

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.

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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.

6th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Parish Calendar

Sunday, Feb 11

6th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Mass 8:00 am - St. Therese Parishioners

Rosary 8:45 am - Chapel

Mass 9:15 am - St. Therese Parishioners

Monday, Feb 12

Choir Practice 6:00 pm Church

Tuesday, Feb 13

Pastoral Council 6:00-7:30pm Hall

Wednesday, Feb 14

Distribution of Ashes

Ash Wednesday Mass 7:00pm

Thursday, Feb 15

Book Club 4:00-5:30pm Living Room

Friday, Feb 16

Mass 12:00 Noon - Chapel

Stations of the Cross 6:00-7pm

Saturday, Feb 17

Liturgy Committee 9:30-11:00am DR

Sunday, Feb 18 6th Sunday of Ord Time

2nd Collection: Catholic Charities Emergency Assistance

Mass 8:00 am - Jim Latenser

Rosary 8:45 am - Chapel

Mass 9:15 am - Kevin Kelly, Jim Latenser

Black History Event—"Soul Dinner"

10:45-12:45pm

February 11

6th Sunday Ord.

Time

LV 13: 1-2, 44-46

Ps 32: 1-2, 5, 11

I Cor 10: 31-11:1

Mk 1: 40-45

February 18

1st Sunday of Lent

Gn 9: 8-15

Ps 25: 4-5, 6-7, 8-9

1 Pt 3: 18-22

Mk 1: 12-15



Standing in the Need of Prayer

Bridgette Atkinson

Liesa Brown

Mary L. Brown

Louis Byrd

Bishop F. Cheri

Lisa Coan

Virginia Daub

Jo & Jake Davis

Carol Dodd

Jessie Mae Frazier

Joann Freeman

Dick Garnier

Ashley Johnson

Joyce Jones

Marty Kata

Wenda King

Dave Kist

Keith Kloster

Zach Kloster

Raymond LaNear

Doreen Lacy

Charles Lidge

Stephen Loston

Bob McCombs

Karen McDonald

Helen McVay

Venus Moore

Margaret Mulligan

Joe Nolke

Iness Panni

Judy Rieck

Oden Sainte

Joseppi Sandoval

Lee John Scott

Arthur Shelton

Allen Shelton

David Smith Jr

Jeremiah Smith

Elaine Stevenson

Michael Stevenson

Blanche L. Thomas

Jesse Wilkes

Mildred Wilkes

Antwine Williams

Liturgical Roles

Feb 18, 2018

8:00 am Mass

Lector Anola Pickett, Sharon Sanders

Euch Min Bob Edsall

Hospitality Gloria Burrell, Donald Sanders

Server Lester Stevenson

9:15 am Mass


Lector Carol Johnson, Sandy Jones

Euch Min Sr. Ann Landers

Hospitality Elaine Stevenson, Judy Rieck

Elaine and Joe Nolke

Server Paul Tancredi, Bill Seiter

	Required Weekly Giving	Actual Weekly Giving
	\$4,019	\$43
Total Contribution Income		\$2,539
Emergency Assistance		\$2,582
		\$405

During this difficult Cold and Flu Season, we will receive only the Body of Christ at Communion. We look forward to once again receiving both the Body and Blood of Christ after this highly contagious season.

You can now give automatically via bank draft from your saving or checking account or utilize your debit or credit card. Simply go to our web-site stlfc.org and click on Give to sign up.

Reflection from Sr. Helen Flemington

6th Sunday Ordinary Time 2018

"Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him." This is a very simple statement. One that we read often in the stories of Jesus. There is something so special and wonderful about the touch of someone who loves you and can sympathize with you. If someone we love is in pain or distress, our immediate and natural reaction is to reach out to them, to touch them gently, to comfort them. We tell them through our touch that we are with them in their fears and concerns.

