## 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."

### January 16, 2022 • SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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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 prior to Holiday Confessions: Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

#### STAFF

Rev. John J. Schneider, Pastor john.j.schneider@icloud.com

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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 12:00 pm



### JANUARY 16, 2022



Saturday, January 15— Weekday in Ordinary Time

Ss. P&P 4:00 PM Jim & Kay Leonard

St. T 5:30 PM Daniel Toth

Sunday, January 16- Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ss. P&P 8:30 AM Jim & Jean Koryta

St. T 10:30 AM For the People of the Parishes

Monday, January 17– St. Anthony, Abbot St. T 6:30 PM Joanne Korzunowski

Tuesday, January 18-Weekday in Ordinary Time No Mass

Wednesday, January 19-Weekday in Ordinary Time

Ss. P&P 8:30 AM Philip J. Rogalski

Thursday, January 20-St. Fabian, Pope and Martyr & St. Sebastian, Martyr

St. T 8:30 AM Joanne Biegacki

Friday, January 21-St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

Ss. P&P 8:30 AM Rosemarie Siragusa

Saturday, January 22-Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

Ss. P&P 4:00 PM Celia and Serwacy Wasinski
St. T 5:30 PM Dave and Lillian Mosinski

Sunday, January 23- Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ss. P&P 8:30 AM For the People of the Parishes
St. T 10:30 AM Leonard, Lillian, Robert & Thomas

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# Readings Week

Sunday: Isaiah 62:1-5;

1 Corinthians 12:4-11;

John 2:1-11

**Monday:** 1 Samuel 15:16-23;

Mark 2:18-22

Tuesday: 1 Samuel 16:1-13

Mark 2:23-28

**Wednesday:** 1 Samuel 17:32-33, 37, 40-51

Mark 3:1-6

**Thursday:** 1 Samuel 18:6-9, 19:1-7;

Mark 3:7-12

**Friday:** 1 Samuel 24:3-21;

Mark 3:13-19

**Saturday:** 2 Samuel 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27;

Mark 3:20-21



The Parish Office will be **closed** on **Monday**, **January 17th** in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. The office will reopen on Tuesday, January 18th at 9:00 am. The Rosary, Miraculous Medal Novena, and Mass will remain at their normal time. See the front cover from more details.

#### **January 9, 2022**

Collection: \$6,720.00\* Envelopes Used: 283

Restoration Fund: \$78.00 SVDP: \$5.00

Fuel and Utilities: \$157.00 Latin America Mission: \$46.00

Catholic University \$30.00

\*Figure includes the following:

Parish Only: \$1,114.00 Christmas: \$380.00 Immaculate Conception: \$5.00 Solemnity of Mary: \$255.00 Initial Offering: \$256.00

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:

Baby Zander, Bridget Basta, Alice Biltz, David Bob, Beverly Briggs, Kara Brucksotter, David Burchfield, Janet Carrol, Leon David, Mary Decker, Al Deuche, Paula Dragunas, Ann Duhanich, Charlie Dunlap, Dick Fabian, Edward Figler, Marian Golembiewski, Joyce Granfors, Lisa Hall, Ray Haske, Dori Herout, Alex Hervey, Mary Ann Ineman, Joseph Juby, Joyce Kedzierski, Jim Khol, Pat Kipfstuhl, Nancy Kolecki, Kenny Krawczyk, Paddie Kuehn, Josephine Mathews, Daria Melnyc, Rick Price, Joan Ratchko, Gary Skelley, Sandy Skul, Greg Skuta, John Sorma, Joe Suster,

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



Norm Wells, Shirley Zwilling.

Please pray for all our deceased, especially **Ted Roesch** 

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



### SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### Happy Birthday to our January Birthdays!!

January 9th: Pam Skernivitz January 12th: Marty Lehman January 21st: Elaine Kucia January 27th: Dorothy Maslocha





#### **Our Young Church**

children. child is sick they are encouraged to stay home,

please notify the office or Mrs. Joanna Parsons via the REMIND app. Stay healthy and safe!

YOUTH412: The next Youth412 meeting is Thursday, January 27th from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm! For more information contact Mrs. Tracy Johnson, Youth\_Group@sttheresegarfield.org





#### Newly Baptized: Owen Andrew Schneider

Nephew of Father John Schneider May God continue to bless Owen as he grows in life and faith.

### Congratulations to Patrick and Jennifer Grijak

who were married last weekend! May God continue to bless your marriage everyday!





#### Catholic University Collection January 15 & 16, 2022

Catholic University is the national research university of the Catholic Church. Gifts to the National Collection—the only second collection

taken for higher education in the United States—supports students during this crucial time and help the University conduct critical research that will serve parishes and diocese throughout the country.



#### **Hospitality Donuts**

There will be donuts and coffee in the Church Hall after the 10:30 am Mass on **Sunday, January 23rd.** The donuts are sponsored by the Hospitality Committee. Come down and enjoy some donuts!

