ST. THERESE PARISH

MISSION STATEMENT

"We the people of St. Therese Parish, are disciples of Jesus, led by the Holy Spirit and made one in our celebration of the Eucharist. Nourished by our faith and with a desire to serve others, we are to hear the word of God, keep it, and share the Good News."

September 12, 2021 • Twenty-Fourth Sunday of Ordinary

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9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday: Recitation of the Holy Rosary at 6:10 p.m. followed by Miraculous Medal Novena & Mass at 6:30 p.m.
Thursday: 8:30 a.m.
Vigil Saturday: 5:30 p.m.
Sunday: 10:30 a.m.
Holy Days: Check bulletin prior to Holy Day
Holidays: Check bulletin
Confessions: Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

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Rev. John J. Schneider, Pastor
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Mrs. Tracy Johnson, Youth Minister
Mrs. Joanna Parsons, Secretary & PSR Coordinator

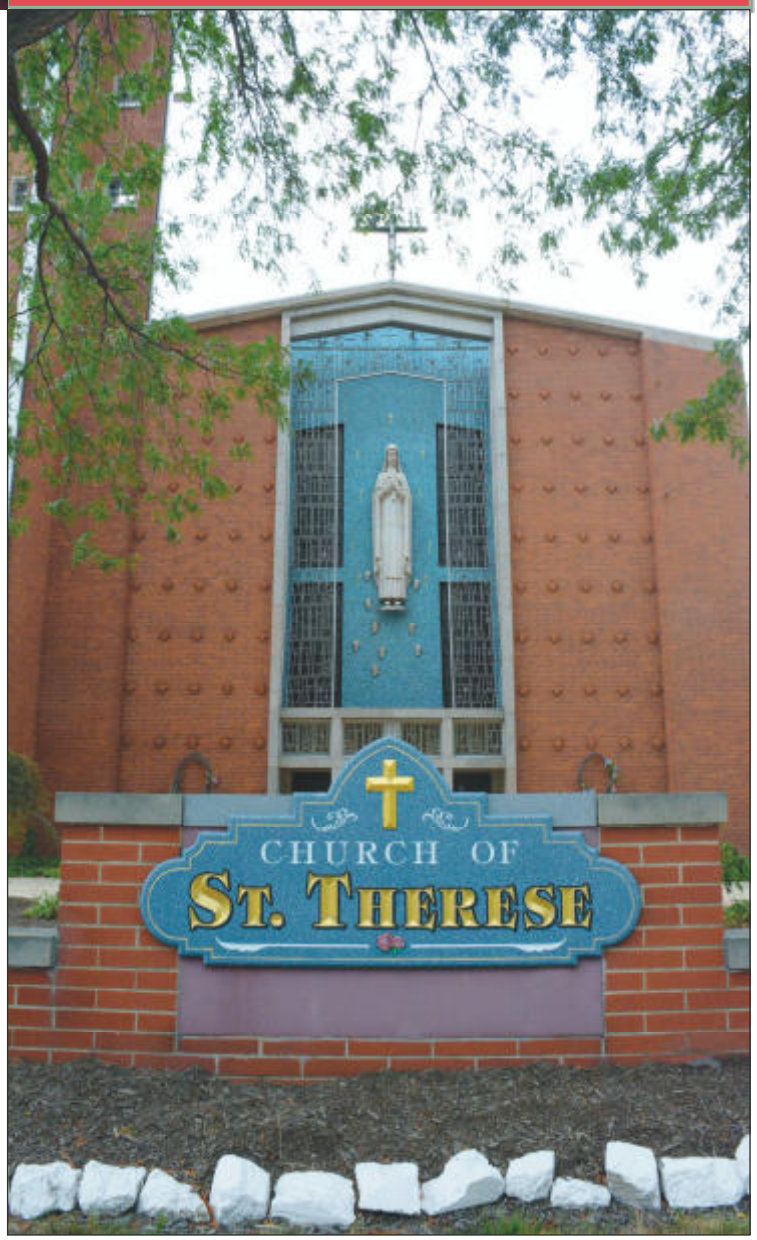
SICK CALLS: Please call the Parish Office.

WEDDINGS: Please contact the Parish Office 6 months prior to the date of the wedding. Time is necessary for instructions, paperwork and sacramental preparation.

BAPTISMS: Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements in advance. Pre-Baptismal instructions are required for parents.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Please call or stop in the Parish Office.