Often during life we are asked to reexamine our relationships to those who are close to us. If we don't do this, then we run a high risk of losing those who mean so much to us. We can gradually drift from our husband, wife, or friends or family. One day we suddenly realize that, over the years, we have been separating ourselves from others. At that moment we have the option of either deciding to re-establish the lost relationship or just letting it go.

But of all of our relationships, our relationship with Jesus is the most important one. If that last statement meant nothing to you, then it is a sign that you have some serious work to do. Don't take it as a sign that you now should despair. No, it is an opportunity—time to wake up to your life—to what has been happening on your spiritual journey. Is your loneliness telling you that you have been neglecting that all-important relationship with Jesus?

At times Jesus was moved to tears because he saw how terrible our distress was. This same Jesus is now risen and with us today. He has not lost his compassion and caring for us. He has not disappeared into some heaven where we can no longer meet him. This is the mystery of our faith—Jesus Christ is present to each of us and to all of us. While today's story may have taken place long ago and far away, it is still taking place in our lives. Jesus is still reaching out to touch us.

Weekly Health Corner



Cardiovascular Disease

Most Americans do not consider heart disease incurable; however more than 2600 Americans die of cardiovascular disease (CVD) every day an average of 1 death every 33 seconds. Heart Failure is the inability of the heart to pump enough blood to meet the demands of the body. When this happens the cardiac output is decreased; there is fluid collection in the extremities and congestion of the lungs. Heart disease is the number 1 killer of women in America, not cancer. It claims more lives than lung disease and 11 times more than breast cancer. 42% of women who have a heart attack die within a year compared to 24% of men. Part of the reason for this is that heart problems are often overlooked because the symptoms are different for woman and men. Women often complain of abdominal or back pain and may not have chest pain. Some other symptoms may be shortness of breath, nausea, light-headedness and cold sweats. If you suspect that you are having a heart attack, or some other unexplained pain, you should call 911 immediately.



These are the items that the Parish Council will be discussing at the meeting on Tuesday, February 13th:

Black History Celebration - Sunday, February 18th
Parish Planning Meeting - Sunday, March 4th
Parish Block Party - June 10th

6th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Upcoming Events at St. Therese

Wednesday, Feb 14: Ash Wednesday Mass

Friday, Feb 15: Stations of the Cross

Sunday, Feb 18: Black History Program
(soul dinner)

Friday, Feb 23: Stations of the Cross
Knights Fish Fry

Wednesday, Feb 28: Black History Program
Senior Citizen Center

Friday, Mar 2: Stations of the Cross

Friday, Mar 9: Stations of the Cross

Friday, Mar 16: Stations of the Cross

Friday, Mar 23: Knights Fish Fry
Stations of the Cross

Sunday, Mar 25: Palm Sunday

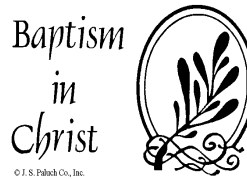
Mar 25-Mar 31: Holy Week

Mar 30: Stations of the Cross & Reflections

Apr 1: Easter



Congratulation to Joyce Johnson who has been faithful in her classes on Mondays of this year. She wishes to be a full member of the Catholic Church and St. Therese Little Flower. As we send her to the Cathedral next Saturday we continue to pray for her on her journey.



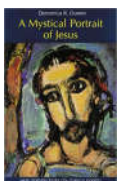
We are blessed that Chloe Jo Dakotas, daughter of Luke and Jenneka, granddaughter of Dan and Ruth is baptized today.

What a celebration for all of us as Chloe is a child of God in a loving family. Let us continue to support her on her faith in the Church.

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combating 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



St. Therese Book Club meets on the first and third Thursdays of the month. We are reading:

A Mystical Portrait of Jesus

by Demetrius R. Dumm. We will meet in the Living Room on Feb 15 and will discuss Ch 10.

Once again, AIM-VITA, NextStepKC, the United Way and the IRS are sponsoring a Free Tax Preparation program for Low Income Wage Earners and Retirees.

If your combined family income is less than \$60,000 for 2017 you qualify to have your taxes prepared and electronically filed free of charge.

