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MASS SCHEDULE—Saturday, 5PM (English), 7PM (Spanish); Sunday, 8:30 AM (English) (Livestreamed), 11AM (English); 7PM (Spanish) (Livestreamed)
Weekdays: Tuesday, 7PM (Spanish), Wednesday, (English) 6PM, Thursday 9AM (English), 7PM (Spanish), Friday 9AM (English)
CHURCH IS OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER:
Wednesday 10AM-12 Noon (only)
Sacrament of Reconciliation—English: 5:30PM Wednesday, 8:30AM, Thursday & Friday, 4PM Saturday. Spanish: 6:15 Thursday, Saturday

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Sacrament of Baptism

If you are expecting a baby or have an infant to be baptized, contact Holli Neigel at (253) 838-5924 to make an appointment at least three months prior to the next scheduled session. Infant Baptism classes are held six times a year.

Marriage Preparation

For those who have not been married before, at least 6 months notice is required. For those who have been married, a longer period is required for annulment purposes.

Call Linda DeMarce, (253)838-5924, ext#307.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday, January 16th

- Masses—8:30AM (Livestreamed); 11AM (Both English); 7PM Spanish
- NO Faith Formation (English) 9:45 (Church)
- NO Lifeteen 5PM (Parish Hall)

Monday, January 17th

- Parish Office Closed for the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday
- No Parish Activities

Tuesday, January 18th

- Parish Office open 9AM-3PM
- Middle School Confirmation 6PM ; Teen Sacramental Prep 7PM;
- Spanish RCIA 7PM (Parish Office)
- NO 6PM-6:45PM Sacrament of Reconciliation (Spanish); NO 7PM Mass (Spanish)

Wednesday, January 19th

- Parish Office open 9AM-3PM
- Church open for Private Prayer this week 10AM– 12 Noon
- Sacrament of Reconciliation 5:30PM; 6PM Mass (English)
- RCIA (English) 7PM (Parish Office)

Thursday, January 20th

- Parish Office open 9AM-3PM
- Sacrament of Reconciliation 8:30AM; 9AM Mass (English); NO Sacrament of Reconciliation 6PM-6:45PM (Spanish); NO 7PM Mass (Spanish)
- Hispanic Prayer Group 8PM (Main Church)

Friday, January 21st

- Parish Office: Closed on Fridays
- Sacrament of Reconciliation 8:30AM; 9AM Mass (English)
- Edge 6PM (Parish Hall)

Saturday, January 22nd

- Parish Office Closed
- Sacrament of Reconciliation (English) 4-4:30PM; 5PM Mass (English);
- Baptism at 5pm Mass (English)
- Sacrament of Reconciliation 6:15 (Spanish); 7PM Mass (Spanish)
- Faith Formation (Spanish) 5:30PM (Church)

Sunday, January 23rd

- Masses—8:30AM (Livestreamed); 11AM (Both English); 7PM Spanish
- Faith Formation (English) 9:45 (Church)
- Lifeteen 5PM (Parish Hall)



FAITH FORMATION
Children * Adults** and Family ****

Religious Education

No class this week due to the Martin Luther King Holiday. We will resume next week (January 23) with lessons on the leadership of the Church, Jesus, Our Redeemer, and Joseph Says Yes to God. The students are very bright and eager to learn. The General Directory for Catechesis tells us that parents and family members are the primary educators of your children. Did you know that your child's first introduction to the Catholic faith is in your home, it is called the **Domestic Church**. How you choose to bring Christ into your home is your choice, but remember little learners will see what you do and mimic your actions, language and behavior. If we do what Christ asks us to do, to draw near to and rely on God, you will be modeling a Christ like behavior.

Remember we only have an hour a week, YOU have a lifetime.

RCIA

Our topics are focusing on the 3 types of graces, actual, sacramental, and sanctifying. Can you remember what each of these graces are and how we are gifted with them? If not, maybe you would like to drop in sometime. We meet every Wednesday evening from 7-8 pm in the parish office. Come and see and listen and learn.

Baptism

We will be baptizing some little ones next week at the 5:00 pm Mass. How exciting it is to welcome our newest members of St. Theresa Parish. Our next Baptism class is on February 13th with Baptism on February 27th at the 8:30 am Mass. You must be a registered, active, and participating member of St. Theresa's for at least 3 months. Your godparents must be registered at a parish and have received their Baptism, First Eucharist, and Confirmation. Both parents and godparents must attend the class to have the child baptized.

