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To those who have been away, we welcome you home.
To those who attend regularly, we welcome you.

AUGUST 8, 2021 | 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEK-END SCHEDULE

5:00pm— Saturday Vigil
8am & 11am—Sunday Morning

WEEK-DAY SCHEDULE

8:30am—Church
(No morning Mass FRI OR SAT)

HOLY DAY SCHEDULE

8:30am & 7pm
Celebrated in Church

Confessions are heard Saturday afternoons from 3pm to 4pm

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19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died; this is the bread that comes down from heaven so that one may eat it and not die."
- Jn 6:48-50

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LITURGY OF THE WORD

August 8, 2021 | 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time | St. Therese Parish

A reading from the First Book of Kings **1 Kgs 19:4-8**

Elijah went a day's journey into the desert, until he came to a broom tree and sat beneath it. He prayed for death saying: "This is enough, O LORD! Take my life, for I am no better than my fathers." He lay down and fell asleep under the broom tree, but then an angel touched him and ordered him to get up and eat.
Elijah looked and there at his head was a hearth cake and a jug of water. After he ate and drank, he lay down again, but the angel of the LORD came back a second time, touched him, and ordered, "Get up and eat, else the journey will be too long for you!" He got up, ate, and drank; then strengthened by that food, he walked forty days and forty nights to the mountain of God, Horeb.

The Word of the Lord....Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9

R. (24b) The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians **Eph 4:30-5:2**

Brothers and sisters: Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were sealed for the day of redemption. All bitterness, fury, anger, shouting, and reviling must be removed from you, along with all malice. And be kind to one another, compassionate, forgiving one another as God has forgiven you in Christ. So be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and handed himself over for us as a sacrificial offering to God for a fragrant aroma.

The Word of the Lord....Thanks be to God

A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN **Jn 6:41-51**

The Jews murmured about Jesus because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven, " and they said, "Is this not Jesus, the son of Joseph? Do we not know his father and mother? Then how can he say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" Jesus answered and said to them, "Stop murmuring among yourselves. No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draw him, and I will raise him on the last day. It is written in the prophets: *They shall all be taught by God.* Everyone who listens to my Father and learns from him comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died; this is the bread that comes down from heaven so that one may eat it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world."

The Gospel of the Lord....Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

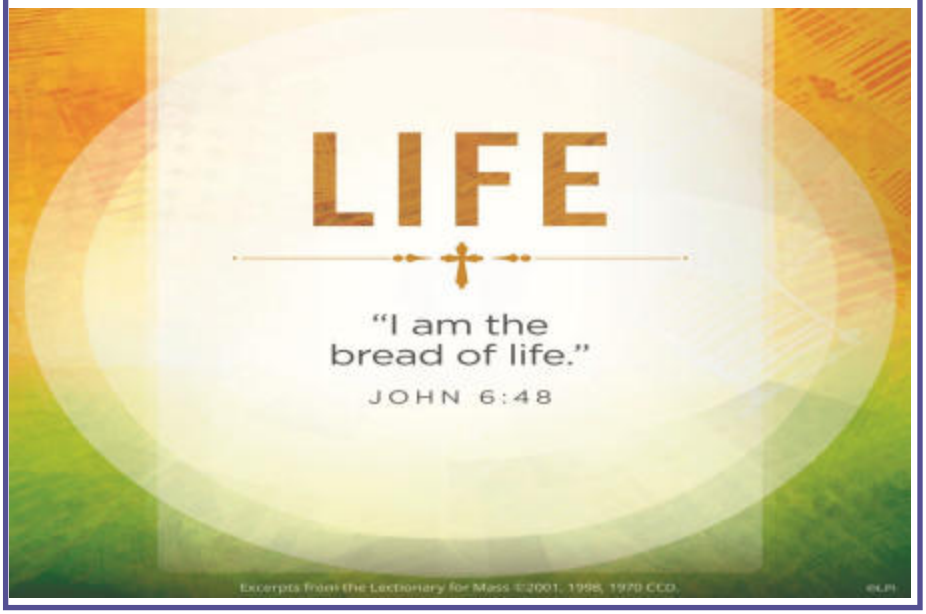
GOSPEL REFLECTION

Our goal must always be to get closer to our Lord Jesus Christ. In doing so, we obtain the opportunity to discover in Him the font of new life. Jesus *is* the bread that came down from Heaven. The bread that WILL bring us life—eternal life. The one who believes in Jesus Christ and can enter into a relationship with Him is the one who experiences and savors a different kind of life, a new quality of life, a life that is full of strength, faith, hope, and love. It is therefore of utmost importance that we foster and constantly invigorate our relationship with Christ. If we do not nourish our relationship with Christ, we will live a life where we continue to ignore the fundamental essence of our Christianity.

"I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died; this is the bread that comes down from Heaven, so that one may eat it and not die." This means that in the Holy Eucharist, Jesus gives us a share of eternal life while we are still on earth. If we do not nourish our bodies and our souls with the Heavenly Bread that God gives to us, we will continue to live in a state of impoverishment. Our spiritual life becomes malnourished and withers away to nothing. Jesus is *the* source of life, giving himself to us by his self-sacrificing love. Christ the Bread is the love and compassion of our God incarnate. Let us, therefore, accept Jesus as the Heavenly Bread, medicine for the sick soul, nourishment for the wounded spirit, light and strength for the weary mind, and
the source of new and eternal life.

In Christ,

Andres Galeano



Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

As your pastor, I'd like to announce to the parish, information regarding an archdiocesan-wide campaign entitled "Forward with Faith" that is being conducted by The Hartford Bishops' Foundation. The campaign focuses on strengthening parishes, as well as Archdiocesan, schools, and other Catholic ministries. All parishes benefit from the campaign, and all parishes participate.

