Solemnity of All Saints
November 1, 2020

St. Theresa of Avila Catholic Church

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Mission Statement

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St. Theresa of Avila & St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Churches Welcome you to our celebration of the Holy Mass on this Solemnity of All Saints—Sun., Nov. 1, 2020

St. Theresa 5:00 pm Mass (S), Sat., October 31 ~ +Pat Gillenwater

St. Theresa 7:00 am Mass (S), Sun., November 1 ~ +Reggie L. Shemwell

St. Elizabeth 9:00 am Mass (K), Sun., November 1 ~

St. Theresa 11:00 am Mass (S), Sun., November 1 ~ +Braden Tate & Family & Friends

Monday, November 2—All Soul's Day

St. Theresa 8:00 am (S) ~

St. Elizabeth 6:00 pm (K) ~

Tuesday, November 3

St. Theresa 5:00 pm (S) Adoration in GYM

St. Theresa 6:00 pm (S) ~

Wednesday, November 4

St. Theresa 8:00 am (S) ~

Thursday, November 5

St. Theresa 8:00 am (S) ~

Friday, November 6

St. Theresa 8:00 am (S)

Saturday, November 7

St. Theresa 5:00 pm (S) ~ +Holly Lynn Cox

Sunday, November 8—Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Theresa 7:00am Mass (S) ~ +Schugler Riley

St. Elizabeth 9:00am Mass (K) ~

St. Theresa 11:00am Mass (S) ~ +Mike Easley

YOU TOO CAN BE A SAINT

Today we celebrate the feast of all Saints. The Church reminds us that sanctity is within everyone's reach. Saints are ordinary people who did ordinary things in extra-ordinary way. We are all candidates of sainthood.

The beatitudes is a simple stipulation of what it means to be a saint; "Blessed are the poor in spirit; Blessed are the meek; Blessed are those who hunger an thirst for righteousness; Blessed are the merciful; Blessed are the clean of heart; Blessed are the peace makers; Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness; Blessed are you when people insult you and utter every evil against you falsely because of me. Rejoice and be glad for your reward will be great in heaven."

Sometimes, we feel we can never become saint because we are caught in the web of secular and socio-cultural predicaments. And we keep falling short of the very thing we most dearly aspire to be, not necessarily because we are so bad or so unworthy, but sometimes we are so enveloped with self-rejection; self-guilt; self-condemnation; self-contempt; self-pity; self-abnegation; and lack of self-appreciation.

Judas betrayed Jesus. Peter denied Jesus. Both were lost children. Judas, no longer able to hold on to the truth that he remained God's child, hung himself. But Peter, in the midst of his despair, claimed it and returned with many tears. Judas chose death. Peter chose life. And today, Peter is a saint.

Moses protested his inadequacy; "who am I...?" Jeremiah gave an excuse, "I am too young Lord, and I am only a boy ..." Peter complained, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man ..."

At times, we pay more attention to our inabilities instead of our abilities; we think more of our failures instead of our success; we worry so much about what we cannot do instead of what we can do; we tend to remember more of our losses instead of our gains; we disqualify ourselves even before the actual interview; we contemplate failure even before the examination.

You may say, "I am not holy, I am not worthy, I am not blessed, I am not educated, I an not healthy, I am not wealthy, I am a nobody, nobody loves me, I am a sinner. I can never be forgiven, nobody recognizes me, nobody wants me, nobody likes me, it is impossible, there is not way, I can't do it, I can't figure it out, I am not intelligent, I am afraid, what can I do? Who am I? I cannot be a saint! And in some cases, people make you feel bad about yourself; people can make you think you are doomed. My dear, do not worry. People can call you a sinner but God can make you a saint, people may see nothing good in you but God sees something good in you.

You are qualified to be a saint!

Father Abraham Adejoh

Solemnity of All Saints

https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/110120.cfm

Reading 1 Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14

I, John, saw another angel come up from the East, holding the seal of the living God. He cried out in a loud voice to the four angels who were given power to damage the land and the sea, "Do not damage the land or the sea or the trees until we put the seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God."

I heard the number of those who had been marked with the seal, one hundred and forty-four thousand marked from every tribe of the children of Israel. After this I had a vision of a great multitude, which no one could count, from every nation, race, people, and tongue. They stood before the throne and before the Lamb, wearing white robes and holding palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice: "Salvation comes from our God, who is seated on the throne, and from the Lamb." All the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They prostrated themselves before the throne, worshiped God, and exclaimed: "Amen. Blessing and glory, wisdom and thanksgiving, honor, power, and might be to our God forever and ever. Amen." Then one of the elders spoke up and said to me, "Who are these wearing white robes, and where did they come from?" I said to him, "My lord, you are the one who knows." He said to me, "These are the ones who have survived the time of great distress; they have washed their robes and made them white in the Blood of the Lamb."

