



3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER

St. Therese Parish - April 26, 2020

Then the two recounted what had taken place on the way
and how he was made known to them in the breaking of
bread. —Lk 24:35

**Abbreviated
Edition**

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If you are a victim of sexual abuse by, or to report sexual abuse involving a cleric, diocesan volunteer or employee, contact Kathleen or or call 816.812.2500.

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Mass Schedule

Due to various restrictions, Masses are not being offered at this time. However, you may follow along with Saturday night live stream Mass at 6:30pm through Facebook. Additionally, it will be uploaded to our website.

Confession

Tuesday/Wednesday: 8:00-8:20am
 Saturday: 2:30-4:30pm

Business Hours

At this time, the Parish Office is not able to offer regular business hours. You may reach the staff by their emails listed to the left.

School, Early Education, and Viking Voyager are currently closed.

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, at 816.812.2500 or crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact the Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD & PARISH

Week Ending Friday, April 17, 2020

Fiscal Year: July 1, 2019—June 30, 2020

	Weekly	Year-to-Date
Contributions	\$83,145	\$3,384,070
Budgeted	\$77,675	\$3,184,675
Difference	\$5,470	\$199,395
Building Loan Balance		\$3,080,338
Debt Retirement Contributions	\$890	\$89,402
Principal & Interest payments		(\$268,298)
Difference		(\$178,896)

Readings for the week of April 26

Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 [11a]/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35 .

Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 [1ab]/Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday: Acts 7:51—8:1a/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab [6a]/Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66: 1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a [1]/Jn 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 [1]/Jn 6:44-51

Friday: . . . Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Jn 6:52-59

St. Joseph the Worker: Gn 1:26—2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24/Ps 90:2, 3-4, 12-13, 14 and 16 [cf.17b]/Mt 13:54-58

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [12]/Jn 6:60-69

Next Sunday: Acts 2:14a, 36-41/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10

From the Pastor's Pen

The Lord is Risen!

As we continue to journey through this strange and difficult time, the stress, fear and uncertainty can start to wear away at us. Some people might find themselves feeling down and others might find themselves dealing with a full fledged depression.

We have an obligation to maintain our physical health and our spiritual health. We also have an obligation to maintain our emotional health, not just for ourselves, but for our families and all those around us.

Before Easter I was on a conference call with pastors from Dynamic Parishes across the country. One the topics was about how to manage all this ourselves and some people mentioned how having a daily routine can be helpful. I agree.

Sometimes a little bit of help or a few insights can help us cope better. Listed below are some resources.

St. Therese School Counseling Site. Dawn Cesaro, our school counselor, has assembled a very helpful site. Much of it is geared for parents with children at home but there is also information valuable for the general population. You may access it at:

<https://sites.google.com/sttheresenorth.org/stscounselingsite/home?authuser=0>

Some other resources are:

The Center for Healing

<https://centerforhealingkc.com/resources/covid-19-and-mental-health>

St. Luke Institute

<https://www.sliconnect.org/resiliency/>

<https://www.sliconnect.org/managing-coronavirus-anxiety/>

Unfortunately, in times like this, problems that quite often already existed, can be magnified and these problems go beyond feeling down or even depressed. We don't like to think about it but many people have to live with domestic violence. In times of anxiety and lock down, they can be spending more

time around their abusers in a time of heightened stress. There are new reports about significant increases in domestic violence at this time.

Domestic violence is something both real and ugly. Because it is so ugly, we prefer not to think about it and yet not thinking about it does not make it go away but just allows it to grow.

This can happen in some unusual places. Our own St. Therese was born into a truly loving home with parents who were very conscientious and devout and are both saints themselves. And yet for a time one of her four sisters, the most emotionally vulnerable one, was physically abused, but by a maid. Fortunately, her parents found out and put a stop to it.

Abuse is learned behavior and being a victim is also learned behavior but both abusers and victims can learn another way. They can learn a better way, but this demands more than a promise. It requires three forces working together, personal determination, outside help and the grace of God.

