

St. Therese Catholic Church

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Wednesday afternoons by 1:30 p.m.

St. Therese Weekly Mass Schedule:

Saturday: Confessions 4:15-4:45 p.m.
Mass 5 p.m.

Sunday: 11:00 a.m.

Tuesday: 9 a.m. at St. Joseph, Norris

Wednesday and Thursday: 9 a.m.

Friday: 9 a.m. (9:30-10:30 a.m. Adoration)

Parish Pastoral Council:

John Meersman, Chair
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Mission Statement

St. Therese Parish, joined together by the love of Christ, desiring to further the understanding of prayer and religious commitment, pledge ourselves to continue and improve our mission to Jesus, which is loving and serving the Lord and our neighbor.

Fr. Julius' Desk

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This weekend is rightly entitled "Ministry Weekend." Each year we dedicate this time to thank all members who have been working with the various parish ministries and invite our new volunteers to devote themselves to one of the many ways available to serve. Our goal this weekend aligns with today's Christological theme of rendering humble, selfless, diligent, committed, and loving service to others in the community without expecting honor or rewards.

Announcing the Lord's proclamation to the people in the prophet Malachi's First Reading – "O priests, if you do not lay it to heart, to give glory to my name" – Malachi chastises the religious leaders of his time that all of their good works and learning would be spoiled by the vice of pride, their harsh religious leadership, as they fail to preach God's Word. Juxtapose this against our Second Reading, St. Paul to the Thessalonians, where with great personal expense and tenderness, it was laid fully on his heart to glorify the Gospel of God.

Our Lord Jesus in the Gospel offers a word of clarity against contemporary religious leaders more concerned with self-promotion than service to others. Christ-like leadership calls for integrity and honesty from all those in authority, whether Bishops, priests, parents, teachers, volunteers, or politicians. Service, not status, is the mark of this new community Christians are called to serve. It is usually said, greatness is in service.

Therefore, this weekend let us try to live the Faith we profess! Examine our gifts and how we may want to use them to assist our faith community. For our faith tells us that we are all brothers and sisters, children of the same Heavenly Father. The only way for all of us to practice our faith is to build a human community of love and justice. Whichever our service to each other in the Church – whether as lector, altar server, extraordinary minister of Holy Communion, usher, greeter, and more – we can humbly tap into what God is calling us to do. Wherever we volunteer, may we remember that our titles remind us of our specific responsibilities in the Church towards God through our neighbor as the Gospel of last Sunday suggested.

Joyous Sunday!

Sacraments

Baptism: By appointment. Please call the church office at least 4 weeks prior to desired baptism date.

Reconciliation: Saturdays from 4:15-4:45 p.m.

Matrimony: A four-month preparation period in the Knoxville Diocese

In the Parish

ALTAR SERVER MEETING: 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 11 in the parish hall for all current altar servers and anyone interested in becoming an altar server. All current altar servers are required to attend. Pizza and drinks will be served.

MASS INTENTIONS: If you would like a Mass intention, the parish office has 2018 dates available as well as the rest of this year. Call now to get the dates you want.

CCW FAMILY GAME NIGHT: Friday, Nov. 10 at 6:30 p.m. in the parish hall. Games for all ages, so bring the kids and friends. Hot dogs, sandwiches, chips & drinks will be provided. Families asked to bring your favorite sweet or dessert. Sign up in parish hall for a head count for food.



APPRECIATIONS TO all the chairpersons and volunteers for organizing Ministry Weekend. Thanks to all our bulletin advertisers. And thanks to Cathy Hundley, Sue Haese, & Annie Anderson for hosting Saturday night and Maureen McMyler for hosting Sunday morning First Weekend Fellowship this month.

COATS FOR THE COLD: The weather has already turned freezing and coats, scarves, hats, gloves are again needed for those less fortunate. Please look in your closets for any warm items that you can donate to this very needed cause. A box will be provided for your donations in the parish hall. Items will be accepted thru February 2018. Thank you.

