



# THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

*St. Therese Parish - January 5, 2020*

They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. - Mt 2:10-11a



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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.

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.

### Readings for the week of January 5

Sunday: . Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12  
Monday:1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a [8ab]/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25  
Tuesday:1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8 [cf. 11]/Mk 6:34-44  
Wednesday: . 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Mk 6:45-52  
Thursday:1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17 [cf. 11]/Lk 4:14-22a  
Friday: . 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12a]/Lk 5:12-16  
Saturday:1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Jn 3:22-30  
Next Sunday:Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Mt 3:13-17

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### **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

Tuesday/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

### **YOUR GIFTS TO GOD & PARISH**

Week Ending Friday, December 13, 2019

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

	<b>Weekly</b>	<b>Year-to-Date</b>
<b>Contributions</b>	<b>\$143,487</b>	<b>\$1,740,367</b>
<b>Budgeted</b>	<b>\$77,675</b>	<b>\$1,789,525</b>
<b>Difference</b>	<b>\$65,812</b>	<b>(\$46,158)</b>
<b>Building Loan Balance</b>		<b>\$3,130,681</b>
<b>Debt Retirement Contributions</b>	<b>\$6,301</b>	<b>\$50,277</b>
<b>Principal &amp; Interest payments</b>		<b>(\$169,932)</b>
<b>Difference</b>		<b>(\$119,655)</b>

*From the Pope's Pulpit and The Pastor's Pen***From the Pope's Pulpit**

*The Magi teach us that people can come to Christ by a very long route. Men of wealth, sages from afar, athirst for the infinite, they set out on the long and perilous journey that would lead them to Bethlehem (cf. Mt 2:1-12). Great joy comes over them in the presence of the Infant King. They are not scandalized by the poor surroundings, but immediately fall to their knees to worship him. Kneeling before him, they understand that the God who with sovereign wisdom guides the course of the stars also guides the course of history, casting down the mighty and raising up the lowly. Upon their return home, they would certainly have told others of this amazing encounter with the Messiah, thus initiating the spread of the Gospel among the nations.*

December 1, 2019, Greccio, Italy

**From the Pastor's Pen**

A blessed new year and a new decade to all. We look forward to a great year with some wonderful things happening at St. Therese. In addition to all the busy events of the year, we look forward to continuing our work as one of just 61 parishes in the country who are part of the Dynamic Parish Project sponsored by Dynamic Catholic.

As a follow-up to our survey and Dream Night, there will be a Dynamic Parish night where we will see the results of our parish survey. This will take place on Friday, January 24 at 7:00 in the Wooldridge Center. Stay tuned for more details.

We look forward to more wonderful events at St. Therese this year. 2020 is the 70th anniversary of the founding of our parish. With lives of intentional faith, may

we secure our past, enhance our present and embrace our future.

My thanks to all who helped and continue to help make our different celebrations of the Christmas season so beautiful.

A blessed, holy, healthy and peace filled new year to all.



Father Joe Cisetti

**STAFF COLUMN - TIM VOLK, DIRECTOR OF YOUTH MINISTRY**

Our young people of St. Therese are on their final preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation. They have found strength in God's grace and support in our community's prayers and example.

Now I ask that they be recognized for the progress they have made in their spiritual formation and receive the assurance of our blessings and prayers as they begin their final preparation for the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation on February 8, 2020.

God Bless, Tim Volk

Gabe Athie  
Elizabeth Akers  
CeCe Athie  
Katie Baack  
Isabella Banion  
Alexandra Banion  
Aubrey Boyer  
Jordan Bradley  
Kayla Canchola  
Galena Cayton  
Molly Cernich  
Michael Cook  
Vito Cox  
Sean Crosby  
Nora Crowley  
Charlie Davis  
Meagan Davis  
Kaitlin Davis  
Evan DeMint  
Annabella Diaz  
Megan DiBernardo  
Bode Eisenmenger

Lily Graff  
Weston Grimes  
Gabriel Guerra-York  
Mia Guerrero  
Kellen Gunther  
Ryan Hamann  
Ally Jeffries  
Sophia Johnson  
Jack Engelke  
Madeleine Fellows  
Justin Fish  
Carter Gann  
Elijah Garrett  
Anna Gavin  
Elizabeth Givens  
Josephine Goodin  
Tanner Johnson  
Katie Jane Karlstrand  
Kate Lewis  
Ciera Loran-Paddock  
Camryn Ludtke  
Ajay Luebbert  
Noah Makundi  
Charlie Mandacina  
Danielle Martinez  
Aidan McCauley  
Makayla Mckenna  
Garrison Mertz  
Katie Miller  
Haylee Morris  
Collin Morris  
Coen Natrass  
Chris Norris  
Thomas O'Reilly  
Joshua Parr

