

**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  
Office 865-457-4073  
Rectorry 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](http://www.saintthereseclinton.org)  
**Parish Facebook:** Sainttherese Clinton

**Weekly Mass Schedule:**  
Sat. Confessions 4:15–4:45 P.M. Mass 5:00P.M.  
Sun. Mass 10:15 A.M.  
Tues. Mass 9:00A.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  
**Council Secretary:**  
Peg Chase  
Dave Yurek  
Jerry Brown  
Linda McCune  
Henry Bentz  
Fr. Julius Abuh  
(ex-officio)  
Sr. Yvette (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**

**Administrator's Desk:**

Brothers and Sisters in Christ, as you would have noticed, every week, in our Liturgy of the Word, we meet new people. We see them interacting with one another, we listen to them speak, we admire some and probably pity others. Sometimes, if you are like me would want to be part of their lives. Some are close to God, some are far from him, and some repent, while others fall away. This week, we have a prophet, two widows, some scribes, and Jesus himself. For the sake of brevity, I want us to reflect on the extra ordinary teaching of Jesus as he observed the Jewish pilgrims making their contributions to the treasury.

The Temple in Jerusalem was the center of Jewish worship in the time of Jesus. It was expected that observant Jews would make pilgrimages to the Temple to offer prayer and sacrifices. Pilgrims were also expected to make a financial contribution to the temple treasury. Many of the Jews came it would seem only to fulfill their religious obligations without understanding the meaning of sacrifice.

As we would expect to be the case, Jesus observes that those who were rich contributed large sums to the treasury. Those with less means made smaller contributions. A similar situation exists in most of our parishes as well. Jesus calls attention, however, to a poor widow who makes the smallest of contributions—two coins of little value. Jesus upholds the poor widow's offering for his disciples' consideration, commending her because her small offering was an act of profound generosity, giving from her livelihood rather than her surplus.

Brothers and Sisters in Christ, this widow was not praised by Jesus because she jingled her two coins into the collection basket, rather because of her heartfelt, wordless hymn of trust. She is now alone in a dangerous world, yet she deprives herself of the last thing which stands between her and total dependence of the providence of God - her last penny. Consequently, this widow is telling us that to give from our livelihood is not only an act of generosity; it is also an act of trust in God. We can only give from our need if we trust that God will provide for us. Jesus himself demonstrates the ultimate act of generosity and trust in God as he gives his life for us on the cross.

Happy Sunday!

**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 for the month of Sept. 2012	Offertory Collections for the month of Oct.2012	Monthly Offertory Budget for Fiscal Year 2012-2013
\$415.00	\$3,313.30	\$9,079.00	\$13,539.50	<b>\$16,500.00</b>

*Sincere thanks for your financial stewardship in support of our ministries at St. Therese.*

If you would like more information about the budget please call the church office or contact a member of the Finance Board

**Mass Times Change**— Beginning November 17th the Saturday Vigil Mass will start at 5:00 P.M Confessions will be heard from 4:15—4:45. The Tuesday Mass will also change to 9A.M.

*Second Collection next week is for the Campaign for Human development*

**RCIA Classes** will meet this Wednesday, Nov. 14th at 7:00 P.M. in the parish hall.

**St. Joseph Church in Norris will have a Virtus training Session**

on Tuesday Nov. 13th at 7:00 P.M. You must register online at virtus.com to attend.

Choir practice for Christmas Mass 5:30 to 7:00P.M. Wednesdays Nov. 14th & 28th as well as Wednesdays Dec.5th, 12th & 19th. Anyone interested in joining the choir for the Christmas Masses should attend these practices

**There will be a children's choir for Christmas eve!** Young people from 3rd grade through high school are invited to sing for this special liturgy! Rehearsals will on Saturday mornings 9:30 to 11: 00 a.m. on 12/8, 12/15 and 12/22. Please call Mary Tuskan (254-8346) or email ([MaryDLTT@aol.com](mailto:MaryDLTT@aol.com)) if interested!

**The Ladies of the St. Therese CCW will have a Bake Sale after Mass, next weekend, Nov. 17 & 18.**

**The Knights of Columbus will have Christmas cards for sale after Mass.**

*The St. Therese Social Action Committee is collecting Coats for the Cold through the month of December. There is a bin in the church hall to place good, clean coats. These coats will then be distributed to people in need. Please remember this when you clean out your closets. For more information please call Connie Mikeal @ 457-1934*

As an ongoing fundraiser to benefit parish operations we will be collecting used books( hard back and paper backs, no magazines) DVD's, CD's and electronic games. There are bins in the church hall labeled for this purpose. For more information please call Dave Yurek @ 670-9554

**Ministries Nov.17&18**

Lector

Sat. T. Baker  
Sun. C. Hundley

Servers

Sat. S. Carter, S. Carter  
A. Duncan, T. Gudina  
Sun. A. Govelitz, M. Govelitz  
A. Hundley, A. Webb

Eucharist

Sat. F. Jackson, D. McCarthy,  
S. Bielecki  
Sun. F. Zelenka, G. Paynter,  
D. Nall

Ushers

Sat. J. Brown, M. Haka  
Sun. E. V. Chiaro, B. Bonham

Cantor

Sat. C. Yurek  
Sun. M. Tuskan

Music

Sat. J. Bentz  
Sun. L. Wyman

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

**Mass Intentions**

**Nov. 3-Nov. 10**

**Sat. 11/10**

\*Lacey Metz  
by Sharon M. Jackson

**Sun. 11/11**

\*People of St. Therese

**Tues. 11/13**

No Mass

**Wed. 11/14**

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**Thurs. 11/15**

No Mass

**Fri. 11/16**

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**Sat. 11/17**

\*People of St. Therese

**Sun. 11/18**

\*People of St. Therese

**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, Elaine Woolley

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

**Tues. 11/13 9:00 A.M.**

Communion Service  
10:00 A.M. Bible Study

**Wed. 11/14 9 A.M. Mass**

5:30 P.M. Choir Practice  
7:00 P.M. RCIA

**Thurs. 11/15 9 A.M.**

Communion Service  
No Adoration

**Fri. 11/16 9 A.M. Mass**

**Sat. 11/17 4:15 P.M. Confession**

5:00 P.M. Mass

**Sun. 11/18 10:15 A.M. Mass**

Remember our parishioners who are in the hospitals & nursing homes:

Louise Kendra is at Brakebill Nursing Home in Knoxville  
Eleanor Lux & Mary Alice Eisenhauer 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.

