

**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*

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**Parish website :**

**www.saintthereseclinton.org**

**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.

**Pastoral Council**

**Chairperson:**

Becky Hatmaker

**Council Secretary:**

Peg Chase

Dave Yurek

Jerry Brown

Linda McCune

Henry Bentz

Fr. Julius Abuh

(ex-officio)

**Committee**

**Chair persons**

**Liturgy:**

Toni Ferguson

**Parish/Family**

**Life:** Thais Family

**Parish Plant :**

Fred Jackson

**Religious Ed:**

Kathy Burns

**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**

**Finance Board**

**Chairpersons:**

Don McCarthy

Becky Hatmaker

Dave McCune

Monica Spurlock

Fr. Julius Abuh

(ex-officio)

Karen Baird

(ex-officio)

**Administrator's Desk:**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, on this fourth Sunday of Lent, while we continue to examine our lives and grow in the practice of prayer during this Lenten season, permit me to update you on the current activities in the Vatican. The Cardinals have been meeting twice a day; as they become familiar with their colleagues, they use this time for discernment, praying for the guidance and direction of the Holy Spirit as they prepare for the Conclave. Physical preparations have begun in the Sistine Chapel, now closed to visitors. The Cardinals have instituted a 'media freeze' and will no longer hold news conferences with journalists hopefully!

Another detail worth sharing is the telegram that the Cardinal electors sent to Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, which was signed by Cardinal Dean Angelo Sodano. It reads:

*"To His Holiness, Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, Castel Gandolfo. The Cardinal Fathers, gathered at the Vatican for the General Congregations in view of the next conclave, send you their devoted greetings and express their renewed gratitude for all your illustrious Petrine ministry and for your example of generous pastoral care for the good of the Church and of the world. With their gratitude they hope to represent the recognition of the entire Church for your tireless work in the vineyard of the Lord. In conclusion, the members of the College of Cardinals trust in your prayers for them, as well as for the whole Church." Ultimately, it is exciting to consider that Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI will himself have a new Pope!*

Our Lenten observance this year not only comes amid the *Year of Faith*, initiated by the Pope Emeritus, but also follows the renunciation of the Petrine ministry by Benedict XVI. Consequently, we are increasingly challenged during these 40 days to grow in the virtue of Faith, to be able to see beyond what the world today does not want us to see, which is the love of God incarnate in Jesus and love for our fellow men.

Today, Saint John's Gospel is filled with references to light and darkness, blindness and vision, seeing and not seeing. The blind man in the Gospel reading was cured both from his physical and spiritual blindness. Now that Lent is half over, let us utilize the remaining time to pay attention and be grateful to God for those most vital gifts of our physical and spiritual sight which most times we take for granted.

Happy Sunday!

**Sacraments**

**Reconciliation:** Saturday 4:15–4:45 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	
Offertory Collection Last Week	Offertory Collections for the month of Dec. 2012	Offertory Collections for the month of Jan. 2013	Offertory Collections for the month of Feb. 2013	Monthly Offertory Budget for Fiscal Year 2012-2013
<b>\$3,333.00</b>	\$23,969.00	\$17,808.21	\$11,510.00	<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.  
*Fr. Julius*

**Ministries Mar. 16&17**

**Lector**

Sat. *T. Baker*

Sun. *B. Lauer*

**Servers**

Sat. *F. Jackson, JD Carter, T. Gudina,*

Sun. *A. Webb, V. Chiaro, A. Hundley, B. Milne*

**Extra ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

Sat. *M. Adkins, S. Bieleski, K. Burns*

Sun. *M. Govelitz, C. Hundley*

**Ushers**

Sat. *J. Klee, K. Lenz*

Sun. *B. Bonham, D. McCune*

**Cantor**

Sat. *T. Ferguson*

Sun. *G. Leigh*

**Music**

Sat. *J. Bentz*

Sun. *L. Wyman*

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

**Mass Intentions Mar. 9 thru Mar.17**

**Sat. 3/9**

+ Mel Chase  
by Delores Keiffer

**Sun. 3/10**

\* People of St. Therese

**Tues. 3/12**

+Mel Chase  
By Roy & Chris Converse

**Wed. 3/13**

+Mona Manning  
By Evelyn Collopy

**Thurs. 3/14**

+Mel Chase  
by Raymond & Terri Cleis

**Fri. 3/15**

Pious Union of St Therese  
by Leonard Nugent

**Sat. 3/16**

\*People of St. Therese

**Sun. 3/17**

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**The Knights will host one more Fish Fry on Friday March**

**15th** in honor of Father Julius' one year anniversary at St. Therese

The Council of Catholic Women will hold a convention April 18-20, 2013 at the Embassy Suites in Nashville for women across the entire state to celebrate the 175th Anniversary of the Diocese of Nashville (our mother diocese). For registration forms: <http://www.kdccb.org/>, click on conventions on the left and then click on 2013 Registration Form.