There are many sites throughout the area where you can do this beginning February 1, 2017. One of those sites is right here at St. Therese Little Flower beginning Monday, February 12th. An insert in this week's Parish Bulletin explains what you need to know to either schedule a tax preparation appointment here at St. Therese, or, if you wish, to visit another site to have your taxes prepared. We will prepare taxes this year at St. Therese beginning February 12th. You may schedule an appointment by calling the Parish Office at [816-444-4506](tel:816-444-4506). Or, you can have your taxes prepared at any of the other sites shown on the back of the flyer at the times listed. People needing proof of their Social Security or Supplemental Security Income benefits can get verification letters mailed to you by calling toll-free, [1-800-772-1213](tel:1-800-772-1213).

See insert.

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2018 Tax Sites

Free tax preparation for most taxpayers!



Drop-Off Only

Guadalupe Center

1512 Van Brunt Blvd., Kansas City, MO 64127

Prosperity Center

5151 Troost, Suite 100, Kansas City, MO 64110

Assisted Tax Preparation

Community Services League - Hawthorne Place

16995 E. Dover Lane, Independence, MO 64056

Community Services League - Independence

404 N. Noland Rd., Independence, MO 64050

Connecting for Good

3210 Michigan Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64109

El Centro Catholic Charities

2220 Central Ave., Kansas City, KS 66102

K-State Extension

11811 S. Sunset Dr., Suite 1500, Olathe, KS 66061

Kansas City Kansas Community College

7250 State Ave., Flint Building, Rm. 3632, Kansas City, KS 66112

Lee's Summit City Hall

220 SE Green Street, Lee's Summit, MO, 64063

MCC Maple Woods

2601 NE Barry Rd, Computing Business Building, Rm109, Kansas City, MO 64156

Operation Breakthrough and Rockhurst

3039 Troost Avenue, Kansas City, MO. 64109

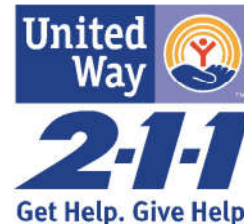
Salvation Army

3013 East 9th Street, Kansas City, MO 64124

UMKC Bloch School

Bloch Heritage Hall, 5110 Cherry St., Bottom Floor, Room 005, Kansas City, MO 64110

**For information on dates
and times call 2-1-1 or
visit NextStepKC.org**



What to bring

- A Social Security card or Individual Taxpayer Identification # (ITIN) for each family member
- Valid picture ID (driver's license, state ID, passport, matricula consular, etc.) for all taxpayers
- W-2 forms for all jobs worked
- All 1099 forms for other income, if any
- Child care provider name, address, and tax ID
- Any other tax-related documents received
- Form 1098 or other education-related documents
- Bank account information for direct deposit
- A copy of last year's tax return (if available)
- All adults on return need to be present to sign.
- 1095-A form from the health insurance marketplace if you received insurance through the marketplace

Free Tax Preparation

Available to most taxpayers earning \$60,000 or less! Contact United Way 2-1-1 (or 816-474-5112) for more information about eligibility, wait times, temporary locations and weather-related site closures.

All sites are first come, first serve.



February 11, 2018

From Desert to the Cross

Sacraments

February 14 – Ash Wednesday – Mass and distribution of ashes at 7:00 PM

March 21 – Sacrament of Reconciliation 6:00 PM

Soup and Sharing 6:00 – 8:00

February 21 – Fr. Bryan explains what is in the Sacristy

February 28 – Dan Dakota – Prison ministry

March 7 – Bob Edsall – What Lent means to me

March 14 – Randy Barth – What Lent means to me

Black History Month



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BLACK HISTORY MONTH CELEBRATION

– DON'T MISS IT!!!!:

Everyone is invited on **Sunday, February 18th**, after the 9:15 mass to a "Soul Food" dinner sponsored by the Parish Council. This year we will have two speakers: Karen Griffin, from the Jazz Museum and Cathy Moss, from the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum. Once again we will gather to celebrate and to share culture and memories. So mark your calendars and come hungry!

