

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Mission Statement:

The parish of St. Therese, rooted in Ignatian Spirituality, strives to Love God, Follow Jesus and Serve All by doing ordinary things with great love.

Parish Office: 704-664-3992

Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00am-12:00pm; 12:30-4:30pm Saturday 9:00am-6:30pm Sunday 7:30am-5:00pm office@sainttherese.net

Faith Formation: 704-664-7762

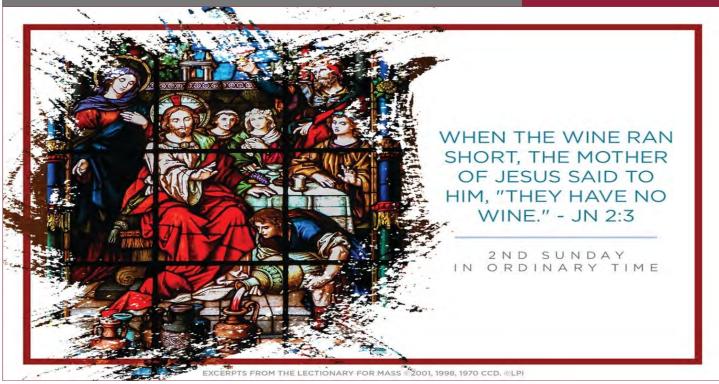
Hours: 10:00am-3:00pm Monday-Friday and during Faith Formation hours. See page 13.

Little Way Preschool 980-444-2305

Hours: 7:30am-3:30pm Monday-Friday See Page 13.

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 16, 2022



Pastor: Rev. Mark S. Lawlor | ext. 2102 | mlawlor@sainttherese.net Parochial Vicar: Rev. Bernard Oleru, MSP | ext. 2225 | boleru@sainttherese.net Deacons: Rev. Mr. Joe Santen 858-922-0325 | gon2mass@att.net Rev. Mr. Joe Smith 704-799-9144 | josmith3212@outlook.com Retired Deacons: Rev. Mr. John Sims and Rev. Mr. Myles Decker

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm Sunday Mass Times: (English) 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm, 5:30pm (Spanish) 2:30pm

Daily Mass: Mon-Fri at 9:00am First Saturday Devotion:

Monthly Mass at 9:00am

Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00pm-4:15pm **Sunday**: 4:45pm-5:15pm (Spanish) 2:00pm-2:20pm in the church or by appointment.

Please contact one of our priests by phone or email if you need to make an appointment for confession.

Blessed Sacrament

Join us for Adoration from 9:30am to 7:00pm on the First Friday of each month.

Next Adoration date: February 4

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Pastor's Reflection



SANCTITY OF LIFE / PRAYERS FOR CONVERSIONS:

omeone may ask if marches, rosaries and pro-life displays can make a difference in the promotion of a culture of life. I say, "Yes." We believe in the power of prayer and our peaceful witness may have a positive influence on someone who may be unsure of these life and

death issues. Our witness may even be a catalyst for conversions.

Every year, on or near January 22nd, many thousands of people are in the nation's capital for the National March for Life.

Many people of Faith and good will recall (or have learned) that on Jan. 22, 1973, the United States Supreme Court, by a vote of 7 to 2, decided, in effect, that it was legal for a woman to choose to end the life of the infant in her womb as part of her 'right to privacy.' That case, Roe v. Wade, has resulted in a human tragedy that has denied many millions of babies, in the last 49 years, their birthday. Our prayerful witness is a statement that this tragedy must end. Only God has sovereignty over life. I have met parents of premature children who

are very thankful that they choose life, when they were offered other alternatives by the medical establishment. My only sister was born with Down Syndrome. She was a beautiful, loving

We should discern how we may enact a positive change in are encouraged to examine the positions of candidates on a range of issues, while recognizing that the life issues have a certain priority. It is a Scriptural principle to pray for those in civil authority as from the following passage: "First of all, then, I ask

that supplications, prayers, petitions, and thanksgiving be offered for everyone, for kings and for all in authority, that we may lead a quiet and tranquil life in all devotion and dignity." [1 Tim. 2:1] We may pray for their conversion, enlightenment, wisdom and justice.

The Catholic Church has been "pro-life" since the beginning. This makes sense as we reflect on the Incarnation of our Lord. The Divine Son of God was born as a little child. God created humanity in the divine image and likeness (See Genesis 1:27). Our Lord is referred to in Scripture as "the author of life" (Acts 3:15). Mary, the Blessed Mother, joyfully received the life of her Son and Lord. John the Baptist, in the womb of his mother St. Elizabeth, leapt for joy at the presence of his Savior at the time of the visitation. [Lk. 1:41] The white crosses and banners in front of

> the parish church are not intended to bring hardship to any individual but to represent the sanctity of life and the tragedy of those who were denied a birthday. Some years ago, the Bishops of the United States encouraged parishes and Church institutions to consider establishing this type of memorial as a "Cemetery of the Innocents."

