

St. Therese Catholic Church

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Deadline for bulletin submissions:

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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Communications: Olivia Kuhens

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Music Director: Mary Tuskan 865-254-8346

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Religious Ed: Julie Keller

Social Action: Connie Mikeal

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 Sunday, we celebrate the Solemnity of **Corpus Christi**, widely held as the **Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**. Our liturgical year has two feast days to celebrate *The Real Presence of our Lord in the Eucharist*: Holy Thursday, and today's Solemnity of The Body and Blood of Christ. Notably we celebrate today's feast in the light of the Joy of the Resurrection! The readings this year for our feast emphasize the theme of Covenant blood. We recall that the ancient peoples sealed covenants with the blood of ritually sacrificed animals, but Jesus sealed this new and everlasting covenant with his own blood on Calvary.

In our First Reading from Exodus, we see Moses sprinkling the blood of sacrificed animals upon the altar and on the people, affirming the covenant Yahweh made with His People. In the Second Reading, St. Paul confirms how Jesus seamlessly sealed the New Covenant with his own Blood on Calvary, thereby putting an end to animal sacrifices.

Today's Gospel details how Jesus converted this ancient ritual into a sacrament and sacrifice. Instead of the lamb's blood, Jesus offers His own Body and Blood; and instead of sprinkling us with blood, the priest (in the person of Christ), gives us His Body/Blood as divine food. St. Mark recounts the Institution of the Eucharist, the fifth Luminous Mystery. At every Eucharistic sacrifice, at every Mass, a validly ordained Catholic priest puts aside his own idiosyncratic and cultural preferences and puts on the person of Christ, uttering "this is my body... this is my blood." Thus, "the ordained priest in the Mass links the Eucharistic consecration to the sacrifice of the Cross and to the Last Supper" (cf. EE., no 29; CCC, p. 221).

I would guide all Catholics to receive the Precious Body and Blood of our Lord with total solemnity and reverence at every Mass. John Chrysostom says: "What is the Bread actually? The Body of Christ. What do communicants become? The Body of Christ. Just as the bread comes from many grains, which remain themselves and are not distinguished from one another because they are united, so we are united with Christ." Where numerous grains of wheat are pounded together to create the host and grapes crushed together into wine, we understand that Our Lord chose these elements to enable the Holy Spirit to transform us into Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Finally, as we celebrate this great and transcendent mystery, let us exclaim with St. Augustine, "O Sacrament of devotion! O sign of unity! O bond of charity!"

Blessed Feast Day!

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 six-month preparation period in the Knoxville Diocese

In the Parish



St. Therese Catholic Church, as a happy faith community, welcomes you with joyful hearts to our church. Celebrate the gift of life with us, whether newly arrived or longtime registered. If you are not registered and want to belong to this happy family of worshipers, please stop after Mass by the church hall or the parish office to pick up a registration form or call us at (865)457-4073. Fr. Julius

SPECIAL BIRTHDAY GREETINGS!

Happy Birthday to our very dear pastor and friend, Father Julius!

Wishing you a birthday filled with God's blessings, Thanking God for the gift of your faith-filled life, and Praying that the Holy Spirit will strengthen you as you serve the church.

*Have a Blessed Birthday,
Father Julius!*

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY:

A very special appreciation to all those who have increased their regular weekly donations to our faith community. The past week's collections have seen and increase in your weekly contributions. Last week's collection was \$3,465.00! This week last year's collection (5/28/17) was \$2,307.00.

ALTAR FLOWERS: *If you would like to donate toward an altar arrangement in honor of or in memory of someone, please contact the parish office 865-457-4073.*

WE THANK EVERYONE WHO GIVES SO GENEROUSLY

Offertory Collection Last Week 05/27/2018	Offertory Collection Last Year 05/28/17	Offertory Collection for May 2018	Offertory Collection for March 2018	Monthly Budget Fiscal Year 2017-18
\$3,465.00	\$2,307.00	\$13,374	\$18,612.00	\$15,000.00

BUILDING FUND/LOAN/Last Week \$50.00

31-May-2018	Budget	+/- Month	Loan Apr. 2018	Loan Apr. 2017
\$1,091.00	\$1,707.00	-167.00	\$120,467.61	\$137,128.57

FEASTS OF THE WEEK

- Tue., Jun 5:** St. Boniface
- Wed., Jun 6:** St. Norbert
- Fri., Jun 8:** The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
- Sat., Jun 9:** The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

MINISTRIES SCHEDULE

Jun 9-10, 2018

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

Saturday: M. Spurlock
R. Spurlock
S. Bieleski

Sunday: J. Pubillones
J. Chiaro
P. Chiaro

Lectors:

Saturday: C. Hundley
M. Haka

Sunday: G. Paynter
J. Paynter

Altar Servers:

Saturday: TBD

Sunday: R. Kellar
R. Kellar
W. Brown

Ushers:

Saturday: J. Klee
K. Lenz

Sunday: K. Stewart
B. Bonham

Cantor:

Saturday: D. Stepp

Sunday: B. Job

Music:

Saturday: J. Bentz

Sunday: M. Tuskan

MASS INTENTIONS:

- Sat., Jun 2:** +Caroline Papa by Anthony & Patricia Papa
- Sun., Jun 3:** +Velma Herbulock by Micheal & Dorothy Terheyden
- Wed., Jun 6:** Communion Service (Stan Bieleski)
- Thu., Jun 7:** Communion Service (Pete Chiaro)
- Fri., Jun 8:** Joyce Klee (birthday blessings) by Olivia Klee

Please contact the parish office if you would like a Mass intention in honor of or in memory of or for a special occasion.