WHEN: Sunday, February 18th after the 9:15 mass.

WHERE: Parish Hall

COST: Free Will Offering

African American History Month

Feb 11, 1990: Nelson Mandela released from a South African prison after 27 years

Feb 12, 1915: Ernest E. Just, genetic biologist awarded the 1st Spingam Medal

Feb 12, 1909: NAACP founded

Feb 13, 1920: Andrew "Rube" Foster organized Baseball's Negro National league

Feb 13, 1923: New York Renaissance 1st Black pro basketball team

Feb 14, 1867: Morehouse College, a historically Black institution of higher learning formed

Feb 15, 1804: New Jersey became the last northern state to abolish slavery

Feb 15, 1965: Nat "King" Cole, singer/jazz pianist died

Feb 16, 1874: Frederick Douglass elected president of Freedman's Saving and Trust Company

Feb 16, 1923: Bessie Smith, blues singer, made first recording for Columbia Records, *Down Hearted Blues*

Feb 17, 1963: Michael Jordan, basketball legend, was born in Brooklyn New York

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

A retreat using the Sunday Scripture
readings of Lent

Led by Cele Breen, SCL and Denise Simeone

Sat Feb 24: Registration and refreshments - 9:00am

Retreat: 9:30am-12:30pm

St. Patrick Catholic Church

1401 NE 42nd Terrace

Kansas City, MO 64116

People of all faiths are welcome.

Pre-registration is helpful and walk-ins are welcome.

Suggested fee: \$15, but donate whatever is possible,
pay at the door. Bring a friend who has never
attended one of our retreats for free.

Denise Simeone@hotmail.com or text/call

816.686.3612

*Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep
your covenant.*

Psalms 25:10 1st Sunday of Lent

Second Collection Feb 18:

The **Catholic Charities Emergency Assistance Fund (CCEAF)** second collection is an opportunity to do so, by supporting our efforts to provide urgently needed food, rental and utility assistance to thousands of our brothers and sisters living in poverty throughout Northwest Missouri. CCEAF funds are distributed among nearly 40 parish-supported emergency assistance sites in our diocese to help people with their most basic human needs.

Senior Center Menu

Monday 2-12

Meat Loaf
Gravy (Brown) LoSod
Fiesta Vegetables
Mashed Potatoes
Pears & Strawf
Wheat Dinner Role
1% Milk
Margarine Lite

Tuesday 2-13

Beef Pattie
Salad/tom/car
Steak Fries
Banana
Hamb Bun WhoGrain
1% Milk
Margarine Lite
Salad Dressing 1000
Ketchup/Mustard

Wednesday 2-14

Catfish (Breaded)
Coleslaw-creamy
Spinach
Trop Fruit Mix
White Whl Grain Bread
1% Milk
Margarine Lite
Tartar Sauce
Vinegar

Thursday 2-15

Chicken Diced Seasoned
Chddr Cheese-RF
Salad/tom/car
Chuckwagon Corn
Apples Stewed
Tortilla Who Wheat
1% Milk
Margarine Lite
Salad Dressing Ranch
Taco Sauce

Friday 2-16

Fish (breaded)
Coleslaw w vin/drsg
Spinach
Fruit Cup/Citrus
White Whl Grain Bread
1% Milk
Margarine Lite
Tartar Sauce
Vinegar

Daily Lunch Hours

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 Senior Center
444-3514
Don Bosco 691-2900

Everybody Needs to Forgive Somebody

Led by Fr. Ron Will, C.P.P.S

Join us for a 6 week discussion series based on the
book: Everybody Needs to Forgive Somebody by Allen
Hunt Tuesday evenings, Feb 13, 20, 27, March 6, 13,

27

6:00 Simple Supper; 6:45pm Discussion begins
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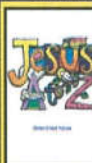
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