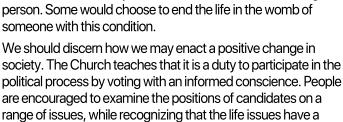
Saint Teresa of Calcutta, who was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1979 for striving to alleviate the suffering of the ill and poor, is

remembered as a defender of life and a great witness to virtue and holiness. We see the sign of God's love in the life of a little child. At the baptism of little children, I am moved by the miracle of life. Let us continue to move forward with a prayerful witness. Let us pray for conversions. Let us pray for this nation, especially that those who govern and legislate will be wise and prudent regarding God's gift of life.

Let us ask for the intercession of Saint Teresa of Calcutta and of Mary, the Blessed Mother.

In Peace,

Fr. Mark





Join the St. Therese Photography Ministry!

We believe that using photos of friends of all ages in our print and web publications fosters a greater sense of community. Photography and video of our parish members and friends help to display the vibrancy and joy of our parish community.

The St. Therese Photography Ministry serves God and His people as photographers for our parish. We have been able to document Masses, major events and parish life.

We are looking for experienced volunteers to join our team!

If you have an interest in this ministry and have a camera, please contact:

Lisa Cash, lcash@sainttherese.net

Reflexión del Párroco

SANTIDAD DE LA VIDA / ORACIONES POR CONVERSIONES:

A Iguien puede preguntar si las marchas, los rosarios y las exhibiciones pro-vida pueden hacer una diferencia. Yo digo, "Sí. Creemos en el poder de la oración y nuestro testimonio pacífico puede tener una influencia positiva en alguien que no esté seguro de estos problemas de vida o muerte. Nuestro testimonio puede incluso ser un catalizador de conversiones.

Cada año, el 22 de enero o cerca de esa fecha, miles de personas se encuentran en la capital del país para la Marcha Nacional por la Vida. Muchas personas de fe y buena voluntad recuerdan (o han aprendido) que el 22 de enero de 1973, la

Corte Suprema de los Estados Unidos, por una votación de 7 a 2, decidió, en efecto, que era legal que una mujer optara por poner fin a la vida del bebé en su útero como parte de su "derecho a la privacidad". Ese caso, Roe v. Wade, ha resultado en una tragedia humana que ha negado a muchos millones de bebés, en los últimos 49 años, su cumpleaños. Nuestro testimonio de oración es una declaración de que esta tragedia debe terminar. Solo Dios tiene soberanía sobre la vida.

Debemos discernir cómo podemos lograr un cambio positivo en la sociedad. La Iglesia enseña que es

un deber participar en el proceso político votando con conciencia informada. Se anima a las personas a examinar las posiciones de los candidatos sobre una variedad de temas, reconociendo al mismo tiempo que los temas de la vida tienen cierta prioridad. Es un principio bíblico orar por quienes tienen autoridad civil a partir del siguiente pasaje: "En primer lugar, entonces, pido que se ofrezcan súplicas, oraciones, peticiones y acción de gracias por todos, por los reyes y por todos los que tienen autoridad, para que podemos llevar una vida tranquila y apacible con toda devoción y dignidad". [1 Tim. 2: 1] Podemos orar por su conversión, iluminación, sabiduría y justicia.

La Iglesia Católica ha sido "pro-vida" desde el principio. Esto tiene sentido al reflexionar sobre la Encarnación de nuestro Señor. El Divino Hijo de Dios nació como un niño. Dios creó a la humanidad a imagen y semejanza divina (ver Génesis 1:27). En las Escrituras se hace referencia a nuestro Señor como "el autor de la vida" (Hechos 3:15). María, la Santísima Madre, recibió con alegría la vida de su Hijo y Señor. Juan el Bautista, en el vientre de su madre santa Isabel, saltó de alegría ante la presencia de su Salvador en el momento de la visitación. [Lc. 1:41] Las cruces blancas y los estandartes frente a la iglesia parroquial no tienen la intención de traer dificultades a ningún individuo, sino de representar la santidad de la vida y la tragedia

de aquellos a quienes se les negó un cumpleaños. Hace algunos años, los obispos de los Estados Unidos

alentaron a las parroquias e instituciones de la Iglesia a considerar la posibilidad de establecer este tipo de monumento como un "Cementerio de los Inocentes".

