



St. Therese Catholic Church

20115 North Tamiami Trail
North Fort Myers, FL 33903

The Baptism of the Lord ~ January 9, 2022

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 7:00; 9:00 & 11:00 AM

(November ~ April)

8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

(May ~ October)

Daily Mass:

9:00 AM Monday ~ Saturday

Holy Days: As Announced

Parish Office Hours

Monday ~ Friday: 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Phone 239-567-2315

Fax 239-567-2316

Web-Site www.sainttheresechurch.net

E-mail info@sainttheresechurch.net

Location

Two Miles North of Del Prado Blvd.

Extension on N. Tamiami Trail.

Sacrament of Baptism

Please call the Parish Office for
Registration.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 9:30 AM

3:00 PM

Sacrament of Matrimony

This sacrament requires a time of
preparation. Please contact the Parish
Office at least six months before the
wedding date.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

Please call the parish office or upon
request.

Rosary 8:00 AM Monday ~ Saturday

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

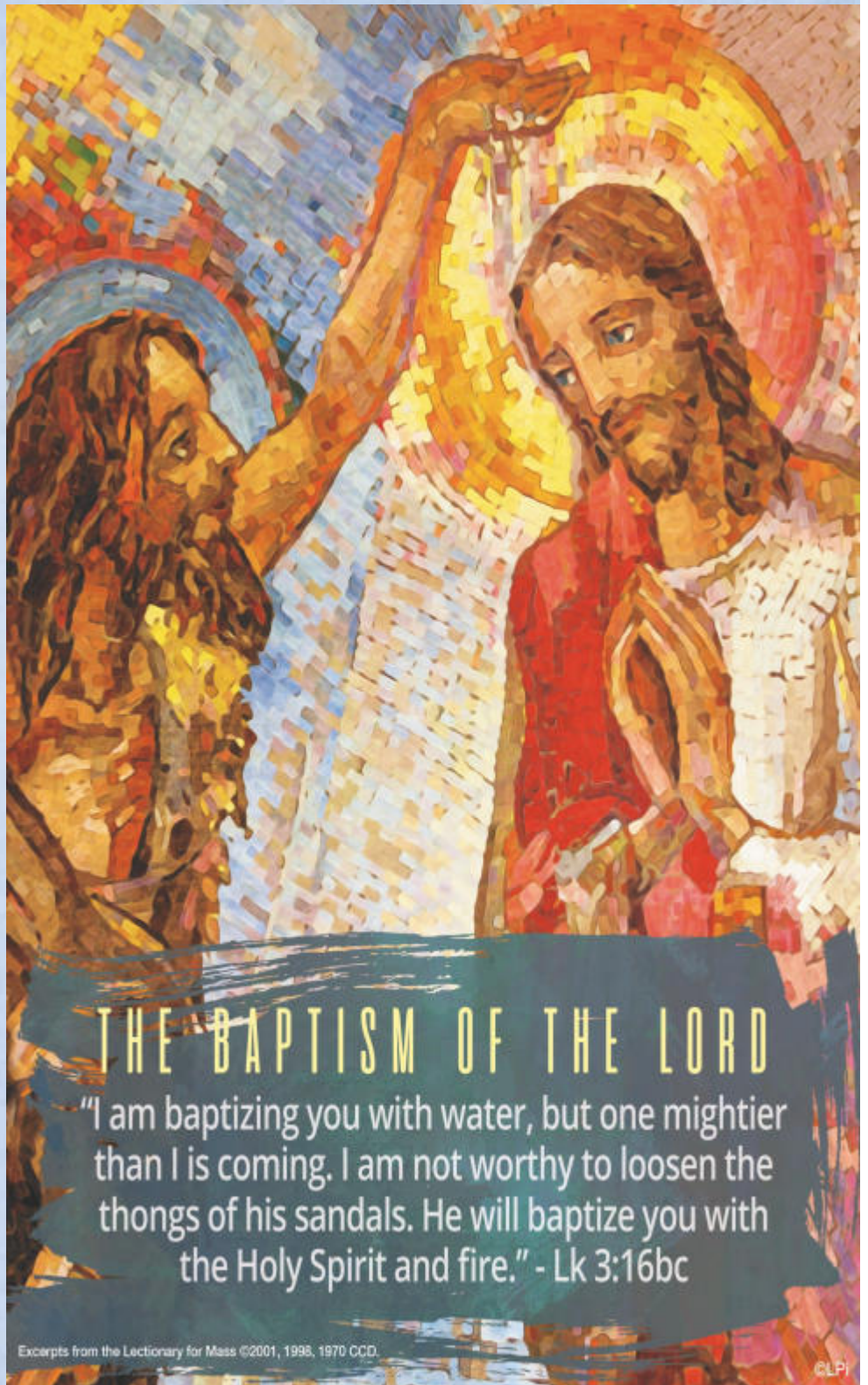
Wednesday after the 9:00 AM Mass.