No one has a right to harm you, least of all someone in your own home. Listed below are some domestic violence resources. If you are aware of an adult subjected to domestic violence please share these resources with them. If you have concerns about a minor or vulnerable adult, contact local law enforcement and the Missouri Division of Social Services at: 800.392.3738.

National Domestic Hotline | 800.799.7233 (SAFE) <https://www.thehotline.org/>

Crisis Text Line | Text HOME to 741741

Intimate Partner Violence (fact sheet)

<https://www.apa.org/topics/violence/partner>

Please pray for all victims of domestic violence and for the moral conversion of all those who harm them.

Father Joe Cisetti



ST. THERESE MEMORIAL REMEMBRANCES

John Robert Wooldridge – April 26
 Anna B. Bocchi – April 27
 Nancy Clare Klawuhn – April 27
 John V. “Jack” Riley – April 27
 Carolyn J. Fisher – April 28
 Charles D. Gilbert – April 29
 Anne F. Ryan – April 29
 Johnny Gallegos, Jr., USAF – May 1
 Carl Andrew Deister – May 2
 Art Kurzdorfer – May 2

BIRTHDATE REMEMBRANCES

Henry E. Fox – April 27
 Francis J. “Pat” Patton – April 27
 Julia E. Samborski – May 2

Baptisms

Let us welcome into the family of God and into the St. Therese family those newly baptized.

Theodore Louis Toleikis, son of
 Daniel and Stefanie Toleikis

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry appreciates the support received regularly. We still continue to need personal hygiene items such as

Toiletries - shampoo, conditioner, toothbrushes, toothpaste, etc.

During this time of such challenge, many of our parishioners have small businesses that are struggling. There are several food sponsors that support us throughout the year. Please consider helping them during this crisis through curbside pick-up or delivery.

Pizza Shoppe
 54th Street Bar & Grill
 BC Bistro
 Bonefish Grill
 Cascone's
 Dominic's Casual Italian
 Frank James Saloon
 Gomer's of Parkville
 Hideout
 La Bodega
 Nick & Jake's
 Repeal 18
 Texas Roadhouse
 Scott's Catering

They'll appreciate your support!

Knights of Columbus

Help during the Virus Crisis

We have several Knights willing to help anyone with requests for supplies, groceries, etc. For assistance, call Bill Robinette at 816.520.5656.

Interested in joining the Knights of Columbus? It's easier now than ever before. Call Bill Robinette at 816.520.5656 or Rob Perschau at 816.516.9693.

Please be safe and healthy!

Altar & Rosary

Greetings everyone. I hope everyone is well. Hopefully you're getting to enjoy the time with your families!

The May 11 meeting has been canceled. The current officers will remain in place until we come back to vote at the September meeting.

Help contact a member of A & R if you have any immediate need. We know many people are going through difficulties and we're here to help.

Contact Amanda Bentley with membership, or ministry questions at 316.641.4955 or at awbentley01@outlook.com. You may also register online at www.sttheresenorth.org/altar-and-rosary-society.

STAFF COLUMN - ERINN BROWN, DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

“As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God’s varied grace.” 1 Peter 4:10

What an uncertain time we're in. I don't know about you but not being able to attend Mass, not seeing family and friends on a regular basis, trying to work from home with a two and a five year old, and then an added stay at home extension with no sign of an end to this new normal is a little mind boggling. Not to mention I'm a hugger - it's so hard not to hug! But, as the mission of the church continues, so must we.

Father Joe, Father Andrew and Father Sly

are working hard to continue to bring us Mass, holy day services, and adoration, albeit in the comfort of your home. Our teachers are still teaching, the pantry is still offering food and care to those in need, the parish staff is working diligently to continue to provide you with resources. As we go on, our bills continue to come in.

