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Mass Schedule

St. Theresa Church

Monday - Friday: 6:45 & 9:00 am Saturday: 8:00 am & 5:15 pm (Vigil Mass) Sunday: 7:45, 9:00, 10:30 am & 12:00 noon

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday-Saturdays - 12 noon - 1 pm (On First Fridays, the Holy Hour is 7-8 pm instead of 12 noon - 1 pm)

Rosary

The Rosary is recited after the 9 a.m. Weekday Mass
The Scriptural Rosary is recited after the
First Saturday 8 a.m. Mass in honor of Our Lady.

Novena to St. Joseph

Wednesdays after the 6:45 a.m. and 9 a.m. Masses

Parish Communications

Please go to http://sainttheresa.org/ parishionerdatabasesignup.html to sign up for our weekly parish email blasts.



July 28, 2024 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions are heard from 4-5 p.m. on Saturdays or by appointment. Please call the rectory if you would like to make an appointment with one of our priests.

Baptisms

Baptisms are held on the second Sunday of the month at 1:30 p.m. Contact the rectory as soon as possible after the birth of your child. All first time parents must attend baptismal instruction prior to their child's Baptism.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Arrangements with the parish should be made at least six months in advance before any other arrangements have been made. Contact us so that you can meet with a priest.

Visitation of the Sick and Homebound

Please call the rectory if you are homebound or ill so we can arrange for the reception of Holy Communion. Those who are seriously ill or advanced in age can benefit greatly from the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

SUNDAY, JULY 28, 2024 SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, JULY 27th

8:00 A.M. Kalina Pawlowicz & Will Vanderhorst (Wedding Day Blessings)

5:15 P.M. † Teresa Berrisford

SUNDAY, JULY 28th, SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:45 A.M. People of the Parish

10:30 A.M. † Willa Miller

12:00 P.M. Emma Radovanovich (Birthday Blessings)

MONDAY, July 29th, Sts. Martha, Mary and Lazarus

9:00 A.M. † Nicholas Sama Sr. (Birthday Blessings)

TUESDAY, July 30th, St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

9:00 A.M Maria Zadrima (Birthday Blessings)

WEDNESDAY, July 31st, St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

9:00 A.M. † Charles Raehse

THURSDAY, August 1st, St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

9:00 A.M. † Peter & Joan Vlahakos

FRIDAY, August 2nd, St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest

9:00 A.M. † John Fahy

SATURDAY, August 3rd

8:00 A.M. Special Intention

5:15 P.M. † Apollonia Moscardi

SUNDAY, AUGUST 4th, EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY **IN ORDINARY TIME**

Special Intention

7:45 A.M. † Elsie Paletta 10:30 A.M.

12:00 P.M. People of the Parish

MINISTRY SCHEDULE August 4, 2024

MASS TIME	CELEBRANT	<u>READER</u>	EUCHARISTIC MINISTER
Sat. Aug. 3 rd 5:15 PM	Fr. Michael	Warren Dubitsky	Don Walsh
Sun. Aug. 4 th			
7:45 AM	Fr. Paul	Walter Koval	Brendan Ryan
10:30 AM	Msgr. Bellew	Tom Berta	Regina Berta
12:00 PM	Msgr. Franco	Denise McCloskey	Marty Engelhardt

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REST IN PEACE

May the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



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Suzanne Gallagher

"The hand of the Lord feeds us; He answers all our needs" – Psalm 145:16

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As human beings, God has created us with both mortal bodies and immortal souls. He knows that we need care and nourishment for both. Throughout the week we try our best to eat, sleep, pray, work, exercise, and rest in a way that will benefit our bodily (and spiritual) existence. Then on Sunday, the Lord's Day, God asks us specifically to recline at table to be nourished by His Word and Sacrament at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

Sometimes our biggest challenge can be this reclining. The inertia and momentum of the week can carry over



into our worship, causing us to be distracted, or worse, to neglect the obligation altogether. *Justice to God (religion) obliges us to adore and thank God for His continuous blessings; because of our limited and weak human nature, God knows that we need specific times to fulfill this obligation (Baltimore Catechism)*. When He rested on the 7th Day, God blessed and sanctified the day for us as a day of worship and rest from servile work to anticipate what we are ultimately called to – the rest of God's eternal beatitude in Heaven.

Each Sunday, Christ continues to say to us through His Church and her ministers: "Have the people recline" so that He can feed us with His Word and His Body and Blood in the Most Holy Eucharist. With all of the hungers and needs we experience as human beings, may they always remind us of our greatest hunger – the hunger for God Who alone can give us the peace and joy of soul we desire and that the world cannot give.

Most Precious Blood of Christ, poured out on the Cross, save us.

God Bless, Mr. Kevin Richards, Director of Religious Education

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: 2 Kings 4:42-44

A man brought twenty loaves of bread to Elisha the prophet, who told his servant to distribute it to the people. The servant asked how he could offer twenty loaves to one hundred people. Elisha replied that God had said, "They shall eat and there shall be some left over." After all the people had eaten, there was bread left over as God had said.

