



17th Sunday

I N O R D I N A R Y T I M E

"And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." - Lk 11:9

St. Therese Parish - July 28, 2019

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Safe Environments Diocesan Liaisons

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| Diocesan Ombudsman | | 816.812.2500 |

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..

Parish Office Summer Hours

Monday-Thursday: 8:00am-4:00pm
(Wednesday-closed for staff meeting, 1:15-3:00pm)
Friday: 8:00am-12:00noon

School Summer Hours

Monday-Thursday: 9:00am-1:00pm
Friday 9:00am-12:00noon

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.

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website: www.sttheresenorth.org

Mass Schedules

Weekend Masses

Saturday: (for Sunday obligation) 4:30pm

Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am,
12:00 noon, 5:00pm

Daily Masses

Monday, Thursday, Saturday:
8:30am

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday:
6:30am, 8:30am

Rosary: Monday-Saturday: 7:55am
Saturday: 4:00pm
Sunday: 7:25am

Confession

Wednesday: 8:00-8:20am
Saturday: 3:00-4:15pm
Anytime by request

Regular Business Hours

Parish Office: Monday-Friday,
8:00am-4:00pm
Closed Wed. 1:15-3:00pm

School Office: Monday-Friday,
7:30am-3:30pm

Early Education Center:
Monday-Friday, 6:30am-6:00pm



VISITORS & NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome!
We are glad you are here.

If you are interested in becoming a member,
please visit our website: www.sttheresenorth.org

See above for all contact information. Please don't
hesitate to reach out to us for questions or if we
can be of any help.

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD & PARISH

Offertory Envelopes

Contributions for July 15-21. \$69,396

Building Debt Retirement

Contributions for July 15-21... \$991

June 30 was our fiscal year end. The budget for fiscal year 2019-20 is still being finalized. The budget numbers will be included in this report as soon as they are approved.

Thank you

Pictorial Directories

We've been distributing the directories for several months and would like to complete the process. If you've NOT picked up your copy at the Parish Office, there's still time. During the 8:00, 10:00 and 12:00 Masses, one of the Welcome Center volunteers can provide your copy, if you had a portrait taken. (We will be selling extra copies SOON, but NOT at this immediate time.) Please call Donna, 741.2800 to make arrangements if these times will not work for you.

Readings for the week of July 28

Sunday: Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 [3a]/Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13

Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 [1a]/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/Ps 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13 [8a]/Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9 [cf. 9c]/Mt 13:44-46

Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11 [2]/Mt 13:47-53

Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Ps 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11ab [2a]/Mt 13:54-58

Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8 [4]/Mt 14:1-12

Next Sunday: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17 [1]/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21

Observances for the week of July 28, 2019

Sunday: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Martha

Tuesday: St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

Wednesday: St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

Thursday: St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

Friday: St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest

Saturday:

Next Sunday: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

From The Pastor's Pen

The gospel readings for the previous two Sundays remind us of how important hospitality is. When we exchange the sign of peace at Mass prior to Communion, it is an expression of the communion we share as members of the Church and of mutual charity (cf. General Instruction of the Roman Missal #82). I courteously invite all of us to consider how we show hospitality, or at least minimum courtesy, to those around us.

As St. John tells us, *Whoever does not love a brother whom he has seen, cannot love God whom he has not seen* (1 John 4:20).

This weekend we welcome Father Tom from Food for the Poor who will be preaching at all weekend Masses.

This Sunday is our annual Ice Cream Social. This is event has a very long tradition here at St. Therese and includes both indoor and outdoor activities. I warmly invite everyone to attend.



Father Joe Cisetti

Congratulations to Sara Ward, Jennifer Davis, and the vast team of volunteers and employees who worked so hard to make this years' Vacation Bible School such a great success. Special thanks to all our young people who helped out and to those who donated to bring relief to flood victims.

Food for the Poor Appeal

Today we welcome Fr. Tom Bouterie, representing Food for the Poor.

The work of this organization reaches the far corners of Latin America and the Caribbean, in providing nourishment to the poorest of poor communities.

Your support will be an immense encouragement to those that work with Food for the Poor.



PARISH STAFF - ERINN BROWN, DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT



I don't know about you but I'm having a hard time accepting that summer is almost over and Labor Day is around the corner.

