Praise the LORD, my soul!

Psalm 146:7

32 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



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SUNDAY MASS 9:00 am, 11:30 am, & 8:00 pm Saturday Vigil 5:30 pm

### Daily Mass

Monday - Friday 8:30 am Saturday 8:00 am







### **Reconciliation Times**

Monday, Wednesday & Friday	9:00-9:30 am
Saturday	8:30 to 9:30 am, and 4:30 to 5:00 pm
(Or By Appointment.)	

### **Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration**

Monday, Wednesday, & Friday	9:00-9:30 am
Saturday	8·30-9·30 am

#### **Additional Sacraments**

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### Office Hours

Monday-Friday	9:00 am-4:00 pm
Closed Wednesdays	10:00 am-12:00 pm



### Our Mission

Driven by the missionary zeal of St. Thérèse, the Lord anoints us to proclaim to the poor and broken the Good News that Jesus calls us to abundant life in Him.

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### This Week's Mass Intentions

### Saturday, November 6

5:30 pm +Fr. Jeff Largent

### Sunday, November 7

9:00 am **†**Norma Miller 11:30 am **†**Ron Mudwilder

8:00 pm The Parish Family of St. Thérèse, Little Flower

### Monday, November 8

8:30 am **†**Mary Brown

### Tuesday, November 9

8:30 am **†**Kathy Kalinichenko

### Wednesday, November 10

8:30 am Special Intentions of William Waltman

### Thursday, November 11

**†**Michael Aldrich 8:30 am

### Friday, November 12

8:30 am +Paz Flores Nakpil

### Saturday, November 13

8:00 am For Biblical proportion miracles for Katie Schwab

through the joint intercession of our Blessed

Mother and Blessed Basil Moreau

5:30 pm **†**Vicki Schwab

### Sunday, November 14

9:00 am **†**Matthew Vu Phong Pham

11:30 am **†**James Bauer

8:00 pm The Parish Family of St. Thérèse, Little Flower Beloved parishioners,

Charity and obedience are on display in the First Reading for this time are not generally the most wealthy or less busy parishioners. weekend's liturgy. The widow, a poor person by the standards of the day, one who had little means to care for herself and her son, becomes for all ages, an example of selfless generosity. She was charitable to the prophet, perhaps because he was a prophet. But the Lord rewards her generosity of spirit. The jar of flour did not go empty and the jug of oil did not run dry, as the Lord had foretold through the prophet. When we act charitably, we must do so with all our hearts. This woman gives of all she and her son had to live on. She was gathering sticks to make the last meal with the only flour and oil she had left so that she and her son would eat, lie down and die. But God manifest is by first eliciting her generosity. She offered what she had, without grumbling, or holding anything back. This is what the Lord them and give them back to us. This is exactly what we do when we bring the gifts of bread and wine, the fruits of the earth and the work of human hands, to the Lord. We present to the Almighty God May Jesus bless you, and may Our Lady protect you! elements that we had first received from his graciousness as gifts, and we ask him to bless and sanctify them, and to give them back to us as food for our souls. This is the mystery of the gift. We give God what he first gave us so that God may give us what we most need himself.

Lord's fidelity to his word. God is faithful to his promises, and gives indulgence: John of the Cross is reputed for saying that "in the evening of our lives a verb. It is an action word. We love by doing. And this doing is by giving of our selves, our time, our resources, to the service of God and of our neighbors. God never ignores whatever is done, out of love, for him and neighbor. This is why Jesus commends the generosity of the poor widow who put in all she had to live on. Her two small coins were negligible by human reckoning, but were pleasing to the divine quest in the synagogue. Indeed, our all is all the Lord asks. No one who gives to the Lord is beggared by that very fact. All that we have we have received from him. So, to give back what he first gave us (catholicculture.org) should be a thing of joy and not something we do as though compelled. Your very life is a gift; your time is a gift; your job is a gift; your money is a gift; your children are gifts; your family is a gift... the list goes on. What, among all these gifts, is too much to give to the Lord?

