

St. Therese Little Flower Parish

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Mass Schedule

Sunday - 8:00 & 9:15 am
Wednesday and Friday (Chapel) 12:00 pm
Holy Days - Check Bulletin or Call Office

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Contact Fr. Steve to schedule.

New parishioners are most welcome!

To register, please call the office or talk to Father Steve after Mass.



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Marriage: Preparation begins at least 9 months before the wedding.
Contact Father Steve.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays at 3:00 pm, Sundays
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Anointing of the Sick: Sacrament takes place at seasonal communal celebrations. For individual request contact Father Steve at the parish office.

Eucharist for the Sick: Contact the parish office.

Credit Union: We are a member parish of Holy Rosary Catholic Credit Union - 816-221-2734

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

We, God's people, are a remnant whose faith has been tested and tempered by the transitions in our neighborhoods and our church. We do not have one common ethnic, religious, social or economic background. We do have a common experience of being the diverse but complementary members of the one Body of Christ. Because of this common experience, we choose to be St. Therese parish community.

We choose to use our gifts to build up the Body of Christ incarnate here. This mission must take place both within our faith community and in reaching out to others. We confess the need to become more

aware of each other and of the Lord calling us to be united in His Spirit.

We will strive to develop this awareness not only for our own sake, but that we may become credible and inviting to those seeking Christ and His Gospel. We answer this calling first, faithfully sharing the Word and breaking Bread together.

We then realize our vocation to affirm each other's gifts, to reach out to the poor, to work for justice, to help form young minds and hearts, to acknowledge the place of the elders in our community and to create a climate of fellowship for all people.

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish Calendar

Sunday, October 23

Mass 8:00 am – St. Therese Parishioners

Rosary 8:45 am– Chapel

Mass 9:15 am- St. Therese Parishioners

2nd Collection: Catholic Home Mission Appeal

Monday, October 24

Choir Practice 6:30 – 8 pm Church

RCIA 7:00 to 8:30 pm

Wednesday, October 26

Mass 12:00 noon Chapel

Finance Committee 5 - 6:30pm Living Rm

Friday, October 28

Mass 12:00 noon Chapel

Senior Citizen Halloween Fish Fry 8—1pm Hall

Saturday, October 29

Rockhurst Student Clean-Up Day 9 –12pm

Sunday, October 30

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Rosary 8:45 am– Chapel

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Standing in the Need of Prayer

Bridgette Atkinson
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Bishop Fernand
Cheri
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Arthur Shelton
Allen Shelton
David Smith Jr
Jeremiah Smith
Elaine Stevenson
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Mildred Wilkes
Jesse Wilkes
Valorye Williams

Liturgical Roles

October 23, 2016

October 30, 2016

30th Sunday in Ord.

31st Sunday in Ord.

Time

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Sir 35: 12-14, 16-18

Wis 11: 22-12:2

Ps 34: 2-3, 17-18, 19,
23

Ps 145: 1-2, 8-9, 10-
11, 12, 14

2 Tim 4: 6-8, 16-18

2 Thes 1: 11-2:2

	Required- Weekly Giving	Actual Weekly Giving
	\$4,019	\$325 plate \$3,959 envelopes
Total Contribution Income		\$4,284
Emergency Assistance		\$180

ANOINTING OF THE SICK is available every Sunday after Mass for anyone who needs it. If you are having a medical procedure or are battling an illness, please feel free to request this sacrament from the priest.

October 30	
	8:00 am Mass
Lector	Steve Atkinson, Joseppi Sandoval
Euch Min	Walter Hodge, Venita Hodge
Hospitality	Gloria Burrell, Donald Sanders
Server	TBA
	9:15 am Mass
Lector	Knights of Columbus, Ladies of Peter Claver
Euch Min	Knights of Columbus, Ladies of Peter Claver
Hospitality	Knights of Columbus, Ladies of Peter Claver
Server	Leighton Moses, Victoria Moses