BULLETIN DEADLINE...MONDAY AT NOON



SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 11

Ss. P&P	3:00 PM	Confessions
Ss. P&P	4:00 PM	Richard Zuchowski
St. T	5:30 PM	Gagliardi Family

Sunday, September 12– Twenty-Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Ss. P&P	8:30 AM	Julian & Eva Grochowski
St. T	10:30 AM	The People of the Parishes
St. T	12:00 PM	Intention of the Celebrant

Parish Picnic at Klima Gardens

Monday, September 13– St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

St. T	6:30 PM	John Kipfstuhl
St. T	7:00 PM	Confessions

Tuesday, September 14– The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

No Mass

Wednesday, September 15– Our Lady of Sorrows

Ss. P&P	8:30 AM	Angie Quealy

Thursday, September 16– Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

St. T	8:30 AM	Rudy N. Guzman

Friday, September 17– St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Ss. P&P	8:30 AM	Anna Pawlicki

Saturday, September 18

Ss. P&P	3:00 PM	Confessions
Ss. P&P	4:00 PM	Florence A. Dobies
St. T	5:30 PM	Mildred & Sam Salupo

Sunday, September 19– Twenty-Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time *Catechetical Sunday*

Ss. P&P	8:30 AM	The People of the Parishes
St. T	10:30 AM	Christina Lackney

Readings for the Week

Sunday:	Isaiah 50:4c-9a; James 2:14-18; Mark 8:27-35
Monday:	1 Timothy 2:1-8; Luke 7:1-10
Tuesday:	Numbers 21:4b-9; Philippians 2:6-11; John 3:13-17
Wednesday:	1 Timothy 3:14-16; John 19:25-27
Thursday:	1 Timothy 4:12-16; Luke 7:36-50
Friday:	1 Timothy 6:2c-12 Luke 8:1-3
Saturday:	1 Timothy 6:13-16; Luke 8:4-15

September 5

Collection: $6,187.00* Envelopes Used: 231
Holy Name Dues: $15.00 Senior Club: $7.00
Catholic Education: $12.00
Collection for Haiti: $378.00
Catholic Communion Campaign: $20.00
Restoration Fund: $113.00

*Figure includes the following:
Parish Only: $1,009.00 Assumption: $35.00
Fuel & Utilities: $191.00

Thank you for your continued generosity! If you would like information about automatic giving through We Share, please contact the rectory.

Pray for the Sick :

Derek Arnold, David Bob, Beverly Briggs, Kara Brucksotter, David Burchfield, Robin Buckley, Janet Carrol, Leon David, Mary Decker, Al Deuche, Dolores DiBaggio, Paula Dragunas, Ann Duhanich, Charlie Dunlap, Dick Fabian, Edward Figler, Dick Fisher, Marian Golembiewski, Lisa Hall, Ray Haske, Dori Herout, Mary Ann Ineman, Joseph Juby, Joyce Kedzierski, Jim Khol, Pat Kipfstuhl, Nancy Kolecki, Kenny Krawczyk, Josephine Mathews, Daria Melnyc, Robert Novak, Rick Price, Joan Ratchko, Gary Skelley, Sandy Skul, Greg Skuta, John Sorma, Joe Suster, Shirley Zwilling.

If you know of any names that should be removed or added, please contact the rectory at 216-581-2852.

Please pray for all our deceased,
Especially the repose souls of

Paula Straka

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen

Divine Mercy Holy Hour

There will be a Divine Mercy Holy Hour at St. Monica Church, **Sunday, September 12, 2021** at 2:30 pm..

All are welcome!

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Our Young Church

PSR classes have begun for students in **Preschool** to **8th Grade**! We have classes for each grade along with classes to prepare your children for Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation. If your child needs of sacramental preparation or faith formation, please call the rectory at 216-581-2852 to speak with the PSR Coordinator. It's not too late to register!

YOUTH412 Youth Group will have their first meeting **Thursday, September 30th** from **5:30 to 7:00 pm** in the **St. Therese Church Hall**. This group is open for students in 6th to 12th grade. Contact Tracy Johnson, our Youth Ministry Coordinator, at Youth_Ministry@sttheresegarfield.org with any questions.

PSR Catechists are Needed!

The PSR Program needs of a 4th grade catechist to help teach our young parishioners more about the Catholic Faith, God and our Blessed Mother, along with a classroom aide. If you are a fully initiated Catholic and is interested or know someone who is, please call Joanna Parsons at 216-581-2852.

Senior's Meeting

The seniors will only meet once in September. Join them at their next Senior's Meetings on **Monday, September 20th** at 1:00 pm in the St. Therese Church Hall.

Holy Name Donuts

Due to the Parish Picnic, there will be **no donuts after Mass** on **Sunday, September 12, 2021.** We hope to see everyone at the Parish Picnic.

