



# ST. THERESE PARISH

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2018



## The Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

### 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.

### Masses

**Saturdays | 5:30 PM**  
(Fulfills Sunday Obligation)

**Sundays | 10:30 AM**

**Weekdays & Holy Days**  
See schedule inside bulletin

### Monday

Recitation of the Holy Rosary at 6:10 PM followed by Miraculous Medal Novena & Mass at 6:30 PM

### Confessions

Monday evenings at 7:00 PM

### Holy Communion to the Sick

Please call the rectory

### Weddings

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

### Baptisms

Please make arrangements in advance. Pre-Baptismal instructions are required for parents. Please call the rectory.

### New Parishioners

Please call or stop in at the Rectory to register. If you move to a new address in the parish or out of the parish, please notify the Rectory.

### Rectory

Monday - Friday  
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

**Bulletin Deadline**  
Monday | Noon

**Credit Union**  
216-587-0631

### Staff

**Rev. John J. Schneider**  
Pastor

**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

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## MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

### Saturday, November 10- Vigil

5:30 PM Aaron Ressler  
Jack Brayer and  
Elizabeth & John Brayer

### Sunday, November 11 -32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:30 AM Willis & Mary Gallagher  
Richard Lenczewski  
(Holy Name Society Mass)

### Monday, November 12-St. Josaphat

6:30 PM Margaret Hurtack St. T

### Tuesday, November 13-St. Frances Xavier Cabrini

No Mass

### Wednesday, November 14

8:30 AM Deceased Members of the Mazzi & Baranski  
Families SS. P&P

### Thursday, November 15-St. Albert the Great

8:30 AM Rudy N. Guzman  
Thelma Kilfoyle St. T

### Friday, November 16-St. Margaret of Scotland St. Gertrude

8:30 AM Beverly Pawelecki SS. P&P

### Saturday, November 17—St. Elizabeth of Hungary Vigil

5:30 PM For the People of the Parish

### Sunday, November 18 -33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:30 AM Donna Bobco  
Joseph Nalepka  
Patti Gallagher

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.

**Your intentions on your All Souls envelope will be remembered at every weekend and weekday Mass during the month of November. The envelopes will be placed in a basket near the altar after being counted.**

### Readings for the Week

**Sunday:** 1 Kgs 17:10-16; Heb 9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44

**Monday:** Ti 1:1-9; Lk 17:1-6

**Tuesday:** Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Lk 17:7-10

**Wednesday:** Ti 3:1-7; Lk 17:11-19

**Thursday:** Phlm 7-20; Lk 17:20-25

**Friday:** 2 Jn 4-9; Lk 17:26-37

**Saturday:** 3 Jn 5-8; Lk 18:1-8



### Collection-November 3/4

Collection: \$7,461.10\*      Envelopes Used: 154  
St. Vincent de Paul: \$40      World Mission: \$10  
Blanket Sunday: \$5

\*Figure includes the following:

Parish Only: \$372      Restoration: \$48  
All Saints: \$832      All Souls: \$580  
Children:\$2      Oct. We Share: \$1,295  
Donations in Memory of Pat Gallagher: \$1,070

**Thank you!**



Please pray for the recently deceased:

**Agnes Callen  
Marjorie A. Odeal**

### Pray for the Sick of our Parish

Joshua Stebal, Elizabeth O'Donnell, Don Tews, Laverne Griffiths, Michelle Cozens, Shirley Zwilling, Rita Pawloski, Raymond Pavlik, Michael Kobie, Dori Herout, Robyn Buckley, Sophie Tessmer, Michelle Triska, Nancy Kolecki, Charlene Fabrizo, Josephine Wojtonek, Mark Bandini, Laura Poss, Jeff Radak, Patricia J. McHale, Joyce Kedzierski, Jacquie Fisher, Arnold Brantley, Patricia Kraft, Josephine Mathews, Helen Yakubik, Brian Shamblin, Christine Hach, Ann Duhanich, Marion Diakant, Mary Cutler, Gregory Skuta, Phyllis & Delmer Price, William Gonzalez, Anthony Amato, Joe Suster, Daria Melnyc

**The Parish Office will be closed on  
Monday, November 12.**

# THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## Early Bulletin Deadline

All articles for the November 25 bulletin have to be submitted to the parish office by noon on November 13. Thanks for your cooperation!

## OUR YOUNG CHURCH

PSR - There will be no PSR class on Wednesday, November 21.

Youth Ministry - Our next meeting is Wednesday, November 28, 5:30-7:15pm, in the PSR school building.



The Social Concerns Commission will once again display the Giving Tree with tags for parishioners to take to help the less fortunate in our

area. The tree will be up beginning on Saturday, November 17. The gifts must be under the tree by the weekend of December 8/9, or they can be dropped off at the rectory no later than December 14. Thank you for your generosity!

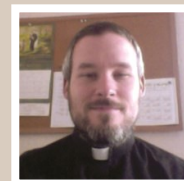
## Attention Liturgical Ministers— Something New!

