

St. Therese Little Flower Parish

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Mass Schedule

Sunday - 8:00 & 9:15 am

Wednesday and Friday (Chapel) 12:00 pm

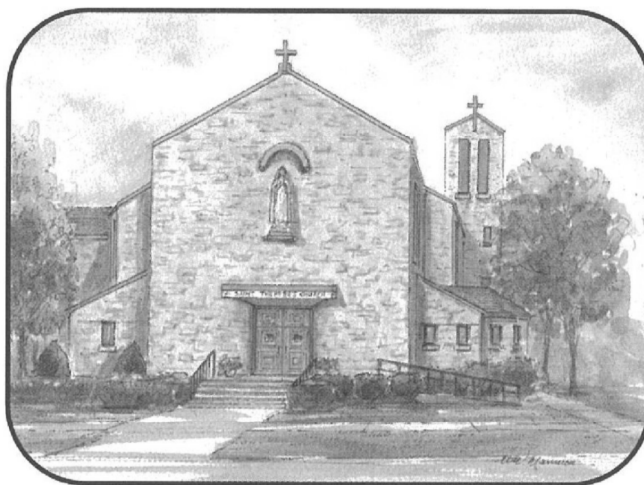
Holy Days - Check Bulletin or Call Office

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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Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays at 3:00 pm, Sundays

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between the 8:00 am and 9:15 am Masses and anytime by request.

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

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.

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Parish Calendar

Sunday, May 14 5th Sunday of Easter

Fr. Gianantonio (Gianni) Baggio, C.S.

Mission Appeal at both Masses

Mass 8:00 am— St. Therese Parishioners

Rosary 8:45 am Chapel

Mass 9:15 am— St. Therese Parishioners

Youth Group 11am-12pm Youth Rm

Monday, May 15

Choir Practice 6:30-8pm Church

Wednesday, May 17

Mass 12:00 noon Chapel

Thursday, May 18

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

Friday, May 19

Mass 12:00 noon Chapel

Sunday, May 21 6th Sunday of Easter

Mass 8:00 am— St. Therese Parishioners

Rosary 8:45 am Chapel

Mass 9:15 am— St. Therese Parishioners



Standing in the Need of Prayer

Bridgette Atkinson
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Liesa Brown
Margaret Brown
Bishop F. Cheri
Lisa Coan
Virginia Daub
Jo & Jake Davis
Katheryn Davis
Carol Dodd
Jessie Mae Frazier
Joann Freeman
Dick Garnier
Frankie Hutchinson
Walter Jackson
Ashley Johnson

Margaret G. Jones
Marty Kata
Ernest L. Jones
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Keith Kloster
Zach Kloster
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Doreen Lacy
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Helen McVay
Venus Moore
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Margaret Mulligan
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Irene Phillips
Judy Rieck
Joseppi Sandoval
Betsy Saxe
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Arthur Shelton
Allen Shelton
David Smith Jr
Jeremiah Smith
Elaine Stevenson
Michael Stevenson
Blanche L. Thomas
Dan Whitman
Mildred Wilkes
Jesse Wilkes
Valorye Williams

Liturgical Roles

May 14, 2017

5th Sunday of Easter

Acts 6: 1-7

Ps 33: 1-2, 4-5, 18-19

I Pt 2: 4-9

Jn 14: 1-12

May 21, 2017


6th Sunday of Easter

Acts 8: 5-8, 14-17

Ps 66: 1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20

I Pt 3: 15-18

Jn 14: 15-21

<div><div>Weekly Offering</div><div></div><div><small>© J. S. Pritch Co., Inc.</small></div></div>	Required Weekly Giving	Actual Weekly Giving
	\$4,019	\$272 plate
		\$5, 130 envelopes
Total Contribution Income		\$5,402
Emergency Assistance		\$791

May 21	
8:00 am Mass	
Lector	Bob Edsall, Steven Atkinson
Euch Min	Judy Edsall, Valerie Tucker
Hospitality	Joseph Alpough, Gloria Burrell
Server	Aaryana Preston, Gavin Serrato
9:15 am Mass	
Lector	Paul Tancredi, Dorothy Turano
Euch Min	Elaine & Joe Nolke, Aarion Johnson, Sr Ann Landers, Kevin Burdick
Hospitality	Sr Gabe Smits, Cerise Ivy-Woods, Elaine Stevenson, Treva Lee
Server	Bridgette Atkinson, DeJarne' Cross

May 14, 2017

Reflection from Sr. Helen Flemington

5th Sunday Easter 2017

Listen to this experience reported by a man who was learning to fly an airplane. "Some years ago when I was learning to fly, my instructor told me to put the plane into a steep and extended dive. I was totally unprepared for what was about to happen. After a brief time the engine stalled, and the plane began to plunge out-of-control. It soon became evident that the instructor was not going to help me at all. After a few seconds, which seemed like eternity, my mind began to function again. I quickly corrected the situation.

