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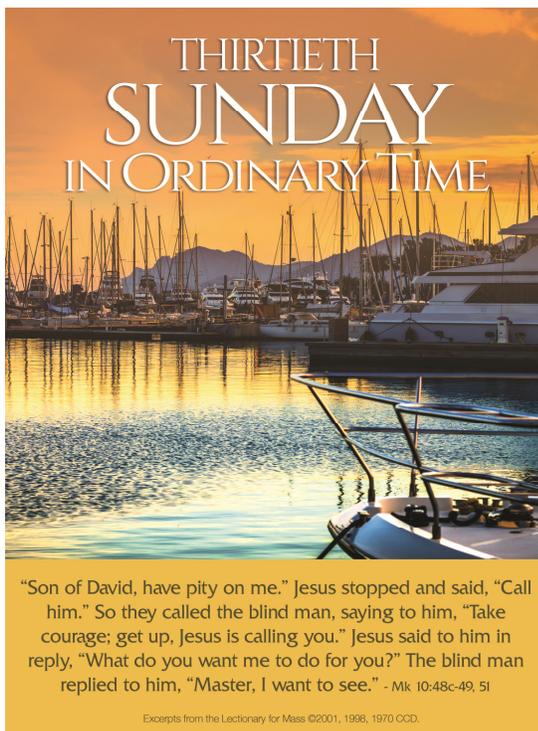
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MISSION STATEMENT

We, the Catholic faith community of St. Teresa of Avila parish, guided by the Holy Spirit, commit ourselves to proclaim and follow the Good News of Jesus Christ. Basing our lives on faith, hope and love, we seek to meet our needs and the spiritual and corporal needs of those around us. It is our humble prayer that our lives will be visible signs of His presence in the world as we celebrate Christ in His Word and Sacraments.



MASS SCHEDULE

<i>Sunday Liturgies</i>	8:00 AM, 10:15 AM
<i>Saturday Vigil</i>	4:30 PM
<i>Weekday Liturgies</i>	
<i>Daily</i>	8:00 AM, except Wednesday 5:30 PM
<i>Saturday</i>	9:00 AM
<i>Vigil of Holy Days</i>	5:30 PM
<i>Holy Days</i>	8:00 AM; 7:30 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 3:45 to 4:15 p.m.

First Saturday 8:15 to 8:45 a.m.

Vigil of Holy Days 3:45 to 4:15 p.m.

or anytime by request.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

As preparation for Baptism, parents are asked to contact the parish office to make an appointment with the Pastor.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Arrangements to be made at the Rectory 6 months in advance.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Please register at the Rectory as soon as you move within the parish.

Note: If you are moving out of the parish, please notify the Rectory.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

These letters needed for Baptismal and Confirmation sponsors are issued gladly to those who have been registered for 6 months, attend Mass regularly, have been confirmed, if married, have done so in conformity with the Church laws, and children attend Religious Education.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, October 29

8:00 Connie Caprio *by family*

Tuesday, October 30

8:00 Special Intention *by Ron and Sherry Shimmel*

Wednesday, October 31

5:30 Departed Souls

Thursday, November 1 - Feast of All Saints

8:00 Intentions for Fathers

7:30 Ron Konieczny *by Bob and Kathy Penn*

Friday, November 2 - The

Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

8:00 Faithful Departed

Saturday, November 3 - St. Martin de Porres

9:00 Parishioners of St. Teresa's

4:30 Faithful Departed

Sunday, November 4 - The 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 Timothy and Gordon Bell *by family*

10:15 Faithful Departed

4:00 Confirmation Candidates



Scripture Readings For the Week

Monday - Ephesians 4:32-5:8; Luke 13:10-17

Tuesday - Ephesians 5:21-33; Luke 13:18-21

Wednesday - Ephesians 6:1-9; Luke 13:22-30

Thursday - Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14; 1 John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12a

Friday - Wisdom 3:1-9; Romans 5:5-11; John 6:37-40

Saturday - Philippians 1:18b-26; Luke 14:1, 7-11

Sunday - Deuteronomy 6:2-6; Hebrews 7:23-28; Mark 12:28b-34

The 2019 Mass Intention
Book is here!

Please call the Rectory
Office any weekday morning
to get your preferred dates!



PASTORAL SHARINGS

Blessings upon our "confirmandi" who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation from Vicar General Fr. Peter Karalus next weekend. One of the videos we use in their preparation is titled "It's Not Graduation," and it makes the point that we wouldn't strive to get a driver's license and then never drive, nor strive to find a job and then never show up. Likewise it doesn't make sense to receive Confirmation and then not attend Mass. We pray that our young people will remain close to the Eucharist for life.

Soon everything will be out of control! Thanksgiving is on the horizon, and after that things hurtle toward Christmas and New Year's, 2019 and resolutions, followed by Ash Wednesday and the 40 days of Lent, which will bring us to Easter, First Communions, Mother's Day, and school graduations. Phew, there goes another year!

So before all this gets away from us, I thought it would be good to look ahead, **especially because next year is our 150th Anniversary!** There will be many nice touches, including a project which the Quilt Ministry is already working on. Overall, there will be three major initiatives to celebrate 150 years of St. Teresa's:

1) **Parish Picnic Plus** - our usual August picnic with extra attractions, free for everyone.