Reading 2 1 John 3:1-3

Beloved: See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. Yet so we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed. We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. Everyone who has this hope based on him makes himself pure, as he is pure.

Gospel Matthew 5:1-12a

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he had sat down, his disciples came to him. He began to teach them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven. Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land. Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. Blessed are the clean of heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven."

Offerings

<u>Last Weekend's Offering</u>
From Sat., October 24 & Sun., October 25, 2020

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton:

Envelopes: \$855.00
Loose: \$0.00
Total contributions for the week: \$855.00

St. Theresa of Avila:

Envelopes \$1570.00 Online Giving: \$1075.00 Loose: \$20.45 Total contributions for the week: \$2665.45 Capital Campaign: \$0.00 Building/Maintenance: \$405.00 Needy/Poor: \$355.00 World Mission Sunday \$20.00

Liturgical Ministers—Next weekend, Saturday Nov. 7 & Sunday, Nov. 8

Saturday 5:00 pm—St. Theresa

Lector: D. Steele

Sunday 7:00 am—St. Theresa

Lector: G. Hunter

Sunday 9:00 am—St. Elizabeth

Lector: M. Sigrist

Sunday 11:00 am—St. Theresa

Lector: S. Williams

*Please find a replacement if you cannot serve your assigned time

Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

Beginning with the Feast of All Souls, November 2nd, this is the commemoration of all the Faithful Departed. This an opportunity for us to remember and pray for our loved ones who have passed on. Father Abraham would like to offer Mass throughout the whole month of November in honor of the Faithful Departed. You can bring a picture of your loved ones who have passed on and place them by the altar for this month.

Mass for the Commemoration of the



Faithful Departed

Monday, November 2 St. Theresa of Avila at 8:00am St. Elizabeth Ann Seton 6:00pm

Rite of Christian Initiation

If you know of someone who has expressed an interest in joining, or just learning about, the Catholic faith, now is the time to help them out in a formal way. We will have an informational meeting to discuss this year's Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults program November 4th at 6:30 in the Guth Room. Please invite people who you think might be interested and if possible attend this meeting with them. If for some reason they cannot attend the informational meeting, please have them contact Deacon Steve via email at eischens.steven@gmail.com

Parishioners, are you or a loved one in the hospital, sick or have any kind of emergency? Please give Father Abraham a call 618-944-8888. He would like to talk to you!

To Help the Chair Cleaners

Parishioners, please turn your chair to the side after Mass, before you leave. This will indicate the chairs used to the people cleaning the chairs. Thank you!

The November edition of

The Word Among Us is available.

Please pick up your copy.

Adopt a Seminarian

There are postcards a the entrance to our worship space with the names of Diocesan Seminarians. Please take a post card and pray for him. Remember his birthday, send a note of encouragement, send a care package (Seminarians are college students and always appreciate a care package—warm socks, cookies or whatever creative idea you may have!) or remember him at Christmas with a gift or card. *Our best "adoptive" practice is prayer!*

St. Theresa Food Pantry

Schedule for weekend items to be brought...
For the week of Nov 7/8—meal in a can
For the week of Nov 14/15—instant potatoes
For the week of Nov 21/22—spaghetti
noodles and sauce
For the week of Nov 28/29— tuna or chicken
in a can

Congratulations, Maxwell Morton

In distinguishing yourself by achieving the **High Honor Roll** for the first quarter of this academic year at Mater Dei Catholic High School. *Congratulations!*

Mater Dei Open House Sunday, November 1

This year, due to a limited number of tours, guests must pre-register. Visit the Mater Dei website's homepage for the online registration (www.materdeiknights.org, "Announcement" section).

Families who are unable to attend are invited to contact Director of Enrollment Mrs. Maria Zurliene to request an informational folder (mzurliene@materdeiknights.org or 618-526-

Avila League Raffles

All tickets must be turned in to the Parish Office by Thursday, November 5th. Tickets put in the collection on Saturday, November 7th or Sunday, November 8 are not eligible for the drawing. Drawing Date: Sunday, November 8.

Thank you for supporting the Avila Ladies League and all they do for our Parish.