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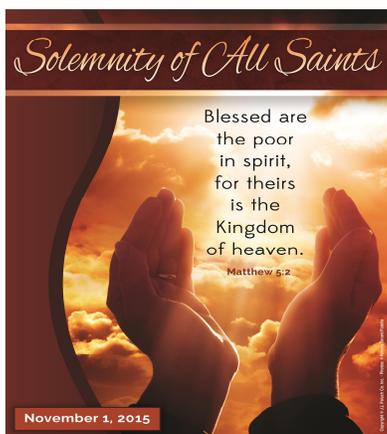
THE NAME
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IS MERCY

The Book Club will meet on **Nov 3** in the living room from **4-5:30** and we will discuss **THE NAME OF GOD IS MERCY** from the beginning through Chapter II.

Reflection from Sr. Helen Flemington

In today's gospel, the Pharisee's prayer became a wedge between himself and others. It put others at a distance from him. He was so grateful that he was not like so many others, and he made it clear that he had no use for these other people. We can be sure that any prayer that divides us from others is no prayer at all. Prayer is meant to unite us to God and others – not create distances between us.

When we come to prayer, we have to be aware of who we are. Are we bringing a closed up and isolated self to prayer? Do we listen in prayer or are we always doing the talking? Genuine prayer is the prayer of a person who may be very unsure of him or herself, but who comes before God with trust that God will grant us what we need—mercy, forgiveness, peace, compassion, serenity—whatever we need. When we come to pray it is not to let God know how good we are, but how much we rely on God's power to carry us along on our life journey.



We will celebrate the Feast of All Saints on Sunday, October 30 at each of the Masses. In preparation for this celebration, please bring pictures of loved ones that you want to include in our memorial space. **Pictures should be brought to church on next Sunday, October 23**

or during the week before October 30 so that they can be placed.

If you have lost family members since last year's celebration, and you are not sure we have the names, please make sure that we know by next Sunday. You can give the names to BJ on Sunday or call the office to share the information with any staff member.

We will also have Noon Mass on All Saints and All Souls Days, November 1 and November 2.

Christmas in October St. Therese Style

It's time to start thinking about "Christmas in October", the time when we collect gifts for our Christmas Basket program. We have "designated" four Sundays in October to bring gifts for a particular age group.

Next Sunday, October 30, we are asking you to bring gifts for teenage boys (13-18). We need small electronics, shirts and pants, underwear, socks, cologne, shaving supplies, small hand held games.

If you don't have time to shop or don't know what to get, you can give BJ a gift card or a check and we will shop on your behalf. Please put it in an envelope marked "Christmas Baskets" and drop in the basket in the back of Church.

Health Corner



Mayo Clinic Advice

A cardiology specialist has found that dehydration can lead to heart attacks. Most heart attacks happen during the night or early AM. The cardiologist advises drinking one glass (8oz) of water before going to bed to keep you hydrated during the night. Many hate to do this as they do not want to have to go to the bathroom at night. The reason that many of us have to use the bathroom, sometimes multiple times, at night is that gravity pulls and holds liquid in our legs when our feet are on the floor. Then when we lie down with feet at the same level of our kidneys and heart it is easier for the fluid to get to the kidneys and hence, we have to go to the bathroom. One way to help with this problem is to spend an hour each evening with your feet elevated to the height of your heart in a recliner or with pillows under your legs to get your feet and legs up. Then much of the fluid will be expelled when you go to the bathroom before bedtime.

When else should you drink water to maximize the effectiveness of your body? TWO glasses of water when you get up help to activate your internal organs. ONE glass before meals helps with digestion. ONE glass before bedtime can help prevent strokes and heart attacks. It can also help prevent leg cramps at night.

October 23, 2016

St. Therese Senior Center



The Senior Center has been blessed this summer with students from St. Peter's School volunteering each week day so there's been no shortage of help. Now that the school year has begun, the Center needs a new source of volunteer support.

We have invited other parishes to volunteer in the center to assist with packing "Meals on Wheels".

St. Therese Parish will take ownership of the volunteer need on Wednesdays from 9:30 to 11:00 am as a part of our outreach ministry.