In my experience, and some pastors have corroborated this, many people who give to their parishes, whether of their talents, treasure or They are people who have the love of God in their hearts and recognize that all they have is a gift. They are aware that they are only custodians of these gifts. And when the Lord, the rightful owner has need for them, they gladly oblige. Remember how the Lord instructed the disciples to respond when he sent them to bring him a colt for his use prior to his entry into Jerusalem for the feast of the Passover? He said, if anyone asks, "why are you untying that colt?" you shall say, "The Lord has need of it" (Luke 19:31; Matthew 21:3). God is the owner of the universe, and that includes you. Do you think you are too big, too little, too unworthy, too sinful, or just without value for sends his prophet to her. And the way the goodness of God would be him to have need for you? Think again. Hear the Lord say to you, "The Lord has need for you." Come to the Lord as you are. He never turns away anyone who comes. Whatever is broken can be mended; asks of us – to give all that we have to him who is able to multiply whatever is corrupt can be renewed; whatever is damaged can be fixed. Jesus is waiting. All he says is, just come!

With blessings from my heart,

## The fulfillment of the word of the prophet is a demonstration of the More information about the timing of the requirements for a plenary

food to the hungry, as we sing in the Psalms. God never abandons. It is appropriate, but not necessary, that the sacramental Confession those who give of themselves freely and out of love for his service. St. and especially Holy Communion and the prayer for the Pope's intentions take place on the same day that the indulgenced work is God will judge us on the basis of love." And this love is not a noun but performed; but it is sufficient that these sacred rites and prayers be carried out within several days (about 20) before or after the indulgenced act. Prayer for the Pope's intentions is left to the choice of the faithful, but an "Our Father" and a "Hail Mary" are suggested. One sacramental Confession suffices for several plenary indulgences, but a separate Holy Communion and a separate prayer for the Holy Father's intentions are required for each plenary indulgence.



Monday, November 8th 5:00 -8:00 pm

Culver's Restaurant at 5520 N. Main St, Mishawaka, IN 46545 is offering our parish the opportunity to support our youth group! From 5 - 8 pm on Monday, November 8th, volunteers from St. Thérèse Little Flower will bus tables, greet Culver's quests and share in Culver's profits for that time period! The more support we have from YOU, the greater the benefit to our youth group. PLEASE show your support, treat yourself, dine-in or drive-through. You'll be greeted by your friendly fellow parishioners for a carefree evening and good food!

## We are a community that worships together...

## Text of the Propers— 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Propers of the Mass include the Scriptural texts that change with the liturgical calendar. The Proper texts which will be chanted by a cantor are the Introit (when the priest processes to the altar), Offertory (when the altar is prepared for the Liturgy of the Eucharist), and Communion.

**Introit:** "Let my prayer enter into your presence; incline your ear to my supplication, O Lord." (Psalm 88:3)

**Offertory:** "Guide my footsteps, O Lord, according to yourword, so that no iniquity may ever gain the upper hand, O Lord." (Psalm 119:133)

**Communion:** "The Lord is my shepherd and I shall want nothing; he has set me in a land of abundant pastures; he has led me to liferenewing waters." (Psalm 23:1-2)

## St. Michael Prayer

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil.

May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do Thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God cast into Hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

Amen.

## Readings for the Week of November 7, 2021

Sunday Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kgs 17:10-16; Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10; Heb 9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44

**Monday** Wis 1:1-7; Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10; Lk 17:1-6

Tuesday Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

Wednesday Memorial of Saint Leo the Great,
Pope and Doctor of the Church

Wis 6:1-11; Ps 82:3-4, 6-7; Lk 17:11-19

Thursday Memorial of Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop

Wis 7:22b - 8:1; Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135,

175; Lk 17:20-25

Friday Memorial of Saint Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr

Wis 13:1-9; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5ab; Lk 17:26-37

Saturday Memorial of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin

Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Ps 105:2-3, 36-37,

42-43; Lk 18:1-8

Sunday Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dn 12:1-3; Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11; Heb 10:11-14, 18; Mk 13:24-32

## Diocesan Mission

Fr. Cyril Fernandes will be here on the weekend of **November 20 and 21** for a mission talk. This is part of the Diocesan Missionary CO-OP Program. Please prayerfully consider financially supporting this mission.

