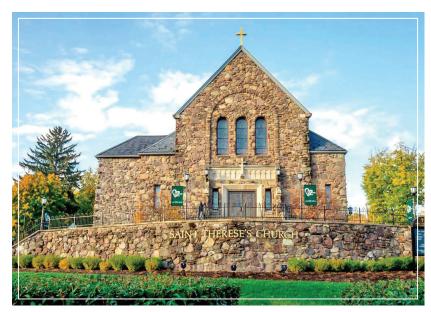
THE PARISH COMMUNITY OF SAINT THERESE'S

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COMMUNITY

Hospitality: As a community of faith, St. Therese's Parish Community provides an atmosphere where we hope and pray that each person feels welcome and encouraged to grow in a deeper faith in Jesus Christ.

"ALL ARE WELCOME!"

Parish Membership: We welcome all who wish to join our parish. Please contact the parish office at your earliest convenience. We would like to meet with you and see that your presence in the parish is properly acknowledged and registered. We also would like to remind parishioners to notify the office of changes of address and/or telephone number.

Christian Initiation Process: This is a process by which believers become members of the Roman Catholic Church. This journey in faith is concerned with the total formation of the person into believing, living, praying and serving with the Church community. This gradual development climaxes in the celebration of Initiation at Eastertime. Our Inquiry Period is ongoing. For more information, contact the office.

STEWARDSHIP

God has entrusted us with many gifts: Time, Talent & Treasure. We hope and pray that all members will share their giftedness, to continue to "share the Good News of Jesus with all people" and "build up the Body in Love."

WORSHIP

Saturday 5:00~pm
Sunday8:00 & 11:00 am
Daily (Mon., Wed., Fri.)9:00 am

Baptism: This first of the Sacraments of Initiation is a significant part of the person, the family and the parish community. For this reason, we encourage the celebration in a community setting. Two options are offered monthly:

11:00 am on the Second Sunday 12:00 pm on the Fourth Sunday

Baptismal Preparation Classes: The parish provides a Baptism Preparation Program for expectant parents. Godparents are welcome to attend, though it is not required. If you are expecting a child, please call to register for this program. Classes are held on the 2nd Tuesday of February, May, August, and November at 6:30 pm in the Rectory.

Reconciliation: The Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated weekly every Saturday at 4:00 to 4:30 pm, or anytime upon request and also in a fuller form seasonally throughout the year.

Marriage: In order to properly prepare for marriage, it is expected that the couple contact the pastor to arrange for an appointment prior to making other arrangements. This must be done at least six months prior to the desired date of marriage. One or both individuals should be members of the Parish for at least one year before marriage at St. Therese's.

WORD

Catholic Schools: The parish community supports Catholic education in the Dioceses of Scranton. Families are encouraged to take advantage of these fine educational and formational institutions.

Religious Education Program:

Monday Program: (Grades 1-6) 4:30 pm to 5:45 pm

Tuesday Program: (Grades 1-8) 5:45 pm to 7:00 pm

Wednesday Program: (Grades 7-8) 6:45 pm to 8:00 pm

Home-School Program: (grades 1, 3, 4, 5, 6) Independent learning opportunity with weekly chapter assessments. Includes four Saturday sessions from 10:30am--12 noon (October 9, December 11, February 12, April 9).

Summer Session: (Grades 1, 3, 4, 5, 6) June 20-July 1, 2022 Monday-Friday, 9 am - 12 noon

SERVICE

Hospitals/Nursing Homes & Anointing of the Sick: Please notify the office if your loved one is in a hospital, nursing home or confined to the home.

First Friday Calls: Each month, those unable to participate in Mass because of health or age are visited. Our Ministers of Holy Communion are available to bring Communion every Sunday to those confined to their homes.

PARISH BEQUESTS

As you think about sharing the fruits of your labor & your love with future generations, we would ask that you prayerfully consider the Church of Saint Therese.

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 17, 2022

"I used to pray that God would feed the hungry, or do this or that, but now I pray that he will guide me to do whatever I'm supposed to do, what I can do. I used to pray for answers, but now I'm praying for strength. I used to believe that prayer changes things, but now I know that prayer changes us and we change things."

— Mother Teresa.



This year's Summer Session CCD students successfully completed a service project in addition to their learning. We collected donations of men's shorts and made cards and posters for the Veteran's at the VA to help brighten their July 4th holiday.

Way to go kids!!

When we pray, things change. Doors open and possibilities become realities.