Help us support the mission of St. Therese Parish by mailing in your tithe or if you haven't considered it before, now is a good time to explore supporting your Church through online giving or automatic withdrawals. You can set this up by visiting sttheresenorth.org and clicking the **Donate**

Now button.

It also might be a good time to consider your options for your economic impact stimulus check. Did you know that when you give a contribution of up to \$300 per taxpayer (\$600 for a married couple) to St. Therese Parish during the Coronavirus Pandemic, you can now take a one-time deduction thanks to the CARES Act? If you would like to learn more about this option please, contact me at ebrown@sttheresenorth.org.

Stay Healthy, St. Therese! Virtual hugs to you all!

With our current global... situation, the vast majority of us our spending a lot more time in doors than we may be used to. For me personally, I'm having flashbacks to my time at Benedictine College, where after class (if I wasn't at work) I'd stay in the dorms to play Arkham Horror with my friends, or taking turns playing Mass Effect 2 on the Xbox, or having a nerf gun or lightsaber fight.

That ceiling light was broken already before we started our lightsaber duel.

Honest.

As such, as an introvert myself, I thought I'd share with all of you who find yourself cooped up indoors some avenues for entertainment that I enjoy. I've already covered recommended shows to watch on Disney Plus in an earlier bulletin article, so let's go to a few of the channels I enjoy on YouTube (there's several others, but due to space let's start with these).

"GLOVE AND BOOTS" is a puppet-based video blog featuring a red, bearded humanoid named Mario and an anthropomorphic groundhog named Fafa.

Some notable videos from their works are:

10 Reasons Why Time Travel is No Good

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=75nBenOWul0>

Job Interview Tips

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DiOLtgr_gjY

2 Year Old Kid vs 2 Year Old Dog!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uuh--n-UHQ4>

"STUDIO C" is an internet sketch comedy show that traces its roots to the Brigham Young University sketch comedy troupe Divine Comedy.

Some notable videos from their works are:

Practical Philosophy

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tu3v87_97Hc

Clue Murder Mystery Scandal

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7ifoWPMYTHQ>

Top Soccer Shootout Ever With Scott Sterling

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8F9jXYOH2c0>

"JELLE'S MARBLE RUNS" is channel run by Jelle Bakker and Dion Bakker based around the game of marbles, marble runs, and marble races.

Some notable videos from their works are:

Marbula One: Hivedrive GP

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QSNt3hW6f7g>

Marbula One: Momotorway GP

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bu45pUdfp60>

Marbula One: Midnight Bay GP

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QTVYLDKqxcI>

"THEODD1SOUT" is a channel of web-comic artist James Rallison who tells his life stories through his animation.

Some notable videos from their works are:

My Mom's Cruel and Unusual Punishments

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_xBkp9fslQE

Work Stories (Sooubway)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cV542dRK3uk>

My Traumatizing Haunted House Experience

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cKmOlgrHwF0>

"HOW IT SHOULD HAVE ENDED" is a channel for animated parody alternate endings to major motion pictures.

Some notable videos from their works are:

HISHE Lord of the Rings

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1yqVD0swvWU>

HISHE Terminator

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bBBw9E2Q_aY

How Captain America: Civil War Should Ended

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fvLw021rVN0>

Now you may be wondering to yourself, "Is Fr. Kleine writing a bulletin article on some YouTube channels he likes just so he can test the limits of what he can get away with from his boss, Fr. Joe?"

Yes. Yes I am.

But I also wanted to take the opportunity to hopefully introduce some levity into your lives amongst the hardships we're facing. One of the snares our adversary utilizes in times of trial and suffering is to bottleneck our attention on what's difficult or what's horrible, so that we fail to recognize the gifts and blessings in our lives; so that we fail to keep our eyes Heavenward. He tries to keep us so wrapped up in our "stinkin thinkin" that we fail to notice the presence and love of our Lord who's been with us through the entire trial, helping us to carry our crosses.

By no means should we ignore the bad or the struggles or the sorrows. We absolutely should give them their prudent due diligence and prayerful care.