Something new for our parish this year is the

opportunity to take part in the Kansas City Irish Festival, August 30-September 1 at Crown Center.

The Irish Fest has selected seven Catholic parishes in the metro area to work the event as a fundraising opportunity. St. Therese will receive a percentage of all beverage sales that weekend, as well as the chance to keep all tips received at our beverage tent.

A special thank you to Ginger O'Reilly and Deacon Rick Boyle for stepping up as our captains for the weekend!

How can you help?

We need many people to volunteer to serve

beverages at the St. Therese Beverage Tent!

Why Volunteer?

- Free admission to the festival the day you volunteer
- Free ticket to use for another day
- Receive a free t-shirt!
- Money earned benefits St. Therese!
- Meet other parishioners volunteering with you!

How to Volunteer?

- To volunteer for Irish Fest, visit tinyurl.com/stthereseirishfest2019
- Sign up by August 21st

It will be a great weekend for all involved! Grab your friends and join us!

If you can't be there but would like to be involved, please reach out and help us with the tent theme and spreading the St. Therese spirit in advance!

For more information, contact Erin Brown, ebrown@sttheresenorth.org.

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

Wednesdays, 8:00-8:20am

Anytime by request

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.

ST. THERESE MEMORIAL

REMEMBRANCES

Antonia Sanning – July 28

William D. Daum – July 30

Joseph Ernst – July 30

Edward P. Kreimer – July 30

Gene Neuhaus – July 30

Flora J. Samborski – August 2

Lorraine “Lorie” Lusero – August 3

BIRTHDATE REMEMBRANCES

Edna M. Thayer – July 28

Richard (Dick) Moning – July 31

Leo W. Moore – July 31

Edward M. Hachman – August 1

Pete Mitko – August 1

Donald R. Moss – August 1

William C. Colstrom – August 2

George “Opa” Rupprecht – August 2

James L. Williams – August 2

Paul (Jerry) Curtis – August 3

Leona S. Ewing – August 3

Prayers and Sympathy

For all those who have died, especially Ted Carpenter, father of Judy; Dean Hales, grandfather of Father Andrew & Gwen O’Brien; Mary Dolores Mulich, mother of Mary Sandt; and Adela Consuelo Filart, mother of Alex Filart. May all who have died in Christ know the fullness of Resurrection Life.

Baptisms

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

Colette Elise & Moira Grace Hopkins, daughters of

Jack & Stephanie Hopkins

Jett Nixon Hansen, son of
Brent & Stephanie Hansen

Annelies Kay Newcomer, daughter of
Grant & Kaa Newcomer

PREPARATION CLASSES

Baptismal Preparation Classes

Typically Baptismal Preparation classes are offered the 2nd Monday of every month (except December). To register visit www.sttheresenorth.org and click on *Church* and then *Sacraments*.

Attendance is a MUST for first-time parents and strongly encouraged for those with over a three-year interval between baptisms. Both parents are expected to attend, even if one is not Catholic.

Contact Deacon Scott McKellar at the Parish Office with questions at 741.2800, ext. 213 smckellar@sttheresenorth.org.

R.C.I.A.

Are you interested in the Catholic Church and joining us in our faith journey?

Contact Deacon Doug Warrens for more information at 741.2800, ext. 212 or dwarrens@sttheresenorth.org.

Eucharistic Adoration Adoración Eucarística

EVENING HELP NEEDED / SE NECESITA AYUDA POR LA TARDE

The St. Therese Adoration Chapel has 5 evening hours that need additional weekly Prayer Warriors.

Tuesday 5 pm / Thursday 5 pm / Friday 5, 6 & 10 pm

Chapel Hours: Mon-Thu 9am–11pm / Fri 9am–10pm / Sat 9am–1pm

Find Chapel info pamphlets in the Welcome Center and Chapel

Call: Monica 816.718.8176 / Bill 816.891.2555 / Paola 816.309.3858 (español)
email: eucharisticadoration@sttheresenorth.org / Sub or weekly Holy Hour signup: <http://adorationpro.org/therese>

MINISTRIES OF ST. THERESE

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry

Thank you for supporting the pantry with the special food donations requested each month.