Emily Pella  
Jackson Perry  
Mia Personelli  
Lukas Pitman  
Victor Pittala  
Luke Presko  
Reganne Reed  
Katie Revnew  
Victoria Reyes  
Kristofer Roberson  
Sydney Roberson  
Morgan Roberts  
Cole Robertson  
Jayden Rugg  
Grant Saggars  
Ava Saggars  
Izzy Schmidt  
Haydn Schmitz  
Steven Sharp  
Emily Shaw  
Henry Sinclair  
Zoe Skram  
Connor Sloan  
Carson Smith  
Lily Sowle  
Avery Stiens  
Nicholas Vargas  
Aidan Walter  
Will Warren  
Carter Watkins  
Eric Weiers  
Bri Witthar  
Bella Witthar  
Waylon Wright



## 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

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, submit to [tcollins@sttheresenorth.org](mailto:tcollins@sttheresenorth.org)

## ST. THERESE MEMORIAL REMEMBRANCES

George D. Krug – January 6  
Leona “Toni” Griggs – January 7  
Edward K. Carter – January 10  
Dominick J. Rucereto – January 10  
Julia K. Spohn – January 10  
Dave L. Schuver – January 10

### BIRTHDATE REMEMBRANCES

John Ooton – January 5  
Vivian E. Carsten – January 5  
George D. Krug – January 6  
Leona “Toni” Griggs – January 7  
Edward K. Carter – January 10  
Dominick J. Rucereto – January 10

### Baptisms

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

Lucas Timothy Lampton, son of Seth and Teresa Lampton

Lilith Marie Langdon, daughter of Natalie Langdon

Carter Joseph Chance, son of Joseph and Jessica Chance

Evan Patrick McConnell, son of Daniel and Mary McConnell



## 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](http://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](mailto: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](mailto:dwarrens@sttheresenorth.org).

### Eucharistic Adoration

Did You Know ...

... that Mary's baby boy is Lord of all creation?  
... that Mary's baby boy would one day rule the nations?  
... that Mary's baby boy is heaven's perfect lamb?  
... that sleeping child she's holding is the great I am?  
... that Mary, the mother of God, leads us to her Son?  
... that you can sit quietly at Jesus' feet in our Chapel?  
... that when you gaze into the eyes of Christ, he will NOT look away?  
... that you can stop by our Chapel for a few moments or a long spell?  
... that ALL are Welcome in our Adoration Chapel?

Hours: Mon - Fri 9am-11pm / Sat 9am-1pm

(We're in the process of adding Mon-Fri 7am and 8am Holy Hours. If interested email [eucharisticadoration@sttheresenorth.org](mailto:eucharisticadoration@sttheresenorth.org) or call/text Monica 816.718.8176)



### 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 -

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

### Altar & Rosary

Be prepared to play "Beat the Winter Blues Bingo" on January 11. Doors open at 5:30pm, bingo starts at 6:00pm.

Contact Amanda Bentley with meeting or membership questions at 316.641.4955 or at [awbentley01@outlook.com](mailto:awbentley01@outlook.com). You may also register online at [www.sttheresenorth.org/altar-and-rosary-society](http://www.sttheresenorth.org/altar-and-rosary-society) or view the membership page for past and upcoming events.

**Don't forget to visit *Our Lady's Gift Shop***

### Knights of Columbus

Whenever you drop a few dollars in the contribution can, take a chance on a raffle, attend a dance or enjoy a fish dinner, you support the council's activities. The funds we collect are earmarked primarily for the support of our youths, needy families, priests and seminarians, the unborn, the developmentally disabled, our school and our parish.

The number of activities we undertake in a year's time is long and varied, but we believe we can do more. That's why we are always looking for new members and new leaders who are ready to take the leap into service to the parish and community. Our new members always come with fresh perspectives and new ideas, and when they become involved they boost our energy and push us to achieve.

All men of the parish are welcome to join the Knights of Columbus. If you are interested, if you want to give back to your parish and community, call 816.520.5656, or email to the Knights' address at [council7199@gmail.com](mailto:council7199@gmail.com).