A New Home for Jesus

Heartfelt thanks to the family and friends of CARL WAGNER who lovingly donated our new tabernacle in his memory. Carl attended mass here at St. Therese's well into his 90's, never missing an opportunity to worship, sing, and pray. A man of faith, he found great solace in the Eucharist. May he now enjoy his place at the Heavenly banquet with Jesus and all the Saints.



Our next "Holy Hour"
is scheduled for
Wednesday,
July 20,
at 6:30 P.M.
in the church.



BAPTISMAL PREPARATION:

The next Baptismal Prep Class is scheduled for Tuesday, **August 9th at 6:30pm** in the rectory basement.

Please call Terri at 70-696-1144 if you are interested in attending.



The Sanctuary Candle will burn in memory of **Debbie Balonis** for the week of July 17 through July 23 at the request of Richard Evanoski to remember her on her birthday.

Worship The Celebration of the Eucharist

Mon. 9:00AM Walter Maciejczyk; Wife Germaine

Tues. 9:00AM Mass at St. Frances Cabrini Wed. 9:00AM Daniel Mitchell; Charlie & Kathleen Gelso

Fri. 9:00AM Al Hudak; Royal Sisterhood of WOW

Sat. 5:00PM Deceased Members of the Wisnieski & Calaide Families; Dan & Irene Wisnieski

Sun. 8:00AM Massimo Pavone; Peggy & Angelo Lovecchio11:00AM Phillip & Nancy Stark; Marlene Powell

The prayers and support of the parish are extended to the family and friends of the following in the midst of their grief and mourning:

Dorothy Maguire,

mother of Maureen Albrecht.

Always loved, never forgotten.



Dean Prescott Kelley
Daughter of Devin & Amanda



You are a precious child of God. Welcome to your faith family!

The parish collection
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June 27 – July 3
\$11,065.44
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Mass in Remembrance of Victims of Violent or Tragic Death



The Diocese of Scranton is offering the annual Mass in remembrance of victims of violent or tragic death. This Mass is offered for the families and friends of those who have died in tragedy, especially through murder, suicide, and accident.

The Mass is scheduled for **Thursday, July 28, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in Saint Peter's Cathedral, 315 Wyoming, Scranton**. All persons who have lost a loved one through tragic and traumatic death are invited to this liturgy. The mass will be televised on CTV.

We ask that the names of deceased loved ones are registered on registration forms which are available in the parish office or on the Diocese of Scranton's website, www.dioceseofscranton.org. All forms must be received by July 22, 2022.



St. Therese's newest ministry is planning their kickoff meeting on Tuesday, July 19th, at 7:00 P.M. in the Rectory meeting room.

All who are interested are welcomed to attend.

See you there!



Returning This Fall!
Our annual outdoor mass at
Frances Slocum State Park will
return on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>October</u>
<u>9th</u>. Mark your calendar and
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Some oldies but goodies!

- Irving Benson and Jessie Carter were married on October 24 in the church. So ends a friendship that began in their school days.
- Please place your donation in the envelope along with the deceased person you want remembered.
- Potluck supper Sunday at 5:00p.m.—prayer and medication to follow.
- This evening at 7pm there will be a hymn singing in the park across from the church. Bring a blanket and come prepared to sin.
- Ladies Bible Study will be held Thursday morning at 10am. All ladies are invited to lunch in the fellowship hall after the B.S. is done.
- The pastor would appreciate it if the ladies of the Congregation would lend him their electric girdles for the pancake breakfast next Sunday.

 SMILE!!

CCD Religious Education Registration

Things to know about CCD 2022-23

- Registration for M, T, & W evening classes, At-Home, and Summer Session (2023) will begin mid August.
- Every family is asked to fill out a NEW registration form.
- Registration forms may be mailed in or submitted in person.
- · Evening classes will start in mid September and conclude in early May.
- Teachers and teaching assistants are always needed. (This program is at it's best when we have enough volunteers.)
- For more information call Kristin at 570-696-1144 Ext.29



The Bells are Ringing!

The electronic bell system in our church was installed in the mid 1990's. Unfortunately, it has been malfunctioning in the recent past and needs to be replaced. A new system should be up and ringing in the near future. We hope you'll enjoy the new sounds.

Mark Your Calendar

July 19—Creation Care Meeting 7PM in the rectory meeting room.

July 20—Parish Holy Hour 6:30PM in the Church.

July 28—Mass of Remembrance 7PM at St. Peter's Cathedral, Scranton.

July 30-31—Human Trafficking Event on the plaza after masses.

CCD Registration will begin in August Dates to be determined.

August 9—Baptismal Prep Session in the rectory meeting room.

August 16—Life Line Screening 8:30 –5:30 in Fr. Sammons Hall.

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