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Sacraments

Baptism—Either Saturday or Sunday during Mass or other times by request.
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Confessions—Anytime by request.
Anointing/Prayers/Visits
 If you are sick, having surgery or health issues and would like Fr. Lourdu to anoint, pray or visit, please call the parish office at 715-339-2222 or Fr. Lourdu at 715-560-3452.

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:30 pm St. Therese
 Sunday 8:00 am St. Therese
 Sunday 9:30 am St. John
 Sunday 11:00 am St. Paul

Daily Mass Schedule

Tuesday 4 pm St. Therese
 Wednesday 8:30 am St. Paul
 Thursday 8:30 am St. John
 Friday 8:30 am St. Therese

Holy Day Mass Schedule

7:00 pm Anticipated Mass at St. John's;
 5:30 pm at St. Therese; 7:00 pm at St. Paul's

New Parishioners are welcome to register in our parish communities. Stop by or call the cluster office.

Office Hours:

St. Therese—Monday through Thursday 8:30 am to 3:30 pm
 St. Paul—Monday and Friday 9 am to noon

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**GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE—
 December 26, 2021—The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph**

Families can be very difficult things to negotiate. This is true not only of our families of origin, the current family of which we are a part, the family of our Church, our society, and our global family as well. Everything human can be found in family stories. Those stories speak of wonderful life-giving successes as well as painful spirit-robbing abuses. Our greatest joys and our greatest wounds are usually connected with the experience of family. Our needs, experiences, and unresolved baggage often color what we bring to our familiar relationships. They contribute to our level of defensiveness, how guarded and protected we become, and what prejudices we believe.

In order to break the cycle of dysfunction we have to remember that it is not only by human effort that we negotiate the difficult and challenging events of our lives. There is a Divine Effort at work as well. For sure, the human effort can create quite a mess and easily destroy lives. This is true of any family with which we are associated. Today's Feast of the Holy Family serves to help us understand that there is a Divine Story being told as well. It is a story of perseverance in the face of hardship, determination in the face of despair, healing when we see nothing but wounds, and light where there is darkness.

Do we believe that God is always working, guiding, restoring, and leading? Unless we do, we will never be free from the imperfections and wounds that bind us and never be able to understand what it really means to forgive. Pope Francis tells us that the "light which comes from the Holy Family encourages us to offer human warmth to other families." While this is most certainly true, we can only really begin to do this when we realize that we are still works in progress, not anchored to the wounds and sins of our past, and still a leading star in God's continually unfolding story of love. The Holy Family persevered and radiated warmth because they knew they were not alone. We can too.



December 26, 2021
 The Holy Family

Mass Intentions for the Week

December 25 through January 2, 2022

Sat 8:00 am St. Therese †Mike Matuszewski [Rosie Neeck]

Sat 9:30 am St. John †John Esterholm [Celine Lofland]

Sat 11:00 am St. Paul †Tony Groothusen [Roni & Trent Tobias & Family]

Sat 4:30 pm St. Therese †Stacy Foytik [Mom & Dad]

Sun 8:00 am St. Therese People of the Parishes

Sun 9:30 am St. John †Dorothy Burcaw [Jim & Kathy Nussberger]

Sun 11:00 am St. Paul †Virginia Kramer [Babara Strahler]

Tues 4:00 pm St. Therese †Marcella Rehak [VFW Auxillary Post 5778]

Wed 8:30 am St. Paul †Robert DuMonte [Therese Trojak]

Thurs 8:30 am St. John †Arlene DeBoth [Dick & Faye Enders]

Fri 8:30 am St. Therese †Ethel Johnson [Marianne Kerner]

Sat 8:30 am St. Therese †Eugene Kerner [Troy & Teri Henderson]

Sat 4:30 pm St. Therese People of the Parishes

Sun 8:00 am St. Therese †Agnes Pospisil [Therese & Maureen Trojak]

Sun 9:30 am St. John †Lance Lazar [Lester & Mary Jean Peterson]

Sun 11:00 am St. Paul †Virginia Kramer [Bob & Ann Timmers]