Second Reading: Ephesians 4:1-6

Paul implores the Ephesians to live a life worthy of their calling by preserving unity among all of Christ's followers. He reminds them that there is one body, one Spirit, and one God who works through all people.

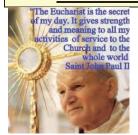
Gospel: John 6:1-15

Jesus fed a crowd of five thousand people with five loaves of bread and a couple of dried fish. After everyone present had enough to eat, twelve baskets of leftover bread were collected. Jesus then realized the people would want to make him king so he fled alone.

STEWARDSHIP: WEEKEND OF

SUNDAY COLLECTION: July 21, 2024 Church: \$3,601.00 WeShare: \$3,443.55 TOTAL: \$7,044.55

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION



"The Master is here and He is Calling You."

John 11:28

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place, 12 noon-1pm on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. NB: FIRST FRIDAYS HOLY HOUR is from 7PM-8PM.

Please spend some time with Our Lord. Those who visit and spend time with Him receive blessings beyond measure. You can be sure that He never forgets His trusted friends. Friday, August 2nd is First Friday please come and spend time with Jesus!



ST. JOSEPH WEDNESDAY DEVOTION

"ITE AD JOSEPH!"
"GO TO JOSEPH!"

Genesis 41:55

Each Wednesday after the 9 a.m. Mass, we recite prayers in honor of St Joseph. Join us in placing

yourself under the patronage of Our Spiritual Father. May he do for us what he did for Our Lord and Our Lady. *Expect miracles!*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

2024-25 REGISTRATION

Registration is **OPEN** for the 2024-25 year. **On-time registration runs through Monday, August 19, 2024**. If you are new family registered in the parish and would like to receive registration information for the 2024-25 Religious Education classes offered here at St. Theresa's, please contact the Office of Religious Education at (914) 923-3286/ stheresareled@optonline.net. Classes are offered for students in Grades 1-8, including preparation for First Penance, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Please contact the Office of Religious Education at (914) 923-3286 / sttheresareled@optonline.net for volunteer opportunities for both adults and high schoolers for the coming year.

BOOK RECOMMENDATION

Fr. Glenn Sudano, CFR who led our recent Lenten Parish Mission has written a book on Ecclesiology (Theology of the Church) called *We Live in a Castle: Stories, Allegories, and Commentaries About the Most Wonderful in the World.* The book is available on Amazon: search "We Live in a Castle Fr. Glenn Sudano" in Amazon. You can contact the Office of Religious Education if you have any questions about the book or need help finding it.

PRAYER FOR THE SEVEN GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

by St. Bonaventure (1217-1274)

Lord Jesus, as God's Spirit came down and rested upon You, may the same Spirit rest upon us, bestowing His sevenfold gifts. First, grant us the gift of understanding, enlighten which Your precepts may minds. Second, grant us counsel, by which we may Your footsteps on the path righteousness. Third, grant us courage, by which we may ward off the Enemy's attacks. Fourth us knowledge, by which we can distinguish good from evil. Fifth, grant us piety, by which we may acquire compassionate hearts. Sixth, grant us fear, by which we may draw back from evil and submit to what is good. Seventh, grant us wisdom, that we may taste fully the life-giving sweetness of Your love.



Goal 2024: \$95,400 Pledges to date: \$95,155.00 99.7%

Number of Gifts: 164

Thank you for all those who have made a pledge this year! Currently, we are 99.2% of goal, we need 36 more parishioners to reach our participation goal of 200 families AND only \$245.00 to reach our \$\$ Goal. Please consider joining your fellow parishioners in making your pledge today, so that we reach our goals this week!

RECTORY SUMMER OFFICE SCHEDULE

Monday-Thursday 9:30am-3:00pm Friday 9:30am-12 noon



2024 SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE

(Mon., July 1st thru *Fri., Sept. 13^{th*})

WEEKDAYS: MON - FRIDAY: 9AM

SATURDAY: 8AM

SATURDAY (Vigil Mass) 5:15PM SUNDAY: 7:45 AM, *10:30AM & 12 Noon

***Anyone who has a 6:45 am Mass scheduled the week of Sept. 9th will be contacted to have it rescheduled. *** Thank vou.



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RESPECT LIFE PILGRIMAGE

Join the Archdiocese of New York Respect Life Office for a pilgrimage to Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City!

Led by the Sisters of Life and Fr. Enrique Salvo, this pilarimage will immersion the charism of life through encountering the maternal love and presence of Our Lady of Guadalupe. experiencing her impact on the local culture, and learning from the witness of contemporary Mexican saints.

Patroness of the **Americas** and of the Unborn, Our Lady of Guadalupe is powerful intercessor and mother for all those involved in building and living a culture of life. We invite you to join us for this transformative experience!