Forward with Faith began two years ago, with 84 parishes already having conducted or are currently in the process of conducting their local parish campaign.

To date, over $30 million has been raised in pledges and gifts, with more than $7 million being released throughout our Archdiocese, primarily to parishes.

You will hear more about Forward with Faith over the coming months. We will post information in our bulletin and on the website, as well as announcements at Mass.

Future mailings will allow you to hear more about the campaign and how it will directly help Saint Therese Parish, as well as grow our Catholic community throughout the Archdiocese.

For more information, please visit www.hartfordbishopsfoundation.org. This link can also be found on the Saint Therese Parish website.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Carlos

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 8, 2021

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [9a]/Eph 4:30—5:2/Jn 6:41-51
Monday: Dt 10:12-22/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12a]/Mt 17:22-27
Tuesday: Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9 [5]/ Jn 12:24-26
Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12/Ps 66:1-3a, 5 and 8, 16-17 [cf. 20a and 10b]/Mt 18:15-20
Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Ps 114:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 18:21—19:1
Friday: Jos 24:1-13/Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22 and 24/Mt 19:3-12
Saturday: Jos 24:14-29/Ps 16:1-2a, and 5, 7-8, 11 [cf. 5a]/Mt 19:13-15
Next Sunday: *Vigil:* 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14 [8]/1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28 *Day:* Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/ Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16 [10bc]/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56 ©LPi

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday August 7
5pm Judith Monsell
By: Mara Family
Birthday Remembrance

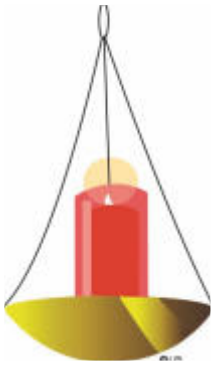
Sunday August 8
8am Paul & Eleanor Benyak
By: Richard, Heather, Lily & Kyla
11am Ann Risley
By: Bob, Brad & Ellen Booker

Saturday August 14
5pm Marion Stevenson
By: Karen Saunders

Sunday August 15
8am John A. Doyle and deceased members of the Doyle and Hebor Families
By: John & Christine Doyle
11am Jackie Wielgoszinski
By: Bob

There are no week day Mass Intentions while Fr. Carlos is away.

Becoming a Parishioner: If you would like to become a member of our Saint Therese Parish Family, simply fill out a census form found in the Church vestibule, the Parish Office, or online. Place the completed form in the collection basket, email it to DBPCHURCH@GMAIL.COM, or send it by post.



Sanctuary Candle Offering

Beginning on July 10th, parishioners can request to have the Church Sanctuary Candle lit for a special intention such as in memory of a loved one, for thanksgiving, or a special need. The candle will burn for two weeks for the requested intention. Donations received will be used for our Youth Ministry.

From August 8th through August 21st, the Sanctuary Candle is burning for blessings for the Lefebvre and Tardif families requested by Ann Tardif.

If you would like to request the Sanctuary Candle be lit for a special intention or in memorial of a loved one or if you would like to offer a Mass please email Diane at DBPCHURCH@GMAIL.COM or call the Parish Office at 860-653-3371.

Prayer to Saint Michael the Archangel

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

Fr. Carlos will be away from August 9th until August 20th. If you are in need of a priest during this time, please call Diane in the Parish Office at 860-653-3371.

There will be no confessions on Saturday, August 14th.

Correction: Due to the fact that two payrolls were not entered prior to obtaining the June Profit/Loss statement, the information in the July 18th bulletin regarding the June offertory was incorrect.
Instead of a June collection surplus of $8437.16, there was actually a deficit of $-5740.61

Faith Formation: The registration packets for 2021-2022 Faith Formation have been mailed. If you have not received yours, please call the Parish Office. All completed packets should be returned by **August 31st**.

Food Bank Donations: The Granby Food Bank has given the Parish Office a list of their critical needs for the month of August as follows: Saltine/Ritz Crackers, Keebler's peanut butter cracker packs, breakfast bars, salsa, apple juice, paper towels, tissues, shampoo/conditioner. All donations are gratefully accepted. *Donations should be delivered directly to the Food Bank. Please do not leave food in the Church!* Thank you.

Thank You

Reverend Monsignor Shanley, Archdiocesan Director—Mission Office sent a thank you to the Saint Therese Parish Family for the donation of $459 which was collected during the Catholic Mission Aid Society Collection, July 17th & 18th. This money will help the Claretian Fathers of Central America in their mission to educate the Maya children in their faith and general subjects.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Blood Drive: Saint Therese Parish blood drive is **Monday, August 9th** from 1-6pm in the Parish Center Great Hall.

Save the date!
On **September 12th, from 12-3 pm**, please plan to join Saint Therese Parish for a Parish picnic. We will have fellowship, food, fun, and door prizes. All are welcome! Further information to follow.

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Shrek the Musical is the premiere production of Opera House Player's new Summer Theater program for young performers. Performances will be on **August 20-22**. Our very own Music Director Michael Zappala has been leading the musical charge of this production and would like to cordially invite you to attend with your friends and family! Tickets can be purchased at https://www.operahouseplayers.org/tickets

The Assumption of Mary is celebrated next Sunday, **August 15th**.

The month of August is dedicated to The Immaculate Heart of Mary. The entire month falls within the liturgical season of Ordinary Time, which is represented by the liturgical color green. This symbol of hope is the color of the sprouting seed and arouses in the faithful the hope of reaping the eternal harvest of heaven, especially the hope of a glorious resurrection. It is used in the offices and Masses of Ordinary Time.

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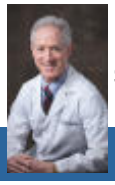

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