And equally important we should also remember to take care of ourselves.

The second commandment is to love our neighbor as ourselves. That necessitates that we properly and virtuously love ourselves in order that we properly love our neighbor and God. So let's not neglect our own self-care in these trying times.

Let's remember to take some time to talk to God in prayer; to invite our Lord in to the conversations and time spent with our family and friends; to thank God for our healthy meals of pizza and Pepsi. And to invite God into our leisure and recreation.

If the Apostles can go fishing with our Lord, and Fr. John Riccardo can watch March Madness basketball with our Lord, then we can certainly enjoy some prudent recreational time with our Lord, whether that time is playing board games like Risk, reading Lord of the Rings for the twelfth dozen time, or watching YouTube.

God bless and may your Easter season be filled with the graces and joys of our Risen Lord!

STAYING CONNECTED

How are you spending your days?

Take a picture and let's continue to share our times with one another!

How many articles, stories, announcements, and directives begin with the words, "During these unprecedented times . . ." And the times are that - unprecedented, unparalleled but during these extraordinary days some wonderfully simple things are happening.

Some families are having Virtual Coffee & Donuts on Sunday morning; some are being quite artistic and enjoy family time and provide entertainment for passerbys; virtual Zoom meetings as we connect with friends and family fill much of our time; time alone to just 'be' is a beautiful luxury; being outside on your drive and waving to people across the street or those out with their kids or walking their dog; noticing a beautiful blue sky or the first buds of spring; the possibilities, great or simple are amazing.

Take a picture of some part of your day that can be shared in the bulletin or on our website. We may be physically at a distance but we are growing closer in new ways. Email your pictures to me, tcollins@sttheresenorth.org. May each of your days be special.



Stay Connected -

Check out our parish website www.sttheresenorth.org and our Facebook page

See messages from Fr. Joe, Fr. Randy, Fr. Andrew.

Pray the Mysteries of the Rosary, the Divine Mercy Chaplet in song, Stations of the Cross (also a kids coloring book for Stations), St. Therese Sing Along, and a Marriage and Family Life program.

Finally, offered will be the Sunday Mass (live streamed on Saturdays, 6:30pm through our Facebook page.)

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL DERAILED FOR 2020
ALL ABOARD IN JUNE 2021**

ROCKY RAILWAY
JESUS' POWER PULLS US THROUGH

After much prayer and discussion, we have decided it's in the best interest of the safety of our little engineers to postpone Rocky Railroad VBS until next summer. When we come out of this dark tunnel on the other side we will have had so much time to plan and pray for your little ones that we are certain we will have the BEST VBS on record!!
Watch for us at the Ice Cream Social and other functions throughout the year!
Love, the VBS Team

SACRAMENTS / SUPPORT

Baptism

Infant Baptisms-contact Deacon Scott McKellar, 741.2800, ext. 213

Adult Baptism-contact Deacon Doug Warrens, 741.2800, ext. 212

Marriage

A 9-month preparation period is required (diocesan policy). Contact Deacon Scott McKellar, 741.2800, ext. 213

Reconciliation/Confessions

Saturdays, 3:00-4:15pm

Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 8:00-8:20am

And by appointment

Confirmation

Youth, grades 9-12, contact Tim Volk, 741.5400, ext. 119

Adult, contact Deacon Doug Warrens, 741.2800, ext. 212

Funeral Planning/Arrangements

Contact Deacon Doug Warrens, ext. 212 or Karen Engebretson, ext. 258 through the Parish Office, 741.2800

Prayer Lists / Bulletin Prayers

Contact Deacon Doug Warrens, 741.2800, ext. 212

Bulletin Submissions must be received 10 business days prior to the requested date of publication, submit to

PRAYER INTENTIONS

PRAYERS FOR PARISHIONERS WHO ARE ILL

Call the Parish Office to add or remove a name. (Due to confidentiality guidelines, only the person requesting prayer or a designated family member may place or remove a name)