Announcements and Information

FAREWELL RECEPTION:



A Farewell Reception for Father Julius will be held Sunday, June 24 at 4 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Please take a moment to confirm if you and your family will be attending. Sign-up sheets are in the Parish Hall for attending, set up and clean up of the event. Your participation in this event is greatly appreciated. Let's give Father Julius a joyous send-off!

SCRIPTURE STUDY

Thursday evening Scripture Study will continue to meet during the summer. Everyone is welcome to attend. This is a great way to prepare for Sunday mass!



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



How one soul coming before the Blessed Sacrament can change the world: "One day before her holy hour, Jesus showed [Blessed] Dina Belanger a multitude of souls on the precipice of hell. After her holy hour, Jesus showed her the same souls in the hands of God. He told her that through holy hours of prayer a multitude of souls go to heaven who otherwise would have gone to hell as one person can make up for what is lacking in the lives of others...Eucharistic Adoration is the outpouring of God's Divine Mercy on the world!" All are welcome to come to Eucharistic Adoration every Friday morning 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

Kathy Baker, Paul Burkhardt, Ralph Collins, Helen Davis, George Elliott, Barbara Gregory, Russell Haese, Lydia Hatmaker, Cathy Long, Vicky McCarthy, Ellen Saganich, Ron and Flo Schramm, Carol Stanley, Alyssa Stimmler, Patrice Thompson, Evelyn Collopy, Edna LaMotte, Joelle Duncan

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, Jesse Baker, Matthew Carroll, Zach Gillies, 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:

June 4: Edna LaMotte
June 5: Fr. Julius Abuh
June 5: Mike Kuhens
June 5: Elaine Cantillon
June 6: Mark Morgan
June 7: Joyce Klee
June 8: Lynn Bray
June 9: Anthony Maimone, Jr.
June 10: Mike McLean

If you would like your birthday in the bulletin, please contact the parish office.



SENIOR MOMENTS BREAKFAST

Breakfast at Shoney's on Thursday, June 7 at 10:00 a.m. Please RSVP to Martha Beukema at 865-494-8530.

A very special appreciation to parishioner Joanne Anderson, who has been visiting the home bound with the precious Body & Blood of Christ. Contact her at 865-809-1837 if you know of someone who would like Holy Communion brought to them.



Bishop Richard Stika



The Diocese of Knoxville News

SPIRITUAL JOURNEY TO MEXICO

You are invited to join Msgr. Al Humbrecht on a "Spiritual Journey to Mexico," September 30 – October 11, 2018. This 12-day pilgrimage takes us to Our Lady of Guadalupe and many other beautiful shrines. We also explore the 6,000-year history of our neighbor to the south, sample the art and the food, visit sites from all parts of Mexico's long history, and experience the deep and abiding faith of the people. Includes visits to Guadalajara, Queretaro, Pueblo and Cholula, Tlaxcala and Mexico City. To download the free color brochure and registration form.

Visit www.GoCatholicTravel.com/18077; for more information, contact Sister Albertine Paulus at 865-207-4742 or orsmaevang@yahoo.com. Note that this pilgrimage is **not** bilingual, although our guide will be. Space is limited. Register today!

COUPLE TO COUPLE LEAGUE:



COUPLE TO COUPLE LEAGUE LIVE THE LOVE

Fitness goes beyond the gym. How healthy is your marriage? Many couples who have learned Natural Family Planning discover it helps their marriage in many more ways than they anticipated. A series

of NFP classes is starting October 2nd at Scruffy City CrossFit in Knoxville: http://register.ccli.org/class_series/11748. Or online classes are always available at register.ccli.org

STAY CONNECTED TO DIOCESE EVENTS! Stay connected with news and events from the Diocese of Knoxville by subscribing to our free weekly electronic newsletter DioNotes! From retreats, to summer camps, to messages from Bishop Stika and all of our diocesan ministries, DioNotes is your best source for up-to-date information from the Diocese of Knoxville. Sign-up for DioNotes by visiting the Diocese of Knoxville website, dioknox.org.



The Diocese of Knoxville offers a unique opportunity for young boys to come together during the summer to; meet teens their own age, celebrate life, explore nature and discern what is the will of God for their life. All this takes place at the Newly developed 52 acre Christ Prince of Peace Retreat Center in Benton Tennessee. This camp ground features 2 rustic cabins and is limited to 36 persons each session. Space is very limited so hurry and don't miss out.

Adolescents have questions and in Conquest we try to help them discover the answers to their questions. Sometimes those answers come in activities, experiences, moments of prayer or moments with their team leaders or volunteers. Whatever the moment may be, we need to be aware of what questions adolescents have and what answers we want to help them discover during the camp.

All camps are open to anyone in the Diocese of Knoxville. The camp is specifically designed for boys who are entering grade 5 through Grade 8. Teen Leaders will be supervised by adult volunteers.

Goal of Our Conquest Survivor Camp:

To help each boy have a strong experience of God's love and realize that He is with them through all of life's challenges. Help them learn to live with strong Christian virtues and convictions and being a light for the world around them.