



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, November 25

Mass 8:00 am for Parishioners

Rosary 8:45 am Chapel

Mass 9:15 am for Mary Ann Kneib-Sadler

Wednesday, November 28

Mass Noon Chapel

Advent Series 6:30 pm Church Hall

Friday, November 30

Mass Noon Chapel

Sunday, December 2—First Sunday of Advent

Mass 8:00 am for Parishioners

Rosary 8:45 am Chapel

Mass 9:15 am for Leo Mendenhall



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, Mona Hicks, 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, Keion, Tanisha and Tammy Parrish, 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*

December 2

	8:00 Mass	9:15 Mass
Lectors	G Burrell S Atkinson	D Burdett S Davis-Wyatt
Eucharistic Ministers	V Tucker B Miller	Sr. J Tolle T Lee M Sweat D Dakotas Sr. A Landers
Hospitality	J Alpough D Sanders	W Burke E Stevenson G Johnson D Cross
Servers	L Stevenson	K Burdick T Doyle

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

Pray with Scripture...

November 25

Daniel 7:13-14

Psalms 93:1, 1-2, 5

Revelation 1:5-8

John 18:33b-37

December 2

Jeremiah 33:14-16

Psalms 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14

1 Thessalonians 3:12—4:2

Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

IN EVERYTHING
give Thanks

YOUR GIFTS	Week of November 18, 2018	% of November Budget	Final October 2018 Results
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Emergency Assistance	\$1,136	18%	40%
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Noon on Wednesday to bulletin@stlfc.org.

THE CATHOLIC STEWARD



Dn 7: 12-14; Ps 93: 1-2, 5; Rev 1: 5-8; Jn 18: 33B-37

On this last Sunday of Ordinary Time for the liturgical year, we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King. This feast was instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1925, at a time when the world was experiencing a rise of secularism, materialism and individualism, and an increasing denial of Christ's existence and authority.

The hope was that the establishment of this feast would accomplish three goals — that nations would see that the Church has the right to freedom, that leaders and nations would see that they are required to give respect to Christ, the King of kings, and that the faithful would be strengthened and encouraged by the reminder that Christ must reign in our hearts, minds, wills and bodies.

This feast is needed more than ever for all people and for us especially, as Christian stewards. It reminds us of three vital truths. First, even when it seems the world is spinning out of control, we need not fear because we have a King of kings who is very much in charge and who is loving, merciful and just. Second, if Christ is king of all, then He is also king of me, personally. I am not "lord" of my time, talents, and treasure. He is. I am a servant of the King and a steward of His gifts to me. Third, as His disciple, I am called to imitate my King. Christ's kingship is characterized by humble service, by emptying Himself for the good of others, The Scriptures tell us He went about doing good and He says of Himself, "I came not to be served but to serve." How can I live in any other way than as a humble servant like my King?

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ADVENT CHALLENGE

Reflect on how you need Jesus in all aspects of your life. How will you prepare yourself this Advent for Him to meet your needs more fully?



Sharing the Light of Christ "2018 Christmas Basket Program"

The time is fast approaching for our annual Christmas Basket Program. This covers everything from grocery delivery on December 8 to set-up on December 10 and 11, basket distribution on December 12-14 and finally clean-up. As you know, this effort requires many hands, a dash of creativity, lots of love and a bit of muscle power. So volunteers are needed to cover all the bases.



There will be sign-up sheets on the back tables for the various tasks and times needed. Please consider being generous with your time and talents so that we can generously share the Light of Christ with our neighbors, friends and family.

Medicare 101 Workshop

Wednesday, November 28, 11:30-12:30

Shepherd's Center, 5200 Oak Street, Kansas City, MO

The objective of the class is to introduce the fundamentals of Medicare, Medicare supplement plans, and prescription drug coverage. Shepherd's Center Central does not sell insurance, but we do empower individuals to make the right choices when it comes to Medicare. Bring your lunch and learn! Call 816.444.1121 today or email Andy at andy@sccentral.org to make your reservation for this free class.



Thank you

Many thanks to Matthew Ong, his mom and dad, the scout masters, other scouts and their families, for building such beautiful and sturdy benches for the St. Therese Senior Center. We are so blessed! Thank you!

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Quinn Cogan T-shirts available. To learn more about Quinn's fight, visit: <https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/quinncogan>.



Advent Events

Advent Sunday Scripture Series

Wednesdays: November 28, December 5 and 19

*There will be a Simple Supper at 6:30 p.m.
followed by reflection and discussion
on the following Sunday's Scriptures.*

Please sign-up so we can adequately prepare.



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Communal Reconciliation Service
Wednesday, December 12, at 6 p.m.

BE A SAINT: Catholic Women's Conference

Saturday, December 8, 2018

St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church
6415 NE Antioch Rd, Gladstone, MO 64119.

Women must be 18 years or older to attend. Registration: please visit sataps.com/saints. Questions: please email be.a.saint.conference@gmail.com. Cost: \$20 per person, if registered by November 30. \$25 at the door (if seating is still available). Religious are exempt from the fee, but please register to ensure seating.

Weekly Health Corner



Signs of Too Much Stress



- ⇒ Feeling tired and irritable most of the time.
- ⇒ Feelings of being down or low that last more than a few days.
- ⇒ Difficulty making decisions.
- ⇒ Difficulty enjoying regular activities that used to give you pleasure.
- ⇒ Feelings of worthlessness, helplessness, hopelessness, or guilt.
- ⇒ Loss of appetite or overeating.
- ⇒ Problems sleeping.

These are also signs of depression.
Make changes in your life, If that doesn't help,
see your doctor about these feelings.

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

Facilitated by Denise Simeone and Cele Breen, SCL

Register/questions:

denisesimeone@hotmail.com or 816-686-3612



Registration for the 2019

March for Life Pilgrimage is NOW OPEN!

NOTE: In the 45 years since the March for Life was established, we have never been in greater need of redemptive sacrifice, prayer and fasting than we are right now. At the same time, we also need to make the trip accessible to more youth, both in cost and in time away from school.

Therefore, the 2019 March for Life Pilgrimage will be a "hardship" trip, the first since 2010. We will travel to Washington DC, attend the Rally and March and then return home with **no hotel stay**. The pilgrimage dates will be **Thursday, January 17 – Saturday, January 19, 2019**.

Senior Center News

Senior Center Menu

Monday(11-26)

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(11/27)

Tuna Noodle
Casserole
Cauliflower/Peas
Cucumber Onion
Salad
Banana
Wheat Bread

1% Milk
Lite Margarine

Activities

Bible Study
Video Exercise

Wed (11/28)

Chicken Strips
w/Honey Mustard
Potatoes O'Brien
Salad/tom/car
French Dressing
Multigrain Bread
Shortbread Cookies
Orange

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 Annual Christmas Party

Friday, December 7, 10 a.m.-2p.m.

Lunch served at 11 a.m. No RSVP needed.

Please come and enjoy good friends,
good fun and good food.

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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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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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