The request for this month is -

Barbecue Sauce & Mustard

“Coping with Life Alone” - Peer-To-Peer Grief Support

“Coping with Life Alone” is a Beginning Experience® grief support program that meets each week for 7 weeks. The program helps those who have lost a love relationship due to death, divorce or separation, move through the experience of grief and loss into a future with renewed hope.

Fall meetings here at St. Therese Parish, September 7-October 19, 2:00-4:00pm, in the Birkel Room. Call Donna Eisenbarth at 816.305.3760 for information and registration.

That Man is You

That Man is You invites the men of St. Therese to join us on Saturday mornings as we watch and discuss our summer series, *The Wild Goose*, hosted by Father Dave Pivonka TOR (recently elected as President of Franciscan University in Steubenville).

The Wild Goose is a work of the Holy Spirit, which is awakening in the hearts of all those participating God's love and transforming power. This is a love that has been revealed to us by Jesus Christ and that leads us to our heavenly Father. More information can be found at thewildgooseisloose.com. If you have to miss a week, have no fear. The videos are also available on the FORMED app.

ADDITIONALLY, on August 17, we will be discussing Bishop Barron's new book, *Letter to a Suffering Church*, regarding the sexual abuse crisis. If you would like to join us for this important discussion, do not hesitate to come to one of the regular Saturday morning meetings between now and then for a free copy of the book, or you can order a copy of the book (free + \$5.95 S&H) here. We anticipate those men joining us to have read the book ahead of time and prepared to discuss on August 17. Resources are limited!

As always, we'll start the breakfast (free-will offering) at 6:45 am, the approximately half-hour long video will start around 7, and we'll break at 8:20 so everyone has the opportunity to go to daily Mass at 8:30. For questions, contact Joshua Wunderlich at joshua.wunderlich@gmail.com or 402.570.7624.

Altar & Rosary

Altar & Rosary is currently working on our next fundraiser, The Ice Cream Social, July 28. Your raffle tickets have been sent. Fill out the tickets and return them. Other ministries within Altar & Rosary also have ongoing work over the summer – Hillcrest Apartment ministry, Pew Oiling, Mission Sewing, Friends in Time of Need, and *Our Lady's Gift Shop*.

Just a reminder that Altar & Rosary does not meet during the summer months. Our next meeting will be on Monday, September 9th.

Contact Amanda Bentley at 316.641.4955 or at awbentley01@outlook.com.

Blest Art Thank You

We want to thank you for allowing our representatives to display olive wood carvings last month. On behalf of the Palestinian Christian families in the Bethlehem area, my family, and my staff, we wish to express our sincere appreciation for your trust. We are grateful for your understanding, interest and especially for your kind hospitality during our visit. Keep us and all the Palestinian Christians of the Holy Land in your thoughts and prayers. ~Jeryes Qumseya

Knights of Columbus Activities

Talented men wanted

When we ask parishioners if they want to join the Knights of Columbus we often get this response:

“I really don't know of anything special I can offer.”

But we recognize, that to be successful in our work as a charitable service organization, we need a large and diverse mix of talents, skills and experience. Every new member knows something we didn't know before; brings something to the table that wasn't there before.

Here are just a few of the special talents we need right now.

Social media knowledge. It's how the world communicates.

Writers, photographers, publishers and graphic artists to help us articulate our messages.

Sales and marketing knowledge to help drum up interest.

Organizational skills, which are important for getting projects done efficiently.

Cooks, people who know how to run a kitchen. We need bottle-washers, too.

Businessmen, to help us run the council and plan successful projects.

Tradesmen, who can advise us and make every job easier.

Artists, craftsmen

Recruiters, fundraisers and financial/budgeting specialists

Leadership, compassion, understanding

An interest in working with youth in academic, sports and entertainment settings

Logistics; event planning and execution

Everyone brings something to the Knights.

If all you do is bring yourself, we'll figure out the rest together.

Contact Grand Knight Bill Robinette at 816.520.5656 or email us at council7199@gmail.com, or ask any Knight for information.