TV Mass for the Homebound

Sundays 10:30-11:00 AM FOX4 (WFTX)

or view the Mass on Diocesan website

<http://dioceseofvenice.org>



Parish Staff

Administrator	Fr. Jan Antonik
Permanent Deacon	Deacon Frank Barone
Permanent Deacon	Deacon Joe Hopgood
Growth in Faith and Communications	Nelson Perez
Parish Secretary	Barbara Gallagher
Music Director	Marge Wolf
Religious Education	Nelson Perez
Maintenance	Patrick Bannon

Ministries / Organizations

Altar Servers:	Nelson Perez	567-2315
Arimatheans:	Becky Harper	567-2315
Bereavement Coordinator:	Summer Allman	567-2315
Blanket Ministry:	Parish Office	567-2315
Council of Catholic Women:	Shirley Spicer	567-2315
Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:	Nancy Petrosinelli	567-2315
Food Pantry:	Parish Office	567-2315
Fundraising:	Parish Office	567-2315
Greeters/Ushers:	Tom Donoghue	567-2315
	Tom Fleming	567-2315
Gospel Forum:	Nick Vitale	567-2315
Homebound Ministry:	Brenda Dolan	567-2315
Knights of Columbus:	John VonDer Vellen	567-2315
Lectors:	Joline Lambert	567-2315
Music:	Marge Wolf	567-2315
Rosary Makers:	Parish Office	567-2315
Sacristan:	Joe Landry	567-2315
Sunday Scripture Reflection:	Deacon Frank Barone	567-2315
St. Vincent de Paul:	Angela Austin	567-2315

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Parish Income

December Online Giving	\$10,814.00
One Year Ago	\$12,475.00
Weekend, January 2, 2022	\$11,263.27
One Year Ago	\$9,600.25
Fiscal Year to Date:	\$307,277.54

THANK YOU to all who give so generously!

Catholic Faith Appeal 2021

The 2021 Catholic Faith Appeal, was a most generous expression of the desire of St. Therese Parish to each out to all in need in our ten-county diocese! THANK YOU to all who made a gift to the 2021 Catholic Faith Appeal. Our parish assessment was again exceeded and all monies over \$176,000 will be returned to St. Therese Parish. THANK YOU for your great love and generosity!

Assessment:
\$176,000.00

Collected as 12/31:
\$188,520.38

Pledged:
\$190,003.73

Parish Goal
107.96%

Parish Participation:
30.30%



Fingerprint and Safe Environment

The Diocese of Venice requires that all employees and those volunteers who work with children and/or vulnerable adults be fingerprinted and trained in Safe Environment prior to beginning employment or volunteering. For more information, contact Nelson Perez visit the Diocesan website www.dioceseofvenice.org. A report must be made immediately to the Florida Department of Children and Families of any sexual abuse. The Abuse Hotline number is 1-800-962-2873. A report must also be made to the Victim Assistance Coordinator of the Diocese of Venice, Susan Benton at 941-416-6114.

Life at St. Therese



WELCOME to all who have joined with the Faith Community at St. Therese Faith Family as we conclude the Christmas Season and celebrate the Baptism of the Lord. A special welcome is extended to all who are visiting from the area or those who have joined with family at this time of the year. To those who will be traveling this week, enjoy you time away with family and friends!

WELCOME TO OUR FAITH FAMILY

All of us at St. Therese Faith Family join in welcoming those who have joined our Parish Faith Community during the months of November and December:

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Remember to welcome those who join us as we celebrate the Eucharist. A brief word and a happy smile to express your welcome can make a big difference to one who is seeking people with whom to pray. Although the lector voices a welcome prior to the beginning of Mass, and the priest does the same, the best word of welcome comes from those who sit next to one another.