## Weekly Adoration

Saint Joseph Church South Bend (226 N. Hill Street) offers Eucharistic Adoration each Thursday from 7:30am to 9:00pm. We need at least two people for every time slot to ensure that there are always people in the church throughout the vigil. To sign up for a time slot each week, please go to our website, www.stjoeparish.com and follow the links. Even if the spots are full we still have plenty of space in the Church to worship so please feel free to join in. Entrance is at the handicap door on Hill Street. For more information or to sign up for a recurring weekly time slot, please email adoration@stjoeparish.com.

## We are a community that builds and sends disciples...

# Experience The Healing Love of Christ



A prophetic and healing evangelist from the Archdiocese of Detroit and Pastor, Corpus Christi Parish in the inner city of Detroit, Fr. Patrick Gonyeau will be leading an evening of teaching, healing and renewal Friday evening, November 19, at 6:30 pm. We invite you to come and join Fr. Patrick as he brings his infectious joy, inspiring faith, and passion for healing to our community.

## 🖙 Healing Prayer Corner: Trust...Trust...Trust

Today's First Reading and Gospel teach us much about absolute trust in God. It's easy to put trust in God when everything's going dandily. Good job, good health, substantial stock portfolio, successful children, money for all the extras – all the earmarks of the good life. But what about the poor widow in the Gospel? She "contributed all she had, her whole livelihood," seemingly without reservation. Or the widow in the reading from the Book of Kings? She has nothing to eat for herself or her son, but she trusts that God will deliver what Elijah promises. Both stories point out the simple truth, to put absolute trust in God and not let the things and priorities of the world take precedence over our lives.

When we pray for good fortune or for a healing and receive it, it's easy to trust in God. When we don't receive it, it's so much harder. But only when we trust when it's not easy will we have the peace of God that surpasses all worldly peace. That's the peace the widows had.



## Into the Breach

Into the Breach is a program established by the Knights of Columbus geared to Christian Men. It is an open dialogue and discussion regarding being a Catholic Christian Man. The program will be a Five Week program and will meet every Wednesday starting November 10th at **7PM in the parish center.** We will not meet on the Wednesday of Thanksgiving week. This is open to all men that wish to become more connected to the faith and family. We highly encourage all men to check this out. If you are interested or simply wish to learn more please contact Grand Knight - Ben Janczewski at wyotechben@gmail.com. If you plan to attend please RSVP via the same email so we can be sure to have enough materials.

## Kingdom Builders November Gathering: Heights of the Holy Spirit

The Lord is inviting us to reach for Him. Come join us to claim the name of Jesus, the goodness of our God, and the heights of the Holy Spirit.

All women are invited to join us on Thursday, November 18 at 7:00 pm at St. Thérèse, Little Flower Catholic Church for a Scripture based teaching. Eucharistic Adoration, opportunity for Confession.

## November Household Nights:

### Rooted in Love

Monday, November 8th @ 6:00 pm Jireh-Wednesday, November 10th @ 6:15 pm **House of Praise** 

Friday, November 19th @ 6:30 pm

For more details visit https://mailchi.mp/ littleflowerchurch/household-sign-up or scan the code.



## In Memory of Rev. David Thomas Link



Rev. David Thomas Link, 85, of Notre Dame, IN, passed over to the Kingdom of God on Thursday evening, October 28, 2021.