We need good, hard working, active, caring members. That's you.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

| SUNDAY JULY 28 | MONDAY JULY 29 | TUESDAY JULY 30 | WEDNESDAY JULY 31 |
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| ICE CREAM SOCIAL SUNDAY 5:00-8:00pm, Education & Parish Center Soup Kitchen Signup in the Welcome Center Appeal -Food for the Poor 10:00-11:00am: Babysitting, 2nd Floor EEC 11:00am-1:30pm: Sunday Morning Bible Study, Birkel Room 6:15-9:00pm: Men's CRHP Formation Meetings, Team 11, Birkel Room | 7:30-8:30am: Fatima Prayer Group, Parish Library 9:00am-11:00pm: Eucharistic Adoration, Adoration Chapel 9:00-10:00am: Prayer Session, Cry Room | 9:00am-11:00pm: Eucharistic Adoration, Adoration Chapel 10:00am-12:00pm: Mary, Martha, and Lazarus Prayer Group, Birkel Room 6:00-9:00pm: Women's CRHP Team Formation Meeting (Team 11), Birkel Room | 8:00am-12:00pm: Library Committee Meeting, Parish Library 9:00am-11:00pm: Eucharistic Adoration, Adoration Chapel 1:15-3:00pm: Parish Office CLOSED for Staff Meeting, Birkel Room |
| THURSDAY AUGUST 1 | FRIDAY AUGUST 2 | SATURDAY AUGUST 3 | SUNDAY AUGUST 4 |
| 9:00am-11:00pm: Eucharistic Adoration, Adoration Chapel 9:30-11:00am: Queen of Peace Prayer Group, Parish Library | PARISH OFFICE CLOSSES AT NOON 9:00am-10:00pm: First Friday Adoration in Church 10:00am-10:00pm: Eucharistic Adoration, Adoration Chapel 7:00-7:30pm: Divine Mercy in Song, Church | Soup Kitchen Signup in the Welcome Center 6:30-8:30am: That Man is You, Birkel Room 8:30-10:00am: Mothers of Priests Gathering, Parish Library 9:00am-1:00pm: Eucharistic Adoration, Adoration Chapel 3:00-4:15pm: Confessions, Church | Soup Kitchen Signup in the Welcome Center 10:00-11:00am: Babysitting, 2nd Floor EEC 11:00am-1:30pm: Sunday Morning Bible Study, Birkel Room 2:30-4:00pm: First Sunday Prayers/Adoration, Adoration Chapel 6:15-9:00pm: Men's CRHP Formation Meetings, Team 11, Birkel Room |

FR. KLEINE'S KORNER

So Marvel Studios has just released their projected movie schedule for the next three years. "Phase Four" of the Marvel Cinematic Universe is going to start with a Black Widow solo movie, which presumably will follow the title character's adventures prior to the events of Infinity War and Endgame. Then we're getting movies like The Eternals, Shang-chi and the Legend of the Ten Rings, Doctor Strange 2, and Thor 4. This isn't even including the movies that will come out on Disney's new streaming service that also will connect to the larger Marvel Cinematic Universe, or their tie-in TV shows.

Compound upon this that Endgame was a wonderfully satisfying conclusion to Marvel's twenty-two movie story arc, and that Spider-Man Far From Home is such a solidly written Spider-Man movie and this is a pretty stellar time to be a Marvel Comics fan, or a superhero fan in general.

Yet as wonderful as all of this is, it can be a little overwhelming at times. Distracting even. This isn't necessarily a problem when one is prudently exercising leisure time to read or watch these stories.

But when I'm trying to pray a rosary or preparing to celebrate the Mass, and I find myself thinking about Spider-Man's final fight versus Mysterio and not about our Lord or the Sacred Mysteries in which I am about to participate in, then we have a problem.

I'm sure that all of us at one time or another have found ourselves distracted during prayer, be it while at Mass or while saying the rosary. Despite our best intentions, we find our minds wander and lose focus on our Lord and our praise and worship to Him. Instead, we find ourselves dwelling on other flights of fancy.

Sometimes all this requires is a more disciplined approach on our part. A greater zeal of focus and participation in prayer and the Mass and a casting of these thoughts and these distractions aside. As much as I'm looking forward the Chiefs prospective play-off and Superbowl hopes this season, they don't play for another month and a half. I can put those thoughts aside to focus on the greater holier task at hand while praying the rosary or participating in the Sacred Liturgy.

