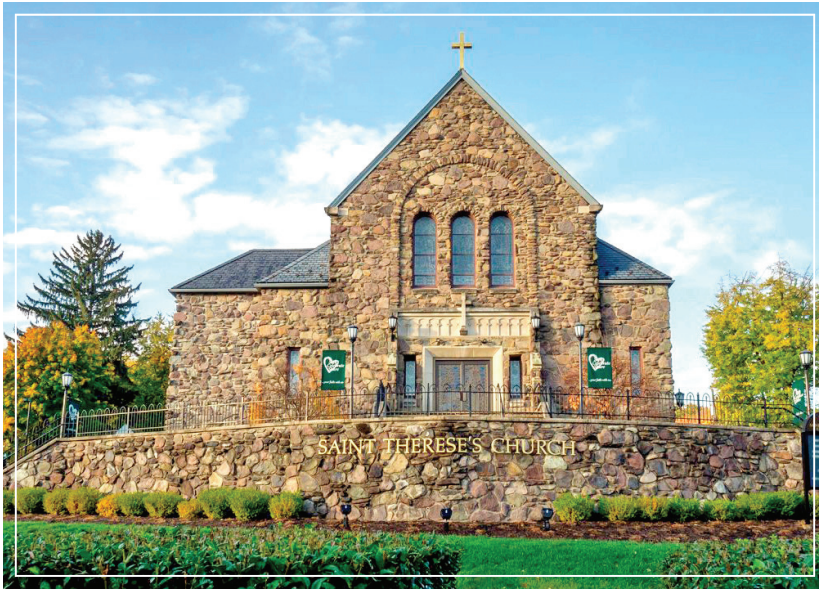


THE PARISH COMMUNITY OF SAINT THERESE'S

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OUR PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. James J. Paisley, *Pastor*

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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

Sunday----- 8:00 & 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 assignments. Includes two Saturday sessions from 10:30 am - 12 noon in Fr. Sammons Hall (Dec. 3, 2022 & Mar. 25, 2023)

Summer Session: (grades 1,3,4,5,6) Mon. - Fri., June 19 - June 30, 2023, 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.

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 23, 2022

Lord God, as the election approaches, we seek to better understand the issues and concerns that confront our city/state/country, and how the Gospel compels us to respond as faithful citizens in our community.

We ask for eyes that are free from blindness so that we might see each other as brothers and sisters, one and equal in dignity, especially those who are victims of abuse and violence, deceit and poverty.

We ask for ears that will hear the cries of children unborn and those abandoned, men and women oppressed because of race or creed, religion or gender.

We ask for minds and hearts that are open to hearing the voice of leaders who will bring us closer to your Kingdom.

We pray for discernment so that we may choose leaders who hear your Word, live your love, and keep in the ways of your truth as they follow in the steps of Jesus and his Apostles and guide us to your Kingdom of justice and peace.

We ask this in the name of your Son Jesus Christ and through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

"We need to participate for the common good. Sometimes we hear: a good Catholic is not interested in politics. This is not true: good Catholics immerse themselves in politics by offering the best of themselves so that the leader can govern." - Pope Francis, 9/16/13

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citizens with rights and duties as participants in the civil order. Read the statement and watch videos at: <http://bit.ly/FaithfulCitizens>.

In their statement on *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, the U.S. Catholic bishops remind Catholics about the call to participate in political life. The statement lifts up our dual heritage as both faithful Catholics and American

The Bishops have also launched a campaign inviting Catholics to model civility and love for neighbor throughout the year. *Civilize It: Dignity Beyond the Debate* will ask Catholics to pledge civility, clarity, and compassion in their families, communities, and parishes, and call on others to do so as well. Find out more information and make your pledge at CivilizeIt.org.

Book of Remembrance

All Souls' Day, November 2nd, is a special time to remember, honor and pray for our loved ones who have passed away.

At St. Therese's, we have a Book of Remembrance that includes names of deceased family and friends that we want to prayerfully keep in our hearts especially during All Souls' Day and throughout the month of November.

To include your loved one, please feel free to write their name in the Book located in the front of the church by the tabernacle.

If you are unable to include their name yourself, please call the rectory and we will write it in for you.

Your life was a blessing,
your memory a treasure,
you are loved beyond words
and missed beyond measure.



The Sanctuary Candle will burn for Ed & John Mroz for the week of October 23— October 29 at the request of Gertraud; wife & mother.

Worship

The Celebration of the Eucharist

- Mon. 9:00AM Christine Koziel (Birthday); David Kovalski
- Tues. 9:00AM Mass at St. Frances Cabrini
- Wed. 9:00AM Thomas Murphy; Pat & Diane O'Brien
- Fri. 9:00AM Clark Conlon; Mary McDonald
- Sat. 5:00PM MaryAnn Siket; Marilyn & Marie
- Sun. 8:00AM Roger Singerling; Marilyn & Ed Stanks
- 11:00AM Walter Glogowski; Swoboda Family

ALL SAINTS' DAY and ALL SOULS' DAY

Mass will be celebrated at St. Therese's on Monday, October 31, at 7:00 P.M. (No 9AM mass) and on Tuesday, November 1, at 9:00 A.M. and at St. Frances Cabrini on Monday, October 31 at 6:00 P.M. and on Tuesday, November 1, at 8:00 A.M.