Pilgrimage Dates: February 20-25, 2025

Registration

Website: www.206tours.com/archnyrespectlife

Registration Deadline: Initial deposit of \$400 is due by September 20, 2024 and final payment is due November 20, 2024

Cost: \$2,899 (from Newark, NJ)

Questions? Contact Alexandra or Cat at 206 Tours



The Tenth National **Eucharistic Congress held** Eucharistic last week was a tremendous success. More than 50,000 Catholics gathered at Lucas Oil

Stadium and the Indiana Convention Center in Indianapolis for the National Eucharistic Congress from July 17–21. The week was filled with opportunities for the faithful to grow closer to Jesus present in the Eucharist through perpetual adoration, Mass, confession, praise and worship, and talks from a plethora of Catholic speakers including: Bishop Robert Barron, Jonathan Roumie, Father Mike Schmitz, Mother Olga of the Sacred Heart, Sister Bethany Madonna, and many more.

HERE ARE 12 OF THE MOST POWERFUL **QUOTES GIVEN BY SPEAKERS AT THE CONGRESS:**

"Knowledge can make one great; but only love can make you a saint." — Father Mike Schmitz

"Your Christianity is not for you. Christianity is not a self-help program, something designed just to make us feel better ourselves. Your Christianity is for the world." — Bishop **Robert Barron**

"The Eucharist for me is healing. The Eucharist for me is peace. The Eucharist for me is my grounding. The Eucharist for me is his heart within me." — Jonathan Roumie

"The Lord is not overwhelmed by you. He loves you, and he sees you, and he's not deterred by anything." — Sister **Miriam James Heidland**

"We need a new Pentecost. We need to be filled with boldness. We need to be filled with intrepidity. We need to be filled with love, with generosity to be able to sacrifice everything for the sake of the kingdom." — Mother Adela Galindo

"We have him and nobody can take him away from us." - Mother Olga of the Sacred Heart

"The love of God has been poured into our hearts and it's the kindness of God that leads us to life-giving repentance." - Sister Bethany Madonna

"You can never have a revival without repentance." — **Father Mike Schmitz**

"He who made the promise is true and so we can be people who repent with courage and joy. What a contradiction to be people who say 'I'm broken and I'm sinful, and I'm joyful and I'm hopeful.' What would the world do with a pilgrim people like that?" — Sister Josephine Garrett

"It's time for faithful Catholics to stop trying to live for God. Instead we should start living from him. The body and blood of the Lord is the source of our life, our energy, and our joy. So let's eat and drink here and every day to our heart's content and then let's rush out into a starving world and tell everybody we meet, 'Starving people, listen! We found where the food is!"" — Monsignor James Shea

"Those who choose to stay with Jesus will be sent by Jesus ... Let us go to proclaim Jesus zealously and joyfully for the life of the world." — Cardinal Luis Antonio Tagle

"Brothers and sisters, we believe that God desires to renew his Church and that this renewal will happen through you. And that in renewing his Church, he will renew the world." — Bishop Andrew Cozzens

Francesca Pollio Fenton/CNANationJuly 24, 2024

July 29.—ST. MARTHA, Virgin.

ST. JOHN tells us that "Jesus loved Martha and Mary and Lazarus," and yet but few glimpses are vouchsafed us of them. First, the sisters are set before us with a word. Martha received Jesus into her house, and was busy in outward, loving, lavish service, while Mary sat in silence at the feet



she had bathed with her tears. Then, their brother is ill, and they send to Jesus, "Lord, he whom Thou lovest is sick." And in His own time the Lord came, and they go out to meet Him; and then follows that scene of unutterable tenderness and of sublimity unsurpassed: the silent waiting of Mary; Martha strong in faith, but realizing so vividly, with her practical turn of mind, the fact of death, and hesitating: "Canst Thou show Thy wonders in the grave?" And then once again, on the eve of His Passion, we see Jesus at Bethany. Martha, true to her character, is serving; Mary, as at first, pours the precious ointment, in adoration and love, on His divine head. And then we find the tomb of St. Martha, at Tarascon, in Provence. When the storm of persecution came, the family of Bethany, with a few companions, were put into a boat, without oars or sail, and borne to the coast of France. St. Mary's tomb is at St. Baume; St. Lazarus is venerated as the founder of the Church of Marseilles; and the memory of the virtues and labors of St. Martha is still fragrant at Avignon and Tarascon.

Reflection.—When Martha received Jesus into her house, she was naturally busy in preparations for such a Guest. Mary sat at His feet, intent alone on listening to His gracious words. Her sister thought that the time required other service than this, and asked our Lord to bid Mary help in serving. Once again Jesus spoke in defence of Mary. "Martha, Martha," He said, "thou art lovingly anxious about many things; be not over-eager; do thy chosen work with recollectedness. Judge not Mary. Hers is the good part, the one only thing really necessary. Thine will be taken away, that something better be given thee." The life of action ceases when the body is laid down; but the life of contemplation endures and is perfected in heaven.

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