Immediately I turned to the instructor and began to vent my fearful frustrations on him. He very calmly said to me, "There is no position you can get this airplane into that I cannot get you out of. If you want to learn to fly, go up there and do it again." At that moment God seemed to be saying to me, "Remember this. As you serve me, there is no situation you can get yourself into that I cannot get you out of. If you trust me, you will be all right."

This seems to be the situation that Jesus found himself in as he was trying to reassure his friends that everything would turn out for the best. It seems that the most urgent reason he could offer to them was the fact that he had loved them all along, orphaned at this most important time in his life – as he was getting ready to leave them. And so he pleads with them for their trust.

There are many times in our lives when we feel like the man who was learning to fly. Everything seems upside down. We seem to have lost control of everything and the first reaction is panic. We don't know what to do or whom to we can turn. Jesus is asking us for our trust and promising us that he will not let us lose our way.

Health Corner: Bipolar Disorder



Since May is National Mental Health Awareness Month, we are covering some mental health issues in the Health Corners. Approximately 2.6% or 6 million American Adults live with Bipolar Disorder. This is a lifelong condition that can affect how you feel and how you act. In the past it was known as manic-depression. It is characterized by dramatic mood swings from overly "high" and/or irritable to sad and hopeless, and back again. The periods of highs and lows are episodes of mania and depression. It is different from the normal ups and downs that everyone goes through. Many people with bipolar disorder seek treatment for the depressive symptoms rather than the manic symptoms so for that reason it may be misdiagnosed. More than 2/3 of people with bipolar disorder were originally misdiagnosed with other disorders. The good news is that most people with bipolar disorder can become mentally balanced through stabilizations of their moods swings and symptoms. Most treatments combine medication and psychosocial treatment but it does require time and patience.

Did you know....

Did you know that children of St. Therese Little Flower registered parishioners can attend St. Peter's grade school at a significantly reduced rate? It's not too late to register for the 2017-18 school year. Contact the school office at St. Peter's 816-523-4899 for more details.



A reminder from Sr. Helen...

Please let us know if someone in your family is graduating this year. We will put this list in our bulletin with our

congratulations.

May 14, 2017

This May the Diaconate office will begin the process of Inquiry and Application for the next group of men who are interested in becoming Permanent Deacons. A number of Information and Discernment Sessions will be scheduled in June. If you know of a man who may be interested in serving the church and would like to learn more about becoming a Deacon have him contact Deacon Paul Muller at muller@diocesekcsj.org or call [816-714-2302](tel:816-714-2302) at the Catholic Center. All inquiries should be directed to the Diaconate office.

From Fr Waris,

You are invited to a Mass of Thanksgiving (my 50th Anniversary) on May 21st at St. Peter Church 6415 Holmes. The Mass will begin at 11:00 am with a reception to follow. Since I was honored to serve in your parish and with you, I want to share this day of priesthood as you have shared your priesthood with me. There will be an Open House at the Southside Grill on 1144 West 103rd St from 3pm to 5pm. If you plan to attend, please RSVP.



Save the Date



4th Annual Pitching for Priests Softball Game
Friday, June 2nd at 7:00 PM
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A note from Estelle....

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATE

DR. LAURA DANIELLE BYRD

On Friday, May 26, our, once Little Laura Byrd, daughter of Kevin Byrd and Marilynn Smith, will graduate and become Dr. Laura Danielle Byrd, Pharmacy.

You are invited to send a card, gift or well wishes to Laura in a Kansas City Connection Gift Box. I am joining the celebration in Maryland and can include your item(s) in the Gift Box. If you choose to do so, please give to me at church by May 21 or by other arrangement by May 23.

Thanks for helping us let her know how proud we are of her!