Bill Robinette, Grand Knight



**Join us for a fun Saturday night -  
January 11, Wooldridge Center**

**Doors open at 5:30pm  
so come and mingle  
Bingo begins at 6:00pm  
Food is available for purchase**

**Soda, beer, and wine for  
a free-will offering  
Cash prizes**

### That Man is You

That Man is You invites men of the parish to join us on Saturdays, as we continue our next year-long TMIY program, *The Fight of Faith*. From the program materials, we will plan to: Discover authentic Christian masculinity and enter into the cosmic battle that has been raging since the fall of the angels.

As with every Saturday, 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 attend Mass at 8:30.

For questions, contact Joshua Wunderlich at [joshua.wunderlich@gmail.com](mailto:joshua.wunderlich@gmail.com) or 402.570.7624.

### DEALING WITH GRIEF

Are you having trouble dealing with the loss of a spouse, child, parent, grandchild, etc.? Do you know anyone who is dealing with this grief by themselves? Would you be comfortable helping others by talking about how you have managed to deal with your grief?

Everyone grieves in a different manner, there is no specific way to do this. Our peer group is designed primarily for men and welcomes those who are grieving and those whose experience can be helpful to the group.

We meet on the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Contact us for information at [findinghelp7199@gmail.com](mailto:findinghelp7199@gmail.com), or by calling 816.516.9693 or 816.863.9493.

# WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY JANUARY 5	MONDAY JANUARY 6	TUESDAY JANUARY 7	WEDNESDAY JANUARY 8
<p><b>Soup Kitchen Signup in the Welcome Center</b></p> <p>9:00-11:00: Scout Ad Altare de meeting, Martin Room</p> <p>10:00-11:00am: Babysitting, EEC</p> <p>10:00-11:00am: Sunday School, Gold Commons</p> <p>11:00am-1:30pm: Sunday Morning Bible Study, Birkel Room</p> <p>2:30-4:00pm: First Sunday Prayers, Adoration Chapel</p> <p>6:15-9:00pm: Men's CRHP Formation Meetings, Team 12, Birkel Room</p> <p>6:15-8:15pm: Life Teen/Confirmation, Youth Room</p>	<p><b>School - Classes Resume</b></p> <p>7:30-8:30am: Fatima Prayer Group, Parish Library</p> <p>9:00-10:00am: Prayer Session, Cry Room</p> <p>9:00am-11:00pm: Eucharistic Adoration, Adoration Chapel</p> <p>6:30-8:00pm: Walking with Purpose Bible Study</p> <p>7:00-9:00pm: Knights Officer's Meeting, 3rd Floor EEC</p>	<p>9:00am-11:00pm: Eucharistic Adoration, Adoration Chapel</p> <p>10:00am-12:00pm: Mary, Martha and Lazarus Prayer Group, Birkel Room</p> <p>6:00-9:00pm: Women's CRHP Team Formation Meeting, Birkel Room</p> <p>6:00-9:00pm: Women's CRHP Team 11, Martin Room</p>	<p>8:00am-12:00pm: Library Committee Meeting, Parish Library</p> <p>9:00am-11:00pm: Eucharistic Adoration, Adoration Chapel</p> <p>1:15-3:00pm: Parish Staff Meeting, Birkel Room</p> <p>6:00-7:15pm: RE Classes, Education &amp; Parish Center</p> <p>6:00-7:45pm: EDGE Middle School, Youth Room, 3rd Floor</p> <p>6:30-8:30pm: Pastoral Council Meeting, Birkel Room</p> <p>6:30-9:00pm: Men's CRHP Team 11 Gathering, Martin Room</p> <p>7:00-8:30pm: Adult Choir Rehearsal, Church</p>
THURSDAY JANUARY 9	FRIDAY JANUARY 10	SATURDAY JANUARY 11	SUNDAY JANUARY 12
<p>8:30-9:30am: ALL SCHOOL Mass, Church</p> <p>9:00am-11:00pm: Eucharistic Adoration, Adoration Chapel</p> <p>9:30-11:00am: Queen of Peace Prayer Group, Parish Library</p> <p>10:00am-2:00pm: Mission Sewing, Bikel Room</p> <p>7:00-9:00pm: SPRED, Brett Room</p> <p>7:00-9:00pm: RCIA Meeting, Wooldridge Center</p>	<p><b>Early School Dismissal, 12:15pm</b></p> <p>9:00am-12:00pm: Adoration in Church</p> <p>12:00am-10:00pm: Eucharistic Adoration, Adoration Chapel</p> <p>6:30-9:00pm: Unbound, Birkel Room</p> <p>7:00-9:00pm: Friday Night Bible Study, Parish Library</p> <p>7:00-7:30pm: Divine Mercy in Song, Church</p> <p>7:00-10:00pm: First Friday Student Dance, Good Shepherd Hall</p>	<p><b>Little Sisters of the Poor Annual Appeal all weekend Masses</b></p> <p>6:30-8:30pm: That Man is You, Birkel Room</p> <p>9:00am-1:00pm: Eucharistic Adoration, Adoration Chapel</p> <p>3:00-4:15pm: Confession, Church</p> <p>5:30-9:00pm: Bingo Night - Altar &amp; Rosary and the Knights-Sponsored, Wooldridge Ceter</p>	<p><b>Little Sisters of the Poor Annual Appeal all weekend Masses</b></p> <p><b>Soup Kitchen at St. Mary's - meet in the front parking lot at 9:15am</b></p> <p>9:00-11:00: Scout Ad Altare de meeting, Martin Room</p> <p>10:00-11:00am: Babysitting, EEC</p> <p>10:00-11:00am: Sunday School, Gold Commons</p> <p>11:00am-1:30pm: Sunday Morning Bible Study, Birkel Room</p> <p>1:00-2:30pm: Altar &amp; Rosary General Meeting, 3rd Floor EEC</p> <p>1:00-8:00pm: Life Teen Confirmation - Confirmation Retreat, Education &amp; Parish Center</p> <p>6:15-9:00pm: Men's CRHP Formation Meetings, Team 12, Birkel Room</p>