THE GOSPEL FORUM

Several years have gone by since the Gospel Forum began meeting at St. Therese Church. The group, comprised of men who wish to take the Word of God (the Sacred Scripture for the following Sunday) into their lives, choose to meet on Wednesday mornings from 10:15 till 11:15 AM. It has been a time of joy and growth for those who participated. As time passed, several of the men moved away, some took on new responsibilities and others have been faced with health issues. The group did not meet during the pandemic. Next weekend, Gary Dube, will extend and invitation to men of the parish to join the Gospel Forum and to discover not only spiritual growth but also to meet other men of the parish and so grow socially as well. Please contact the parish office (239-567-2315) if you have any questions or you would like to join the Gospel Forum. The meetings will take place at St. Therese Church (conference room) on Wednesday mornings from 10:15 – 11:15 AM beginning on Wednesday, January 19th.

Have an Impact on People

I've learned that people will forget about what you said, people will forget about what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.

Maya Angelou

Save the Date

St. Therese Parish Mission

MARCH 21-23, 2022 - 6:00 PM

FR. JORDAN TURANO, OP

Parish News

WEEKLY GATHERINGS

From Grief to Healing, a gathering for those suffering from any loss, meets on Fridays, from 9:45 – 11:30 AM, in the conference room.

Gospel Forum, a gathering of men who explore the Scripture readings for the following Sunday, meets on Wednesdays, beginning on January 19th, from 10:15-11:15 AM in the conference room. Contact the Parish Office for more information.

Parish Choir, led by Marge Wolf, meets on Tuesdays, from 3:00 – 4:30 PM, Church.

Prayer for Life, public prayer for a greater respect for all human life takes place on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:00 – 12:00 Noon at Planned Parenthood (Commerce Park Dr. & Metro Parkway). Meet at St. Therese after the 9:00 AM Mass to carpool.

Rosary Makers meet on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month, 9:30 – 10:30 AM.

Sunday Scripture Reflection, led by Deacon Frank Barone, meets on Tuesdays, from 9:45 – 10:45 AM, conference room.

NEW TO ST. THERESE PARISH



Make a commitment to pray with and to join in the spiritual journey of those who gather at St. Therese Church by taking time to register. If you have recently moved into our area or have been here for a long time, but have not registered in the parish, please do. Making oneself known also makes it possible for others to minister to us when the need arises. Join with St. Therese Parish by returning a completed registration form (found at the main entrance of the church) or by coming to the parish office.

PARISH CONTRIBUTION RECORD

A 2021 Parish Contribution Record is available to all registered members of St. Therese Parish. You may either call the office and request a copy of your record be sent to you or stop by the office and obtain a copy. Records of contributions are kept only for those who are registered and either use the parish support envelopes or those who make their contributions online. THANK YOU for your generosity for the sake of your Faith Family at St. Therese Parish!

COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN



The members of the Council of Catholic Women are attending Mass as a group this weekend.

The C.C.W. will have their next General Membership Meeting at St. Therese Church on Wednesday, January 19th at 1:00 PM. All members are encouraged to attend!

Congratulations to Barbara Gallagher, winner of the Council of Catholic Women New Years Basket. We thank everyone for your support and participation.

WARM CLOTHING AND BLANKETS

The ladies of the St. Therese Council of Catholic Women are sponsoring a collection of Warm Clothing and Blankets for the Homeless and Indigent this weekend. The clothing and blankets will be distributed to various agencies this Tuesday, January 11th. If you still wish to donate warm clothing or blankets, please bring them to the Parish Office no later than 10:00 AM on Monday, January 10th.



DIOCESAN ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Couples celebrating 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, or more than 50 years of marriage are invited by Bishop Frank J. Dewane to an Anniversary Mass in their honor. The Mass will be celebrated in two locations: 11:00 AM, Saturday, February 12th at St. Leo the Great Parish, 28290 Beaumont Road, Bonita Springs and 11:00 AM, February 19th at Epiphany Cathedral, 350 Tampa Avenue, Venice. Please contact Barbara Gallagher in the St. Therese Parish office to register. Please plan to attend these events.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The members of the Knights of Columbus are attending Mass as a group this weekend.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
ALL SAINTS COUNCIL 8440

Monday, January 10th
7:00 PM in the Church
Membership Meeting

Join us this! All visitors Knights from other Councils are always welcome!

