



ST. THERESE LITTLE FLOWER PARISH

"I will send down a shower of roses
from the heavens, I will spend my
heaven by doing good on earth."

— St. Thérèse of Lisieux



MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses

Sunday.....8:00 & 9:15 a.m.

Weekday Masses in the Chapel

Wednesday and Friday.....12:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Contact Fr. Matt Rotert or Fr. Bill Fox

Office Hours

Monday-Friday.....9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Closed Noon-1:00 p.m.

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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 the faith community and in reaching out to others. We confess the need to become more aware of one another and of the Lord calling us to be united in God's spirit. We will strive to develop this awareness not only for our own sake, but so that we may become credible and inviting to those seeking Christ and His Gospel.

We answer this calling first by faithfully sharing the Word and breaking Bread together. We then realize our vocation to affirm one another's gift, 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.

Parish Calendar

Sunday, October 28

Mass 8:00 am for Leo Mendenhall

Rosary 8:45 am

Chapel

Mass 9:15 am for Mike Roth

Wednesday, October 31

Mass Noon

Chapel

Thursday, November 1 — Solemnity of All Saints

Holy Day of Obligation

Mass 8:15 a.m.

St. Peter's

Mass 6:00 p.m.

St. Peter's

Friday, November 2 — All Souls' Day

Mass Noon

Chapel

Sunday, November 4

Mass 8:00 am for Parishioners

Rosary 8:45 am

Chapel

Mass 9:15 am for Ed "Skip" Schranz



Standing in the Need of Prayer

*St. Therese Little Flower community
prays for the following people:*

Debra Bronston, Liesa Brown, Mary L. Brown, Louis Byrd, Paula Cassidy, Randy Chestnut, Bishop F. Cheri, Lisa Coan, Quinn Cogan, Jo Davis, Pamela Denson, Connie DiDonna, Carol Dodd, Iona England, Jessie Mae Frazier, Joann Freeman, Dan Ivory, Elijah Jones, Joyce Jones, LaToya Jones, Marty Kata, Wenda King, Dave Kist, Fr. Gerry Kleba, Keith Kloster, Zach Kloster, Raymond LaNear, Doreen Lacy, Charles Lidge, Jim Lipps, Helen Logan, Stephen Loston, Bob McCombs, Ted McKim, Helen McVay, Venus Moore, Margaret Mulligan, Kenneth Preston Sr., Luqrecia Preston, Flanord Rideau, Judy Rieck, Fr. Bob Rost, Oden Sainte, Joseppi Sandoval, Lee John Scott, Sharon Sears, Arthur Shelton, Allen Shelton, Jeremiah Smith, Elaine Stevenson, Michael Stevenson, Blanche L. Thomas, Wayne Walton, Jesse Wilkes, Mildred Wilkes, Antwine Williams, the elderly and infirm, the chronically ill and their caregivers; for those who attend to the dying and grieving; for medical professionals and first responders. For the homeless and those lost in this world; for those who harbor hatred and especially for those who have no one to pray for them.

Liturgical Roles*

November 4

	8:00 Mass	9:15 Mass
Lectors	G Burrell B Miller	C Johnson M Graham
Eucharistic Ministers	W Hodge V Hodge	T Lee Sr. J Tolle M Sweat K Burdick D Dakotas
Hospitality	K Woodard J Alpough	E Stevenson D Cross Sr. G Smits S Jones
Servers	A Preston B Preston	T Doyle B Seiter

*If you are unable to serve in a ministry that you are assigned, please contact another minister to take your place.

Pray with Scripture...

October 28

Jeremiah 31:7-9

Psalms 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-6-5, 6

Hebrews 5:1-6

Mark 10:46-52

November 4

Deuteronomy 6:2-6

Psalms 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51

Hebrews 7:23-28

Mark 12:28b-34

IN EVERYTHING
give Thanks

YOUR GIFTS	Week of October 21, 2018	% of October Budget	Final Sept. 2018 Results
Offertory	\$4,031	23%	78%
Emergency Assistance	\$ 435	21%	286%
Total	\$4,466	20%	92%

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Noon on Wednesday to bulletin@stlfc.org.