Santa Teresa de Calcuta, galardonada con el Premio Nobel de la Paz en 1979 por esforzarse por aliviar el sufrimiento de los enfermos y los pobres, es recordada como defensora de la vida y gran testigo de la virtud y la santidad. Vemos la señal del amor de Dios en la vida de un

niño pequeño. En el bautismo de los niños pequeños, me conmueve el milagro de la vida. Sigamos avanzando con un testimonio de oración. Oremos por conversiones. Oremos por esta nación, especialmente para que quienes gobiernan y legislan sean sabios y prudentes con respecto al regalo de la vida de Dios.

Pidamos la intercesión de Santa Teresa de Calcuta y de María, la Santísima Madre.

En paz,

Padre Marcos



¡Únase al Ministerio de Fotografía de Santa Teresita!

Creemos que el uso de fotos parroquiales en nuestras publicaciones impresas y en la web fomenta un mayor sentido de comunidad. La fotografía y el video de nuestros miembros y amigos de la parroquia ayudan a mostrar la vitalidad y la alegría de nuestra comunidad parroquial.

El Ministerio de Fotografía de Santa Teresita sirve a Dios y a su pueblo como fotógrafos de nuestra parroquia. Hemos podido documentar misas, eventos importantes y la vida de la parroquia.

Estamos buscando voluntarios con experiencia para unirse a nuestro equipo.

Las personas interesadas en este ministerio deben tener cámara propia y contactar a:

Lisa Cash, lcash@sainttherese.net

Worship & Prayer

MASS INTENTIONS

	ay, January 15 Liz, Frank & Patrick Bulge George Tsomos †	er†Friends Hoar Family
8:00am 10:00am	Ben Oates † Bob Connor †	Beverly Medeiros Family Jim & Claudette Hladjk
2:30pm 5:30pm	Phyllis Dugger †	John Catania
Monda 9:00am	ay, January 17 (Con No Intention	nmunion Service)
	ay, January 18 Mary Hoffman † Mary Ann McConnell †	
Wedne 9:00am	esday, January 19 Mary Lajoie ♥ Mass in Thanksgiving for	Barbara & David Papandrea Special Intention
	day, January 20 Bob Connor †	Barbara Beuley
Friday, 9:00am	January 21 Mary Lajoie ♥ Mass in Thanksgiving for	Barbara & David Papandrea Special Intention
	ay, January 22 Shorty Beauchesne † C.P. Babu †	Pat & John McCue Renju Babu
8:00am 10:00am		se ♥Barbara BuklarewiczTheresa Passantino

5:30pm Connor Wills †......MacCarrick Family

If you would like to request a Mass intention,
please visit the Parish Office during office hours.

2:30pm Anselmo Ramos † Bertha Ramos

Robert Viespi †..... Theresa Passantino

Andres Ramos † Bertha Ramos

Monday to Friday: 8:00am-12:00pm | 12:30pm-4:30pm

Saturday: 9:00am – 6:30pm **Sunday:** 7:30am – 5:00pm

In Sympathy

To Diane Brown and family on the death of her husband, Thomas Francis Brown;
To Bob and MaryAnn Frohman on the death of her brother;
To Jeanne Connor and family on the death of her husband, Robert Connor;
To the family and friends of
Carol Langstaff on her death;
To Justin Kochik and family on the death of his father, Dennis Kochik;
To Matthew Van Buren and family on the death of his father, Bruce Van Buren.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...

Please use the online form on our website to request prayers: sainttherese.net/prayer-requests

Special intentions for Healing:

Angelita A., Michael A., Maria Ashenbrener, Ramon B., Cheryl Booth, Kyle Cannella, Jonathan Cantrell, Trevor Conklin, Tams D., William Dragon, Rebecca E., Nathan Ernzen, Joseph Fasi, Marilyn Fiore, Logan Fogg, Darril Fosty, David G., Alan I., Lucia Isone, Gwen Kane, Girish Kohli, Christopher L., Nicole L., Lucy M., Joey Maldonado, Pat Maletta, Wendy Mancilla, Emilio Manzo, Zach Misiak, Mark Morton, Dan Mulligan, Stephen O., Tina Olszewski, Tereza Pelouchova, Raajiv Prasad, Jamey Price, Laetitia Ranneberg, Levi Raymond, John Rocco, Christine Rosenberg, Mary Sue S., Bryan Scharding, Matthew Smith, Tiffany Stewart, Carolyn Van Buren, Dein VanSickle, , Jack W., Bob Wessmiller, Johnnie Ziats.