WE THANK EVERYONE WHO GIVES SO GENEROUSLY

Offertory Collection Last Week 10/29/17	Offertory Collection Last Year 10/30/16	Offertory Collection for October 2017	Offertory Collection for September 2017	Monthly Budget Fiscal Year 2016-17
\$3,997.00	\$3,862.00	\$ 16,941.00	\$14,399.00	\$15,000.00

BUILDING FUND/LOAN /Last Week \$ 70.00

September 2017	Budget	+/- Month	Loan Sept. 2017	Loan Sept. 2016
\$ 2,568.00	\$1,707.00	\$135.00	\$130,888.54	\$146,299.45

FEASTS OF THE WEEK:

Thu., Nov. 9: The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
 Fri., Nov. 10: St. Leo the Great
 Sat., Nov. 11: St. Martin of Tours

MINISTRIES SCHEDULE:

November 11-12, 2017

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

Saturday: J. Borne
 K. Burns
 S. Bieleski
 Sunday: J. Anderson
 J. Pubillones
 L. McCune

Lectors:

Saturday: M. Gee
 Sunday: M. McMyler

Altar Servers:

Saturday: TBA
 Sunday: C. Milne
 B. Milne
 A. Powers

Ushers:

Saturday: C. Hundley
 C. Tucker
 Sunday: K. Stewart
 D. McCune

Cantor:

Saturday: D. Stepp
 Sunday: M. Tuskan

Music:

Saturday: J. Bentz
 Sunday: M. Tuskan

MASS INTENTIONS:

Wed., Nov. 8: +Eleanor Hayes by Sue Haese
 Thu., Nov. 9: Maggie Adkins Recovery by Roy & Chris Converse
 Sat., Nov. 11: Donald Clayborn by Cathy Hundley

Announcements and Information

QUIET, PLEASE: *As you enter the parish hall for Mass, please be considerate of those already in church who may be praying by keeping the noise level low.*

SENIOR MOMENTS:
Lunch at Golden Oak Grill Buffet at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 16.

Christmas Lunch at Harrison's at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 7

RSVP with Pandey at 865-659-6926.

SOCIAL ACTION: *November begins the Toys for the Holiday Bureau and food drive for the holidays;*

December starts with items for Senior Center Christmas Baskets, such as small hygiene items like shampoo, perfume, gloves, socks, scarves, and food items to fill out the baskets;

Toys for the Holiday Bureau and food drive continuing to the middle of December.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

"In the Eucharistic is all the power that created the universe and all the love that redeemed it!" - Msgr. Franklin Hurd

(<http://www.therealpresence.org/eucharst/tes/quotes7.html>)

St. Therese Catholic Church offers adoration and benediction after the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Fridays. All are welcome.

CCW WINE & CHEESE PARTY: *Nov. 14 at 6:30 p.m. in the parish hall. CCW will provide wine & other drinks. Everyone is invited to bring chips, dips, cheese or cheese balls & crackers or whatever snack they choose.*



PARISHIONER REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____

Street _____

City & Zip _____

Phone _____

E-Mail _____

Please check one:

I am new in the parish and wish to register.

Change of Address Moving out of Parish

Mail back to: St. Therese Church, 701 S. Charles G. Seivers Blvd., Clinton, TN 37716

IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Maggie Adkins, Kathy Baker, Paul Burkhardt, Ralph Collins, Helen Davis, George Elliott, Barbara Gregory, Lydia Hatmaker, Tiara Householder, Cathy Long, Vicky McCarthy, Ellen Saganich, Carol Stanley, Alyssa Stimmler, Patrice Thompson.



DEATH IN THE FAMILY:

If you would like St. Therese to share in your grief in the event of a family member's death, please officially notify Father or the parish office. A Mass will be offered for the deceased at a date convenient to the family.