#### Protecting God's Children

The Diocese of Cleveland's "Protecting God's Children" program is a continuing effort to instruct and inform everyone about the protection of children from sexual abuse. To report any past or present suspected inappropriate behavior toward children by priests, deacons, religious, lay ecclesial ministers or personnel associated with the Church, please contact the Diocesan Response Service Office at 216-334-2999 or via email at

response\_service@diocseofcleveland.org. Immediately inform local authorities about inappropriate behavior.

#### Ask Father

**Question:** "Why have you been commenting on the Baltimore Catechism and not the more recent Catechism of the Church?"

**Answer:** Why comment on the Baltimore Catechism in general and why do that instead of commenting on the Catechism of the Catholic Church in particular? First, to the best of my knowledge, no one in English has taken the time to comment and revise the statements from the Baltimore Catechism in a systematic way. Since entire generations were taught with this catechism, it is pastorally appropriate to build upon what others already know. Second, in commenting on this catechism, I am creating an instrument to help future generations understand how the Church's popular theology has changed over the last sixty years. Third, from a structural perspective, the Baltimore Catechism tends to be very practical but too succinct so that further explanations are often needed. The Catechism of the Catholic Church is not nearly as practical, but it has plenty of self-commentary. In other words, The Catechism of the Catholic Church is so well made that all I would be doing is going, "Yes, good answer" in my comments. I will admit that I severely underestimated how much commenting would be needed. While the Catechism of the Church is the best in terms of theology, the most accessible catechism of late is the YOUCAT or Youth Catechism.



#### St. Therese 5th Annual Chili & Soup Cook Off Sunday, January 30th, 1-3 pm



This is an "Advanced Sale Ticket Only" event. Contestants will compete for prizes by entering a full size crock pot of their favorite chili or soup for you to enjoy. The cost is \$10 to enter your crock pot creation (includes 1 admission). Admission tickets are \$6 per person (includes 1 ballot). Winners will be based on the most the votes by those who attend and taste. We will also have cheese & crackers, bread and beverages available. Snoogles will also be available by advance sale only (must attend the Soup and Chili Cookoff to order). These will be available for \$4 each at the cookoff. All tickets will be sold the weekends of January 15 &16th and January 22 &23rd after all Masses (both parishes) and at the St. Therese rectory Tuesday, January 18th thru Friday, January 21st. Please contact the rectory with any questions.

#### IMPORTANT Announcement

#### A Letter from Bishop Malesic

Happy New Year! I am writing regarding the upcoming district Masses

scheduled throughout the diocese. Over the past few days, I have received numerous communications of concern about the rampant spread of the new variant of COVID from you and your recommendation to cancel these Masses. In addition, I have received a detailed report from the members of the Diocesan Catholic Medical Advisors regarding the new variant of COVID and the spike of cases. In light of both of these realities and with the uncertainty of the next few months, I have decided to cancel these district Masses. I regret having to do this but in the interest of public safety and the health of the people of God, it is a necessary thing to do. Thank you for your work and efforts already put into this plan. Please express my gratitude, prayers and blessings for a healthy, happy New Year for al those entrusted to your care. We will explore other options allowing me to be present to the various districts of the diocese after this pandemic spike has subsided.

### JANUARY 16, 2022

#### **Divine Mercy Holy Hour**

There will be a Divine Mercy Holy Hour at St. Therese Church on Sunday, January 23, 2022 at 2:30pm. All are welcome!





#### January 8 & 9th **Weekend Drawing Winners**

\$100: Judy Corrao \$100: Karen Niemczura

#### Night of Healing Friday, January 21, 2022 St. Hilary, Fairlawn

Join Peter's Shadow and Healing Waters Unbound Ministry for a night of healing prayer in conjunction with the Unbound Conference featuring Matt Lozano of Heart of the Father Ministries. The service will begin after the 7:00 pm Mass celebrated by Fr. Jacob Bearer. For more information, please call 234-206-0263



#### St. Therese Parish is in Need of Lectors, Communion Ministers, and Altar Servers

Ministers Do you want to experience Mass in a deeper and closer way to Our Lord Jesus Christ? Please share your God given talents and time back to God Himself in one or all these ministries. Lectors read the First & Second Reading and the petitions. Communion Ministers assist Father in distributing the Precious Body and Blood of Our Lord, and Altar Servers assist on the altar. If you are hearing God's call and are interested in any or all of these ministries, please contact the rectory via email or 216-581-2852

#### **Seniors Meeting**

There will be NO senior's meeting on Monday, January 17, 2022. The next meeting is February 7th, weather permitting.

#### "A Closer Walk with Thee" CCA Monthly Grief Support E-Newsletter

Our monthly grief support e-newsletter, "A Closer Walk with Thee" provides much of the same helpful grief support information that is presented at the monthly meetings but can be enjoyed from the comfort of your home and from any device where you can access your email. This e-newsletter is emailed the first Tuesday of each month to any family/individual who has expressed an interest in our bereavement programs. To subscribe to this valued grief support resource, contact Rhonda at rabrams@clecem.org or 216-903-4866.