Members of both parishes who have gone to their eternal rest since this time last year, will be remembered by name during the 9AM mass on Wednesday, November 2nd.



BAPTISMAL PREPARATION:

The next Baptismal Prep Class is scheduled for Tuesday, November 8th at 6:30pm in the rectory basement. Please call Terri at 570-696-1144 if you are interested in attending.



Cornstalk Returns are due this weekend or next.

Thank you for supporting your fellow parishioners in need.

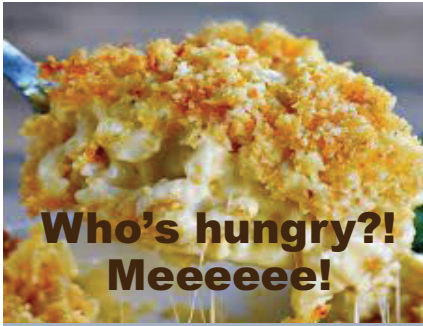
Sponsored by St. Therese's Social Justice Committee.



The Altar & Rosary Society invites all women of the parish to attend their next meeting on Wed., Nov. 2nd.

Meetings take place in Father Sammons Hall immediately following the 9:00 A.M. mass. Plans for the All Parish Christmas Dinner on Dec. 4th at Apple Tree Terrace will be discussed. The meeting hostesses are Carole Paxton and Dorothy Hansen. This is a great opportunity to jump in and get involved! Donations of nonperishable items for the Back Mountain Food Pantry are accepted.

The parish collection for the week of
October 10 – October 16
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- Susan Lingg

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Gifts to the Diocesan Annual Appeal go to support **Social Justice Grants** given to dozens of parishes each year to fund much-needed local projects.

Saint Boniface and Saint Lawrence Parishes in Lycoming County received a Social Justice Grant this year to help provide weekly meals at Sojourner Truth Ministries in Williamsport. Parish volunteers help cook and serve the meals each Friday.



GIFTS OF ALL SIZES ARE NEEDED AND APPRECIATED!

Appeal Update

*Thanks to the
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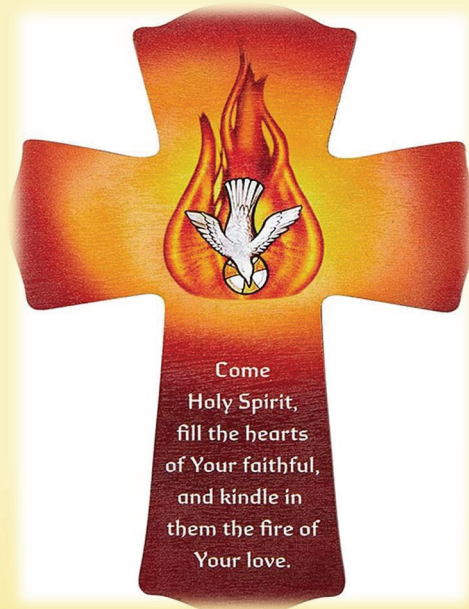
goal.

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to this very worthy cause.*

**THANK
YOU!**

The Parish Community of Saint Therese
supports the following seventh grade youth
in their desire to publicly become
candidates for the Sacrament of Confirmation
at an Enrollment Ceremony on
Saturday & Sunday, October 22nd & 23rd
during the 5:00 PM and 11:00 AM Masses.

Jack Antinnes
Hunter Bisulca
Nathan Bogdon
Sara Bonomo
Lucy Brunn
Max Bryk
Justin Camoni
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Talan Geskey
James Gibbons
Jonah Gottlieb
Connor Herman
Robert Hernandez
Cailynn Hivish



Ava Jones
Colm Jordan
Owen Josuweit
Drew Klinetob

Marco Lenza
Jeffrey Metz II
Mitchell Onzik
Teagan Orrson
Jonah Pasquini
Sophie Roberts
Hayden Romeo
Caden Sakulich
Kaitlyn Scoble
McAuley Somers
Luciano Stephens
Brian Welby
Aubriella Wojnarski
Grace Zimmerman
Bryce Zoranski

Calling all Ministers of the Altar

In an effort to provide our Ministers of the Altar with a refresher course of body and soul, we are inviting all Lectors, Cantors, Choir members, Ministers of Holy Communion and Hospitality, to a special evening of prayer, reflection, sharing, and instruction. The event will be held on Wednesday, October 26, at 7:00 P.M. in the Church. Father Paul McDonnell, OSJ, will begin the evening with a brief reflection on service and ministry.

A prayer service, faith sharing, brief instruction, and Q&A session facilitated by Fr. Jim will follow. Those interested are asked to RSVP to Carol or Aileen in the parish office at your earliest convenience. We hope to see you there!

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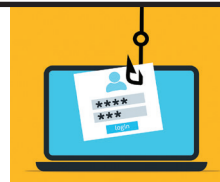
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