2) **Formal Dinner** - for those who would like to celebrate more traditionally with a semi-formal night out, we will be planning an event at a location to-be-determined.

3) **Parish Photo Directory** - our last one was in 2005 and all the kids are grown up now. There are new digital options, and of course it's a nice way to get a free 8x10 family portrait.

Each of these three initiatives will need a chairperson to be sure they receive the attention they deserve. We want these events to be exceptional! So I will need three people from the parish to step forth and take on these temporary duties.

Good news! One of these three spots is already filled! Thanks to Margie Wood who will be chairing the formal dinner. Margie has plenty of experience planning large events both in and out of the parish.

I hope you will consider running one of the other two projects. Have no fear; you will have plenty of assistance from our parish council and ministry groups. We just need someone to be the coordinator.

I look forward to marking this major milestone for our parish -- and continuing with you into the future as a light in the darkness, pointing to Jesus Christ.

Blessed be God forever,

-Fr. Dave

Our Prayer Request for the Week: That the Holy Spirit may be especially close to our Confirmation candidates; we pray to the Lord...



Please pray for the sick of the parish and their family members particularly; Shirley Lantz, Lorraine Sylvester, Norma Hackbush, Lucas Lowe, Pat Hahn, Jim Creed, Liam Williams, Doug Schifferle, Crystal Howard, Leah Howard, Karen Martin, Jess Reger, Elizabeth Russo, Christopher Ginestre, Whitey Spoth, Arlene Scheeda, Jim Bradley, Gloria Rembas and Msgr. Robert Williamson. Please also continue to pray for our troops who are serving our country throughout the world.

Religious Education: This Sunday the children will receive the Safe Environment training lessons as required by the Diocese. Parents are welcome to review the age appropriate materials simply by requesting a copy from Sister Ruth or on the Diocesan website.



Spread the word! Deacon Ron and Father Dave are beginning an RCIA process. If you know an adult who hasn't made one or more Sacraments and would like to catch up, this is the opportunity! Or, if someone you know is considering becoming Catholic, this is how it happens. We will begin on Sunday, November 11th, after the 10:15 Mass, and all will be completed by Easter. Please call the rectory to register, or see Deacon Ron at Mass.

All Saints Day is Thursday, November 1st and is a Holy Day of Obligation this year. Special Masses will be said on Wednesday, October 31st at 5:30 pm and on Wednesday, November 1st at 8:00 am and 7:30 pm. Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers and Ushers are needed for the special Masses. Please sign up on the bulletin boards if you are available to help.

Friday, November 2nd is the Feast of All Souls. We will remember the names of your departed friends and family members during the 9 consecutive days in November and throughout the year. Envelopes for All Souls offerings, included in your last envelope packet, can be put in the collection basket this weekend or next weekend. Extra envelopes will be available on the table in the foyer.



Thanksgiving Baskets—Festive barrels for food donations will be located in the vestibule starting next weekend through November 18. We are in need of traditional

Thanksgiving Dinner food items such as cranberry sauce, canned vegetables, stuffing mix, canned gravy, potatoes, small garden squash, canned pumpkin, evaporated/condensed milk, muffin and bread mixes, etc. If you know of a parishioner in need of a basket this year or if you would like to donate a turkey, please call Melissa at the Rectory during office hours any weekday morning. Donations are also being accepted to help defray the cost of turkeys.

Ministers for November

Eucharistic Ministers: 4:30 pm - Lynn O'Donnell and Dick Campbell; 8:00 am - Lori Reisdorf; 10:15 am - Cindy Hayes and volunteer needed

Lectors: 4:30 pm - Deb Hilton; 8:00 am - Brian Bogart; 10:15 am - Karen Stachowiak

Altar Servers: 4:30 pm - Paul Bergman and Christopher Bergman; 8:00 am - Jack Gehl; 10:15 am - Katy Geiger, Nathan Geiger and Mark Molitor

☺ A guy tells his psychiatrist, "I always have this weird dream at night. I am locked in a room with a door on which there is a sign. I try to push it with all my strength, but no matter how hard I try, it won't budge." The psychiatrist muses, "Interesting." But tell me what does the sign on the door say? The guy replies, "It says 'Pull'!!!"



- **Sunday, October 28 - Religious Education Classes - 9:00 - 10:00 am and 11:15 am - 12:30 pm**
- **Monday, October 29 - Bible Study - 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall**
- **Thursday, November 1 - Bible Study - 8:45 am in the Parish Hall**
- **Saturday, November 3 - First Saturday - Rosary before the 9:00 am Mass and Confessions from 8:15 - 8:45 am and 3:45 - 4:15 pm**
- **Sunday, November 4 - Religious Education Classes - 9:00 - 10:00 am and 11:15 am - 12:30 pm**



Prayer For Priests and Religious

Good and gracious God, we come before you this day asking that your call to priesthood and consecrated life fall upon open minds and generous hearts. You never cease calling workers to your vineyard. We pray for the grace to be your voice in encouraging others to risk the response that is called forth. May we never falter in our desire to respond generously to your call, in supporting those who are called to serve as priests and religious, in encouraging others to be open to your call in their lives. This we ask in Jesus' name. Amen.

If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 716-847-5535.

Sunday, November 4th begins National Vocation Awareness Week!