

ST. THERESE OF THE CHILD JESUS

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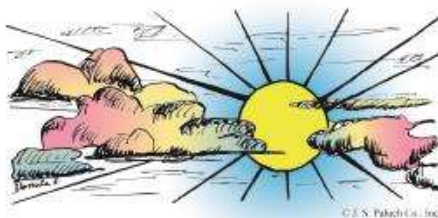
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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Oct 27, 2024

FIRST READING: I will lead the people to brooks of water, on a level road, so that none shall stumble
(Jeremiah 31:7-9).

PSALM: The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy (Psalm 126).

SECOND READING: It was not Christ who glorified himself, but rather the one who said to him:
You are my son: this day I have begotten you (Hebrews 5:1-6).

GOSPEL: Immediately the blind man received his sight and followed Jesus on the way
(Mark 10:46-52).

LITURGICAL REFLECTION: In Mark 10:46-52, Bartimaeus, a blind man, calls out to Jesus. Despite the crowd trying to silence him, he persists. His faith leads to his healing. Jesus stops and asks Bartimaeus what he wants. Bartimaeus asks to see again. Jesus tells him that his faith has healed him, and Bartimaeus immediately regains his sight. Bartimaeus' story shows the power of faith. We are reminded to trust in Jesus. Our faith can lead to healing and new beginnings. Bartimaeus' faith should inspire us to recognize Jesus in our lives, especially in the needy and troubled around us.

WEEKLY PARISH EVENTS CALENDAR

SUN	10/27	
MON	10/28	
TUES	10/29	
WED	10/30	
THURS	10/31	
FRI	11/01	..... All Saints Day Holy Day of Obligation
SAT	11/02	3:00PM .....Confession
NEXT SUN	11/03	



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK: (Oct 28th – Nov 3rd)

MON	10/28	..... 7:50AM. + Steve Kohn – (Rose Howarth & John Slezak)
TUES	10/29	..... 7:50AM. + Anthony Petrore – (M/M Ronald Goff)
WED	10/30	..... 7:50AM. + M/M Joseph Cisz – (Daughter, Joan)
THUR	10/31	..... 7:50AM. + Bob Gritzer – (Nephew, Darren & Cheri)
	All Saints Vigil.	..... 4:00PM +John Cynar – (Wife, Joanne & Children)
		All Souls
FRI	11/01	..... 7:50AM. + James Marshall – (Mom & Family)
		..... 6:00PM. + Dom Kurtz – (Wife & Children)
SAT	11/02	..... 7:50AM. + All Souls
		..... 4:00PM. + (A) Willaim Kolega – (Lynn Berkebile)
SUN	11/03	..... 7:30AM. + All Souls Triduum
		..... 10:30AM. + Dolores Opacic – (Daughter, Elizabeth)



Sunday, Oct 27, 2024

Stewardship Reflections: Our Psalm today, "The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy," sheds light on our glorious Gospel reading about the healing of the blind man, Bartimaeus.

We can learn a lot from Bartimaeus when it comes to our own personal relationships with Jesus. Many of us struggle with something from which we need healing - physical blindness, illness, addiction, bad habits, anger, sin. In our weakness, do we confidently cry out to Jesus knowing that He will help us?

Oftentimes we begin to, but then a voice in our thoughts tells us to doubt and encourages us to stop trying, like the crowd in our Gospel. Although that voice is persistent and strong, we are called to cry out all the more. If Jesus can hear one voice in a crowd of many, then He can hear our direct prayers to Him in our hearts.

Whatever it is that you desire to be healed from today, confidently cry out to Jesus in prayer. He is listening. And when you hear the voice of doubt, keep praying. Strive to have unwavering faith that Jesus is with you, He hears you and will heal you in His way and His time. Know that the Lord has done great things for us and will continue to do so - so let our hearts be filled with joy.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS (Oct 19th & Oct 20th 2024)

Weekly	.....	\$ 3,906.00
Building Fund	.....	\$ 239.00
Fuel	.....	\$ 37.00

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

Blessing of the Chapel Doors Oct 27, 2024

The Franciscan Sisters of Millvale came to Our Parish in Sept 1944 and have been a vital part of St Therese Church for many years, teaching our children, and helping in the ministries of the Church, counseling young adults, cleaning the altar linens etc. Today, Oct 27th at the 10:30 Mass we will commemorate the new Chapel Doors, to **Our Franciscan Sisters of Millvale** for all the work and dedication that you have shown to the St Therese Church Parish over the Years.



A Catechesis for Adults and Youth

Come and Listen!

