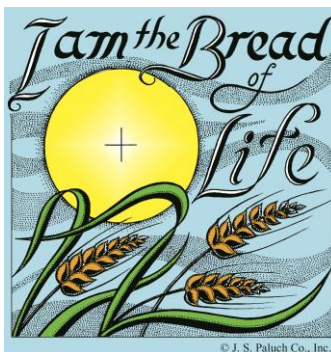


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Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Aug 4, 2024

FIRST READING: The people of Israel receive bread from heaven in response to their grumbling
(Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15).

PSALM: The Lord gave them bread from heaven (Psalm 78).

SECOND READING: Put on the new self that has been created in God's way - (Ephesians 4:17, 20-24).

GOSPEL: I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger (John 6:24-35).

LITURGICAL REFLECTION: In today's Gospel we experience Jesus confronting the crowd with the purity of their intention in following Him. While the crowd seeks perishable food, He desires that they seek Him, the 'Bread of Life', 'food that endures for eternal life'. St. Francis de Sales tells us how we can prepare ourselves to have the 'Bread of Life' come into our lives: Our Savior comes to us, so that we may be all in him. You have only to be thankful for the simplicity of faith that God has given you. Ask God to continue to give you this very precious and desirable gift. Nourish yourself the whole day long with holy thoughts on the infinite goodness of our God. Rest in the providence of God, for God will never fail to supply what is necessary for your wellbeing. Praise God in this life, and you will glorify God with all the blessed in Heaven.

WEEKLY PARISH EVENTS CALENDAR

SUN	8/04	
MON	8/05	
TUES	8/06	6:00PM Holy Name Meeting Church Hall 7:00PM Knights of Columbus Meeting Church Hall
WED	8/07	
THURS	8/08	
FRI	8/09	11:30 – 5PM . . . Blood Drive Church Hall
SAT	8/10	3:00PM Confession
Next Sun	8/11	10:30AM Holy Name Mass only

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK: - (Aug 5th– Aug 11th)

MON	8/05 7:50AM	+ Garth Wener – (Andy Kasper & Family)
TUES	8/06 7:50AMIntentions for Sr Miriam Elise of the Visitation
WED	8/07 7:50AM	+ Kathryn Gorczycki – (Marilyn & Joe Yeager)
THUR	8/08 7:50AM	+ Kevin Gritzer – (Chris & Jenna Marshall)
FRI	8/09 7:50AM	+ (A) Nick Nikonow – (Son, Paul & Marie)
SAT	8/10 4:00PM	+ (A) Laverne Bobby– (Carmen Trusello)
SUN	8/11 7:30AM	+ (B) Jean Nikonow – (Son, Paul & Marie)
10:30AM	+ Holy Name



Sunday, Aug 4, 2024

Stewardship Reflections: Often, we live our lives striving for temporary happiness. But today, Jesus reminds us to "not work for food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life."

Last week we heard about Jesus multiplying the loaves of bread and fish for a large crowd. All who were there ate and were satisfied. The multiplication of the loaves prefigures Jesus at the Last Supper and every Eucharistic meal we celebrate at Mass. Our Eucharistic meal is the Spiritual Food that we consume - Jesus Himself, Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity. It will satisfy us as Jesus says, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst."

As you go about your day-to-day lives this week, try to recognize the times you are "working for food that perishes" by seeking things of the world to satisfy your heart. In those moments, recall that everything we have is a gift from God. Instead of misusing that gift, offer a prayer of thanksgiving for all He has given to you. Then respond to Jesus' invitation to "come to Him" by speaking with Him throughout your day.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS (Aug 27th & Aug 28th 2024)

Weekly	\$ 3,322.00
Building Fund	\$ 40.00

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 **Edward Pavlosky** who was called to his eternal reward this past week. May God grant His eternal rest to **Edward** and peace and consolation to his family.

Holy Name Society monthly meeting will be held on **Tuesday, Aug 6th starting at 6PM** in the Church Hall. All men interested in joining the Holy Name are welcomed to attend.

KOC Council #10409 - This month's meeting will be held **Tuesday, Aug 6th at 7PM** in the Church Hall.



The **2nd Annual Blood Drive** in honor of **Dan Hutchison** will be held in the St. Therese Social Hall on **Friday, August 9th from 11:30AM - 5:00PM**. For an appointment, please visit RedCrossBlood.org and St. Therese or call 1-800-733-2767

KOC Council 10409 is having CPR, AED and First Aid Training on Sept 21st from 9AM - Noon in the Church Hall. Training is open to anyone 12 years and older. Cost \$15 per person. Contact Joe Hochstein at 814-536-0455 or Brian Mikolich at 814-418-4570 to register and pay fee.

SUMMER BASH & BASKETS

The bills have been paid and our total profit for the Summer Basket & Burgers Bash was **\$17,514.00**. I would like once again thank everyone who helped make this project such a success.

Upcoming events

CCD Faculty Meeting August 18th
Piroghi Project Sept 19th
Novena Sept 21st - Oct 1st
Oktoberfest Oct 12th & 13th

Looking for help with college?



St. Therese's Knights of Columbus council #10409 are here to help by offering again this year a \$500 Fr Bernard Karmanocky Essay Scholarships to the members of St Therese and St. Anne's Parishes (only). You must be either a senior in High School, or planning to attend or attending a 2-4 years program, or trade school. The essay must consist of 500 words and the topic for this year's scholarship is:

"The meaning of the Eucharist"

All entries must be postmarked by August 11th

Please submit your essay to:

Dennis Pingatore

115 Stans Lane Johnstown, Pa 15909

Families and the Gospel - (John 6: 24-35)
In today's gospel Jesus tells us: "Do not work for what perishes." Give your life to what endures such as the family history you are creating, the love and mutual respect which bonds you together, the memories you share and the forgiveness generously given. These are the true treasures that are worth working and dying for.

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