

**St. Therese
Catholic Church**
701 S. Charles G. Seivers
Blvd.
Clinton, Tennessee 37716

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

Bishop of Knoxville:

Most Reverend Bishop Richard Stika

Parochial Administrator:

Father Julius Abuh - Rectory 865-457-1317

Pastoral Associate:

Sister Yvette Gillen 865-207-7070

Secretary: Karen Baird

St. Therese Church Office: 865-457-4073

Parish website:

www.saintthereseclinton.org

Parish Facebook: Sainttherese Clinton

Weekly Mass Schedule:

Sat. Confessions 4:45 –5:15 P.M Mass 5:30 P.M.

Sun. Mass 10:15 A.M.

Tues. Mass 6:30 P.M.

Wed. Mass 9:00 A.M.

Thurs. Mass 9:00 A.M. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass until 12 noon.

Fri. Mass 9:00 A.M.

Pastoral Council

Chairperson:

Becky Hatmaker

Vice Chairperson:

Peg Chase

Jerry Brown

Linda McCune

Henry Bentz

Fr. Julius Abuh

(ex-officio)

Sr. Yvette (ex-officio)

(ex-officio)

Finance Board

Chairpersons:

Don McCarthy

Becky Hatmaker

Dave McCune

Monica Spurlock

Fr. Julius Abuh

(ex-officio)

Sr. Yvette Gillen

(ex-officio)

Karen Baird

(ex-officio)

Committee

Chair persons

Liturgy:

Sister Yvette

Parish/Family

Life: Thais Family

Parish Plant :

Fred Jackson

Religious Ed:

Sister Yvette

Social Action:

Connie Mikeal

Spiritual Life:

Peg Chase

Building:

Joyce Klee

Hospitality:

Becky Hatmaker

Office Hours

9 A.M.—1:30P.M.

Mon—Thurs

9A.M.-12 N Fri

Administrators Desk:

Beloved parishioners of St Therese's , in the Gospel reading today Jesus is approached by the Pharisees who again were trying to trick him. Apparently Jesus must have previously made some statements about marriage and divorce, and so the Pharisees ask a question to which they know the answer already. In his usual manner, Jesus turns it around by asking them a question: What did Moses say about it? Now, Moses didn't say much! There is really only one line in Deuteronomy which takes for granted that a man could divorce his wife, and the statement was there to provide some legal protection for the woman - who in ancient times needed to be married to survive. Jesus explains that that bill of divorce, this concession, had to be there because of the hardness or sinfulness of men's hearts.

In this teaching of Jesus -- who is the Truth incarnate, who is our Creator and knows how and for what the human person is made, who loves all of us enough to die for us out of his great love makes it clear that "In the beginning, God made them male and female" -- There is great meaning to our masculinity and femininity in God's plan. God didn't clone Adam, but made Eve, who was equal to him in dignity, but complementary. Probably that was why he took the rib from the side of Adam; not from his head and not from his feet, thus both are equal in dignity.

I believe this is the ideal, but cannot be true for everyone, because in the account of St. Matthew, Jesus made it very clear that marriage is not for everyone. Read Matt. 19: 12. Jesus would not want people to live in an unhealthy situation, one that festers and where there is no love and may even be psychological or physical abuse. For this reason, we have an obligation to try to make it work in the best way we can, to seek help, to go as far as we can, but where there is no love, there is no union. We haven't met the ideal, but we have tried. And so we should be allowed to go on with life.

In the end brothers and sisters in Christ, married people should recognize that their marriage and family were never simply intended to be ends in themselves, but are a part of their service to God and to the broader community. This is so because all we have and all of who we are must be put into the service of God and neighbor in order to build one united family called into the service of God and of the community.

Happy married life!

Sacraments

Reconciliation: Saturday 4:45–5:15 P.M. or by appointment

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

Matrimony: A four month preparation period in the Knoxville Diocese

St. Therese Operating		Budget		
Building Fund Last week	Offertory Collection Last Week	Offertory Collections August 2012	Offertory Collections Sept. 2012	Monthly Budget Fiscal Year 2012-2013
\$510.00	\$2,907.00	\$10,152.00	\$9,079	\$16,500.00
Sincere thanks for your financial stewardship in support of our ministries at St. Therese.				

Monday October 8th Father Julius will bless your pets in the circle in front of the church at 9:30 A.M.