Mondays & Wednesdays @7PM

St John Gualbert Cathedral Activity Center

110 Adams St.

Free parking and babysitting

Holy Name will be raffling off chances to win two pictures. One: a framed print of the Stain glass window of the Choir loft and the second a diamond painting of the Altar at Christmas time. **Drawing is this weekend after the 10:30 Mass.** Please stoop by and get your tickets before or after Mass. Chances are \$2 a piece or 3-for \$5.

ALL SAINTS DAY this Friday, Nov 1st, is the solemnity of All Saints and is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses to observe the holy day will be a Vigil Mass on Thursday, Oct 31st at 4:00PM and Masses at 7:50AM and 6:00PM on Friday. **Fr Balestino will say Mass Saturday morning at 7:50AM All Souls.**



Three Day Triduum for All Souls Masses

Sunday Nov 3rd

Monday Nov 4th

Tuesday Nov 5th

Our faith community will remember all deceased family and friends at each Mass. Envelopes are in your boxes and there are extra slips in the back of the church if you need extra for anyone wishing to have the deceased members of the family and loved ones remembered during the month of November



Knights of Columbus along with the Holy Name will host a Remembrance Mass for all deceased Members on **Sunday, Nov 10th** at 10:30 Mass. Refreshment will be served following the Mass in the Church Hall. Everyone is invited to attend.

Catholic Ministries Drive

Encountering Christ. Thank you to the **54** families who have pledged to date a total of **\$11,420.00** towards our target amount of **\$24,902.00**. Please prayerfully consider making a pledge according to your means so we will be able to reach that target. You have until Dec 31st 2024 to pay your pledge in full. **All funds over our target will be returned to St. Therese and will be used for the Church Roof, that needs to be replaced. Keep in mind, if we fall short of our goal, we will pay the balance out of our Parish Funds.**





Nut Roll & Poppy Seed Rolls -

Will be baked on **Saturday, Dec 7th** just in time for Christmas. Pick up will be Dec 8th after Sunday morning masses. An order sheet will be in the vestibule Nov 9th & 10th

Deadline to order is Sunday, Nov 17th.

We are in need of the follow items for this project to help defray the cost:

Nuts, flour, sugar, eggs, & plain Crisco.

Piroghi Project



We are looking for a person or persons to run the Piroghi Project for the up coming year. This is a big project to take on but, it is one of the biggest Fundraisers of our parish. We have a list of instructions to help you and Denny is more than happy to walk you through it. If anyone is interested in taking on this project please call the office Mon-Fri 9-2



On behalf of the missionary men and women serving in over 1,150 mission territories, we extend our heartfelt gratitude for your generous support on World Mission Sunday.

Your contributions ensure that the Gospel continues to spread hope, love and salvation to those in need.



Those who have gone before have not passed into lethargy or vacancy. They may be nearer to us, as they are nearer to the perfect love. They may guide us towards a holier and ampler freedom, since they do not suffer the limitations of time. The veil is rent. There is with us the presence of the unseen host.

Community News & Events



**ST. CLEMENT CHURCH
PANCAKE BREAKFAST BAKE SALE
& BASKET RAFFLE**

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2nd 7:00 AM-NOON ALL YOU CAN EAT PANCAKES!

ADULTS: \$7.00 CHILDREN 12 & UNDER: \$5.00



The West End Improvement Group will the Annual Basket Party. This year will be a 2-day event, with a Walk-Through on Saturday, **November 2, 2024, 1-4PM.** Tickets are \$5.

Saturday will also include baked goods for sale, with gobs and pies to list a few.

Sunday, Nov 3, doors will open at 11AM, drawing will begin at 1PM. Tickets are \$10.00 which includes lunch.

This year will include qualifiers/pull-tabs, in addition to 50/50, Lottery Tree, etc and over 135 baskets.

Proceeds benefit surveillance camera upgrades, flowers, garden, and community project.



Bishop McCort Catholic Elementary Athletic Association East Campus Gym
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15th

Doors open at 6 PM/Raffle 7 PM The cost is \$15 and includes a meal, beverages and hourly cash drawings. All are welcome



Young Adult Group (18-39): Our next Theology on Tap is October 30th at 6pm at the Boulevard Grill with Dan Waldow, theologian and professor at Saint Francis University, speaking on Principles of Catholic Politics. Our monthly attendance is typically between 35 and 50 including a few Priests. All young adults aged 18-39 are welcome to join us for faith, food, and fellowship! For more information or to sponsor our group contact Geoffrey Stumpo at (814) 659-7415 or geoffstumpo@gmail.com.

Daylight Savings Time Ends Next Weekend - Nov 3rd

Be sure to turn your clocks back one hour next Saturday night!!!