The Book Club will meet on
May 18 in the living room
from **4-5:30 pm**,
discussing: **Chapter 11.**



There will be a Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Elizabeth Church at 10:00 am on May 21, celebrating and being thankful for Fr. Terry Bruce's 50 years of his share in the Priesthood of Jesus Christ.

A reception will follow. Anyone is invited and welcome to come and share your own priesthood with him.

Your presence would be a fine gift to bring.

Happy 50th Fr. Terry Bruce!

May 14, 2017

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

Taken from Richard Rohr's blogs in May 2012. A message for us all this Mother's Day...

I am so fortunate that today, after 6 years of living abroad, I get to spend mother's day with my mother! As I have previously written about in a very



early post, The Mother Heart of God, mothers have been very important for my spiritual journey. It was only when I began to see the image of God as a compassionate mother that I have been able to change what I believe God truly is, Love. Sometimes

when we are going through hard times all we really need is that mother hug – the all embracing hug that doesn't judge but loves unconditionally. The mother that asks us to relax in her arms and allows us to just breathe, or sob, or be angry.

Some of us don't always have a great image of mother – but I find it so amazing how we tend to find mothers all around us. If our biological mother wasn't the image of love – we usually end up finding a mother that helps guide us along our journey. Mothers in our lives are guides into the deeper more connected things of life. In the more exhausting moments of the past few months I have had many mothers around me that have let me be me and have embraced me for who I truly am. Today I honor the mothers in my life and I thank God that She truly is a Mother to all, even when we don't realize it.

**Happy Mother's Day to all
St. Therese's Mothers!**

Senior Center Menu

Monday 5/15

Turkey
Gravy Turkey
Mashed Potatoes
Green Bean Casserole
Fruit Delight
Wheat Dinner Roll
2% Milk
Margarine Lite

Tuesday 5/16

Chili Beans in Chili
Cheddar Cheeses-RF
Salad/tom/car
Diced Onions
Peach Cobbler
Crackers Wheat
2% Milk
Margarine Lite
Salad Dressing French

Wednesday 5/17

Salisbury Steak
Gravy (Brown) LoSod
Sweet Potato
Broccoli
Fruit Cups/Citrus
Wheat Bread
2% Milk
Margarine Lite
Oatmeal Raisin Cookie

Thursday 5/18

Chicken Strips
Potato Wedges
Salad/tom/car
Orange
Multigrain Bread
2% Milk
Salad Dressing/1000
Honey Mustard
Graham Crackers

Friday 5-19

Sloppy Joes
Potatoes AuGratin
Scandinav-veg
Peaches & Strawb
HambBun WhoGrn
2% Milk

Daily Lunch Hours

11:30 am to 1 pm
Over 60 yrs. –donation
All others \$5.75
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Fifth Sunday of Easter



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Contact: Barbara Davis

816-861-1664

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Fifth Sunday of Easter

Catholic Cemeteries of Kansas City ~ St. Joseph
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"Plan today not tomorrow, together not alone"

In loving memory of family and friends that have died and gone before us marked with the sign of faith, a
Mass will be celebrated at each cemetery on **Memorial Day, Monday May 29, 2017**

The signs of our Catholic faith are visible in these Diocesan Cemeteries:

Mount St. Mary-Kansas City, MO

Mt. Olivet-Kansas City, MO

Resurrection-Kansas City, MO

Mt. Olivet-St. Joseph, MO

Please find listed below Mass times and Celebrants for each of these cemeteries

Mount St. Mary's Cemetery 2201 Cleveland Avenue

Kansas City, MO

Mass 10:00 am Celebrant: Rev. Thomas Ludwig

Mount Olivet Cemetery 7601 Blue Ridge Blvd

Kansas City, MO

Mass 10:00 am Celebrant: Rev. Sean Mc Caffery

Resurrection Cemetery 5001 NE Cookingham Road

KCMO (I-435 @ Exit 45)

Mass 10:00 am Celebrant: Rev. Michael Roach

Mt. Olivet Cemetery 26th & Lovers Lane

St. Joseph, MO

Mass 10:00 am Celebrant: Bishop James V. Johnston, Jr

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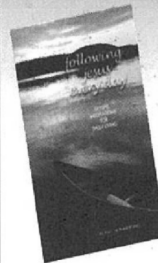


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