Questions, contact Holli at the parish office
 holli.niegel@sttheresafw.org, or 253-838-5924, ext #304

Readings for the week of January 16, 2022

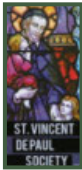
Sunday:	Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11
Monday:	1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday:	1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday:	1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9- 10/Mk 3:1-6
Thursday:	1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b- 11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12
Friday:	1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19
Saturday:	2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5- 7/Mk 3:20-21
Next Sunday:	Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/ Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Edge Youth Group will resume on Friday, January 21st beginning at 6PM-7:30PM in the parish hall.

Life Teen Youth Group will resume on Sunday, January 23rd beginning at 5PM-6:30PM.

Sacramental Preparation for High School will be on Tuesday, January 18th beginning at 7PM, parish hall. Middle School will be on Tuesday, January 25th at 7PM, parish hall.

If you have any questions, please let Foa know.
 You may contact him at foa.paopao@sttheresafw.org



Your SVDP Food Bank is in need of paper towels.

Your St. Vincent de Paul Society in Action

Helping families recover through agencies working together. This family of a mom and her three children were evicted when the eviction moratorium ended.

They had been homeless for ten days when she called the SVDP Call Center. The mom has a Section 8 voucher pending in Snohomish County. She used her monthly disability income to stay in a motel while they were waiting for the new apartment to come through. The motel stay was ending the next day. The school counselor referred them to the Fusion Family Shelter, but the mom was reluctant to stay there because her daughter has an autoimmune disease and she didn't know how the shelter worked. Our SVDP volunteers called her to give her the motel assistance, but also talked to her about exactly what it would be like to stay at Fusion. Our members told her how Fusion works with the FW School District to provide meals and to make sure her children would be transported to school. They also let her know that she can stay there for up to 90 days and not have to worry about where they would be sleeping each night. After this discussion, she gave her consent for our team to contact Fusion for a referral. The next day, she learned that there was, indeed, a room for her family. Our SVDP volunteers did not end up providing much financial help, but they were glad to be there to listen, provide spiritual support and make the connection to community resources that will help her in the long term.

We are all working together to support the lives of our neighbors in the Federal Way community. We appreciate your praying for our members and those families that we help.

DESIGNS FOR LIFE

Designs for Life is back. Watch future bulletins for updates on the next meeting. We will review activity for 2021 and plan activity for 2022. We now accept new & clean used donations for infant clothing up to size 2 in the marked bin in the church narthex. Care Net always needs disposable diapers and unscented diaper wipes.

Call Marsha Doviak at 253-838-8753, leave a voice message or text.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Next meeting: January 26th
Narthex Room from 10 am – 11:30 am

All women are welcome to join us as we start our study: "Mary: Jesus' Mother--And Ours" by Loyola Press. We meet twice a month, on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month. We keep extra books, so drop in any time and join us for fellowship, scripture reflection & prayer. For any questions, call Stacy Sherburne at 206-304-9617.



KNIGHTS KNOTES

The Knight of Columbus will be holding a Membership Rally after mass this weekend. If you feel the call to become a member or our local Council, please talk to one of our current members who will be available on the hall by the main entrance after each Mass.

We'll love to add new members to live our main values of Charity, Unity and Fraternity.



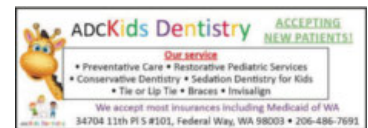
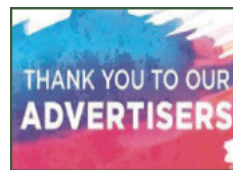
WEEKLY COLLECTION REPORT

Thank you to our Parish. A weekly goal of \$10,577 is needed to keep us on budget for the year

Sunday Collection

Collection 11/21/21	\$ 8,456
Collection 11/28/21	\$ 5,173
Collection 12/05/21	\$ 18,378
Year to Date Actual	\$ 231,375
Year to Date Budget	\$ 243,271
Deficit	\$ 11,896

Collections continue to be down due to restricted Mass capacity, and all of the implications of COVID-19. If you are not already using EFT (Electronic Funds Transfer), please call the parish office and sign up today. It is fast, easy, and very safe and reliable.



We are excited to be back!!!!



First Friday February 4, 2022 @9:00AM Mass
Followed by breakfast at the Browns Point Diner.

SANDWICH PROGRAM UPDATE

The restrictions and cautions created by the coronavirus pandemic continue to impact the ability to resume the sandwich program as we know it. For now, our program manager, Michael Sterbick, is asking us to donate tents, tarps, sleeping bags, blankets and socks. All of these are life supporting ESSENTIALS that he and his crew will deliver to those living on the streets of Tacoma. There are totes in the church Narthex labeled, "Sandwich Program/Essentials" for you to drop off your donations. Thank you for your continued support of this important ministry. For more information please call Laurie Fiorito at 206-817-6327 or send an email to Ljfiorito@comcast.net

PASTORAL COUNCIL CORNER

The Call to Journey Together! From Pope Francis to Archbishop Etienne to St. Theresa's Parish, we hear the call to journey together in a Synodal Process. What does that mean? In the words of one of our Pastoral Council members: it's a journey of listening together, which is a form of healing. What do we need for this journey? We need you to be prepared!

