$50 each and will take place on Monday, July 22, and Monday, August 19. The winning raffle tickets will be pulled at our parish picnic on Sunday, September 8. Thank you for your support and good luck!

The next picnic planning meeting is on Thursday, June 20, at 7 p.m. in the rectory. Our picnic theme this year is "Celebrating 100 Years of the NFL and the Browns' 2019 Home Opener". Don't forget to mark your calendars for September 8. The picnic will again be at Klima's Grove on East 71st St. in Cuyahoga Hts. The picnic will begin with Mass at 11:45 a.m. Join us for a day of fun. And, Go Browns!



St. Monica Summer Series Presents:

Party at the Pavilion on Thursday, June 13: 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Free Admission and Free Live Entertainment provided by

Rachel Brown and the Beatnik Playboys

Food + Pop and Beer + 50/50 Raffle + Fun for all.

Special thanks to our Anonymous Series Sponsor and Comfort Environmental Company for being the event sponsor.

Bring your lawn chairs and join us for the evening.

Rain location will be the school cafeteria

St. Martin of Tours Parish at 14600 Turney Road in Maple Heights will host their annual TRASH and TREASURE SALE on Thurs June 13th from 12 Noon-8PM, Fri June 14th from 1PM - 7PM and Sat June 15th from 8 AM - 1 PM in the school building. Great deals on electronics, books, CDs, kitchen and bath, jewelry, antiques, toys and games, clothing, seasonal, furniture, and MANY odds and ends!! Refreshments will be available for sale. For more information call Betty Hofman at 216- 662-6564.

Knights of Columbus

Wednesday Night Dinners

City Chicken - June 26 4 to 7 PM

Dinner consists of: **2 Pieces of City Chicken, mashed potatoes, vegetable, garden salad, Rolls & Butter**

Costs: **Adults - \$10 Children Under 12 - \$8**

ALL DINNERS INCLUDE COFFEE, TEA, WATER, AND NON-CARBONATED BEVERAGES

DINNERS BY: MAPLE HEIGHTS CATERING

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED: 216-662-2277 mailbox #2

DUE BY MONDAY JUNE 24 - 5pm

The Week Ahead:

Saturday & Sunday, June 8 & 9

Holy Land Gift Sale after Masses, C

Tuesday, June 11

Dining For Dollars 11 a.m.– 9 p.m., Applebee's
Recalibrate/Reset 7 p.m., S

AA 8 p.m., H

Thursday, June 13

Bingo 6:45 p.m., H

H: Church Hall R: Rectory C: Church S: School

PENTECOST SUNDAY

The Lord be with you!

This week we continue our discussion of Christ's coming and how God prepared His people for it. In particular, we are looking at how God foretold Christ's coming through the prophets.

Question 349. Who were the prophets?

Answer. The prophets were inspired men to whom God revealed the future, that they might with absolute certainty make it known to the people.

Question 350. What did the prophets foretell concerning the Redeemer?

Answer. The prophets, taken together, foretold so accurately all the circumstances of the birth, life, death, resurrection and glory of the Redeemer that no one who carefully studied their writings could fail to recognize Him when He came.

My commentary.

If we are to understand the prophets properly, we need to see them as the successors to the judges of Israel. After bringing His people into the Promised Land, the Lord was the ruler of Israel. God raised up men and women to make His will and mercy known to His people: these were the judges.

As long as the Hebrews remained faithful to God, life went well for them. When they stopped obeying God, however, they experienced great sufferings. For several hundred years the judges led Israel as a people but not as a kingdom - they remained twelve tribes. The judges did not establish a permanent government but individually told the Israelites what God wanted. The judges, along with the priests and scribes, helped Israel to establish the habit of right worship of God even before the Temple was built. This task was not easy because the Hebrews had a tendency towards idolatry that divided their hearts and, if left unchecked, would lead to disaster. When Israel found itself in dire need, it was the judges who would lead them in war and bring them back to faithful worship of God.

The prophets succeeded the judges when Saul became the king of Israel. The Hebrews had asked God for a king so that they would be like the other nations around them. When God had Saul anointed king of the Israelites, He gave Saul the authority to wage war and govern in temporal matters. God continued to speak to His people - and their kings - through the prophets. It did not take too long before Saul proved unfaithful, and Israel experienced the fragility of human governments.

The prophets thus were not temporal but spiritual leaders that spoke God's word to His people. Their prophecies about Christ came in the context of their reminding Israel to remain faithful and entrust themselves to the Lord even in the midst of disaster. It is not surprising then that the Israelites mostly understood these prophecies in an earthly fashion. The Apostles themselves thought of the Lord and His Kingdom in a material manner: they thought Christ would liberate Israel from the Romans. The spiritual truths of the prophets often went unknown because the people approached this revelation in a merely human way.

Most certainly, everything foretold about Jesus was fulfilled but in a way that far surpassed expectations. Take for example the virgin birth of Christ. The prophet Isaiah clearly said that the Messiah would be born of a virgin, "Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign; the virgin, pregnant and about to bear a son, shall name him Emmanuel" (Isaiah 7:14). Yet, many Jews then and now understood this verse as referring not to a child at all but to a promise of peace. Without going into the correct translation of "almah" (the Hebrew word that can mean "virgin" or "young lady"), the scribes and Pharisees preferred to understand this verse only as God promising salvation. Christians see it as that and so much more! Thanks to the Gospel of St. Matthew we understand that God meant literally what He said through Isaiah: that God among us, "Emmanuel," would be born of a virgin as a sign of God's love for us.

God foretold the coming of Christ to open the minds and hearts of His people. When we read the prophets, we too should experience a deepening of our faith. Appreciating how God has surpassed our human expectations allows us to entrust ourselves to Him all the more. May our reading of the prophets make us long to enjoy the eternal Kingdom of God.

In Christ,
Fr. John