Those who are Homebound:

Doyle & Faye Atkins, Gregory Breeckner, Sister Margarita Brewer, Robert Davis, Leela Edwin, Nathan Ernzen, Audrey & Don Geyer, Julianne & Scott Jarvis, Jodi Knight, Cinda Landro, Angela Leuci, Charles M., Luiz M., Claradilla Pineda, Jim & Pat Richart, Mark Rossmiller, Rita Sabella, Paula Vernon, Sharon Williams.

Those in Nursing Homes/Assisted Living:

Abernathy Laurels: Mary Frances Kimel.

Accordius: Alfred Kern, Rosemary Leonetti, Hattie Walker, Joan

Waltman, Diane Whitley.

Cadence Living: Eileen Bunnell, Rose Caleagno, Kevin Clancy, Peggy

Katich, Jackie Moran, Eleanor Pearson, Judy Richardson.

Radbourne Manor: Patsy Freeze.
Ranson Ridge: Dutch Detchemendy.

Summit Place: Betty Beaulieu, Frank DeBerardinis, MaryJane Farrell,

Mary Kozar, Nancy Nusser, Lewis & Rosemary Savisky. TerraBella Lake Norman (formerly Atrium Lake Norman):

Nancy Brown, Yolanda Cortez, Marty & Yvonne Donnelly, Antoinette Foppiano, Frannie Greco, Helen Holmes, Jean Loeshen, Frances

Mattasits, Joyce Schank, Stefanya Wackowski. The Citadel: Eileen Gubelman, Audrey Kufhta.

The Pines: Dolly O'Brien.

Williams Place: Lorna Josefchuk, Marie Salerno.

Praying for our Military



PLEASE NOTE: Prayers for the Mili

The list of Prayers for the Military has been reset for the New Year!

Submit names and branch of service for this section at: sainttherese.net/prayer-requests

Air Force:

Army: Don Geyer, Nathan-Erick Nance

Coast Guard:

Marines: Jesse-Elijah Nance, Joseph Priore, III Navy: Katherine Durham, Michael Durham, Veterans:

Liturgy & Worship



VIRTUAL ROSARY

It's not too late to make a new New Year's resolution!

Pray the rosary with our Virtual Rosary Ministry each evening, Monday - Friday at 9:00pm. Sign in by 8:55pm to pray with us.

> Sign in via Zoom at zoom.us Meeting ID: 841 0340 6162 Passcode: rosarv

Visit our website for more details: sainttherese.net/virtual-rosary



Pastoral Care



STEPHEN MINISTRY **GRIEVING**

Say Their Name:

"For those who are grieving, give them the wonderful gift of remembering." This begins by just saying the person's name. Some may think doing this will cause more pain, but just the opposite is true. If there is one thing I have learned along the way is that we all want someone to know our story. Sharing the story of a loved one can be comforting, maybe even funny. More importantly, this might help with the grief experience. I talk to my sister every Thursday. She is a widow. We talk about our dad, who we miss every day. When we talk about him, the result is an uplifting bout of laughter! And yet, when we talk about my sister's husband, the tears are never far away. Both were amazing men. One had a long, full life while the other left too quickly. But saying their names reminds us of the times, good and bad; times of strength, times of sorrow. These men were a huge part of our lives and saying their names reminds us of their impact on us and their love for us."

If you are struggling with grief, or know someone who is, consider talking to a Stephen Minister. This is a confidential, one-on-one Christian lay counseling service our church offers. Give us a call. We're here to help!

Rosemary Hyman, rhyman@sainttherese.net Mollie Anderson, manderson@sainttherese.net

Readings for next weekend: January 23, 2022 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time — Cycle C

Reading I Responsorial Psalm Reading II Gospel Nehemiah 8:2-6,8-10 Psalm 19:8-10,15 1 Corinthians 12:12-30 Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21 Ezra reads from the book

for all to understand. Source: Loyola Press

of the Law and interprets it

A song in praise of the Law of the Lord.

Paul explains that all were baptized into the one body of Christ.

In the synagogue, Jesus reads aloud from the scroll of the prophet Isaiah and announces that this Scripture is now fulfilled.

Parish Life

Community Ministries



COFFEE & CONVERSATION THIS MONTH!

Friday, January 21 at 9:30am Family Room (next to the St. Ignatius)

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

FREE SEMINAR

(Open to all parishioners) Monday, January 24, 7:30pm-8:30pm (Parish Life Center)

Special FREE seminar discussing all the fraternal benefits available to Catholic men and their families.
This includes life insurance, retirement and financial planning, long term care insurance, and tax leveraging solutions Complimentary refreshments will be available.

Special Works and Tasks (S.W.A.T.) Women's Day of Reflection SAVE THE DATE for Saturday, February 26.



RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

The 22nd of January marks the 49th anniversary of Roe v. Wade, the Supreme Court Decision that made abortion legal in the United States. Since then, over 62 Million Lives have been lost and many of their parents' and families' lives shattered.

At St. Therese, the Cemetery of The Innocents is erected on our front lawn as a memorial to these children.

Each cross represents One Million Children. We mourn these children and beg God's forgiveness for a country that has allowed this to happen. As a Pro-Life Community, we pledge to help mothers and fathers grieving after an abortion, and educate others so that the value of "Life" is once again cherished as a "Gift" from our Heavenly Father.

DID YOU KNOW? Life Begins at the time of conception!

- At 18 Days after conception the baby's heartbeat can be heard!
- At 6 Weeks following conception the baby's brain waves can be measured!
- At 8 Weeks the baby's stomach, liver and kidneys are functioning and fingerprints have been formed.

If you are pregnant and need help, please call the Community Pregnancy Center of Lake Norman 704-664-HOPE (704-664-4673).

JESUS Forgives and Saves

for anonymous, confidential healing help. God Loves you!

PEACE & JUSTICE MINISTRY

Answer Pope Francis' call to care for our common home with...

CREATION AT THE CROSSROADS

Explore God's love for us as expressed through creation and answer the call to care for it and His children.

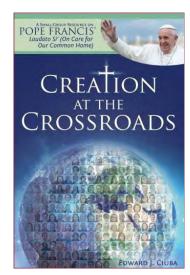
JOIN A SMALL FAITH SHARING COMMUNITY

To deepen your faith through the readings of Pope Francis' writing on Creation.
Through scripture, prayer, reflections, faith-sharing questions and practical ideas for protecting and caring for the environment and people, this resource will move Catholics to faith-based action.

When: 12 weeks beginning Tuesday January 25, 2022 Where: Virtual via Zoom Time: 7:00pm - 8:30pm

Cost: \$20 suggested donation. Sponsored by the St. Therese Peace and Justice Ministry

Please register by going to sainttherese.net/ care-for-gods-creation



Community Ministries

PEACE & JUSTICE MINISTRY



January is Poverty Awareness Month

It is estimated that Americans will be returning \$120 Billion of gifts after the holiday! If you purchased at a brick and mortar store, the item may easily get back on the racks/ shelves. But if you bought online, it takes about two months to get the item "relisted", and by that time, especially for seasonal items, there is little market for the items, which are often then discarded into our landfills. Please consider donating to the needy or regifting to another instead of sending back.

DONATIONS NEEDED Weekend of February 12-13

In celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the Diocese of Charlotte and its 50 Acts of Kindness, Community Ministries is collecting items for Fifth Street Ministries, FeedNC, The Christian Mission and Kindness Closet.

The following items are needed:

- Baby Wipes
- Bars of Soap
- Bath Towels
- Coffee
- Conditioner
- Cough and Cold (adult and children)
- Dental Floss
- Deodorant
- Diapers
- Feminine Hygiene
- Hand Sanitizer
- Large bottles of spices
- Laundry Detergent
- Multi-vitamins
- Paper Towels
- Plastic Cups for cold/hot beverages
- Plastic silverware
- Quart & Gallon Baggies
- Shampoo
- Single Size tents
- Tissues
- Toilet Paper
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Tylenol (adult and children)





BACKPACK MINISTRY

The Community Ministries with Prayerful Servants CLC and West Methodist Church are filling backpacks every other week. To help us out, you can donate items in the carts in the church narthex.



Our next packing will be January 19.

Items needed are:

- Cereal
- Canned Vegetables 15 oz
- Canned Fruit 15 oz
- Pasta Sauce (Plastic only)
- Spam®
- Ramen Noodles

Also needed: toiletries, soap, shampoo, toothpaste, personal products, etc. for 6 families from Lake Norman High School.

Cash and Gift Card donations are also welcome. BACKPACK envelopes are available in the narthex of both churches. Just place them in the collection basket.

We appreciate any help you can give and truly appreciate your generosity! Thank you very much.

Community Resources: Do YOU need support?