Gospel Reflection for the 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today we continue to read from Mark's Gospel. In this Gospel, we find evidence of Jesus' fame in the sizable crowd that accompanies him as he journeys to Jerusalem. Jesus' reputation as a healer has preceded him. When the blind man, Bartimaeus, hears that Jesus of Nazareth is passing by, he calls out to him, asking for his pity.

When Bartimaeus calls out to Jesus, the crowd around him tries to silence him. Yet Bartimaeus persists, calling out more loudly and with greater urgency. He will not be silenced or deterred from getting Jesus' attention. We notice how quickly the crowd's reaction changes when Jesus calls for Bartimaeus. Those who sought to quiet him now encourage him.

When Jesus restores Bartimaeus's sight, no elaborate action is required. (In other healing stories in Mark's Gospel, actions accompany Jesus' words). In this instance, Jesus simply says that Bartimaeus's faith has saved him. Throughout Mark's Gospel, the success of Jesus' healing power has often been correlated with the faith of the person requesting Jesus' help. For example, it is because of her faith that the woman with the hemorrhage is healed. When faith is absent, Jesus is unable to heal; we see this after his rejection in Nazareth.

Once his sight has been restored, Bartimaeus follows Jesus on his way to Jerusalem. In Mark's Gospel, Bartimaeus is the last disciple called by Jesus before he enters Jerusalem. Bartimaeus hears that Jesus of Nazareth is passing by, but he calls out to Jesus using words of faith—"Son of David." Many in Jesus' time believed that the anticipated Jewish Messiah would be a descendent of King David. Bartimaeus's words prepare us for the final episodes of Mark's Gospel, which begin with Jesus' preparation for the Passover and his triumphant entry into Jerusalem. As Mark has shown us in our readings over the past few Sundays, however, Jesus will be the Messiah in a way that will be difficult for many to accept. Jesus will show himself to be the Messiah through his suffering and death.

Advent Retreat — Save the Date

December 1, 2018, 9:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m.

St. Elizabeth Church

2 East 75th St. Kansas City MO 64114

Bake Sale

Mark your calendars now for **Sunday, November 11** for our annual BAKE SALE to benefit the 2018 Christmas Basket Program.



Your yummy goodies bring in generous donations that help fund our St. Therese Christmas Basket Program. Please consider baking (or bringing store bought) wonderfully delicious goodies that we can sell after both Masses on Sunday, November 11th.

We can't do this without your help! If you don't bake, then please help us out by purchasing baked goods from the sale. Cash donations will also be graciously accepted.

Any questions, please contact Karen McDonald:
kmm9600@aol.com or 816.550.5416.

"And Jesus said to him, 'Go your way; your faith has made you well.' And immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way."
—Mark 10:52

Faith is believing in something even though you may not be able to see it. Many people think that miracles don't happen anymore. But, if you focus on the positive, not the negative, focus on your blessings instead of your hardships, miracles will seem common and you will see God's active presence in your daily life.

Linwood Y - "Tailgate with a Purpose"

Sunday, November 4th - 11:30-3:00pm

You are invited to enter your **Chili Cook Off Team** or buy tickets to this very special Tailgate with a Purpose. Join **David Byrd and Cathy Allin** for this fun event and check out the new Linwood Y/Truman Medical Clinic. Last date to register/purchase tickets online is **November 2 (kansascityymca.org)** or stop by the Linwood location (Linwood and Cleveland).

Do you want to help troubled pregnant women?

Birthright, an international emergency service offering positive alternatives to abortion, is staffed by volunteers. If you are willing to commit some of your time, there are a number of ways to help. We especially need compassionate women and men to answer the hotline calls, run pregnancy tests, and befriend mothers in crisis. Training will be held on **Saturday, October 27**, at the Birthright center, 6309 Walnut, Kansas City, Missouri. Reservations are needed by October 25; call **Birthright**, 816.444.7090, or Janet Cozad, 816.741.2696.



We love them both...

Observance of All Saints' Day at St. Therese **November 4, 2018**

As is our custom, we will process a candle to remember those who have passed away since our last All Saints' Day observance. Parishioners who have passed will be remembered by adding them to our Canvasses of Remembrance, as well with a candle.

If you have family members who have passed since **November 5, 2017**, we will remember them with a candle. Please send the names to etunley@stlfkc.org and bjatkinton@stlfkc.org or call the office at 816-444-5406 by **October 31, 2018**. Also, please let us know who will carry their candle forward.