Call for Volunteers!

The annual **Saints Peter & Paul Spaghetti Dinner** will be returning this year and we are **looking for volunteers** to help with the preparations and service for this special event. The Spaghetti Dinner will be held after the Saints Peter & Paul 4 p.m. Mass on Saturday, November 13. We are planning to hold an initial planning meeting for volunteers in late-September. If you would like to help as a volunteer, **please contact the parish office manager Chris Hoag at (216) 429-1515 or wchoag@sttheresegarfield.org** by Monday, September 13.

Ask Father

Due to Fr. John's vacation, there is no Ask Father this week. Questions are still welcome to be submitted via email or Ask Father Jar.

Prayer, Eucharistic Procession and Mass for the Unborn September 18, 2021

You are invited to join members of every parish in the diocese on Saturday, September 18 to help stop the scourge of abortion in our neighborhoods. This event, DAY LIFE SAVINGS TIME, will be held from 9 to 11:30 am. Beginning at 9 am we will march and pray peacefully with fellow Catholics from the diocese around the Preterm abortion clinic in Shaker Heights, the largest abortion facility in Ohio, in terms of unborn lives terminated by abortion. We will be led in a Eucharistic Procession by Fr. Max Cole, and will process 7 times around the abortion clinic, as we pray and sing, witnessing to the sanctity of life. This will be reminiscent of Joshua marching around the walls of Jericho seven times. Following the procession, Fr. Max will celebrate Mass at Our Lady of Peace Church across the street from Preterm.

September Morning Prayer for Women Monday, September 20, 9:30-11:00 am

Women from all walks of life are invited to pray together and learn more about the beauty of prayer. Led by Sr. Mary Ann Flanney, S.C., this prayer group will refresh your spirit and help you find strength in regular prayer habits. Just bring your Bible and come as you are! The $10 price includes coffee and pastry. Registrations are encouraged, but walk-ins welcome!

We Remember—We Pray

For years the numbers **911** simply meant a call for some type of emergency help. Now it reminds all of us, young and old, of September 11, 2001, a date of the worst terrorist attack on the United States and one of the deadliest days on American soil. On this 20th Anniversary of this day that changed history forever may we continue to reflect, remember and pray for all the first responders, and for those whose lost their lives for us.

Bible Study is Returning!

Bible Study with Deacon Bob is back on **Tuesday evenings at 6:30 pm.** Bible Study meet in the rectory. We will use the hymnal "Breaking Bread" to reflect on and discuss the Sunday scripture readings. Come join us as we discover and learn more about the Word of God!

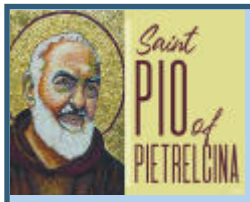
SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children

On Saturday, September 18, pro-life Americans will honor the memory of the more than 60 million unborn victims of abortion during the National Day or remembrance for aborted Children. Solemn prayer services will be held simultaneously at gravesites around the country where abortion victims have been buried, as well as at many other memorial sites dedicated in their honor. Join us at Resurrection Cemetery, Memorial to the Unborn (6303 Center Road, Valley City, Ohio 44280) at 1:00 pm for the recitation of the Rosary, a speaker and procession to the Memorial to the Unborn.

Newsletter Note

This year we will again have a combined September-December issue of the "Have You Heard" parish newsletter. Our plan is for in-home delivery in early November. If you have any stories (vacation fun, special anniversaries or birthdays, interesting facts or events) you would like to share with fellow parishioners through the newsletter, please let a staff member know or call the parish. It is through participation in our many parish activities that we are able to bring life to our stories and share them with each of you through our newsletter.



Feast of St. Pio of Pietrelcina

The Padre Pio Prayer Group of Cleveland will have a Festival celebrating the Feast Day of St. Pio Pietrelcina on September 23, 2021 at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, 9080 Shephard Rd, Macedonia. There will also be a dedication of our new statue of St. Pio. The festival will begin at 6 pm with the Rosary, the Mass at 6:30 pm, the dedication of the new St. Pio statue, and then food, fun and festival! All are invited and welcome to attend this special event! Call Mary at 330-604-8210 for more information.