But sometimes, greater discipline or zealous focus of thought is not enough. Sometimes our mind is occupied not about leisurely or frivolous things, (please forgive me God for saying that about Spider-Man and the Chiefs), but about things of greater import:

our family, our job, our health, greater and weightier struggles and anxieties and worries hold our attention, no matter our efforts and intentions. We know that in this moment we should be praying to God, or asking for the Blessed Mother's intercession, but we can't stop dwelling on the recent loss of a family member, or a negative medical diagnosis, or troubles with work or at home, or tensions in a friendship. And the more we try not to think about these things, the more we inevitably think about not thinking about them.

And these are good things to focus on, to give our attention and concentration to. It would be wrong to ignore them or treat them as trivial. Yet we also know that it is our Lord and our participation in the celebration of the Mass that should rightly have our undivided attention in those moments.

When such situations happen, and we find that despite our best efforts, our mind is being pulled taut in multiple directions by multiple worries, try this. Rather than spending your efforts exorcising these worries and anxieties from your mind, instead make them part of your prayer. Take a moment in prayer, during the Mass, during the Rosary, and address what it is you are struggling with and bring it to the foot of our Lord's cross.

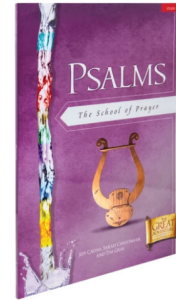
Be it a loss in the family, struggles with work, or problems with friends or family members, don't ignore the problems. Address and recognize what has our attention in a vice grip. Make it part of our prayer, part of our offering. Invite the Lord in that moment of prayer to help you with everything you're worrying about. With every distraction, no matter how great or seemingly insignificant, bring it to God. Ask Him to help us with it. Ask Him to help us with these worries, to help us trust Him to aid us with these struggles, and to help us give the fullness of our attention to Him during prayer.

And then we'll be doing what we set out to do in the first place, giving everything we are and everything we have as a prayer offering to our Lord, to be united to the offering on the altar of the Most Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist.

Excelsior,
- Fr. Andrew Kleine

COMING EVENTS . .

Bible Studies



The Sunday Morning Bible Study group will begin a new series on Sunday, August 4 at 11:30am in the Birkel Meeting Room.

We will be studying "Psalms: The School of Prayer" from Ascension Press. The study set (participant workbook) can be ordered online

from ascensionpress.com or by calling 1.800.376.0520. Come for the full series or come when you can.

Come and See - RCIA 2019-2020

The Parish Community of St. Therese invites you to explore the Roman Catholic traditions. RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) provides you with an opportunity to deepen your Christian faith, to study and reflect upon Scripture, to learn about the Catholic Church, and to pray together with us. RCIA is the process that men and women become members of the Roman Catholic Church. It's the beginning of a life-long process of learning, living, and developing your faith. Please come and join us if 1) you want to learn more about the Catholic Church by asking questions and learning from classes on the Church 2) are not baptized and who want to join the Church 3) are baptized in another faith tradition but want to learn more about the Catholic faith. RCIA will begin on Thursday, September 5th in the Wooldridge Center, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. If you want to come and find out more about RCIA, we will have a "Come and See" meeting on Thursday, August 22nd, in the Wooldridge Center at 7:00 p.m.

If you would prefer, you can call or email Deacon Doug Warrens - 816.741.2800, ext. 212 or dwarrens@sttheresenorth.org.

CALLING ALL GARDENERS

Interested parishioners have organized a group to help maintain the landscaped areas on our St Therese campus. We are called the "Garden Angels". We are not revamping areas, but our task is weeding and maintaining the existing garden spaces. We have met a few times to work on areas around the church, including the islands lining the drive which are natural planting areas with native wildflowers and grasses which attract bees, butterflies, and birds.

If you would be interested in joining our group, contact Marie Sirridge 816.587.5087 or by email msirridge@sbcglobal.net. Thank you for your consideration!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Bible Studies

Fridays, 7:00-8:30pm in the Parish Library. Contact: Claude, 816.524.0291 claudesasso@gmail.com

Sundays, 11:30am-1:00pm, Birkel Room. Contact: Jan Lee, jklinkc@hotmail.com

Mondays, 7:00-8:30pm, Martin Room, Contact: Julie julieann.nissen@gmail.com.