Pray for the Sick

Polly Anderson, Helen Bach, Joyce Bacholl, Pete Bartelt, Cindy Baumann, Dean Boris, Charlee Rose Guidry, James Bacher, Louie Bubenic, Theresa Collins, Dolly Curran, Michaela Eisner, Dorothy Eskola, Walter Felten, Nick Gillund, Charles Hardy, Katrina Haugsby, Mary Heinz, Kevin Holoubek, Stanley Holoubek, Madisen Johnson, Mildred Kempen, Connie Koci, Nancy Kokstis, Mike Kurth, Jr., Elaine Laatsch, Sue Leider, Lois Lemcke, Larry Makovsky, Gloria Marko, Nancy Marshall, Carol Moore, Jean Newbury, Karen Olson, Joe & Bernice Polacek, Jean Ravet, Chuck Regner, Don Ringersma, Tim Salisbury, Kristin (Wanish) Salisbury, Joseph Saunter, Olivia Schmidt, Kathy Smugala, Rosey Smugala, Clifton Surprenant, Diego Surman, Clifford Timmers, Kate Tollefson, Millie Trzecinski, Rita Warren, Miriam Weber, Steve Wirtas. *Please call the parish office at 715-339-2222 to add a name to this prayer list published in the bulletin.*

Pray for the Military Personnel

Cluster Calendar of Events

Saturday, December 25

8:00 am Mass at St. Therese

9:30 am Mass at St. John

11:00 am Mass at St. Paul

Christmas Dinner curbside pickup or delivery 11 am to 1 pm at St. Therese

4:30 pm Mass at St. Therese

Sunday, December 26

8:00 am Mass at St. Therese

9:30 am Mass at St. John

11:00 am Mass at St. Paul

Tuesday, December 28

4:00 pm Mass at St. Therese

Wednesday, December 29

8:30 am Mass at St. Paul

Thursday, December 30—Office Closed

8:30 am Mass at St. John

Friday, December 31—Office Closed

8:30 am Mass at St. Therese

Saturday, January 1, 2022

8:30 am Mass at St. Therese

4:30 pm Mass at St. Therese

Sunday, January 2

8:00 am Mass at St. Therese

9:30 am Mass at St. John

11:00 am Mass at St. Paul

St. Therese Christmas Flower Offering in Memory/Honor of...

All healthcare workers, William Baratka, Jean Bodenbug, Fumiko Bosser, Daniel Bosser, Rudy & Anna Choutka, Charles & Anna Cukla, John & Maryann Fojtik, Adam & Emily F. Foytik, Frank & Rosalie Foytik, Craig Gradinjan, Robert Gradinjan, Tina Griffeth, John & Marvel Harter, John & Fran Harter, Dennis & Ben Harter, Rick Harter, Leonard Heiting, John & Ann Heiting, Ron Herman, Julie Horne, John Hradnansky, James Janak, Mildred Kaiser, Albert & Irene Kalina, Alex James Kaliska, Paul & Donna Kaliska, Eugene Kerner, Ed & Edwin Klimowski, John & Alice Klimowski, Walter Klimowski, Danny Kolnik, Norma Kopplin, Mr. & Mrs. Kotlweski, Marty & Marie Kunsch, Edwin Laatsch, Bill Lapp, Carla Lenz, Gene Lenz, Sr., Helen Marinich, Jacob & Mary Marinich, Tom & Ann Matsick, Mary Matsick, Barbara Matsick-Gastineau, Mike Matsick, Anton & Helen Norek, Joseph & Agatha Plucinski, Charles & Emily Polacek, James Polacek, Peter & Helen Polacek, Sir Family, Dennis Stanke, Christine Swanson, Hilary Swiechowski, Vivian Taylor, Jennie & Charles Tingo, Chuck Tingo, Fred Sr. & Sylvia Tom, Victims of Violence, Albert & Ann Voda, Billy Watson

Our Weekly Giving

Amounts will be published next week

2021-22 Catholic Services Appeal
As of November 29, 2021

	St. Therese	St. John	St. Paul
Goal:	\$31,954	\$8,938	\$9,977
Paid:	\$17,715	\$3,410	\$4,317
To Raise:	\$14,239	\$5,528	\$3,480

Reflection on Sunday Scripture—Wednesday at 10:30 in a classroom at St. Therese.