Catholic Cemeteries Association Annual

WALK TO REMEMBER

October 3, 2021

CCA invites families to participate in a **half-mile walking Rosary** in honor of departed loved ones. We walk, we pray, we sing and we remember. For those who cannot walk, or in case of rain, the Rosary will be prayed in the mausoleum or in the cemetery office. At the end of the Rosary, there is a brief candle lighting ceremony in remembrance of our dearly departed. **Registration starts August 1st and runs through October 3rd.** Whether walking or not, you can also honor your departed loved ones on our **online "In Remembrance" Wall. Submit names by September 30th** to be included for the month of October. To register call Ronda at 216-930-4866 or online at http://www.clecem.org/Events/WalkToRemember.aspx

Knights of Columbus 4130 Dinner

Wednesday, September 29th: Lasagna

Reservations by **Sunday, September 26th** at 8 pm $10 per meal

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PICK-UP at 10806 Granger Road - Club 4130

Please leave your complete name, phone number and number of dinners you will be picking up. Please no changes day of. Thank you for your continued patronage.

If someone else is picking up leave their name also.

The **2022 Mass Book** is open and has limited, but available weekend and weekday masses for Mass Intentions. The stipend is **$10.00 a Mass**. Please call or visit the Parish Office to schedule a Mass.

Marymount Child Care Center is looking for responsible adults to work who are 18 years and older with a high school diploma for the following positions:

*Part time afternoons Mond-Fri from 1:30-6:00 pm.

*Bus driver for morning and afternoons. Hours would be 7:15-8:15 am and then 2:15-3:15 with the flexibility of working afternoons until 6:00 pm is needed. This position applicants need to be 25 yrs. or older with a valid driver's license.

*Full time position Mon-Fri 9:00-5:30 or 9:30-6:00.

Please contact Michelle Kreiger at 216-518-2120 if interested.

The Week Ahead

Monday, September 13
Boy Scouts 7:00 pm, H

Tuesday, September 14
St. Vincent de Paul Meeting 1:00 pm, R
Bible Study 6:30 pm, R
AA Meeting 7:30 pm, H

Wednesday, September 15
PSR Class 6:00, H

Thursday, September 16
YOUTH412 Adult Team Meeting 5:30 pm, H
Liturgy Commission Meeting 6:00 pm, R
Parish Pastoral Council Meeting 7:00 pm, R

Friday. September 17
AA Meeting 7:30 pm, H

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

The Lord be with you. Before I say anything else, I want to urge everyone to pray for our country this Sunday. On this twentieth anniversary of 9/11, it is fitting for us to pray for those who still mourn those lost so tragically as well as for peace upon our nation.

Every year it is my obligation to present to the parish a report about our finances. Included in this bulletin as an insert, this statement goes over both our balances and actual activity. Unlike previous years, I am going to discuss both parishes below. Despite Covid 19 both of our parishes had a good fiscal year for July 2020-June 2021.

St. Therese
St. Therese had an excellent fiscal year from July 2020-June 2021. We generated a net income of $125,289 thanks largely to our investment income of $125,000. Moreover, our offertory collections went up! It might have only been an increase of $1040, but I am very grateful for all of that support and the sacrifices that went with it. Thank you.

The biggest change for our parish last fiscal year was the lease of our school building to Brilliant Academy. We have entered into a two triple-net lease of this property with an option to purchase it at any time. "Triple-net" means that the lessee is responsible for utilities, property taxes, insurance, and the normal maintenance of the property. Even without us receiving rent, having those expenses removed from us will save us about $40,000 a year. Although I do expect the building to be purchased at the end of the lease in June 2023, we will not know that for certain until that time comes.

Ss. Peter and Paul
In summary, Ss. Peter and Paul had a net profit of $146,068. With a little bit over $1.5 million in savings and investments, our parish is now in very good financial shape. I do expect our expenses to be higher this year since we have a number of mundane but necessary maintenance projects.

Perhaps the most surprising thing about this report is that our collection barely changed: from $215,726 to $215,035. Thank you! Your generous support has helped us get through a difficult year without incurring debt or going into savings. I also did not expect our investments to do as well as they did, earning us $174,565!

Heart of a Shepherd Campaign
As some of you already know, the Diocese of Cleveland has been conducting a capital campaign to raise monies for our seminary. Both of our parishes will be called to participate in this campaign in the coming months. This campaign will have a different approach from Rooted in Faith, and I am confident that we will be able to reach our goals. We have some wonderful projects planned for both parishes, but I do not have the space to detail those here. More information will be revealed next month, so stay tuned for those important updates.

Final Thoughts
I know that things have not entirely returned to normal, but I am very grateful that we have been able to worship again as a community of faith. Your material support of both our parishes has been commendable, and I thank you again for that. Both of our parishes have had to adapt to new challenges, but I am happy that we have been moving in the right fiscal direction for the last few years. If you have any questions or concerns about our finances, please let me know. God bless all of you for your generous support.

In Christ,

Fr. John

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