## FR. KLEINE'S KORNER

Happy New Year!

I hope your New Year's Resolutions have survived past these five days. At the time I'm writing this in 2019, I can almost certainly say that mine has probably not. I like Pepsi too much. ("Oh sweet brown medicine, take the pain away")

The decisions we make with our resolutions are often to help benefit our lives, be it improving our health, growing in our vocations, deepening our relationships with others, seeking to pursue in a hobby we enjoy.

Similarly, many of us have spiritual resolutions we seek to fulfill throughout the year, whether they be to understand our faith with greater clarity and knowledge, to read the Bible, to deepen our prayer life, to grow in virtuous habits, or to enrich our loving relationship with our Lord and His Church.

Whatever the spiritual resolution may be, I hope that these resources provided below aid you in those endeavors! May the Holy Spirit enkindle within you a fire of zeal and love for our faith, Church, and our Lord.

### STUDY BIBLES:

- The Navarre Bible: New Testament Expanded Edition
- Ignatius Catholic Study Bible: New Testament
- The Catholic Study Bible 3rd Edition

### BOOKS:

- Catechism of the Catholic Church – 2nd Edition (green cover)
- Compendium to the Catechism of the Catholic Church
- "Did Adam and Eve Have Belly Buttons?" by Matthew J. Pinto
- "The Catholic Faith Handbook for Youth"
- "Faith Comes From What is Heard: An Introduction to Fundamental Theology" by Dr. Lawrence Feingold
- "The Eucharist: Mystery of the Presence, Sacrifice, and Communion" by Dr. Lawrence Feingold
- "The Summa Theologiae" by St. Thomas Aquinas

### AUTHORS WORTH NOTING (to name a very small few)

- Dr. Scott Hahn
- Dr. Peter Kreeft
- Fr. Jacques Phillippe
- Bishop Robert Barron
- St. Augustine
- St. Louis de Montfort
- St. Thomas Aquinas
- look up your favorite saint to see if they have written anything or have had writings done about them