Walking With Purpose, Women's Bible Study. Contact: michelle.crosby06@gmail.com

Intercessory Prayer Ministry

If you would like people to pray for you and your intentions, OR if you would like to participate in this ministry and pray for the prayer intentions we receive, contact Virginia Smith at 587.9837 or Anna Livojevich, livojevichanna@gmail.com.

Fatima Prayer Cell

Monday mornings, 7:30-8:30am, Parish Library

Mary, Martha, and Lazarus Prayer Group

Tuesday mornings, 10:00am, Birkel Room

Queen of Peace Prayer Group

Thursdays, 9:30am, Parish Library

That Man Is You

Men's group meets on Saturday mornings in the Birkel Room, Breakfast (free) served at 6:45 am, discussion at 7:00am, break at 8:20, to attend Mass. Contact Joshua Wunderlich at 402.570.7624 or joshua.wunderlich@gmail.com.

Divine Mercy in Song

Sing the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, or listen and pray, Friday, 7:00-7:30pm in Church.

WHAT'S ON CAMPUS

Adoration Chapel

Open Mon—Thurs: 9:00am-11:00pm;
Fri: 9:00am-10:00pm;
Sat: 9:00am-1:00pm
Come at anytime or signup for an hour.
Located on the north side of Church. For info: eucharisticadoration@sttherese-north.org

Our Lady's Gift Shop

Open before and after weekend Masses. Special gifts, missals, bibles, medals, so much more. Email ourladygs@gmail.com.

Parish Library

Located in the Wooldridge Center-lower level. Open at all times except when used for meetings. Check-out and return procedures found in the library.

Early Education Center

Infants through Pre-K, located in the Early Education Center building on the south side of campus. Contact: Betty Phillips, Director, 746.1500.

St. Therese School

Educating students Kindergarten through 8th grade, Education and Parish Center. Contact: Theresa Roth, Principal, 741.5400.

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry

Serving clients in Southern Platte County with food and emergency assistance. Monday-Friday, 9:00-12:00noon. Call 741.8661.

Coffee & Donuts-Wooldridge Center

After Sunday 8:00am & 10:00am Masses, September—May. Off for the summer.

Childcare during 10:00am Mass

No reservation needed, located in the Early Education Center Bldg., 2nd floor west entrance.

LIBRARY BOOK REVIEW



Here and Now:
Living in the Spirit

By

HENRI J. M. NOUWEN

Henri Jozef Machiel Nouwen, a Dutch Catholic priest and educator, was born January 24, 1932. His belief was

that if we live in the present, we will notice the small miracles that reflect God's love for us. The spiritual life is not a life then and there, but a life here and now. It is a life in which the spirit of God is revealed in the ordinary encounters of everyday.

In *Here and Now*, Henri Nouwen shows, in a personal and insightful way, that God is much closer to us than we usually realize. He explains how prayer, forgiveness, gratitude, and compassion are the essential elements of an ongoing process of conversion through loving encounters with family and friends.

Henri Nouwen writes about the job in the midst of our sorrows, about the gains and losses of friendship and family, about the hardships and rewards of prayer, about forgiveness and compassion, discipleship and discipline, and the lifelong process of conversion.

He looks with a smile and a tear at the day-to-day events of our lives and discovers there places where God chooses to dwell and call us.

Henri Nouwen was one of the most prolific and popular spiritual writers of our time. He wrote more than 40 books and taught at the University of Notre Dame, as well as Yale and Harvard. He died September 21, 1996.

The greatest trap in our life is not success, popularity or power, but self-rejection.
--Henri Nouwen.

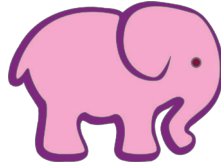
If you have recently borrowed a publication but haven't returned it, please do so as other can benefit from this book.



See you
at the
Social!

Annual Ice Cream Social This SUNDAY!!!

Join your parish family at the school for an evening of fun, fun, and more fun!!
from 5:00 to 8:00 pm



Again this year, Bingo with a twist --
a white elephant twist that is.
Win a game, get a white elephant prize,

Meal Packages

Brats or Burgers -- \$3.00 or Hot Dogs -- \$2.00
(each meal includes chips and pop)

Nachos (with cheese and peppers) -- \$2.00

Dessert (ice cream or baked goods) -- .25 each

Kids games .25 (except moon walk)

Bingo .25 (per game)

Baked goods drop off Sat/Sun, 15 mins. before/after Masses



Cinderella & Jasmine are coming

They will be at Savor, the Experience on
Saturday, September 28



Make your reservations now.