REMEMBER OUR

MILITARY:

Andrew Adkins, Bradley Adkins, Adrian Agbanlog, Jesse Baker, Matthew Carroll, Jon-Michael Hatmaker, Brandon Parker, and Lee Welty who are on military assignment.



***Names are added and taken off both **In Your Prayers** and **Remember Our Military** lists on a monthly basis. If you would like a name re-added, please call the office to resubmit the name for another month. Thank you.*

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

Nov. 7: Thomas Brewer
Nov. 8: William Bonham
Nov. 8: Chantal Milne
Nov. 10: Alana Kuhens
Nov. 11: David McGinty



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FALL FAMILY JAM

Join Catholic Charities of East Tennessee on Saturday, Nov. 11th from 1 to 6 p.m. for an afternoon of live music, food, and family fun at the Stables at Hunter Valley Farms—to benefit our Children’s Services! Visit cctn.org for tickets and more information.

VETERAN’S MASS

November 12 at 9 a.m. Bishop Stika invites all veterans and those serving in the military to join him in celebrating a diocesan Veterans’ Mass at the Cathedral of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus on Sun, Nov. 12 to honor and pray for all our veterans and those currently serving in the Armed Forces. Veterans & military members are encouraged to wear their uniforms, if they fit! More information contact Paul Simoneau, psimoneau@dioknox.org or 865-584-3307.

“THE GOD WHO WALKS TO FIND THE LOST”

Venue: St. John Neumann Catholic Church Retreat

Date: November 11, 2017 Open to everyone

Time: 8:30 a.m. Registration & Opening Prayer

9 a.m.—noon Sessions

Noon: Holy Mass

1 p.m. Lunch & Departure

Do you have family members/friends who for different reasons are not practicing the faith or no longer go to Church? Most of us do. You are welcome to join with others on the same spiritual path to pray for each of them, for our own inner healing, and to share on how to relate better with them. The retreat will be facilitated by John & Margaret Merrill, married for 34 years and have great experience in giving retreats in the diocese. They will bring their story; share how they stumbled and what they learned from their personal experiences of raising their 5 daughters and the trials they had to overcome. They will be joined by Sr. Restituta & Sr. Elizabeth, ESM.

MASS & REAFFIRMATION OF MARRIAGE VOWS WITH BISHOP STIKA

The Diocesan Office of Marriage Preparation & Enrichment has planned something special for all couples married in the Catholic Church and their families.

Two churches are now left that will host a Mass & luncheon honoring married couples. Couples will have an opportunity to reaffirm their vows and receive a blessing. Commemorative certificates will be distributed at the luncheon and a photo of each couple with Bishop Stika will be taken and mailed to your home. Masses are:

Sat., Nov. 11, 2017 at 11 a.m. Register by Nov. 2nd. Holy Spirit Church, 10768 Dayton Pike, Soddy Daisy TN 37379

Sat., Feb. 10, 2018 at 11 a.m. Register by Feb. 1st. Immaculate Conception Church 414 W. Vine Avenue, Knoxville, Tn. 37902

To register and for more information, contact: Marian Christiana mchristiana@dioknox.org or 423-892-2310.

HUSBAND FRIENDLY “DATE NIGHT”

*** FREE ***

The Office of Marriage Preparation & Enrichment is sponsoring a “Date Night” for couples of all ages and stages of marriage. It can be difficult to find the time to nourish your relationship. “Date Night” can help. Join other married couples for a presentation and then leave as an individual couple with discussion questions to guide your conversation over dinner, during a walk, while visiting at a park or wherever you choose. Inexpensive childcare is available too!

Attend 6:30—8:00 p.m. at St. John Neumann Church.

Date Night will be held on the Saturday, Dec. 2.

To register for this “Date Night” and/or to register for childcare, please contact Marian Christiana (Office of Marriage Preparation & Enrichment) at mchristiana@dioknox.org or 423-892-2310.