Hot Meals

5th Street Ministries (Statesville) Lunch and Dinner 704-872-4045

> FeedNC (Mooresville) Breakfast and Lunch 704-660-9010

Mental Health

Partners Behavioral Health 1-888-235-HOPE (4673)

Drug-Alcohol Coalition of Iredell 704-978-8814

> Suicide Prevention 1-800-273-8255 text TALK to 741741

Financial Assistance

United Way: Dial 2-1-1 Iredell Christian Ministries 704-924-6700 Mooresville Christian Mission 704-664-2357 Matthew 25 Ministries 704-546-5859

Parish News

WELCOME NEW STAFF

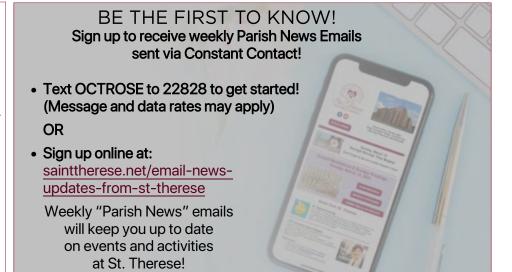


Lynn Auten Part-time Facilities Maintenance Assistant

We welcome to our staff Lynn Auten,

Part Time Facilities Maintenance Assistant!

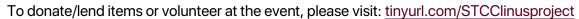
Lynn is responsible for the day to day maintenance and upkeep of parish buildings, grounds, and equipment. He comes to us with a wide variety of experiences and skills.



Faith Formation

Volunteers and Supplies Needed for Linus Blanket Project!

On Saturday, January 22 from 8:45am-1:00pm in the Parish Life Center, our Confirmation Class will be creating blankets for various local organizations to fulfil part of their service activities. Adult and student volunteers are needed!





We need to borrow:

- Sewing machines
- Rotary cutters
- Rotary cutting boards

The following items need to come as pairs please:

Ironing boards and irons

Please <u>label</u> anything that you are letting us borrow.

Items must be dropped at the Faith Formation Office by Friday, January 21.



Volunteers with sewing experience is a plus but not required.

Adult volunteers must watch a video tutorial in advance (available on our website) and arrive at 8:30am for instructions.

If you haven't volunteered before, the video tutorial is a quick way to learn the steps to be followed.

For additional information, please contact: Roseann Harrill, rcharrill@gmail.com

Visit our website to sign up and/or watch the video tutorial: sainttherese.net/confirmation-program

Confirmation Service Project: Donations Wanted!

Confirmation students will be collecting items for the Mooresville Kindness Closet, Kindness Cupboard, and Pinky Swear on the **weekend of January 15 and 16** in the Narthex of the Church.

- The Kindness Closet and Cupboard assists with basic household items and hygiene items not provided by government assistance.
- Pinky Swear provides snacks for cancer patients/families at Levine's Children's Hospital. For a list of items please view the sign up genius: tinyurl.com/ConfirmationServiceProjectSTCC

Adult Education

BIBLE STUDY: THE PASSION AND RESURRECTION (Narratives of Jesus)

Lenten 6-week Bible study starting in March (Zoom or in person)



This Lent 2022, St. Therese is pleased to offer an opportunity for enrichment and study, as we journey through the Gospel stories of Jesus' Passion and Resurrection, revealing further the nature of God, person of Jesus and the path for each of us as a disciple of Christ.

TWO schedules available for this 6-week Lenten journey:

Women's Bible Study: Thursday daytime meetings
Start on Thursday, March 3 and end on Thursday, April 7.
Meetings are in person at 10:00am.
To register, contact Paula Boyd, pboyd2722@gmail.com

Adult Men and Women's Bible Study: Tuesday evening meetings Start on Tuesday, March 1 and end on Tuesday, April 5. Meetings take place via Zoom at 7:00pm. To register contact **Donna Smith**, dsmith18123@gmail.com

Register by February 14 to receive a discount price of \$12 for Study Guide, which may be purchased through facilitators.

For more information, visit: sainttherese.net/womens-bible-study

Little Way Preschool

Registration for the 2022-23 School Year Little Way Preschool registration for the 2022-23 school year starts in January:

- January 16-30 Registered parishioners
- January 31 Remaining spots open to the public

For more information, please contact the Little Way Preschool Director: **Dayna Auten**, 980-444-2305, <u>dauten@sainttherese.net</u>

Job Opening Little Way Preschool is Seeking a Lead Teacher for Pre-K

This part-time paid position works 27 hours per week and reports to Little Way Preschool Director. Hours are 8:30am to 1:30pm plus two hours per week planning. Includes paid Holy Days, holidays, vacation and sick time.

For qualifications and more information, please visit: sainttherese.net/st-therese-is-hiring

Ignatian Corner

Quiet Lives

by Shemaiah Gonzalez

Along our street and in the streets of our city and around the country, there are homes where the routine is quiet. A person could probably set a watch to these homes if one watched and found their rhythm. These are not the homes of saints. And they won't be on the nightly news. Not one of the inhabitants will ever receive an award or perhaps even a pat on the back for the hard work they do. But there is something absolutely revolutionary about doing the work. Showing up. Quietly adding to a solution instead of [being] part of the problem.