We will have up to 5 girls every 15 minutes from 4:30-6:30pm.
cost of the reservation is \$25 per girl and will include the following:

- A princess makeover –
eye shadow, lip gloss, blush & hair glitter
- A princess crowning
- Photo with the Princess
- Tea Party with friends

Reservation forms in Gift Shop or
Contact Nichole Porting, nporting@gmail.com,
816.880.0092 for details or questions.



ST. THERESE PARISH SCHOOLS OF RELIGION 2019-2020

Sunday School-Pre-K (4 by August 1) and Kindergarten - Begins October 6

Meets on Sundays during the 10:00am Mass, October—April: Lessons are age appropriate and designed around the Sunday's gospel. For all parish children.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd - Level 1, ages 3 (by August 1) through 6

Meets weekly during the school year-either Tuesdays 9:15-11:15am or 3:30-5:15pm(ideal for Kindergarteners)

See parish website www.sttheresenorth.org and click on Schools of Religion for information and registration for Sunday School, CGS, RE or Edge. Questions?: Contact Jennifer at jdavis@sttheresenorth.org or 741.5400, ext. 107.



Religious Education - 1st-5th grade Begins September 4

Meets from September through May on Wednesdays from 6:00-7:15pm. Sacrament preparation for 1st Reconciliation and 1st Communion included for all 2nd graders. For all parish children that do not attend St. Therese School.

Registration Fees*

1 child—\$75, 2 children—\$100, 3 or more—\$120

Non parishioners-additional \$50 fee

*fees waived for catechists (childcare available)

**Sacrament Fee, all parish 2nd graders (1st Reconciliation/1st Communion) \$40 to cover materials used at home.

12-month MagnifiKid subscription
Review at www.magnifikid.com
(optional-recommended for ages 6-12) \$14



**Children enrolled in St. Therese School do not need to register for sacrament preparation but do need to pay \$40 fee (additional information will be in the school newsletter)

Circle of Friends

August Activities

4th - Theater In The Park - Presenting the musical "Tarzan" at Oak Grove Park, NE 76th Street at N. Troost. Meet at the park at 7:30 PM. The play starts at 8:30 PM. No admission charge. Bring a lawn chair, your favorite snacks and non-alcoholic beverage. RSVP to John 587.2359.

8th - Second Thursday - Dinner and planning session at the Platte Woods Pizza Shoppe, 7687 NW Prairie View Rd, 6PM. Bring your suggestions for early fall activities. Consider the KC Irish Fest (Aug. 30 - Sep 1) and KC Oktoberfest (Oct. 4-5) among other things. RSVP to John 587.2359.

Planned Giving Ministry

Bishop James V. Johnston, Jr.

*Stewardship is spiritual before it is financial.
Stewardship is about our faith before it is about our finances.*

-Crafting a Theology of Stewardship

Preparing an estate plan is good Christian stewardship - saying thanks to God, expressing your love for family, and showing charity toward others. To leave your parish, a school, ministry or the diocese a bequest (e.g. will) or name it as a beneficiary (e.g. life insurance, an annuity), make sure your intentions are understood by providing as much identifying information as possible. Ideally, state the Legal Name, Tax ID Number, Address, City, ST Zip.

Contact Steve Hilliard at shilliard@sttheresenorth.org or Laura Gray at gray@dioceseksj.org, 816.741.2363.

Basketball Skills Camp

September 8-October 13, Grade 5-7 / Grade 8-12 for Boys & Girls. This is a 6-week shooting and offensive skills camp.