The weekend of Oct. 21st & 22nd has been designated as Stewardship Weekend here at St. Therese. This is separate from the Bishop's Appeal which supports our Diocesan ministries. This appeal supports all of our parish-based programs. Please consider making a generous pledge to support our parish operations and ministries

RCIA Classes The first class has been postponed until Wednesday October 17 at 7:00 P.M. in the parish hall.

We Need Donations for the Rummage Sale!!

Bring your donations to the church hall by Oct. 10th
 We also need your donation of time: Set-Up –Oct. 10th & 11th
 The sale days Oct. 12th & 13th Sign –Up sheets in the church hall
Please help with this major CCW fund raiser

Introduction to The Year of Faith

An adult-level, Faith Formation Course on faith and reason (science) will be offered for parishes in the Knoxville area over two Saturdays: October 13 and October 27; from 9 am to 11:30 am. The location is at St John Neumann Parish, Faragut in the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Community Room The course will be presented by Deacon Mike Gouge. Registration fee is \$10 to cover handouts, snacks and coffee. Contact Deacon Gouge at mgouge@tds.net if you plan to attend.

Saint Joseph School Golf Tournament, Friday, October 12th at Three Ridges Golf Course.

SJS Fall Festival, Saturday, October 13th on the Saint Albert the Great Parish Grounds

St. Joseph and St. Therese parishes are invited to attend a program on Faithful Citizenship sponsored by St. Joseph CCW on Sunday, October 14 at 4:00 p.m. at the St. Joseph Social Hall. The speaker will be Deacon Gary Brinkworth who spoke at the KDCCW Convention where he was well received. He will not endorse any candidate or political party. All parishioners are urged to attend. Refreshments will be served.

Sister Marta Abbott R.S.M. Superintendent of Schools wishes to thank everyone who helped to contribute to the nearly \$100,000.00 in the Catholic Schools Special Collection in August

Ministries Oct. 13&14

Lector

Sat. A. Duncan
 Sun. M. McMyler

Servers

Sat. J. Ferguson, T. Gudina,
 Sherry Carter, JD Carter
 Sun. V. Chiaro, A. Govelitz,
 M. Govelitz A. Webb

Eucharist

Sat. H. Bentz, S. Bieleski,
 J. Borne
 Sun. C. Hundley, G. Paynter,
 B. Stephens

Ushers

Sat. M. Spurlock, R. Spurlock
 Sun. F. Zelenka, D. McCune

Cantor

Sat. T. Ferguson
 Sun. J. Bentz

Music

Sat. J. Bentz
 Sun. L. Wyman

If you are unable to minister on the assigned date please find your own replacement.

Mass Intentions

10/6-10/14

Sat. 10/6

*People of St. Therese

Sun. 10/7

+Stuart Metz
 by Sharon M. Jackson

Tues. 10/9

*Barb & Stan Bieleski
 by Pat Gambrell

Wed. 10/10

*John & Alice Barnes
 by Nigerian Orphanage

Thurs. 10/11

+Grace Paul
 by Fr. Julius

Fri. 10/12

*Stephen, Lacey & Noah
 Metz by Sharon M. Jackson

Sat. 10/13

*People of St. Therese
Sun. 10/14

+Gene Wrasman
 by Don Wrasman

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Kristin Schramm, Louise Kendra, Rocky May, Helen Beckner, Patrice Thompson, Katie York, Lydia Hatmaker, Louise Poly, Heather Phillips, Sandy Boles, Miranda Lawrence, Barbara Bielecki,

Jessica Parker, Ron Spurlock, Travis and Tyler Ervin, David Trent, Lee Welty, Jesse Baker, Bradley Adkins, Andrew Adkins, Tyler Buss, and Adrian Agbanlog who are on military assignment, and for all the other men and women currently serving in the military.

This Week at St. Therese

Mon. 10/8 6:30 P.M. CCW
BINGO Night

Tues. 10/9 10:A.M. Bible Study
6:30 P.M. Mass

Wed. 10/10 9:00 A.M. Mass

Set Up for Rummage Sale

Thurs. 10/11 9:00 A.M. Mass
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass
Set up for Rummage Sale

Fri. 10/12 8:00A.M.
Rummage sale
9:00 A.M. Mass

Sat. 10/13 8:00 A.M.
Rummage Sale
5:30 P.M. Mass

Sun. 10/14 9:00 A.M. Rel. Ed.
10:15 A.M. Mass
5:00P.M.
Knights Spaghetti Supper

Remember our parishioners who are in the hospitals & nursing homes: Louise Kendra is at Brakebill Nursing Home in Knoxville
Eleanor Lux & Mary Alice Eisenhower are at Morning Pointe
Louise Poly is in Mabel Rose Estates in Papillion, NE
Joan Nelson is at Five Star Residence of Hollywood in Hollywood, FL. Call the church office for these addresses.