Parish News



CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME

An Invitation to Anyone who has been away from the Church

**Were you raised Catholic but do not come or seldom come to church anymore?
Are you a Catholic who now feels separated from the Church?
Would you like to know more about the Church as it is today?
Would you like to feel at home in the Catholic Church again?**

St. Therese Parish will offer a six-week series entitled "Catholics Returning Home," beginning this Wednesday, January 12th from 2:00–3:00 PM in the Church. The sessions are led by lay parishioners in a non-threatening format, and are offered for non-practicing Catholics who are seeking answers to questions about returning to the Church.

If you know someone who has left the Church, invite them to join us. Please contact Nelson Perez at nelson.perez@sainttheresechurch.net or call (239) 567-2315 ext. 104 for more information.

Rediscover the truth, wonder and mystery of the Catholic Faith!

\$15 Fish Fry
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RSVP and sponsorships
239-567-2315 or
greggully@gmail.com

† Deceased ★ Living

Mon.	10	9:00 AM	† JOAN WOELFEL
Tues.	11	9:00 AM	† FRANK KASPER
Wed.	12	9:00 AM	† JOE ALLMAN
Thur.	13	9:00 AM	† EVELINA GODHUE
Fri.	14	9:00 AM	† ELIZABETH LUMINIELLO
Sat.	15	9:00 AM	† MICHAEL SNOWDEN
		4:00 PM	† MAUREEN RILEY
Sun.	16	7:00 AM	† FLORENCE KONIECZNY
		9:00 AM	† ERWIN NIESYN
		11:00 AM	★ ALL MEMBERS OF ST. THERESE PARISH

THOSE WHO ARE HUNGRY

For many of us, there was an abundance of food at our Thanksgiving gatherings. The same will likely be true for Christmas. May we all be reminded of those who have little to eat. The Food Pantry is in special need of non-perishable food at this time of the year.

Let's share some of ours. Please bring your food donations and place them in the benches at the main entrance of the church... no glass containers, breads or frozen foods. THANK YOU to those who give so faithfully.

POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

2022 PARISH CALENDARS

The 2022 Parish Calendars are available in the main entrance of the church. Please take a calendar with you today. *THANK YOU to Ellsworth Heating and Cooling who are the sponsors of the calendar. We are very grateful for your support and generosity!*

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If you wish to have the name of a relative or friend added to our prayer list for six weeks, please contact the parish office, 239-567-2315

TRAFFIC OFFERING

From November through April, various law enforcement agencies assist worshipers at St. Therese Parish as they seek both egress and entrance to Highway 41. This service comes at an annual cost of nearly \$17,000! To offset this expenditure, a TRAFFIC envelope is included in the box of parish envelopes during the six months when assistance is needed. Envelopes are also available at the main entrance of the church. THANK YOU for your generosity!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 9

Sunday:	The Baptism of the Lord Is 40: 1-5. 9-11/ Ps 104: 1b-2. 3-4. 24-25. 27-28. 29-30 (1)/ Ti 2: 11-14; 3: 4-7/ Lk 3: 15-16. 21-22
Monday:	1 Sm 1: 1-8/ Ps 116: 12-13. 14-17. 18-19/Mk 1: 14-20
Tuesday:	1 Sm 1: 9-20/ 1 Sm 2: 1. 4-5. 6-7. 8abcd/Mk 1: 21-28
Wednesday:	1 Sm 3: 1-10. 19-20/ Ps 40: 2 and 5. 7-8a. 8b-9. 10/ Mk 1: 29-39
Thursday:	1 Sm 4: 1-11/ Ps 44: 10-11. 14-15. 24-25/Mk 1: 40-45
Friday:	1 Sm 8: 4-7. 10-22a/ Ps 89: 16-17. 18-19/Mk 2: 1-12
Saturday:	1 Sm 9: 1-4. 17-19; 10: 1/ Ps 21: 2-3. 4-5. 6-7/ Mk 2: 13-17
Sunday:	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 62: 1-5/ Ps 96: 1-2. 2-3. 7-8. 9-10 (3)/ 1 Cor 12: 4-11/ Jn 2: 1-11

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