

**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

Finance Board
Chairpersons:
Don McCarthy
Becky Hatmaker
Dave McCune
Monica Spurlock
Fr. Julius Abuh
(ex-officio)
Karen Baird
(ex-officio)

Office Hours
9 A.M.—1:30P.M.
Mon—Thurs
9A.M.-12 N Fri

Administrator's Desk:

"HABEMUS PAPAM FRANCISCUM"

(In Latin, " we have Pope Francis!")

Brothers and Sisters of St. Therese, I am writing this reflection on 3/13/13, the very night that Argentinean Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio was elected Pope Francis I, the Supreme Pontiff! No doubt you are as exhilarated as I am that our Church has a new Pope. We join the entire Catholic world this weekend to ask God for His continuous blessings and protection over His Church.

With his few and simple first words as pope he immediately won over the crowd packed into St. Peter's Square and the many on television all over the world. He had them pray in silence! The first Pope ever from the Americas, our new Holy Father is known for his strong pastoral skill, with a gentle and spiritual soul. He is recognized for his humility, sound doctrine, and as profound defender of the poor. I clearly believe he will continue to maintain the orthodoxy and authenticity of the faith as passed onto the Church through the Chair of Peter.

Pope Francis I is not on a quest for power or authority, rather electing to serve, rather than being served. As Cardinal, he chose to live in a one room apartment, and took public transportation sometimes. It is possible that he chose the name Francis for the humble 13th-century Italian preacher who lived a life of simplicity, or perhaps Francis Xavier, the mighty Jesuit 16th century missionary.

Brothers and sisters in Christ, in this fifth Sunday of Lent, the Church invites us to see the benevolent side of the God who has not come to condemn, but show mercy to us, his children. In our reading of the woman caught in the act of adultery, Jesus insisted on one condition, namely that her accusers, the Scribes and Pharisees have no sin on their consciences. And they left. Our Lord did offer her pardon, "Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin anymore." Jesus offers us and every child of God this same opportunity of forgiveness, not condemnation. Hence, Our Lord gives us the strength and the motivation to go forward.

~Blessed Passiantide~

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
\$2,570.00	\$23,969.00	\$17,808.21	\$11,510.00	\$16,500.00

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

"There will be an altar server training meeting on Sat morning March 23rd at 10:30. All altar servers and anyone interested in becoming an altar server should attend the training session. Please talk to Father if you have any questions about the meeting or becoming an altar server".

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

Thursday March 21st @ 5:30 P.M. and on Holy Thursday at 7P.M. Good Friday at 6P.M. and on Holy Saturday at 7P.M. —There will be Choir practice for everyone interested in singing for the Holy Week and Easter Liturgies

Parish Council Representative

We are looking for registered members of St. Therese Parish who have a desire to advise and assist Fr. Julius in planning, policy making and overall coordination of parish activities If you have an interest in serving your parish, or if you may want to suggest anyone you think who might be interested to serve in this capacity, please call Linda McCune, Becky Hatmaker, or Fr. Julius by March 29, 2013

Father Julius will lead the Stations of the Cross on March 22nd

There will be an Easter Egg hunt on March 31st immediately following the 11:00 am mass. Children 5th grade and younger are invited to participate. Treat bags will be available for all children. Don't forget to bring your Easter baskets. "

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.

Junior Legion of Mary will begin meeting on April 27th

Look for the sign-up sheet for Easter Flower Memorials

Ministries Mar. 23&24 (Palm Sunday)

Lector

Sat. *S. Bieleski*
N- *M. Spurlock*, V- *M. Haka*
Sun. *M. Mc Myler*
N-Sr. *Lillian*, V- *V. Chiaro*

Servers

Sat. *J Carter, J. Ferguson, S. Carter, S. Carter, T. Gudina,*

Sun. *A. Govelitz, M. Govelitz, C. Lockard, A. Hundley, B. Milne*

Extra ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Sat. *H. Bentz, J. Borne, P. Chase*

Sun. *B. Hunt, C. Mikeal. L. McCune*

Ushers

Sat. *R. Schramm, F. Schramm*
Sun. *J. Clevestine, E Clevestine*

Cantor

Sat. *T. Ferguson*
Sun. *M. Tuskan*

Music

Sat. *J. Bentz*
Sun. *M. Tuskan*

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

Mass Intentions Mar. 15 thru Mar.24

Sat. 3/16
*People of St. Therese

Sun. 3/17
*People of St. Therese

Tues. 3/19
+Burt Paynter
by George & Jenny Paynter

Wed. 3/20
+Mel Chase
By Raymond & Terri Cleis

Thurs. 3/21
+Mel Chase
by Mary Fehribach

Fri. 3/22 *
by

Sat. 3/23
+Eleanor Lux
by Ronnie & Monica Spurlock

Sun. 3/24
*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, 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. 3/19 9 A.M. Mass
10 A.M. Bible Study
7P.M. Penance Service @ St. Joseph

Wed. 3/20

9 A.M. Mass
After Mass Legion of Mary
7P.M. RCIA

Thurs. 3/21 9 A.M. Mass
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass

Fri. 3/22 9 A.M. Mass
7P.M. Stations of the Cross led by Fr. Julius

Sat. 3/23

4:15 P.M. Confession
5 P.M. Sunday Vigil Mass

Sun. 3/24

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

Joseph Maimone-3/12
Ahmed Halouma-3/17
Sally Eisenhower-3/18
Marty Balsley-3/22

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. 20th at 7:00 P.M. Retreat @ St. Joseph

SENIOR MOMENTS

April 5th—Meeting will be a Luncheon Watch for details!

Apr. 19th—BINGO
@ St. Therese

10 A.M.
(please remember to bring a gift bag \$1 to \$2 in value)

Bible Study
Next class: Tuesday Apr. 2, 2013

Knights Of Columbus

Next meeting : TBA

St. Therese Women's Group
Bake Sale Mar. 23 & 24th Ladies please bring in baked items and plan to help sell

April 7th tea 2-4 PM

April 8th meeting Speaker Dr. Fran Pisano church hall

6:30

April 19th & 20th rummage sale. Set up dates April 17th & 18th Start bringing in items after the April 8th meeting.

April 18-20th Province Convention in Nashville.

Religious Ed.

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

No classes on Mar. 24 or Mar. 31

Children's Offertory Last Week \$6.00

Collecting used books and CD's has made the church



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The Diocese of Knoxville News

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.

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.

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, or go to www.ccetn.org

Attention all incoming 10th through 12th graders, if you are interested in becoming a leader at God camps, we are having interviews on Saturday, April 6th from 10:00-12:00 a.m. at all Deaneries at – St. Joseph, Norris
For more information and forms contact: Donna Jones 423-267-9878
djones6029@gmail.com, Youth Minister or by going to dioknox.org on the Youth Ministry page

Tennebrae 2013

Please accept an invitation to the celebration of **Tennebrae** at Holy Ghost Church, Monday, March 25th 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 taken verbatim from the Scriptures.

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 or Sister Mary Christine 399-3832 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 for more information and to register or contact Paul Simoneau at psimoneau@dioknox.org / 865-584-3307.

Enjoy a Faith-Filled Family Weekend— Register before April 15th and Save!

Early-bird discount tickets (\$15 Adult, \$10 Child/Youth – ages 6-17) are available until April 15th 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 for more information and to register or contact Paul Simoneau at psimoneau@dioknox.org / 865-584-3307.