Starting with the December ministry schedule, we will have a “Liturgical Minister Sign-up” calendar on our church website to aid in the scheduling of Altar Servers, Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors. We hope this will be a convenient and easy way for you to schedule when you are available to help serve. For those dates you know you are not able to help serve, you can also sign up as unavailable. Go to [www.sttheresegarfield.org](http://www.sttheresegarfield.org) and click on the “Liturgical Minister Sign-up” in the menu bar. “How to” directions will be on the home page of the website.

The calendar is available for scheduling now. We ask that you sign up as soon as possible. We will review the schedule 2 weeks before the new month and if there are still open positions, we will schedule those positions as we have in the past. Communion Minister positions will be finalized by the office to ensure a fair rotation. For those who do not have computer access, you may call Cindy at the office, 216-581-2852, for assistance in helping you schedule.

## ASK FATHER!

**Q.** Is “fun” work forbidden on Sunday? For example if I like to cut the lawn, could I cut the lawn on Sunday?



**A.** “Fun” is not prohibited on Sundays; in fact, we ought to recreate on Sundays. Recreation comes from the word “re-creation,” which means to become new again. Part of our worship of God on Sundays is imitating His holy rest that helps to restore us. Hobbies and activities that help us regain our physical and mental health are wonderful things to do in addition to prayer and Mass on Sundays.

## JOIN FR. JOHN

This Saturday after 5:30 Mass at St Therese, in the Parish Hall, Father John will offer a 30 minute reflection on “Our Habits and Dispositions.” This will begin a monthly program of inspiration and encouragement to live a truly virtuous life. All are welcome to attend! Bring a friend! A light meal will be served.

Congratulations to:

**Mary McKee**

who won \$500 on our first weekend drawing for 2018-2019.

## Important

### THIS WEEKEND!

#### Ushers, Communion Ministers & Lectors

Please attend an important meeting with Fr. John after the 10:30 a.m. Mass on November 11, in the church.

There will be a Divine Mercy Holy Hour Sunday November 11th at 2:30PM in Saint Monica Church. All are welcome!

## Dinner's On!



Your donation of a breakfast, lunch or dinner food item in the upcoming weeks is still much appreciated. To schedule a drop off, call the parish office or go to the parish website and click on Dinner's On!

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## Cub Scout Community Service

St. Therese Cub Scout Pack 137 would like to do a service to our community by raking leaves for those who aren't able to do it themselves. Please contact Dan Twardy at 216-801-6090 for more information or to sign up to have your yard raked.



**Attention Seniors:** Our next meeting is on Monday, November 19, at 1:30 p.m. in the church hall. Our Christmas party will be on Monday, December 10, at 1 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus annex. The cost is \$15. We must have your reservations and money by the next meeting on November 19.

## Pro Orantibus Day

On Wednesday, November 21, the Church will celebrate Pro Orantibus Day ("For Those Who Pray"). The faithful around the world are encouraged to develop their own way of commemorating the day and honoring cloistered women and men religious, at Mass and in other special ways, such as by offering up their prayers, by making visits to monasteries and cloistered convents, by sending cards or letters to contemplative religious, and by coordinating school or catechetical activities. For more information, visit [cloisteredlife.com](http://cloisteredlife.com).

## Coats for Kids

Once again this year Garfield Heights Knights of Columbus Council #4130 will be collecting new and like new coats, hats, scarfs and gloves for our Coats for Kids drive. The drive will take place from Saturday November 17 until Sunday December 2. There will be boxes in the Church vestibule for your donations. If you would like to make a monetary donation please make the check out to Coats for Kids Foundation and mail it to Garfield Heights K of C Council #4130 10806 Granger Road Garfield Hts. Ohio 44125. Thank You in advance for your kind consideration.



## SPAGHETTI DINNER – at SS. Peter & Paul

The Altar & Rosary Sodality is sponsoring a Spaghetti Dinner in SS. Peter & Paul Parish Hall on Saturday, November 17, after the 4:00PM Mass. Adults - \$10.00, Seniors and teens - \$8.00, children (5-12) \$5.00 and children under 5 free. Serving 5:00-7:00. Take outs available. For ticket information, etc. please call Shirley at 216-587-0239.

Next week, we will have the collection for the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development**. Over 43 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs to empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to bring permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at: [www.usccb.org/cchd/collection](http://www.usccb.org/cchd/collection).