### RECOMMENDED READING LISTS:

- Blessed is She – 10 Great Books For Catholic Converts

<https://blessedishe.net/the-blog/10-great-books-for-converts/>

- Reasonable Catholic – My Book Recommendations

<http://www.reasonablecatholic.com/recommended-reading/my-book-recommendations/>

### INTERNET WEBSITES:

- The Catholic Catechism Online  
[vatican.va/archive/ENG0015/\\_INDEX.HTM](http://www.vatican.va/archive/ENG0015/_INDEX.HTM)
- Vatican Documents and Encyclicals  
[w2.vatican.va/content/vatican/en.html](http://w2.vatican.va/content/vatican/en.html)
- Magis Center: Catholic Answers To Science, Faith and Reason  
[magiscenter.com](http://magiscenter.com)
- Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church  
[http://www.vatican.va/roman\\_curia/pontifical\\_councils/justpeace/documents/rc\\_pc\\_justpeace\\_doc\\_20060526\\_compendio-dott-soc\\_en.html](http://www.vatican.va/roman_curia/pontifical_councils/justpeace/documents/rc_pc_justpeace_doc_20060526_compendio-dott-soc_en.html)
- National Catholic Bioethics Center  
<https://www.ncbcenter.org/publications/making-sense-out-bioethics/>
- United States Conference of Catholic Bishops  
[usccb.org](http://usccb.org)
- Eternal Word Television Network  
[ewtn.com](http://ewtn.com)
- Catholic Radio Network  
<https://catholicradionetwork.com/>
- Catholic Answers  
[Catholic.com](http://Catholic.com)
- New Advent  
[Newadvent.com](http://Newadvent.com)
- First Things  
<http://www.firstthings.com/>
- Blessed is She  
<https://blessedishe.net/>

- YOUTUBE:

- Ascension Press  
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-VdGX3N-WIJ5nUvklBTNhAw/playlists>
- Father Mike Schmitz  
<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLeXS0cAkuTPpJ6j3eH59WudJhJ4q1tpwH>
- Bishop Robert Barron  
<https://www.youtube.com/user/wordonfirevideo/playlists>
- EWTN  
<https://www.youtube.com/user/EWTN/playlists>
- Franciscan University Of Steubenville  
<https://www.youtube.com/user/FranciscanUSteubie/playlists>
- Kenrick-Glennon Seminary

<https://www.youtube.com/user/kenrickglennon/playlists>

- Napainstitute1

<https://www.youtube.com/user/NapaInstitute1/videos>

- Mother Angelica

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLF4E7093F628DD57B>

- Bishop Fulton Sheen

<https://www.youtube.com/user/thecatholicworld/playlists>

- Fr. John Riccardo

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLX4LFSTGB9ygTWZD039zfK6ygyWM3RTX1>

- Fr. Larry Richards

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL4iGgWbU8CofZr26qNrmwN-wCaZcUpnse>

- Dr. Scott Hahn

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLSiHzHnqLgUcdvL8gQTXiNxCSEVKUX36A>

### PHONE APPS:

- Catechism of the Catholic Church
- Catholic Study Bible App – Ignatius + Augustine Institute
- Laudate
- I breviary
- Catholic Answers Live
- Catholic Radio Network
- EWTN
- Formed – Augustine Institute
- Focus Equip
- Truth & Life Dramatized Audio Bible
- Pray Catholic Novena Prayers
- Catholic Daily Reflections
- The Holy Rosary

### DISNEY+ TV SHOWS WORTH WATCHING (to name a few)

- The Mandalorian
- Gargoyles
- Gravity Falls
- The Simpsons (first 10 seasons)
- Marvel's Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D.
- Avengers Earth's Mightiest Heroes
- X-Men (1992)
- Spider-Man (1994)
- Kim Possible
- Recess
- Duck Tales (both 1987 series and 2017 series)
- Darkwing Duck

May these serve to be useful tools and resources to help you to come to know our Lord, His Church, and our faith with greater wisdom, understanding, and love. Especially that last list. Thank you, God bless and Happy New Year!

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

### Bible Studies

Sundays, 11:30am-1:00pm, Birkel Room.

Contact: Jan Lee, [jklinkc@hotmail.com](mailto:jklinkc@hotmail.com)

Mondays, 7:00-8:30pm, Martin Room,

Contact: Julie [nissenfamily5@gmail.com](mailto:nissenfamily5@gmail.com).

Walking With Purpose, Women's Bible

Study. Contact: [michelle.crosby06@gmail.com](mailto: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 Dennis Falls at [dennisfalls.7@gmail.com](mailto:dennisfalls.7@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](mailto: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. Contact Chris Maag at [cmaag1@att.net](mailto:cmaag1@att.net).

## 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 sign up for an hour.

Located on the north side of Church.

For info Contact Monica 816.718.8176 /

Paola 816.309.3858 (espanola), email to:

[eucharisticadoration@sttheresenorth.org](mailto:eucharisticadoration@sttheresenorth.org)

### Our Lady's Gift Shop

Open before and after weekend Masses.