Cost \$156 (signup before August 11 and receive 20%off) Promo code: HOLZER on the Checkout page will get an additional \$20 off the current price. To register:

<https://www.breakthroughbasketball.com/camps/camp.asp?id=September2019KansasCityShootingCamp#register>

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)

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| Paula Acconcia | Janet Cozad | Judy Louth | Beverly Rietveld |
| Eugene "Bud" & Ellen Anderson | Albert Daniels | Sal Lozano | Amy Roberts |
| Jay Atkinson | Rachel Day | Ellen Madrick | Ann & Larry Ryan |
| Cynthia Barchesky | Gayle Dean | Jack McCormick | Mary Ann Ryan |
| Nathalie Blogin | Ron & Betty DuPaul | Betty McDonald | Jossalyn Sainz |
| Debra Bommarito | Anita Eastland | Mike McKenna | Natalie Ann Salas |
| Bryan Bownik | Ken Finke | Jessica McLain | Forrest Salyers |
| Art Braun | Sandy Gardner | David McPherson | Carmen Serrone |
| Irwin & Lois Broussard | Bert Giarraputo | John Mikulic | Carolyn Shatto |
| Ed Burgess | Mary Gotschall | Arlene Nadeau | Mary Sloan |
| Daniel Burnos | Suzanne Grisham | Paul Neidig | James Spawn |
| John Burton | Doris Hahn | Cleo "Woody" & Rosemary Nollette | Ted Stephens |
| Barbara Cahill | William Hansford | Linda Osterhaus | Shirley Stevenson |
| Mike Callahan | Grace Heater | Doyne Parisi | Joann Strever |
| Frank Canino | Mary Henke | Jill Pehlman | Maureen Tejeda |
| Jim Carroll | Kevin & Becky Isom | Barbara Personelli | Evalin Ulrich |
| Keith Carter | Barbara Jordan | Dorothy Porter | Rosemary Van Haaren |
| John Casey | Vince Kehr | Jackey Pratt | Phillip Ward |
| Kate Cearley | Glenda Kimsey | Helen Prendergast | Michael Wells |
| Joe Cento | Garrett Krier | Leticia Rabang | Geri White |
| Timothy Childers | Anna Lapuma | Danielle Reeder | Lionel White |
| Larry Colling | Clara Lawson | Pat Reeder | Kristi Widmer |
| | Nancy Leggio | Gina Reiter | Nicholas Worth |
| | John Lopez | | Dcn. Tony Zimmerman |



PRAYERS FOR THOSE SERVING IN THE MIDDLE EAST

For parishioners, relatives of parishioners and their families

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| John T. Buchner grandson of Alfred & Dorothy | son of Brenda | Joan & Elizabeth Rakers | William Rory & Candice O'Brien brother & sister-in-law of Michael O'Brien |
| Major Brian Conforti son of Frank & Patty | Sean Frazier son of Liz & Sam | Douglas Lomshek nephew of Liz Stine | Tim Pachasa son of Andy & Nancy |
| Kyle Buehler, grandson of Darlene, Dave & Mary | Jamie Frates husband of Rebecca | James McLaughlin son of Heath & Michelle | Eric Rawlings husband of Candi & father of Jaeger |
| William Dougherty nephew of John & Teri Jo Garitz, grandson of Joanne Wallace | Bill Freund son of Bill & Barbara | Jeremiah Murphy nephew of Dodie Murphy | Christian Shattuck son of Brian & Laureen |
| Jeremy Flowers | Jacob Glodsbury son of John & Kim | James Pate husband of Jennifer | |
| | Will Johnston, great nephew of | | |

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, July 28

- 8:00am — Marge Karr +
- 10:00am — Larry & Mary Grace Sprague +
- 12:00pm — Dawn Schaefer +
- 5:00pm — Mass for the People

MONDAY, July 29

- 8:30am — Vin Cozad +

TUESDAY, July 30

- 6:30am — Mary Sloan
- 8:30am — Anna DeFelice +

WEDNESDAY, July 31

- 6:30am — Bobbby Steel +
- 8:30am — Drew Fairlie +

THURSDAY, August 1

- 8:30am — Sara An Potts

FRIDAY, August 2

- 6:30am — George Rupprecht +
- 8:30am — Jim Williams +

SATURDAY, August 3

- 8:30am — Bob Baker +
- 4:30pm — Genevieve Kaszjanski +

SUNDAY, August 4

- 8:00am — Intentions of Sorrentino & Imperiale Families
- 10:00am — Shirley Block +
- 12:00pm — Donald Kloeppel +
- 5:00pm — Mass for the People

(Crosses, † indicate deceased loved ones)