## Garfield Hts. Holiday Lighting Ceremony Sunday, November 25, 5 p.m. Civic Center, 5407 Turney Road

The Singers' Club of Cleveland will perform inside the Civic Center at 5 p.m., with the Outdoor Lighting Ceremony and Caroling at 5:30 p.m. Greet Santa Claus as he arrives on a fire truck at the conclusion of the lighting ceremony. Afterward return indoors for photos with Santa, refreshments, and more music from the Singers' Club. Then head over to the rec center for a free ice skating event from 6-8 p.m. Admission is free for residents with identification or \$5 without. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

## Seeking Volunteers

The West Side Catholic Center is seeking volunteers to partner with participants of their Workforce Development Certificate Program. The opportunity involves assisting an individual as they progress through the work readiness program and into the first months of employment. Training will be provided. Please contact Frank Johaneck, 216-332-2538 or Ken Szabo, 440-333-4228 for additional information.

## Christmas Concert

A Christmas Concert with the Daughters of St. Paul Choir will take place on Friday, December 12, at 7 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. John, 1007 Superior Ave. in Cleveland. The concert is free and open to all. No tickets or reservations are required. Free parking in the surface lot on Rockwell Ave. or in the Cathedral Plaza Garage at Rockwell & E 9th. For more information call 216-696-6525 X 5510 or email [gheisman@dioceseofcleveland.org](mailto:gheisman@dioceseofcleveland.org).

**St. Monica Parish** will, once again, be sponsoring a **community meal on Thanksgiving Day**, in cooperation with Ohio Catholic Federal Credit Union (OCFCU). This Thanksgiving Day Meal will be served from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. in the St. Benedict School Cafeteria (13633 Rockside Road). **All Are Welcome!** If you are interested in volunteering to help with preparing and/or serving the meal, please contact Dean Robinson at OCFCU (216-478-0065).

# THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## The Week Ahead:

### Sunday, November 11

Holy Name Coffee & Donuts after 10:30 Mass, H  
Liturgical Mtg. after the 10:30 Mass, C  
Youth Ministry Field Trip

### Monday, November 12

Parish office closed  
Cub Scouts 6:30 p.m., S

### Tuesday, November 13

Bible Study 6:30 p.m., S  
Social Concerns 7 p.m., St. Rita Room  
AA 8 p.m., H

### Wednesday, November 14

PSR 6 p.m., S  
Wolf Scouts 6:30 p.m., S  
Boy Scouts 7 p.m., S

### Thursday, November 15

Cub Scouts 6:30 p.m., S  
Bingo 6:45 p.m., H

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

The Lord be with you!

As we conclude our discussion of Original Sin, we look at Mary's Immaculate Conception and how it came to be dogmatically defined. Among the most difficult doctrines to explain, the Immaculate Conception is often misunderstood. Still, this dogma clarifies that she did more than anyone else in cooperating with grace. Our Lady's freedom from sin ought to encourage us all to grow in holiness each day.

#### **Question 271. What does the "Immaculate Conception" mean?**

Answer. The Immaculate Conception means the Blessed Virgin's own exclusive privilege of coming into existence, through the merits of Jesus Christ, without the stain of original sin. It does not mean, therefore, her sinless life, perpetual virginity or the miraculous conception of Our Divine Lord by the power of the Holy Ghost.

#### **Question 272. What has always been the belief of the Church concerning this truth?**

Answer. The Church has always believed in the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin and to place this truth beyond doubt has declared it an Article of Faith.

#### **Question 273. To what should the thoughts of the Immaculate Conception lead us?**

Answer. The thoughts of the Immaculate Conception should lead us to a great love of purity and to a desire of imitating the Blessed Virgin in the practice of that holy virtue.

My commentary.

Every Catholic should memorize Question 271 because I have lost track of how many times I have had to correct people on what the "Immaculate Conception" refers to. Since we celebrate its feast day on December 8th, many people wrongly conclude that it has something to do with Christ's birth. It doesn't! It only refers to Mary being conceived without Original Sin by the application of sanctifying grace to her at the very moment of her creation. We refer to Jesus Christ's first moment as "the Incarnation" to denote that the Son took flesh from Mary by the Holy Spirit. Moreover, it is a separate doctrine that Mary never sinned as well as that she remained a virgin before, during, and after her pregnancy with Christ.

Why do we have a distinct dogma on Mary's conception? From the earliest time in the Church, we acknowledged that Mary lived a sinless life. "Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women" (Luke 1:28). The question that would vex theologians was when Mary received her sinless state. Until John Duns Scotus, theologians were split into two camps: forgiven at conception and forgiven the moment after conception. Scotus's breakthrough was to articulate how Mary could be forgiven at the moment of her conception. That was in the late thirteenth century. Pope Pius IX defined the dogma in 1854 with the papal bull of *Ineffabilis Deus*. Why did it take so long? It was not until the 19th century that most bishops thought that we needed to define this teaching.

I would like to expand Question 273's excellent point of how Mary's purity should encourage our own. As Jesus tells us, "Blessed are the clean of heart; for they shall see God" (Matt 5:8). Due to our sins we struggle to perceive God at times; Mary saw Him with ever increasing clarity. As we meditate on Mary's singular privilege, we remember that God desires to heal us as wholly and completely as He did Mary. May we never tire of seeking the perfections that come from God.

In Christ,  
Fr. John