No Adoration at St. Therese on December 28.

Early Bulletin Deadlines

December 27 for the weekend of 1/1 & 2

January 1, 2022

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God Mass at 8:30 am at St. Therese



Cluster News

Offering Envelopes are on the table in the gathering area at all the churches in the cluster. If you did not get envelopes, and would like to receive them, please call Sue at the parish office at 715-339-2222.

End of Year Parish Contributions Statements

If you would like a statement for tax purposes, please call (715-339-2222) or e-mail the parish office (oln@pctcnet.net) or put a note in the collection basket.

If you shop at Amazon.com you can use smile.amazon.com just like Amazon.com and St. Therese will benefit 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases.

St. Therese has been issued a donation of \$41.56 as a result of AmazonSmile activity between July 1 and September 30, 2021. Thank you for using AmazonSmile and listing St. Therese as your charity.

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Outreach help line remains active for telephone-only visits. Monetary donations to St. Vincent de Paul are gratefully accepted by mail to 134 S. Avon Ave. Phillips, WI 54555.

Food Pantry Hours:

Phillips: Tuesdays, 9am to 11am

Catawba: Third Saturday of the month, 9am to 11am. Food will be boxed and can be picked up outside the pantry. Forms will be proxy signed for visitors.

Thrift Store Holiday Schedule: The store will be closed Dec 23-27 and Jan 1-3

St. John's News

CCW Meeting— Sunday, January 9th.

Religious Education—Classes run from 3 pm—4:30 pm on Wednesday

January 5—Class

January 19—Class

January 23—Children's Mass/Doughnuts

St. Therese's News

Religious Education Classes

January 12—Class K-10

January 26—Class K-10

January 30—Youth Mass All Students

Faith Formation K-5 families 9 to 10 am

Confirmation Class for January

January 9—Confirmation Class at St. Therese 6:30 to 8:30 pm

In need of ice cream pails and cool whip containers. Please drop off in the kitchen.

Schedule for January

4:30 pm: Ushers: Tom & Carol Hoge; EM: Dan & Lynn Beck; Sacristan: Mary Lynn Abraham; Reader: David Deda

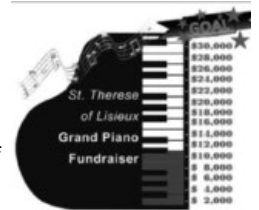
8:00 am: Ushers: Jim & Patti McCormick (Paul & Patty Melby 2/2); EM: Bill Polacek, Dave Foytik; Sacristan: Bill Polacek; Reader: Linnea Olson

CCW Meeting—There will be no CCW Meeting in January.

Finance Meeting

Tuesday, January 4 at 5 pm

Our current grand piano is unusable as it does not keep a tune and cannot be fixed. The Liturgy Committee received approval to begin a fund raiser to purchase a grand piano without asking the Parish for funds. Donations may be given in memory of a loved one, if desired. Donors may be kept anonymous or may choose to have name (s) added to a plaque. Please contact Sue Klimowski at the office for further information. Please note the existing electronic keyboard will remain at the church. We had hoped to consider a lower priced piano; however, for our sized sanctuary a larger piano is recommended. If we do not reach our \$30,000 goal, we will look at other options. Thank you. The Phillips Liturgy Committee.



St. Paul's News

Religious Education

January 9—Class

January 16—Class

January 23—Class

Confirmation Class for January

January 9—Confirmation Class at St. Therese 6:30 to 8:30 pm

Beginning November 8, we will begin praying the rosary at church every Monday morning at 10:00 am. Please join us.

Schedule for January

EM: Delores Fromolz; Reader/Sacristan: Gloria Lyons

Finance Meeting

Wednesday, January 5 at 4 pm

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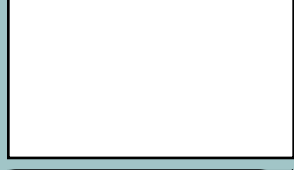
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