**Junior Legion of Mary will begin meeting on April 27th**

**Wednesday March 13th @ 5:30 P.M.**—Choir practice for everyone interested in singing for the Holy Week and Easter Liturgies

**The Youth will lead the Stations of the Cross on March 15th**

**The St. Therese / St. Joseph Lenten Penance Service will be held at St. Joseph on Tuesday Mar. 19th @7P.M.**

**Clinton Holy Week Ecumenical Services Mon. Mar. 25 through Thurs. Mar. 28. @ 12:05 P.M. at St. Marks. St. Therese will have the Wed. Mar.27th service. Please go and represent St. Therese.**

**For all who are interested in making personal acts of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, booklets are available in the church hall and in the office**

**Look for the sign-up sheet for Easter Flower Memorials**

**12th annual Sister Jolita Irish Supper and Sing-along:** 5-8 p.m. at St. Joseph School . The menu will be Irish stew, salad, Irish soda bread and dessert. Hot dogs for the wee ones. Tickets are available in advance and will be sold at the door. \$7.50/adults, \$5/children and \$20/family. There will be a silent auction (bring cash or check) and Irish music, singing, and dancing. Proceeds benefit the Sister Jolita Student Assistance Fund. For additional info on the event, call the school at 689-3424 or Therese Hurley at 524-4350.

**Collecting used books and CD's has made the church over \$200 so far. The newer the book or CD the more profit St. Therese makes**

**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, Marcella Henn Miranda Lawrence, Barbara Bieleski,

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

### This Week at St. Therese

**Tues. 3/12** 9 A.M. Mass

10 A.M. Bible Study

6P.M. Liturgy Meeting

7 P.M. Knights

**Wed. 3/13**

9 A.M. Mass

After Mass Legion of Mary

7P.M. RCIA

**Thurs. 3/14** 9 A.M. Mass

Adoration of the Blessed

Sacrament after Mass

**Fri. 3/15** 9 A.M. Mass

5P.M. Fish Fry

7P.M. Stations of the Cross led by the Youth

**Sat.3/16**

4:15 P.M. Confession

5 P.M Sunday Vigil Mass

**Sun. 3/17**

9A.M. Rel. Ed.

10:15 A.M. Mass

Remember our parishioners who are in the hospitals & nursing homes: Louise Kendra is at Brakebill Nursing Home in Knoxville Mary Alice Eisenhower is 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

Tootie Krebs -3/12

Pat Gambrell -3/16

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

#### Legion of Mary Wednesdays

after 9 A.M. Mass

Jr. Legion of Mary's 1st meeting

will be on April 27th @ 11A.M.

RCIA meets Wednesday Mar. 13th at 7:00 P.M.

#### SENIOR MOMENTS

Next meeting: Fri. Mar. 15th @Gondolier -11:30 A.M. (Dutch Treat) followed by a short meeting

Call Pandy Blihar -659-6926 or MarthaBeukema- 494-8530 by Mar. 10th for reservations

April 5th Meeting will be a Luncheon Place and time to be announced

#### Bible Study

Next class: Tuesday Mar. 12, 2013

#### Knights Of Columbus

Next meeting : TBA

The Knights will host one more Fish Fry on March 15th in celebration of Father Julius' one year anniversary at St. Therese Parish

#### St. Therese Women's Group

Next Meeting: This Monday, March 11th @6:30P.M. Admin Bldg

**Bake Sale Mar. 23 & 24th Ladies please bring in baked items and plan to help sell**

On Wednesday, March 13th the CCW Cumberland Mountain Deanery (CMD) will be having their Spring Luncheon at All Saints. 9:00. A.M. See Sharon Jackson for details.

#### Religious Ed.

Preschool through High School Classes meet every Sunday morning

Children's Offertory	Last Week \$10.00
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#### High School Activities

Youth are leading the Stations of the Cross on Mar. 15th

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**KCHS Casino Night- Sat., March 16, 6:30-10:30.** Must be 21. Tickets \$25- buffet dinner, drink ticket, casino chips, silent auction, and dancing. Proceeds to Project Graduation an all-night chaperoned event graduation night. Tickets from KCHS senior/ Sr. parent, at the door or Angie Hellmann 288-3448/ Renee McNutt 300-5534.