Sign up here:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0848A8AE2DA0FB6-wednesday>

The sign-up is super easy! If you don't have online access, call Diana Burdett: 816-560-4466.



The Knights will be leading the praying of the Rosary after the 9:15 Mass

on October 30th. We will be praying for the intentions of our country and for the upcoming elections.

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse: **1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline** at 1-800-392-3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and **2. Contact your local law enforcement** agency or call 911, and **3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult** to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Jenifer Valenti, at 816-812-2500 or JeniferValenti@att.net, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee, or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph. The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact Victim Advocate Kathleen Chastain at 816-392-0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org

Senior Center Menu	
<p>Monday 10-24</p> <p>Chicken Stir-Fry Stir-Fry Vegetables Beets Pickled (Cold) Shortbread Cookies Mandarin Oranges White WhlGrn Bread Rice 2% Milk/Margarine Lite</p>	<p>Tuesday 10-25</p> <p>Meatball Sub RootVeg & Kale Salad/tom/car Trop Fruit Mix Hoagie Roll Whl Grain 2% Milk Margarine Lite Salad Dressing Italian</p>
<p>Wednesday 10-26</p> <p>Chili/Beans Chddr Cheese-RF Salad/tom/car Diced Onions Peach Cobbler Crackers wheat 2% Milk Margarine Lite Salad Dressing French</p>	<p>Thursday 10-27</p> <p>Tuna Noodle Cass. Cauliflower/Peas Cucumber Onion Salad Banana Wheat Bread 2% Milk Margarine Lite</p>
<p>Friday 10-28</p> <p>Chicken Oven Fried Gravy (Chicken,LS) Mashed Potatoes Broccoli Wheat Dinner Roll 2% Milk Margarine Lite Ice Cream (FFSF) Orange Cake</p>	<p>Daily Lunch Hours</p> <p>11:30 am to 1 pm Over 60 yrs. –donation All others \$5.75 Reservation at Sign-In Table 1 day in advance Thank You St. Therese Sr Ctr. 444-3514 Don Bosco 691-2900</p>

Counseling

The feasts of All Saints and All Souls reminds us that even death cannot destroy our relationships to each other. If you are having trouble with some relationships with loved ones, consider counseling. Fr. Garry Richmeier is a Licensed Professional Marital and Family Therapist, providing family, marriage, and individual counseling, as well as Spiritual Direction. He has offices in midtown Kansas City and in Liberty, and he takes donations in lieu of set fees. For more information or to schedule an initial appointment, contact Fr. Garry at [816-415-2998](tel:816-415-2998) or garrycpps@gmail.com.

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Annual Catholic Appeal

As we approach the mid-point in our Appeal for support of the Catholic Church in Northwest Missouri, we reach out to each and every family who has not yet made a pledge or gift. We urge you to be generous as you consider the many ministries that the Appeal supports—training of men to be deacons and for the priesthood, sharing the faith through education, meeting the needs of the homeless and hungry, and reaching out to college students. We thank those that have responded and urge those who have not to do so as soon as possible.

Save the Dates

Thanksgiving Day Mass



Thanksgiving Day Mass will be at St. Therese Church at 9:00 am. St. Peter's Parish will join with us this year as we did last year by worshipping with them. We celebrate the great gift of the Mass and give thanks to God for the grace of His unending care for us. Please make plans to share in this great celebration.

REMEMBER CEMETERY SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 6, 2016

This year we again ask you to join us in remembrance and prayer as we observe Cemetery Sunday. The Catholic Cemeteries of Kansas City ~ St. Joseph Diocese invites you to a Day of Faith, Remembrance, Prayer and Visitation at each of our four cemeteries. The Prayer Service will begin at 2:00 p.m. at each of our four Catholic Cemeteries.

In Kansas City

Mt. Olivet - 7601 Blue Ridge Blvd

Resurrection – 5001 NE Cookingham Drive

St. Mary's – 2201 Cleveland Avenue

In St Joseph

Mt. Olivet – 26th & Lovers Lane

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

2017 March for Life Pilgrimage

Registration Now Open!