#### Charismatic Mass Friday, January 28, 2022 7:00 pm St. Peter, North Ridgeville

Fr. Bob Franco will be the celebrant. Praise and worship at 7:00 pm. The liturgy will start at 7:30 pm. A social will follow the Mass and healing prayer teams will be available for individual prayer. For more information, please contact Fr. Franco at 440-327-2201 or CRM at 440-944-9445. Come and bring a friend! This will be a time to truly encounter the Lord.



#### Knights of Columbus 4130 Dinner Wednesday, January 26th **Beef Tips**

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#### AM 1260 The Rock Continues the Mass of the Month in 2022

MASS! AM 1260 The Rock is continuing our monthly Mass intentions for YOU - our listeners and benefactors.

Each month we have an opportunity to pray for and with one another at parishes around the diocese. Our February Mass is at St. Ignatius of Antioch Saturday, February 5th at 5:00 PM (Eucharistic Adoration and Confession 3:30-4:30PM). Our Masses of the Month for the rest of 2022 can be found at am1260therock.com or call us at 216-227-1260.

#### The Week Ahead

Sunday, January 16, 2022

Eagle Scout Court of Honor 12:00 pm, Church Hall



Monday, January 17, 2022 Office Closed

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

St. Vincent de Paul Meeting 1:00 pm, Rectory Social Concerns Meeting 1:15 pm, Church Hall AA Meeting 7:30 pm, Church Hall

Wednesday, January 19, 2022 PSR Class 6:00 pm, Church Hall

#### Thursday, January 20, 2022

Liturgy Commission Meeting 6:00 pm, Rectory Parish Pastoral Council Meeting 7:00 pm, Rectory Cub Scout Meeting 7:00 pm, Church Hall

Friday, January 21, 2022

AA Meeting 7:30 pm, Church Hall

### SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The LORD be with you! As we return to Ordinary Time, it is good for us to reflect on more mundane problems. It so happens that our next few questions on Confession go over a somewhat common problem: what do I need to confess?

#### Question 780. What sins are we bound to confess?

Answer. We are bound to confess all our mortal sins, but it is well also to confess our venial sins.

#### Question 781. Why is it well to confess also the venial sins we remember?

Answer. It is well to confess also the venial sins we remember: (1) Because it shows our hatred of all sin, and (2) Because it is sometimes difficult to determine just when a sin is venial and when mortal.

#### Question 782. What should one do who has only venial sins to confess?

Answer. One who has only venial sins to confess should tell also some sin already confessed in his past life for which he knows he is truly sorry; because it is not easy to be truly sorry for slight sins and imperfections, and yet we must be sorry for the sins confessed that our confession may be valid -- hence we add some past sin for which we are truly sorry to those for which we may not be sufficiently sorry.

#### Question 783. Should a person stay from confession because he thinks he has no sin to confess ?

Answer. A person should not stay from confession because he thinks he has no sin to confess, for the Sacrament of Penance, besides forgiving sin, gives an increase of sanctifying grace, and of this we have always need, especially to resist temptation. The Saints, who were almost without imperfection, went to confession frequently.

### Question 784. Should a person go to Communion after confession even when the confessor does not bid him go?

Answer. A person should go to Communion after confession even when the confessor does not bid him go, because the confessor so intends unless he positively forbids his penitent to receive Communion. However, one who has not yet received his first Communion should not go to Communion after confession, even if the confessor by mistake should bid him go.

#### My commentary.

Regarding Questions 780 and 781, confessing venial sins is a good idea because it helps us to work against them. One of the effects of Reconciliation is honesty. The more honest we are with God, the more honest we can be with ourselves. Confessing our sins strengthens our resolve by healing our minds from the lies we tend to tell ourselves.

I always wondered where the practice of confessing past sins came from, and now I know: Question 782. To be absolutely clear, what this question proposes is a pious practice that may be done, but need not. In fact, I would generally recommend not confessing past sins that have already been confessed. Merely confessing venial sins is sufficient for the sacrament to be effective. If someone cannot remember any sin in particular, it is acceptable to confess a past sin as well as a general sorrow for sins.

Question 783 brings up the topic of how frequently we should go to Confession. I have always recommended that, all things being equal, once a season is a good measure. If you have been in the habit of going more often - say monthly or every two weeks - stick to that! It is better to err and go to Penance more often than to neglect it.

Lastly, Question 784 captures the reticence that many had for receiving Holy Communion. As many know, before the Second Vatican Council, many Catholics stayed away from frequent Communion. Very long fast times and an emphasis on being free of any sin (venial or mortal) discouraged people from Communion. Ironically, the number of Communions is still low today. Today's problem is an inverse of the old. Whereas before we had 70% of Catholics coming to Mass, but only 10% of those receiving Communion, today less than 20% attend Mass weekly but of those almost everyone goes to Communion.

The more we worthily receive Holy Communion, the more we will detest our sins and seek Confession. Likewise, the more we repent from our sins through Penance, the more we will desire union with God. Both Reconciliation and the Eucharist enable us to love more deeply, but each has its proper role in the life of grace.

In His Sacred Heart,

Fr. John

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