Prepare By:

- Take food for the journey: the Eucharist! Our source of life and unity
- Walk with Jesus: Our companion walks with us, from the beginning, every step. Make room for Jesus on your journey
- Take time: time to look others in the eye and listen to what they have to say. Be open that they're experiences through life are different than yours
- Get better at listening: reflect back to others what you hear
- Every day, prayerfully consider these two questions:
 1. **How is journeying together happening today at St. Theresa's?**
 2. **What steps does the Holy Spirit invite us to take in journeying together?**

What is a synodal process? It means we journey together, answering the call of the Holy Spirit as we build a future together as a Church. And since this journey is new to us, we're not sure where it may take us. And so...we ask for grace to be together.

Interested in learning more? Contact Mary Morrison at mkmorrns@gmail.com or call Mary at 253-318-0852.

FROM THE DESK OF LINDA DEMARCE
WELCOME BACK TO MASS

We wish to invite all of you back to church and most importantly sharing of the Eucharist. It is time for all of us to be back, renewing our faith through the Eucharist and to be in community with all at our parish. We encourage you to visit our website at www.sttheresafw.org, or on Flocknote for an invitation back to Mass from AB Etienne.

Some of the things that have been reintroduced to Mass:

Sign of Peace— please be mindful of the highly contagious Omicron variant at this time. A “sensible” sign of peace is encouraged.

Parishioners bringing up the gifts— all that bring up gifts must wear masks

More than one cantor as long as 9-12 feet are spacing our cantors in the choir area

Still maintaining a section for those that wish to be socially distanced

WE ASK THAT YOU CONTINUE TO WEAR YOUR MASKS. THIS IS MANDATED BY THE STATE OF WASHINGTON FOR ALL INDOOR GATHERINGS.

With the highly contagious Omicron variant and the high amount of cases, masks must be worn for all Masses, and indoor gatherings.

MASSES THIS WEEK

Fr. Jay will be returning, our daily Masses will resume with normal schedule of Wednesday at 6PM, Thursday and Friday at 9M.

MASSES IN FR. GILBERTO'S ABSENCE

Fr. Gilberto is away and will not be returning until February 5th. During January there will be no Tuesday, 7PM Masses or Reconciliation. Thursdays, Fr. Steve from St. Philomena will be doing the 7PM Mass, but there will be no Reconciliation. Thursday, January 20th there will be no Thursday 7PM Mass. Saturday there will be 6PM Confessions, and 7PM Mass. Sunday, 7PM Mass. There will be different priests coming and celebrating the Spanish Masses in Fr. Gilberto's absence.

ANNUAL CAMPAIGN FOR STEWARDSHIP
RENEWAL

Our Stewardship of Treasure campaign has concluded. However, if you have not made your financial commitment for 2022, there is still time. Please visit our website, or call me at the parish office, and we can get you set up. EFT is the most convenient, and easiest way to set up your Stewardship donations. We thank all of you that have participated this year. We will be sending out quarterly statements for the Stewardship in March.

END OF YEAR DONATION STATEMENTS

We will be sending out the tax donation statements by the required due date of January 31, 2022. They are hopefully going out by the week of January 24, 2022. When you receive your statement if you notice anything that is not correct, please contact either me at the parish office or Chelsea. We will check things out and get back to you.

SYNODAL

Let's Journey Together

The word “synod” means to journey together. In this synodal process, everyone around the world is invited to listen to God's word, celebrate the Eucharist, and reflect upon our experience as Church. For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission is Pope Francis' call for the largest consultation of the human family in history, and it includes all of us in Western Washington! Local parishes, ministries and laypeople will host listening sessions to prayerfully read the signs of the times together and discern how the Holy Spirit is calling all of us, as the Body of Christ, to accomplish our mission here and now. You are invited to journey together. We want to hear from everyone — especially people who have been marginalized or are often unheard.

