

ST. THERESE OF THE CHILD JESUS

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Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sept 22, 2024

FIRST READING: The Lord GOD is my help; who will prove me wrong? (Isaiah 50:5-9a).

PSALM: I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living (Psalm 116).

SECOND READING: Faith, if it does not have works, is dead (James 2:14-18).

GOSPEL: Jesus asked his disciples, “Who do you say that I am?” (Mark 8:27-35).

LITURGICAL REFLECTION: This reflection helps us understand that wisdom from God leads us on a path that may not be easy, but it is the right path. We should seek wisdom that brings peace, righteousness, and a closer relationship with God. Staying true to this wisdom, even when it is hard, is our call as Christians.

WEEKLY PARISH EVENTS CALENDAR

MON	9/23	9:00AM	Opening of the Novena to honor St Therese
TUES	9/24		
WED	9/25		
THURS	9/26		
FRI	9/27		
SAT	9/28	3:00PM	Confession
NEXT SUN	9/29	2:00PM	



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK: (Sept 23rd – Sept 29th)

MON	9/23	9:00AM	+ James Marshall – (Mom & Family)
		7:00PM	+ Regis Bender – (Janet Turjan)
TUES	9/24	7:50AM	+ Sophie Mulvehill – (Brother, Joe & Joan Tracy)
		9:00AM	+ Kevin Gritzer – (Patty & Family)
		7:00PM	+ Anna Seminsky – (John Girgos)
WED	9/25	7:50AM	+ M/M Joseph Cisz – (Daughter, Joan)
		9:00AM	+ Dorothy Ramierz – (Joyce & Mick Muto)
		7:00PM	+ Garth Wesner – (Tony & Carol Mondi)
THUR	9/26	7:50AM	+ Teresa Lill – (Sister, Patricia)
		9:00AM	+ Kathryn Gorczycki – (Marilyn & Joe Yeager)
		7:00PM	+ John Pencola – (Dorothy Lengyel)
FRI	9/27	7:50AM	+ Frank & Sue Karmanocky – (Family)
		9:00AM	+ Mike Delich – (Colleen Kurtz)
		7:00PM	+ Jane Bross – (Charlotte Lieb)
SAT	9/28	9:00AM	+ Sonja Girgos – (David Radnotti)
		4:00PM	+ Stella David – (Daughter, Dolores, Bill & Billy Gentile)
		7:00PM	+ Tom & Vern Furnari - (Thoams MaryAnn Furnari)
SUN	9/29	7:30AM	+ George & Pauline Pappas – (Sons)
		10:30AM	+ (WA) Michael & Bea Macy (68 years) – (Family)
		2:00PM	+ Pro Populo
		7:00PM	+ (A) George Seigh – (Son, Mike & Kim)



Sunday, Sept 22, 2024



First day of CCD classes will be on TODAY Sunday, Sept 22nd starting at 9AM with a prayer service in the Church.

Stewardship Reflections: Our readings today bring to light the daily struggle between good and evil and how we can combat this struggle through wisdom and gratitude. In our Second Reading, St. James encourages us to seek wisdom from above. "But the wisdom from above is first of all pure, then peaceable, gentle, compliant, full of mercy and good fruits..." When we seek the Lord, we will have the strength to choose good and the wisdom to properly use what we have received from Him.

When we are caught in the raging war of jealousy, fighting, and pride, and begin to become enslaved to our passions we are ultimately being ungrateful for what we have been given. We overlook the blessing God has given us and the gifts and talents He has entrusted to us.

Today, let us recall that we have an infinitely loving God who cares deeply for us. Consider all that He has blessed you with, and how you can use those blessings for His glory.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS (Sept 14th & Sept 15th 2024)

Weekly	\$ 3,199.00
Building Fund	\$ 95.00
Fuel	\$ 90.00

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

Novena to Honor St. Therese of the Child

Jesus

Opens on Monday, Sept 23rd and will end on Tuesday, Oct 1st, the Feast of St. Therese.

Mass Schedule -

Weekday Masses at 7:50AM, 9AM and 7PM;

Saturday Masses at 9AM, 4PM, and 7PM;

Sunday Masses at 7:30AM, 10:30AM, and 7:00PM.

Sunday, Sept 29th at 2PM Anointing of the sick

We would like to welcome Fr Michael Green , a Passionist priest, born and raised in the Bronx, New York. Fr. Green enlisted in the Navy during the Vietnam War, and spent most of that time in the Pacific area. It was there that he starting to read about and meet the Passionist Community. Earned his degree in Religious Studies from Assumption College in Worcester, MA, Spiritual training in West Hartford Ct, then went to Jamaica NY for theology, earning a Master's Degree in New Testament and a Master of Divinity. After serving as Vice-Rector for 7years, he joined Fr Curtis in the Retreat ministry at St Paul of the Cross retreat Center. We are happy to have him join us at our Novena.

St. Therese's Mass of Anointing of the Sick -

This sacrament of the sick will be celebrated during a Mass, Sept 29th at 2PM at St.

Therese. Anointing is intended for those faithful whose health is impaired by sickness or age. Physical, emotional, or spiritual illnesses are opportunities to celebrate this sacrament. Pews will be reserved in the front of the church for those who are unable to walk up to the altar.



Due to the Piroghi Project the Chirstian Mothers Meeting will be moved to Wednesday, Oct 2nd starting at 11:30AM rosary, Mass and meeting to follow.



Oktoberfest 2024

Our Annual Oktoberfest has been set for Saturday, Oct 12th and Sunday, Oct 13th 2024

We are asking for and would appreciate the following donations:

Theme Basket (at least \$30.00 in value) for the basket raffle. If Basket making isn't your speciality you can make a monetary donation, we will make it for you!

\$5, \$10, & \$25 gift cards for the Wheel raffle (Saturday Night)



Bakers of the Parish-we are asking once again for your delicious homemade pies.

A BIG THANK-YOU to all who helped with the piroghi project this past week. **You guys are AWESOME!!!** These projects would never happen if it wasn't for all your Help. A special thanks to all who prepare meals and those that bake all the goodies for our volunteers.

St Therese Church has the BEST Volunteers ever!! We very much appreciate all of you!

FYI next piroghi project for Oktoberfest is Thursday, Oct 3

Families and the Gospel - (Mk 9:30-37)

Disagreements are common in families. But what would you say if Jesus posed the same question "What are you arguing about?" Is it silly and petty? Is it an attempt to impose your will and control on another. Today Jesus tells us and his disciples to give it up. We are meant to serve each other, not control.

A Catechesis for Adults and Youth Come and Listen!

Beginning Sept 16th Mondays & Wednesdays @7PM

St John Gualbert Cathedral Activity Center

110 Adams St.

Free parking and babysitting

