

# ST. THERESE OF THE CHILD JESUS

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## Fourth Sunday of Easter May 8, 2022

**FIRST READING:** The Jews angrily reject Paul and Barnabas' preaching. They then turn their energies to the Gentiles (Acts 13:14, 43-52).

**PSALM:** We are his people, the sheep of his flock (Psalm 100).

**SECOND READING:** John envisions a great white-robed multitude standing before the throne and before the Lamb. (Revelation 7:9, 14b-17)

**GOSPEL:** My sheep hear my voice; they follow me. I give them eternal life (John 10:27-30).

### **LITURGICAL REFLECTION-** A FORETASTE OF PARADISE

Throughout Easter Time, the Church rejoices with Jesus, risen from the dead. Our readings on this Fourth Sunday of Easter celebrate our instinct to come together in joy, worshiping in church. While private prayer nourishes our individual relationship with the Lord, community prayer is a foretaste of paradise. The book of Revelation depicts a "great multitude" worshipping God "day and night in his temple." Our churches on Easter Sunday often reflect this happy multitude, filling the pews to bursting. Four Sundays into the festive season, we are encouraged to keep praising God together. In the Acts of the Apostles, Paul and Barnabas demonstrate their instinct to worship with their faith community each Sabbath, dutifully taking their seats in the synagogue. In the Gospel, Jesus calls us his sheep and reminds us why coming together as a flock is so important: uniting in community, we imitate the unity of God.

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### **WEEKLY PARISH EVENTS CALENDAR**

<b>SUN</b>	<b>5/08</b>	<b>10:30AM . . . . . Holy Name Mass</b>
<b>MON</b>	<b>5/09</b>	
<b>TUES</b>	<b>5/10</b>	
<b>WED</b>	<b>5/11</b>	
<b>THURS</b>	<b>5/12</b>	
<b>FRI</b>	<b>5/13</b>	
<b>SAT</b>	<b>5/14</b>	<b>3:00PM . . . . . Confession</b>
<b>SUN</b>	<b>5/15</b>	



### **MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK: (May 9<sup>th</sup> – May 15<sup>th</sup>)**

<b>MON</b>	<b>5/09 . . . . . 7:50AM. . . . . + Mother's Day Triduum</b>
<b>TUES</b>	<b>5/10. . . . . 7:50AM. . . . . + Mother's Day Triduum</b>
<b>WED</b>	<b>5/11 . . . . . 7:50AM. . . . . + Anna Kris – (Charles Camute)</b>
<b>THUR</b>	<b>5/12 . . . . . 7:50AM . . . . . + Intention Dantis</b>
<b>FRI</b>	<b>5/13 . . . . . 7:50AM . . . . . + John Cynar – (Wife &amp; Children)</b>
<b>SAT</b>	<b>5/14 . . . . . 4:00PM. . . . . + (B) Michael Delich – (Children &amp; Grandchildren)</b>
<b>SUN</b>	<b>5/15 . . . . . 7:30AM. . . . . + Joni Urban – (Jane Bross &amp; Children)</b>
	<b>. . . . . 10:30AM. . . . . + Sr Catherine Paff – (KOC Council # 10409)</b>

CONGRATULATIONS



To the following who receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this past Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at St. John Gualbert:

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| <b>George Churilla</b> | <b>Abigail Gawel</b>    |
| <b>Katherine Goas</b>  | <b>Caleb Sarka</b>      |
| <b>Kendal Shingler</b> | <b>Olivia Skovensky</b> |

Congratulations and God's Blessing on all of you!



**Our Catholic Ministries Drive -Forward In Faith-**  
Your sacrificial gifts of prayer and treasure will make an immediate impact on ministries that care for the poor, strengthen family life, nurture our youth, and provide leadership development for clergy and laity. 100% of your gift goes directly to these ministries! As of March 31<sup>st</sup>, we have collected **\$5,575.00** of our **\$20,392.00** Goal. Please consider making a pledge to the Ministries Drive. You have until Dec 31<sup>st</sup> 2022 to pay your pledge in full.

**Special Projects Profits**

The profit to date for the Lenten piroghi project is **\$19,478.10**. We still have a few dozen frozen piroghis left if your interested, please call the rectory office, during business hours.  
The Nutroll project for this year is **\$4,990.61**. We would like to send out a special thank you to **Marilyn Alberter** who chairs this project and her nutty rollers. Thanks again to all who help with the Piroghi and Nutroll projects. Without your dedication to St Therese these projects would not be possible. May God bless you all!



**St Anne's Christian Mothers 533 Woodland Ave** will host their **Annual Flea Market & Bake Sale** on **Friday May 13<sup>th</sup> 9-4PM**, and **Saturday May 14<sup>th</sup> 9-4PM** in the church basement.



**The Annual West End Pickers, Trash to Treasures indoor yard sale, Friday May 13<sup>th</sup> & Saturday May 14<sup>th</sup> from 8-1PM, at St Therese Social Hall, hosted by the West End Improvement Group.** We are in need of any donations of good saleable items. Call 322-5558 or 248-8989, or you can simply drop them off on May 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> in the evening at the hall. Proceeds from this sale go towards our projects: surveillance cameras, garden/flower boxes and community events.