Celebrations this Week

Birthdays

Connie Mikeal-10/11
Chris Converse-10/13
Ron Schramm-10/13

If you do not see your special date above you might need to update your parish registration.

Knights Of Columbus

Spaghetti Dinner
Sunday Oct. 14
5:00 P.M.

Next Meeting:
Tues. Oct. 16
7:00 P.M.

St. Therese Women's Group

The St. Therese Women's Group will meet the 2nd Monday of each month@
6:30 P.M.
Next Meeting is Monday
October 8th
BINGO Night

SENIOR MOMENTS

Senior Moments will meet
at **St. Therese on October 19**
Genealogy Presentation by
Pellissippi Genealogical and
Historical Society
at **St. Joseph on Nov. 2**
BINGO

ALL SENIORS ARE WELCOME!

Food City and Kroger gift cards are available after Mass and in the church office. St. Therese receives 5% of every card purchased

Bible Study Next class:
Tues. Oct. 9 @ 10A.M.

Religious Education

Preschool -High
School classes

Classes are Sunday
mornings @ 9:00A.M.

High School Activities

Stay tuned for the
next activity





Bishop Richard Stika



The Diocese of Knoxville News

If you are experiencing emotional or spiritual difficulties from a past abortion, you are not alone. Catholic Charities is here to help with a **Rachel's Vineyard** healing and recovery retreat October 12th – 14th, 2012 in private retreat center in Athens, TN. For more information, please contact Sandi Davidson (865) 776-4510 sandi@ccetn.org or Catherine McHugh (865) 696-7720 peace4lilith@aol.com. Complete confidentiality is honored at all times..

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Silent Prayer Chain for Life, Sunday, Oct 7th

Please join us for the Silent Pray Chain in front of Sacred Heart Cathedral on Sunday, October 7th from 4 – 5 pm as we join churches around the country in a prayerful and public witness for the Sanctity of Life. Our prayers do make a difference! For more information, contact Lisa Morris 567-1245 or Paul Simoneau 862-5753. God bless you and all that you do for the Gospel of Life!

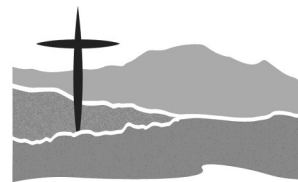
The **2013 Emerald O'ccasion Annual Dinner committee** will be composed of representatives from **all parishes** in the greater Knoxville area. Please consider joining the committee to represent your parish! You'll have fun and in so doing, you'll be helping generate critical support for thousands of vulnerable children, seniors, and families in our region. Call Sherrie at [865-524-9896 Ext. 1005](tel:865-524-9896) to volunteer

Young Adult / Pastoral Juvenile Mass & Hike *Enjoy our beautiful Smoky Mountains!*

Who: Young Adults 18-39, Spanish & English speakers **What:** Fr. Christian Mathis will celebrate a bilingual Mass at the foot of the trail, then lead you on an easy 5 mile hike, stopping along the way for lunch. **Where:** Smoky Mountain National Park **Date:** Sunday, October 14, 2012 **Meet:** 8:00 a.m. at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Lenoir City **Return:** 3:30 p.m. to St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Lenoir City **Cost:** none **Bring:** Wear good hiking shoes. Light weight backpack with water, lunch, snacks and anything else you may need. Remember you carry everything you pack.

Feeding the Need! Catholic Charities is seeing increased need among the children, families and vulnerable adults we serve. Food drives and grocery gift cards can help us meet their immediate nutritional needs while we work with them to achieve long-term stability. Please go to <http://www.ccetn.org/volunteers/feeding-the-need/> for a list of suggested items and contact information.

Catholic Charities of East Tennessee's Office of Immigrant Services is hosting an information session on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals for people who are interested in applying. You do not need to pre-register. The session will be held Friday, October 12, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart Cathedral, 711 S Northshore Drive, Knoxville, TN 37919. The cost is \$30. For more information contact Nathaly at (865) 971-3550 or nathaly@ccetn.org.



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Pregnancy & Adoption Services, including post-abortion 990-4673.