When I was younger, I thought I would contribute something extraordinary to the world—that it was my duty, destiny, and responsibility to do something spectacular. As time steps forward and my life has become both larger and simpler at the same time, I have begun to see that the most revolutionary thing I can do, the most extraordinary decision that I can make, is simply to let God love me.

It is not easy. It is a quiet act made deep in the still of our souls. When we realize that God loved us first (1 John 4:19) and accept that love, our response is to love him back. All our other decisions are made out of this love.

We hope and we pray that by modeling this love between God and us, between us and our spouse, overflowing to our children, this love will be passed on and outward.

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Stewardship: The Grateful Response of a Christian Disciple



"To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit."
(1 CORINTHIANS 12:7)

St. Paul tells us that God has blessed each of us for a reason. How has God blessed you? Are you using your gifts according to God's plan? How are you helping to build God's kingdom here on earth? Remember that if you don't do the work God planned for you, no one else can do it. Live the life God has intended for you.

Take time to discern your charisms (gifts from the Holy Spirit).

Experience the supernatural peace and joy God desires for each of us.

Stewardship of Treasure - Thank you for your generosity

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE OFFERTORY RECEIVED AT MASSES, BY MAIL, AND ONLINE THROUGH December 19, 2021

Collection Date	<u>Actual</u>	Budget	Over/ (Under)
December 12	\$39,720	\$20,000	\$19,720
Monthly AutoDraft December	\$50,524	\$52,000	(\$1,476)
December 19	\$24,782	\$20,000	\$4,782
YTD (7/1/21—12/19/21)	\$872,726	\$804,000	\$68,726

Offertory Budget for the year is \$1,800,000 2,981 Registered Families as of 12/31/2021 **Thank You for Your Generosity!**

Total Mass Attendance						
December 19, 2021 = 1,899						
Saturday 5:00pm 337	Sunday 8:00am 310	Sunday 10:00am 510	Sunday 12:00pm 347	Sunday 2:30pm 180	Sunday 5:30pm 215	

CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES TO BE MAILED NEXT MONTH

Please take notice of two addressed envelopes to St. Therese in your bi-monthly envelope package. For those unable to attend Mass in person, these can be used to mail in your contributions directly to

St. Therese. Thank you for your support of our church.



SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

The second collection this week combines five appeals into oneand contributes toward the Collection for the Church in Latin America, the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, the Church in Africa, Catholic Home Missions, and the United States Mission Collection.

Please be generous.

Tax Letters 2021

We will be mailing out acknowledgement letters by January 31, 2022 to all parishioners that made donations of any amount between January 1, 2021 and December 31, 2021.

If you do not receive a letter for any reason by February 7, 2022, requests can be sent by email to Mike Kilburn, Operations Assistant, or by calling the Parish Office at 704-664-3992.

Please include your name, address, phone number, email address and Family ID.

If you have any questions about your giving statement, please contact:

Mike Kilburn, mkilburn@sainttherese.net

When we make our gift of treasure (could also be your *time and talent* as well), we join with our brothers and sisters in Christ to do the Lord's work—works of love and service that no one individual can do alone.

May our words and actions be a response to God's great love.

Evangelization & Communication

Connect with others through prayer, fellowship and faith sharing!

The Evangelization and Communication Commission is in the planning stages of forming new parish-wide Small Groups at St. Therese and we need your help!

In Small Groups, 8-10 parishioners gather for fellowship that encourages growth in relationship with Christ and each other through faith sharing.

We're looking for a team of individuals to help set up and implement this new Small Group program.

If you are interested in helping with this exciting project, please contact **Gail Benson**, <u>ECC@sainttherese.net</u>, 704-619-2663.

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Catholic Charities Elder Ministry:

Free Seminar: Using Technology and Assistive Devices to Age in Place Monday, January 24 at 1:00pm (St. Matthew Catholic Church - Charlotte)

Assistive Technology is defined as anything that can help someone perform a functional task easier. During this free session, you will learn about different devices that can help you maintain independence and live in your home. The devices will range from "low tech" long handled sponge to "high tech" computer based options.