K of C Tootsie Roll Drive

These make great Trick or Treat candy and will help our Council meet its goal of helping local Intellectually Disable children. Our local drive supports the students at Hawthorn and Franklin Park Special Education Departments, Murry Center Parents association and the Special Olympics. The money you donate really helps people in our community. We are asking for anything you can give for a donation, \$40 per box would help us meet our total goal, but anything you can give is truly appreciated. Thanks so much.

From the Desk of ...

The Director of Religious Education

Hello!

PSR began on September 27th. It is not too late to register. Registration forms are available on Sunday morning during PSR. Breakfast begins at 9:30. Prayer begins at 9:45. Please have your child/children at the Parish Center (school) by 9:45 so they can participate in prayer time. PSR will dismiss at 10:45.

Please...I am looking for several people to help plan events for the CYO (youth group). You DO NOT have to be in charge. At this point in time, we are just brainstorming ideas. If you or your child have any good ideas, please send me a message. I would love to hear from you! Hopefully we can get something started in 2021!

Please remember that additional Confirmation pictures are on the following link: https://vando.imagequix.com/g1000821757#login. If you haven't picked up the Confirmation pictures that you ordered the day of Confirmation, please make arrangements with the photographer (618-367-0120). Thank you!

If you ever have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Blessings, Denise denisemccormack67@yahoo.com 618-322-1310 (call or text)

Vocations Corner

This Sunday starts National Vocations Awareness Week. National Vocation Awareness Week (NVAW) is an annual week-long celebration of the Catholic Church in the United States dedicated to promote vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life through prater and education, and to renew our prayers and support for those who are considering one of these particular vocations. Please pray each day this week for an increase of vocations and for young people to hear their call to Holiness.

Please pray for the sick, their caregivers, residents in nursing homes** and the homebound...

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God Bless Our Service Men & Women!

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PFC. Brennon Nix—USMC NATTC. Pensacola, FL. Grandson of Jerome & Jeannette Nix

All Saints' Day

Today is a special feast day in the Church. We celebrate all the people who followed God on earth and are now in Heaven.

Tomorrow, November 2nd, is the feast of All Souls. It is a special day when we remember all the people who are still in Purgatory.

HOW MUCH WILL I LONGER UNTIL I SEE GOD?

While we are alive we try to love God and do what He asks so that when we die we can go to Heaven to be with Him.

We can also help the souls in Purgatory. They are suffering because they have to make up for the

sins they did when they were on earth. They can't go to Heaven until their souls are clean. We can help them by offering prayers and sacrifices to God for them.

The Saints in Heaven loved and served God and made up for their sins. We can pray to them and they can pray to God for us, to help us get to Heaven too!

Saints on the front page: Back row: St. Francis of Assisi, St. Peter, St. Joseph, St. Maximilian Koble. Front row: St. Monney, St. Manta Goretti.

Our Lady (Mary,) St. Jean Marie Vianney, St. Maria Goretti.

Answer to the Beatitudes Puzzle: Be a saint!

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The Kids' Bulletin

Feast of All Saints November 1, 2020



Today we celebrate all the people that are in Heaven with God.

We call these people 'saints.' They were normal people like us

who chose to follow God.

Here are some saints that you can colour. Do you know who they are?

Saint Sylvia of Rome November 5

SAINT SYLVIA WAS BORN IN THE EARLY 500'S TO AN IMPORTANT FAMILY IN EITHER SICILY OR ROME.















SAINT SYLVIA'S STORY REMINDS US OF HOW IMPORTANT IT IS FOR PARENTS TO TEACH THEIR CHILDREN WELL. PRAY FOR YOUR PARENTS SO GOD WILL GIVE THEM THE GRACE THEY NEED TO HELP YOU, AND YOU CAN PRAY TO ST. SYLVIA FOR ANY PREGNANT MOTHERS YOU KNOW!

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The Beatitudes Puzzle

Match the first and second parts of each of the beatitudes (Matthew 5:1-12) and then use the letters in the same order to fill in the blanks at the end.

- 1. Blessed are the poor in spirit,
- 2. Blessed are they who mourn,
- 3. Blessed are the meek,
- Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
- 5. Blessed are the merciful,
- 6. Blessed are the clean of heart,
- 7. Blessed are the peacemakers, 8. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the
- Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness,
 - T ...for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.
 - A ...for they will inherit the land.
 - B ...for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.
 - S ...for they will be satisfied.
 - E ...for they will be comforted.
 - I ...for they will see God.
 - N ...for they will be called children of God.
 - A ...for they will be shown mercy.

Living the Beatitudes will help me

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