You may also bring pictures of any deceased loved ones that you want to share anytime between now and **Wednesday, October 31**.



Counseling Services—Fr. Garry Richmeier

All things change, and Fall is a vivid reminder of that fact. If there are changes in your life you need help managing, consider counseling.

Fr. Garry Richmeier is a Licensed Professional Marriage and Family Therapist, providing family, marital, and individual counseling, as well as Spiritual Direction.

He has offices in Liberty and in midtown Kansas City, and takes donations rather than set fees. For more information or to schedule an appointment, contact Fr. Garry at 816-415-2998 or garrycpps@gmail.com

Weekly Health Corner



Halloween Safety Checklist

Review these rules to keep ghouls and boys safe!

1. Stay on the sidewalk.
2. Don't eat any candy before it is inspected by adults.
3. Don't eat any unwrapped candies.
4. Stay with your group.
5. Wear a reflecting item on your clothing so cars can see you.
6. Observe the trick or treating hours.
7. Have a hauntingly good time!



Halloween can be a fun time for children, but it is also important to keep some guidelines in mind so it will be a safe holiday. If your children are "trick or treating" be sure that you

- ☞ establish a route for the children in the neighborhood,
- ☞ be sure that children have flashlights and stay on the sidewalk,
- ☞ have the children cross at

cross walks and not between parked cars, and

- ☞ have the children stay together in a small group accompanied by an adult.
- ☞ Children should know their phone number and someone in the group should have a cell phone.
- ☞ Be sure that the children bring their "treats" home, so you can inspect them.

There are some safety precautions to keep in mind with the costumes as well.

- ☞ Costumes should be bright, reflective and flame retardant.
- ☞ Masks should fit well with eye and ear-holes that are not obstructive—actually face paint might be better.
- ☞ Make sure that the costume is not too long or the shoes too big so that the child will not trip.



Condolences and prayers for the family of **Carmen Spencer** at the loss of her father, **Commodore Thomas**.

Mr. Thomas' services will be held **Monday October 29, 2018** at Duane E. Harvey Funeral Home, 9100 Blue Ridge Blvd., Kansas City, Mo. 64138. A Visitation will be held from 10:00 -12:00, followed by a funeral service at Noon. We pray that Carmen and family will feel the loving comfort that God always has to share.

Senior Center News

Senior Center Menu

Monday(10/29)

Chicken Breast
(Seasoned)
Broccoli
Potatoes O'Brien
Pineapple/man-or-mix
Multigrain Bread
Shortbread Cookies

1% Milk
Lite Margarine

Activities

Chair Exercise
Caring
Concerns
Game Day

Tuesday(10/30)

Beef Stew/vegetables
Salad/tom/car
Ranch Dressing
Corn Muffin
Banana
Oatmeal/Raisin Cookie

1% Milk
Lite Margarine

Activities

Bible Study
Video Exercise

Wed (10/31)

Chili with Beans
Cheddar Cheese-RF
Diced onions
Salad/tom/car
French Dressing
Wheat Crackers
Peach Cobbler

1% Milk
Lite Margarine

Activities

Special Projects

Senior Center Daily Lunch Hours:

Mon.-Wed., 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Over 60 yrs. — \$2 suggested donation

All others \$5.75

Reservation at Sign-In Table; 1 day in advance
"Thank You"

St. Therese Senior Center
816.444.3514

St. Therese Senior Center News

Wednesday, October 31, 2018, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Halloween Party and

Monthly Birthday Celebration

Wear Your Costume

1st 2nd and 3rd place prizes.



SAVE THE DATE!

Volunteer Appreciation Brunch

A great deal of the "work" of our parish is through the generosity of time, talent and treasure of our members. Join us on November 18 after the 9:15 Mass so we can offer our appreciation in a small way for all that you do.

Please save the date and sign up beginning next Sunday if you plan to attend. It will be a great time if you are there!!

Thank
You!

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Anointing of the Sick: Sacrament takes place at seasonal communal celebrations and may be requested as needed and offered after Mass.

Eucharist for the Sick: Contact the Parish Office.

Baptism, Catechumenate Inquiry, Marriage Preparation and Sacrament of Reconciliation—contact Fr. Matt or Fr. Bill.

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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

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