Paula Acconcia	Rachel Day	John Lopez	Danielle Reeder
Eugene 'Bud' Anderson	Gayle Dean	Judy Louth	Pat Reeder
Nicole Aerts-Bramble	Ron & Betty DuPaul	Sal Lozano	Gina Reiter
Jay Atkinson	Anita Eastland	Ellen Madrick	Beverly Rietveld
Cynthia Barchesky	Charlene Fick	Arlene Marshall	Amy Roberts
Nathalie Blogin	Ken Finke	Betty McDonald	Larry Ryan
Debra Bommarito	Sandy Gardner	Wendy McKellar	Mary Ann Ryan
Bryan Bownik	Bert Giarraputo	Mike McKenna	Jossalyn Sainz
Art Braun	Pat Goss	Jessica McLain	Natalie Ann Salas
Irwin & Lois Broussard	Suzanne Grisham	David McPherson	Forrest Salyers
Ed Burgess	Doris Hahn	John Mikulic	Carmen Serrone
Daniel Burnos	William Hansford	Jerry Musil	Carolyn Shatto
John Burton	Grace Heater	Arlene Nadeau	Jim Soltis
Barbara Cahill	Mary Henke	Paul Neidig	James Spawn
Mike Callahan	Ellie Higgins	Nathan Newton	Ted Stephens
Frank Canino	Becky Isom	Cleo "Woody" & Rosemary Nollette	Joann Strever
Jim Carroll	Barbara Jordan	Linda Osterhaus	Rex Suman
Keith Carter	Vince Kehr	Doyne Parisi	Telsie Szabo
John Casey	Marcia Kenski	Jill Pehlman	Maureen Tejeda
Joe Cento	Glenda Kimsey	Barbara Personelli	Rosemary Van Haaren
Frank Cohara	Garrett Krier	Dorothy Porter	Donald Watson
Timothy Childers	Anna Lapuma	Jackey Pratt	Geri & Pat White
Larry Colling	Clara Lawson	Helen Prendergast	Lionel White
Janet Cozad	Natalie Lewis	Leticia Rabang	Kristi Widmer
Albert Daniels	Francis Logan		Nicholas Worth Dcn. Tony Zimmerman

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, April 26

Tom Warrens +
Beverly Navarro +
Alice Alcazaren +

Mass for the People

MONDAY, April 27

John and Amy Kleine
and family

TUESDAY, April 28

Maria Cleofas Dalena
Charles J. Hellinger +

WEDNESDAY, April 29

Paul Gisch +
Jack Kalahurka +

THURSDAY, April 30

Ann DeFelice +

FRIDAY, May 1

Barry and Kathy Mathia
and family

Robert Watson +

SATURDAY, May 2

Gene Peters +

Carl Deister +

SUNDAY, May 3

Fr. Joe Cisetti

Maurice Calhoun +

Jack and Ann Conner +

Mass for the People

(Crosses, † indicate deceased loved ones)



PRAYERS FOR THOSE SERVING IN THE MIDDLE EAST-

For parishioners, relatives of parishioners and their families

Ryan Ault son of Robert & Kristi	Jeremy Flowers son of Brenda	Douglas Lomshek nephew of Liz Stine	brother & sister- in-law of Michael O'Brien
John T. Buchner grandson of Alfred & Dorothy	Sean Frazier son of Liz & Sam	James McLaughlin son of Heath & Michelle	Tim Pachasa son of Andy & Nancy
Kyle Buehler, grandson of Darlene Buehler & Dave & Mary Thompson	Jamie Frates husband of Rebecca	Jeremiah Murphy nephew of Dodie Murphy	Eric Rawlings husband of Candi & father of Jaeger
Major Brian Conforti son of Frank & Patty	Bill Freund son of Bill & Barbara	James Pate husband of Jennifer	Christian Shattuck son of Brian & Lauren
	Jacob Glodsbury son of John & Kim	William Rory & Candice O'Brien	