Join this multi-generational pilgrimage to our nation's capital, January 25-28, 2017. For more information or to register today, please visit www.respectlifekcsj.org or call 816.714.2367. Register before Oct 31 and save!

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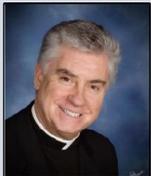


Sister Audrey Doetzel, NDS

Sat., Nov. 12 Series Keynote – at Avila University 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

The 21st Century Need for Mystics and Prophets

Sr. Audrey, a Sister of Our Lady of Sion, is a retreat and spiritual director having received her training in the Exercises of St. Ignatius at Loyola House in Ontario, Canada. She was Provincial Superior of the Sisters of Sion in North America, and then served as Director of their Christian-Jewish and Interfaith ministries. Having received a Master of Divinity and Doctorate in Ministry from the Toronto School of Theology (U of Toronto), she was on the Pastoral faculty at the Jesuit theologate in Toronto, and later Associate Director of the Center for Christian-Jewish Learning in the Theology department at the University of Boston College. She now lives in Kansas City, MO where she is writing about how the spirituality of Sion's founder, Theodore Ratisbonne, speaks to the 21st Century.



Father Don Farnan

Tues., Dec. 6 – at Avila University 7:00 pm- 9:00 pm

Impact of Personal Spirituality on the Parish Community

Fr. Farnan, ordained in 1987, is pastor of St. Charles Borromeo Parish. After graduating from Rockhurst College, he received a Master of Divinity from University of St. Mary of the Lake, Chicago, and a Master in Christian Spirituality from Creighton University. He has served as pastor of several parishes, most recently St. Thomas More. Diocesan positions in which he served are Director of Vocations, Director of Priest Personnel, and the College of Consultors. He established the Upper Room, an inner city literacy program for youth and their families. He is author of: *Crossroads of Hope: A Priest's Inner (City) Journey*; *This Bold Prayer: A Collection of Spiritual Essays*, and *A Parish for all Seasons: A Year in the Life of Saint Thomas More School*.



Bill Tammeus

Sat., Jan. 14, 2017 – Second Presbyterian Church 9:00 am. – 11:00 am

Doubts and Hard Questions Pave the Road to Faith

Bill Tammeus, an elder at Second Presbyterian Church, is past president of the National Society of Newspaper Columnists. A former columnist of the *Kansas City Star*, he contributed to its editorial page and weekly faith section. He writes a daily "Faith Matters" blog for the *Star*, and columns for *The Presbyterian Outlook*, *The National Catholic Reporter*, and *Flatland*, KCPT-TV's digital magazine. Bill has received numerous columnist and writer awards. Among the several books he authored or co-authored are: *A Gift of Meaning* (2001); *They Were Just People: Stories of Rescue in Poland During the Holocaust* (2009); *Jesus, Pope Francis and a Protestant Walk into a Bar* (2015); and *Value of Doubt: Why Unanswered Questions, Not Unquestioned Answers Build Faith* (2016).



Loretta Ross

Sat., Feb. 11, 2017 - at Avila University 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

A Crisis of Contemplation A Call for Depth in a World Stuck in the Shallows

Loretta is an Honorably Retired Presbyterian minister and Executive Director of The Sanctuary Foundation for Prayer. Loretta earned her Master of Divinity from the Louisville Presbyterian Seminary, holds a Master of Arts degree in Theater, and is a graduate of The Shalem Institute Program for Spiritual Direction. She is the author of *Letters from the Holy Ground - Seeing God Where You Are* (2000) and *Holy Ground, a Quarterly Reflection on the Contemplative*. She has written liturgical dramas and her writing has appeared in *The Christian Century*, *Theology Today*, *Horizons*, *Reformed Liturgy and Music*, *Weavings*, *Christianity and the Arts*, *Presbyterian Survey*, *Presence*, and other places.

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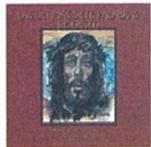
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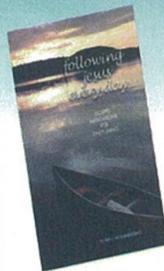
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