Special gifts, missals, bibles, medals, so

much more. Email [ourladygs@gmail.com](mailto: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.

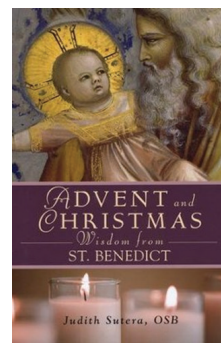
### Coffee & Donuts-Wooldridge Center

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 COLUMN



For over 1,500 years believers from all Christian traditions have looked to St. Benedict, the patriarch of Western monasticism, for spiritual wisdom. And rightly so: His Rule shows us how we can experience a simple, holy, commonsense life,

despite the increasingly busy pace of our modern existence.

This addition to Liguori's popular series of the seasonal meditation books interweaves selections from the cherished writings of St. Benedict with Scripture readings for the season of Advent and Christmas. Daily periods of sacred reading (lectio divina) foster contemplation and reflection on Scripture, allowing its wisdom to speak to your heart and promoting deeper knowledge of and communion with God. Each day closes with a prayer and a suggestion for personal action as the essential outgrowth of a relationship with the Word of God.

Inspirational, accessible, direct, and practical, St. Benedict will guide your journey through the Advent and Christmas seasons in an uplifting, spiritually refreshing way,

"He who carries God in his heart bears heaven with him wherever he goes."

— St. Ignatius of Loyola

Without good books and spiritual reading, it will be morally impossible to save our souls.

- St. Alphonsus Liguori

*Any time is a good time  
to visit the Parish Library*





Visionary selections come from the Wooldridge Center Dream Board

*A mother's dream is to see her children grow to be happy and successful.*

This weeks' column starts with this quote since what parent, mother or father, and grandparent too, doesn't want the best for their children. Of course we ALL do.

And several of our dreamers noted this as their dream that they wanted their child to have a positive and happy life.

May you, as the guiding light for your child, be a positive and happy example to them.

## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Love Ed

LoveEd is a parent-guided, age-appropriate, gender-specific program that teaches children about God's plan for life, love, sexuality, and purity. It equips parents to have positive, life-changing conversations with their kids. It facilitates these conversations at two important life transitions: as they enter puberty (around grade 5 or 6), and just before they begin high school (grade 7 or 8). The LoveEd program contains three steps.

First, there is a two-hour parent training that will take place on **Sunday, January 26th** from 1p.m. - 3 p.m. in the Wooldridge Center. This training gives parents the confidence and tools to respond to the teachable moments of life, and prepares for the parent/student events, which is the second step in the program. The parent attends the age-appropriate 2 hour student event with their child. The event for parents and their students from 4th-6th grade, ages 9-11, will take place on **Sunday, February 2nd** from 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. On that day, there will be separate events for boys and girls. On **Sunday, February 16th** from 1 p.m. - 3 p.m., there will be parent/student events for children in 6th-8th grade, ages 11-13. On this date, there will be also be separate events for boys and girls. The final step of the program are parent/student in-home follow-up lessons. You can register and pay for materials at this link: <https://sttheresenorth.weshareonline.org/LoveEd>

In order to ensure that materials can arrive before the parent event, please register at least two weeks in advance, by January 12th.

*A special Thank You card from the Seminarians to everyone who provided all the sweets and baked goods that made studying for and making finals so much 'sweeter?'*

To the St. Therese Parish Community,

Thanks!  
 Xavier Schmidt  
 Bruce Sencker  
 Matthew Duff  
 Garrett Vogelmeier  
 Ben Hobbie  
 Jonathan Lewis  
 Thank you!  
 Kyle Pitt  
 Erick Chinchilla  
 Aaron Skrabal  
 You are in my prayers  
 Fr. Enrique Garcia  
 David Garcia  
 Donalduz Penney  
 David Garcia  
 Thanks for all the snacks!  
 -Kevin  
 Thank you  
 When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God...  
 Philomen 1:4

Praising God  
 for the many ways  
 in which you have  
 been so kind.

- The Seminarians  
 of Conception  
 Seminary College

Thank you!  
 Cesar  
 Osmin  
 Thanks you!

Thanks  
 -Jesús  
 Thanks! - Joseph B. [unclear]

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## Walking With Purpose - New Series



The WWP women's bible study groups are forming starting the week of Monday, January 6.