**Bible Study**  
Next class: Tues. Nov. 13 @ 10 A.M.

## **Celebrations this Week**

### Birthdays

David Mc Ginty-11/11

June Freels-11/16

Roy Converse-11/17

*If you do not see your special date above you might need to update*

### SENIOR MOMENTS

**No Meeting Nov. 16**

Thanksgiving Holiday

### December Christmas Lunch

Friday December 7th @ 11 A.M.  
Shoney's near the Norris /Clinton exit to I-75 Dutch Treat

Please call Pandy Blihar at 865-659-6926 or Martha Beukema at 494-8530 by Dec. 3rd for reservations

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**

## Knights Of Columbus

**Next Meeting:**

**Tues. Nov. 20th**

**7:00 P.M.**

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Christmas Cards are on sale after Mass

## 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 this Monday**

**November 12th**

**Wine & Cheese**

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**Fall Bake Sale**

**Nov. 17 & 18**

**after Mass**

## Religious

### Education

Preschool through High School Classes meet every Sunday morning at 9:00 A.M.

Children's Offertory      Last Week \$22

## High School Activities

Thanksgiving Dinner Sunday November 11 at Kathy Burns house following Mass.



Bishop Richard Stika



## The Diocese of Knoxville News

**St. Luke Guild Membership Drive:** Bishop Stika established the St. Luke Guild earlier this year as a forum to unite Catholic health care professionals throughout the Diocese. With the sale of Mercy Health Partners (St. Mary's), the Diocese is left with only one Catholic medical institution, Memorial Health Care Systems in Chattanooga. Our challenge is to continue to provide and even expand Catholic health care despite the loss of St. Mary's Hospital. The St. Luke Guild is an integral element to this mission by providing its members with education in Catholic health care principles, opportunities for charitable service to the poor of the Diocese and spiritual enrichment to nourish themselves and their families. The St. Luke Guild is open to anyone in health care: doctors, nurses, dentists, optometrists, therapists, etc. - those who are in active practice or retired, those involved with direct patient care or administration. Please go to the website [www.stlukeguild.org](http://www.stlukeguild.org) to register. Registered members will receive periodic newsletters notifying them of events and meetings, service opportunities, educational seminars and retreats. There is no membership fee. Please contact the new Director of Health Services, Sr. Mariana Koonce, RSM, MD if you have any questions. She may be reached at (865) 584-3307 or at [srmariana@dioknox.org](mailto:srmariana@dioknox.org).

Catholic Charities offers confidential **Therapeutic Counseling Services** by licensed therapists. Services are provided on an income-based sliding fee scale and are available to anyone in the community. All therapists are FOCCUS certified for pre-marital sessions. Call Catholic Charities' office at 865-524-9896; or go to [www.cctn.org](http://www.cctn.org) to contact a counselor in your area.



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

**The Paraclete Catholic Books and Gifts** will host a Fontanini Open House & After Thanksgiving sale on Nov. 23rd & 24th. Come spend time with us away from the hustle of big stores and enjoy storewide savings, refreshments, hourly drawings, and Fontanini Special Event piece "Gera" available for sale.

**Super Tuesdays** are also back at the Paraclete by popular demand. During Nov. & Dec. every Tuesday we will host a different department sale. Stop by each Tuesday to see what is on sale or call 1-800-333-2097

**Bishop Stika will celebrate a bilingual Mass in honor of the sacrament of marriage** Couples will have the opportunity to renew their vows during Mass and continue to celebrate with family and friends at a luncheon following the Mass. **! Saturday, January 26, 2013 at 11:00 am Register by Friday, January 18** St. Mary Church 327 Vermont Avenue Oak Ridge, TN 37830 **To register contact: Marian Christiana [mchristiana@dioknox.org](mailto:mchristiana@dioknox.org) or 423-892-2310 Karen Byrne [kbyrne@dioknox.org](mailto:kbyrne@dioknox.org) or 865-584-3307**

**Knoxville Catholic High School is now accepting Admission applications for fall 2013!**

Please visit our website at [www.knoxvillecatholic.com](http://www.knoxvillecatholic.com) under the admissions tab to download our application and supporting materials or stop by the school to pick up an admissions packet! For school tours and admission information, please contact: Nichole Pfohl, Dean of Admissions, at 560-0502 or [npfohl@knoxvillecatholic.com](mailto:npfohl@knoxvillecatholic.com)  
Admission Information Meeting: Sunday November 11, 2012 at 2:00pm Location: KCHS Gym. Prospective Students: KCHS placement test for 8<sup>th</sup> graders will be given on Saturday, December 1, 2012 at 8:00 am – 12:00 pm. Please contact Nichole Pfohl to register!

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.

Please check the church bulletin board for information on "The Year of Faith Diocesan Pilgrimages"

*Holy Land—March 3-16, 2013*

*Ireland—June 10-21, 2013*