**Sunday May 8, 2022**

**Stewardship Reflections** The disciples were the first to live a stewardship way of life, and their example is as relevant today as it was 2,000 years ago. In the First Reading we learn that Paul and Barnabas saw themselves as nothing more and nothing less than stewards of Christ and His Good News. This realization brought them freedom. The results of their efforts were up to God. This Spirit-filled, joy-filled life is available to us all today. It can be achieved when we recognize like Paul and Barnabas did, that all we have and all we are is a gift from God, meant to be shared with others for His glory.

Living as God's stewards does not guarantee a life of ease or a life free from sacrifice. Sometimes the steward's life involves challenges, requiring all the strength and love one has to give. May you be filled with joy for using your gifts as an "instrument of salvation" wherever you go (cf. Acts 13:47). (Stewardship Reflection, Catholic Stewardship Consultants, Inc. 2022/04/11)

**LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS**  
**(April 30<sup>th</sup> & May 1<sup>st</sup> 2022)**

Weekly .....	\$ 4,739.50
Building Fund .....	\$ 988.00

**Thank you and May God Bless you for your continued support of St. Therese Church.**

**Sincere Condolences** - The St. Therese Community would like to offer our sincere condolences to the family of **Elsa Williams**, who was called to her eternal reward this past week. May God grant His eternal rest to **Elsa** and peace and consolation to her family.

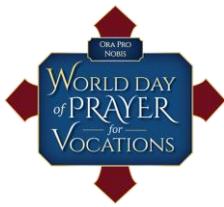


**Sincere Condolences** - The St. Therese Community would like to offer our sincere condolences to the family of **Agnes Labuda**, who was called to her eternal reward this past week. May God grant His eternal rest to **Agnes** and peace and consolation to her family.

**REGINA CAELI** - The Regina Caeli is said beginning Easter Sunday until Pentecost. It is said standing:

- V. Queen of Heaven, rejoice! Alleluia.
- R. For He whom you merited to bear, Alleluia
- V. Has risen, as He said, Alleluia
- R. Pray for us to God, Alleluia
- V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, Alleluia!
- R. For the Lord has truly risen, Alleluia.

**Let us Pray:** O God, who through the resurrection of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, did vouchsafe to give joy to this world; grant, we beseech you, that through His Mother, the Virgin Mary, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ, Our Lord. Amen



Today the Church throughout the world prays for vocations. Will you a special effort to ask the Lord for vocations to the priesthood and religious life?

Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life, both living and dead

Encourage your children, grandchildren, or other young people to consider a vocation as a priest or religious brother or sister.

Pray a rosary for young men and women in our diocese to respond to God's call

**Families and the Gospel..... (John 10: 27-30)**

Today's gospel reminds us to be shepherds for our children who depend on us to be their guides and role models. Where are we leading them? When they "hear our voice" what message do they hear?

**Oblates of Saint Benedict**

On May 16<sup>th</sup>, Deacon Michael will facilitate the rite of renewal for Benedictine Oblates beginning at 6:30PM at St Benedict Church with Vespers (evening prayer), Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, and the formal renewal rite. All are welcome. Come join us for this celebration and learn how you can become a Benedictine Oblate and enrich your spiritual life.



**FATIMA DEVOTIONS ARE BACK** - The Franciscan Friars, T.O.R., from Loretto, invite you to participate with them in celebrating the Fatima Devotions on Friday, May 13th, 2022 at 6:30PM at the Basilica of Saint Michael the Archangel. We are really looking forward to seeing you

Mass for Widows and Widowers to be Televised Remember your loved ones on Sunday, May 29, 2022 with a televised Mass Celebrated by Bishop Mark Bartchak at 11:00 am on WATM ABC 23 and will rebroadcast that night at 9:00 p.m. on the Atlantic Broadband channel 9. All spouses will be acknowledged and remembered at Mass. All persons who have lost a spouse through death throughout the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese are invited to register by contacting the Family Life Office 814-317-2643 or email familylife@dioceseaj.org. When registering, please give your name, address, phone number and the name of your spouse who has passed away. The last day to register is Tuesday, May 24, 2022. The event is sponsored by the Diocesan Family Life Office and the Catholic Ministries Drive.

All the faithful of the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese are invited to our outdoor Masses every **Sunday evening at 7 PM** at the beautiful **Shrine of Our Lady of the Alleghenies**. The first Mass of the season will be celebrated May 29th! Outdoor Masses will continue through Labor Day weekend-September 4, 2022. Please bring a lawn chair. In the event of inclement weather, the Mass will be celebrated in the Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel.

Babies are bits of stardust, blown down from the hand of God"



**Intercession Prayer**

**ABORTION:** "That the Lord, who rescues the life of the poor from the power of the wicked, might send an angel to guard and protect all unborn children;

We pray to the Lord:



**MOM/mawm/ noun**

- 1 Skilled professional with expertise in finance, medicine, negotiation, and the culinary arts.
2. Dispenser of hug's
3. Travel agent/tour guide
4. Free taxi service
5. Person who always believes in you
6. Special type of human that can survive on only a few hours of sleep
7. Great sense of humor
8. AKA: Saint, Wonder Women