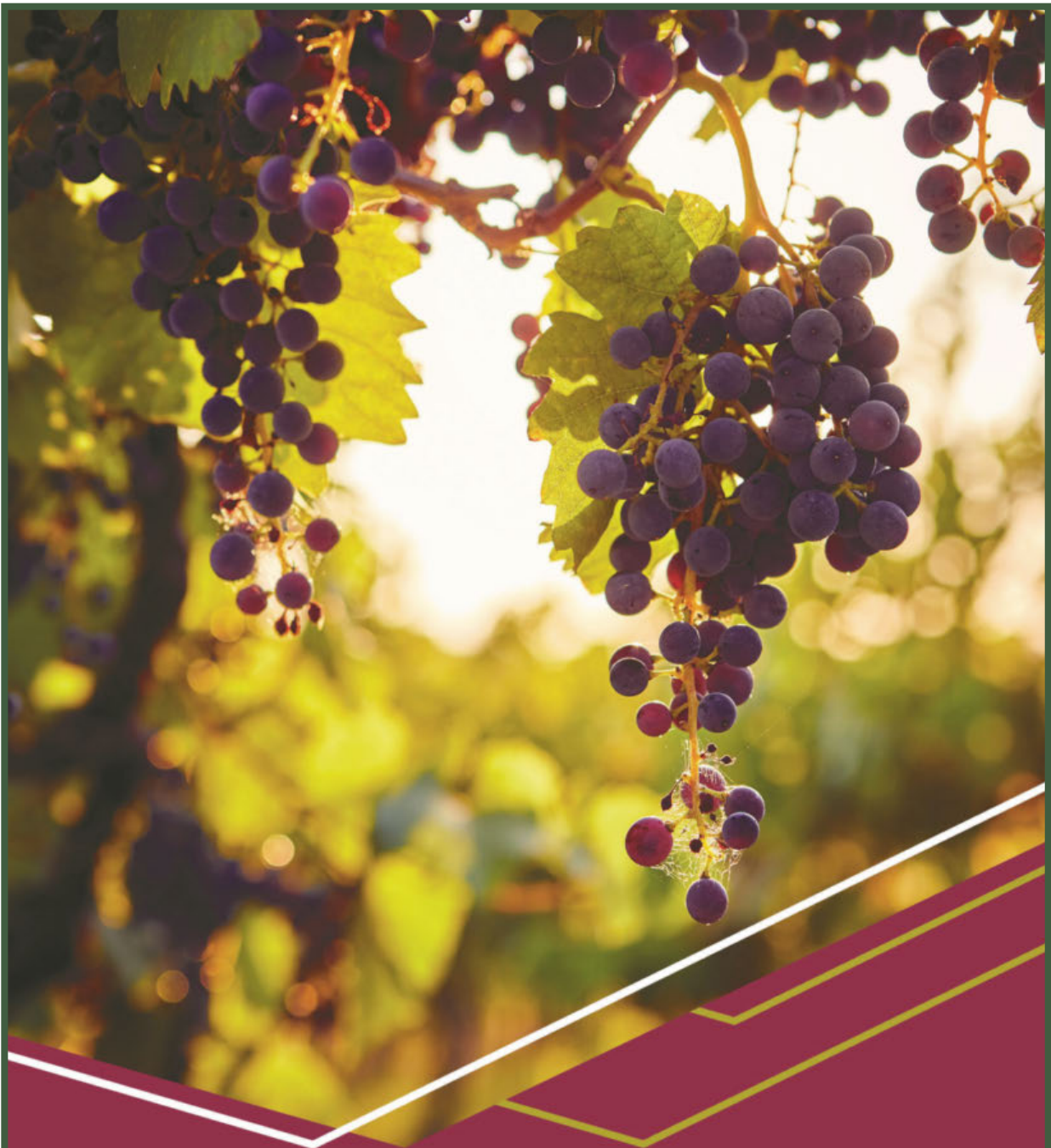
Our St. Theresa Pastoral Council is hard at work and we at our parish are somewhat ahead of the game with our listening sessions. Please listen to upcoming announcements about listening sessions that will be happening in our own parish soon! Again, we are all invited and encouraged to journey together!

“Together, we move in one direction — the way of Jesus, the way of faith and salvation.” – Archbishop Paul D. Etienne

RETURNED TO PARISH

I have returned to the parish after a longer time away than I had expected. Steve and I both were sick prior to New Year's, tested twice for Covid, both times negative, but none the less quite sick, and home and not able to be around anyone. Antibiotics seem to be working, and I this week have returned to the office. It was quite difficult to maneuver the snow issues, canceling our trip to Oregon, trying to keep things going from home at the parish, but through the grace of God, all worked out, and we are feeling somewhat back to ourselves. Thank you to the parish staff, and all the ministers that so graciously stepped in to help out during all the chaos of weather, holidays, and whatever else came our way!!!!!!

Happy New Year to all! May 2022 bring peace, love, joy, and healthiness!



2nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine."

- Jn 2:1-3



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