For more information, contact: **Sandra Breakfield,** Program Director Elder Ministry, 704-370-3220, sabreakfield@charlottediocese.org

9 Days for Life: Respect Life Novena January 19—Thursday 27

Join thousands of Catholics nationwide in the annual Respect Life novena, 9 Days for Life, Wednesday, January 19 – Thursday, January 27. Get daily intentions, brief reflections, and more. Sign up at 9daysforlife.com

Annual March for Life pilgrimage to Washington D.C. Thursday, January 20 (St. Patrick's Cathedral - Charlotte)

Buses will depart early on Thursday, January 20 from St. Gabriel Church and will arrive in Washington D.C. later that afternoon. Pilgrims will participate in the Mass for Life at the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception as well as the national March for Life on Friday, January 21. Buses return to Charlotte later that Friday evening. Cost \$50-\$160 per person, depending on hotel room occupancy. Please register online at: stpatricks.org/march-for-life

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DONACIONES DE COMIDA

Ver la página 7 para una lista completa de alimentos tales como **cereal**, **vegetales y frutas enlatadas, fideos ramen, Spam**, etc. para apoyar a niños necesitados en nuestro circuito escolar. Por favor dejar sus donaciones en los carritos que se encuentran ubicados a la entrada de la iglesia.

NECESITAMOS MÁQUINAS DE COSER PRESTADAS

Como parte de sus horas de servicio a la comunidad, los jóvenes de nuestro grupo de Confirmación participarán en un proyecto de confección de cobijas para niños necesitados. Necesitamos máquinas de coser prestadas, planchas y aplanchadores, así como cuchillas giratorias para cortar tela. Por favor dejar los artículos en la Oficina de Formación de Fe, a más tardar el viernes 21 de enero. Se devolverán todos los artículos que vengan debidamente identificados. Ver Página 8 para más detalles.

Lecturas para la próxima semana: 23 de enero, 2022

III Domingo de Tiempo Ordinario—Ciclo C

l Lectura	Salmo Responsorial	II Lectura	Evangelio	
Nehemías 8:2-6,8-10	Salmo 19:8-10,15	1 Corintios 12:12-30	Lucas 1:1-4; 4:14-21	
Esdras lee del libro de la Ley y lo interpreta para que todos lo entiendan.	Un canto de alabanza a la Ley del Señor.	Pablo explica que todos fueron bautizados en el único cuerpo de Cristo.	En la sinagoga de Nazaret, Jesús lee en voz alta el rollo del profeta Isaías y anuncia que esta Escritura se ha cumplido.	

Mission Statement:

The parish of St. Therese, rooted in Ignatian Spirituality, strives to **Love God, Follow Jesus and Serve All** by doing ordinary things with great love.



Welcome to St. Therese Catholic Church! Thank you for being here with us!

The parishioners of St. Therese welcome our visitors. Please introduce yourselves to your neighbors. Your presence is very important to us, as is your support.

¡Bienvenidos a la Iglesia Católica de Santa Teresita! ¡Gracias por estar aquí con nosotros!

Los feligreses de Santa Teresita dan la bienvenida a nuestros visitantes. Su presencia es muy importante para nosotros, así como lo es su apoyo.



Registration

Every household is invited to register. Forms are available in the Parish Office or on our website. According to Diocesan policy, parish registration is required for Faith Formation, all Sacraments, ministries, and school vouchers.

MOVING? Please notify the Parish Office!

Communion of the Sick

Please notify the Parish Office if you want communion brought to the home, hospital or nursing home. Hospitals **do not** notify the church that you are there except at your direct request.

Anointing of the Sick

Please notify the Parish Office of those who are homebound or in hospitals, or nursing homes, especially when seriously ill.

Marriage

According to Diocesan policy, registered couples must begin marriage preparation at least **SIX MONTHS** prior to the desired wedding date. For more information, please contact Fr. Mark Lawlor, Pastor.

Registro Parroquial

Invitamos a todas las familias a registrarse. Formulario disponible en la Oficina Parroquial o en nuestra página web. Según la política diocesana, el registro parroquial es necesario para la formación de la fe, todos los sacramentos, ministerios y vales escolares. ¿Se va a mudar?

Por favor notificar la Oficina Parroquial.

Comunión de los enfermos

Por favor notificar a la Oficina Parroquial si usted desea la comunión llevada a casa, hospital, o asilo de ancianos. Los hospitales <u>NO</u> le notifican a la iglesia que usted está allí, excepto a su petición.

Unción de los enfermos

Por favor notificar a la Oficina Parroquial acerca de las personas confinadas en casa, en hospitales, o asilos de ancianos, especialmente cuando se encuentran seriamente enfermos

Matrimonios

Según la política diocesana, las parejas registradas deben comenzar la preparación del matrimonio por lo menos seis meses antes de la fecha deseada de la boda. Para más información, contacte al Padre Marcos Lawlor, Párroco.

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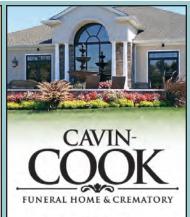
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