Monday nights, 6:30pm in the Martin Room- Contact Julie at [nissenfamily5@gmail.com](mailto:nissenfamily5@gmail.com)

Wednesday mornings, 9:15am in the Martin Room - Contact Maria at [mcacosta71@gmail.com](mailto:mcacosta71@gmail.com)

Wednesday evenings, 6:00-7:30pm in the teacher's lounge of the school, Contact Rebekah at [beckycade@hotmail.com](mailto:beckycade@hotmail.com)

"We live in a self centered culture that all too often leaves us feeling empty and dissatisfied. A fuller view of God and His glory is the perfect antidote, which you will experience in *Beholding Your King*.

Learn more about this study at <https://shop.walkingwithpurpose.com/collections/study-guides/products/beholding-your-king-study-guide>

## 9th Annual Boy Scout Troop 261 Chili Supper & Silent Auction

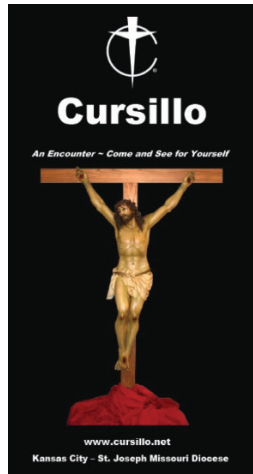
Join us Sunday, January 26th from 11:00am - 5:00pm

St. Therese Education and Parish Center - Good Shepherd Hall

\$5 all you can eat chili (kids 5 and under FREE)

Includes chili, cornbread, all the fixings and dutch oven desserts

Silent Auction 11am- 4pm



### Upcoming Weekends

Men: February 20-23, 2020

Women: March 26-29, 2020

Location: Sisters of St. Francis Retreat Center in Independence

#### Contacts:

Judy Newkirk 816.806.1997

[jknnewkirk65@gmail.com](mailto:jknnewkirk65@gmail.com)

James Newkirk 816.807.7700

Make a Friend

Be a Friend

Bring a Friend to Christ

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE COMMUNITY

### Calling all Marriage Encounter Couples

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is offering an afternoon of enrichment for any couple that has experienced a Marriage Encounter Weekend. Join us on Saturday, January 18, from 1:00 - 4:15pm at the Precious Blood Center, 2130 Saint Gaspar Way, Liberty, MO. Entitled "Lighting the Way Together - Castles to Lighthouses", the afternoon will reinvigorate your communication and rekindle the love in your relationship. Mass will be celebrated at 4:30pm with a free will-offering to defray the program costs. For more information or to RSVP email Rich and Wendy Lorenz at [wendyteach3@yahoo.com](mailto:wendyteach3@yahoo.com) by January 10th.

### Devotion to the Most Precious Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ

Join us for a very special Holy Hour in community. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed till 8:00PM. NO RSVP necessary. Any questions call Bob Furnari 816.694.2212 - 7:00-8:00PM EVERY Tuesday night. We start PROMPTLY at 7:00PM - doors will be locked 10 minutes after that.

Divine Mercy Chapel at the Catholic Radio Station next door to St. Pius High School. Call if directions are needed.





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



### PRAYERS FOR THOSE SERVING IN THE MIDDLE EAST

For parishioners, relatives of parishioners and their families

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

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### SUNDAY, January 5

- 8:00am — Bean Family
- 10:00am — Michael Wells +
- 12:00pm — Ivan Elder +
- 5:00pm — Mass for the People

#### MONDAY, January 6

- 8:30am — Peter Pruneda +

#### TUESDAY, January 7

- 6:30am — Margaret Mikulic +
- 8:30am — Michael Wells +

#### WEDNESDAY, January 8

- 9:00am — Joseph Penne +
- 11:00am — Kate Clearley +

#### THURSDAY, January 9

- 8:30am — Deceased Members of the Sasso Family

#### FRIDAY, January 10

- 6:30am — Intentions of Lundergan/Szabo Families

- 8:30am — Leita Mae Vulgamott +

#### SATURDAY, January 11

- 8:30am — Souls in Purgatory
- 4:30pm — Michael Wells +

#### SUNDAY, January 12

- 8:00am — Mary Lee Hoffman +
- 10:00am — Deister/Tiedtka Families
- 12:00pm — Ivan Elder +
- 5:00pm — Mass for the People

(Crosses, † indicate deceased loved ones)