**Attention Scouts and Friends of Scouting:** The Knoxville Diocesan Catholic Committee on Scouting is holding its Annual Bishop's Gathering fundraiser at All Saints Parish Hall on Saturday, March 16, 11:00-2:30 to include a Dessert Cook Off and Living Display Showdown. Come vote for your favorite dessert! BBQ Buffet Lunch is \$15/person or \$30/family. Reservations only. Send checks/donations made out to "KDCCS" to Mrs. JoAnn Preske, 535 Buckhorn Rd, Gatlinburg, TN 37738. For information go to [kdccs.org/wscd](http://kdccs.org/wscd)

**New Catholic's Divorce Healing Program** This twelve week program will begin on Sunday, April 14 from 3-5 pm. The program will be held at Noodles and Company in their conference room located at 405 Market Street, Chattanooga, 37402. The cost is \$15.00. To register or for more information, contact Marian Christiana at [mchristiana@dioknox.org](mailto:mchristiana@dioknox.org).

**The Next Beginning Experience weekend** will be on April 5 – 7, 2013. This weekend is for anyone whose marriage has ended through death of a spouse, separation or divorce. The weekend is designed to be a time of closure on the past and renew hope for the future. The location will be at Christ, Prince of Peace Retreat Center located at 300 Locke Lane, Benton, TN 37307. Cost is \$150 before March 11, \$175 after that date. Financial aid is available. Contact Marian Christiana at [mchristiana@msn.com](mailto:mchristiana@msn.com).

**The 15th Annual Kids Helping kids Walk** to benefit Catholic Charities' Columbus Home Children's Services, is Sunday, April 21, at the Knoxville Catholic High School stadium and track. For more information, contact Sherrie at 524-9896, [sherrie@ccetn.org](mailto:sherrie@ccetn.org), or go to [www.ccetn.org](http://www.ccetn.org)

**If you are suffering because of a past abortion,** don't suffer alone. There is help, hope and healing. Rachel's Vineyard is conducting a 10 Week Healing & Recovery Program at John XXIII University Parish. It will be every Tues. evening 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm from Feb. 19th – April 30, 2013. For more information please call or e-mail Sandi at 776-4510 [sandi@ccetn.org](mailto:sandi@ccetn.org) or Sister Mary Christine 399-3832 [sister@ccetn.org](mailto:sister@ccetn.org). Complete confidentiality is honored at all times. Blakesley and Sarah Kroger. Our Hispanic speakers include Fr. Rafael Capó, Sr. Rosa M. Hernández, MGSpS, and the musical talents of Johann Alvarez. Visit [www.dioknox.org/ec](http://www.dioknox.org/ec) for more information and to register or contact Paul Simoneau at [psimoneau@dioknox.org](mailto:psimoneau@dioknox.org) / 865-584-3307.

**Enjoy a Faith-Filled Family Weekend— Register before April 15<sup>th</sup> and Save!**

Early-bird discount tickets (\$15 Adult, \$10 Child/ Youth – ages 6-17) are available until April 15<sup>th</sup> for the Diocese of Knoxville Eucharistic Congress from September 13-14, 2013 at the *Sevierville Convention Center*. Specially discounted rooms are available at the *Wilderness at the Smokies Hotel and Waterpark* immediately next to the convention center. Our all-star line-up of speakers includes Cardinal Timothy Dolan, Cardinal Justin Rigali, Dr. Scott Hahn, and Fr. Robert Barron. Youth sessions include Dr. Hahn, ValLimar Jansen, and the musical talents of Josh Blakesley and Sarah Kroger. Our Hispanic speakers include Fr. Rafael Capó, Sr. Rosa M. Hernández, MGSpS, and the musical talents of Johann Alvarez. Visit [www.dioknox.org/ec](http://www.dioknox.org/ec) for more information and to register or contact Paul Simoneau at [psimoneau@dioknox.org](mailto:psimoneau@dioknox.org) / 865-584-3307.

**Tennebrae 2013**

Please accept an invitation to the celebration of **Tennebrae** at Holy Ghost Church, Monday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 P.M. The Office of Tennebrae (which means “darkness” or “shadow”) is a Holy Week devotion that dates back to the seventh or eighth century A.D. and is characterized by the successive extinguishing of candles as the service progresses. No service during the entire year is more biblical; almost every word of Tennebrae is