Rev. Link, with his wife Barbara, was an active parishioner here at St. Thérèse Little Flower for

many years and was influential in the capital campaign that led to the building of our Parish Center and Chapel.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 9:30am on Monday, November 8, 2021 at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart on the campus of the University of Notre Dame.

will live Mass be streamed: https:// campusministry.nd.edu/mass-worship/basilicaof-the-sacred-heart/funeral-live-stream/

Friends may visit with the family from 6:00-9:00pm on Sunday, November 7, 2021 at the St. Thomas More Chapel in the University of Notre Dame Law School, 1100 Eck Hall of Law, Notre Dame IN, where a rosary will be recited at 6:00pm. The family respectfully requests that masks be worn during the visitation.

His full obituary can be accessed at: https://www.palmerfuneralhomes.com/obituary/ RevDavid-Link

## **Knights Fund Raiser**

The Knights of Columbus will be conducting a Spaghetti Lunch Fundraiser on Sunday **December 5th** after the 1130AM Mass. The event will run until 2PM. It we be free will offering and will include Spaghetti, Salad and Garlic Bread. We will also offer take out meals.

## Boxes of Joy

Our Religious Education Classes will be packing Boxes of Joy for Cross Catholic Outreach. These boxes will be shipped as Christmas gifts to children in developing countries. For many of these children, a Box of Joy was the first Christmas gift they ever received. We need donations of the listed items as well as monetary donations (\$9/box) to cover the cost of shipping. Please note that the deadline has been extended to November 12th. Thank you for your support!

**TOYS** Handheld tovs Small plush animals Small balls (tennis, etc.) Sharpener Ball (deflate) with pump Small board books Cars / Trucks Dolls Mini puzzles Finger puppets Silly putty Bean bag / Hacky sack

SCHOOL SUPPLIES Pencils, colored pencils Comb / Brush Solar calculator Erasers Pencil case Crayons Pens, markers Ruler Glue stick (no liquid)

HYGIENE / HOME Forks & Spoons Cup / Bottle with lid Bar Soap Toothpaste (in the box) Toothbrush and floss **Bandages** Hand wipes (no gels) Tissues Lip balm

## What do these items have in common?



They all fit in a shoe box!

## We are a community that extends the Kingdom of God.

## Staff Spotlight: Daniel Tucker

Get to know our Director of Sacred Music & Liturgy!

How is Jesus challenging you to greater love in your current place in life? Having moved to South Bend during the height of Covid, Jesus is challenging me to greater love as I try to build community and make new friends in the area.



### What's your favorite way to spend a Saturday off?

My favorite way to spend a Saturday off (until the vigil Mass, that is!) is by watching back episodes of Catholic Answers Live and reading as many books on Catholic theology, philosophy, and apologetics as I can.

### Fill in the blank...

**My morning routine consists of...** My morning routine consists of walking across the street, since Jesus and my big sister Thérèse blessed me with an apartment right next door to the parish.

I'm currently obsessed with... I'm currently obsessed with rereading the Catechism of the Catholic Church, which is so beautiful. You can get through the whole thing in a year by reading only eight paragraphs a day!

**My favorite part of my life right now is...** My favorite part of my life right now is sponsoring one of our candidates for RCIA. As a convert to Catholicism myself, I love helping other people come to know Jesus Christ and the Church that He founded.

I feel most inspired when... I feel most inspired when parishioners tell me that the music at Mass helps them enter into a spirit of prayer.



### Christmas Activities

The Knights are excited to partner with the Little Flower Social Committee for this years Christmas Party. The event is scheduled for **December 19th.** The event will be a Christmas Party / Bazaar please watch the Bulletin for more details.

## Keep Christ in Christmas

We must never lose focus on why we celebrate Christmas to begin with. In today's world it appears that Christmas is simply a reason for a shopping spree. Without the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ we would not even have the celebration. In working to keep the theme Christ, the Knights will be sponsoring an essay This contest will involve families submitting a short written article on their personal celebration of our Lord's Birth. We would like to see an essay of 250 words or less and it may involve pictures drawn up by the children as well as holiday pictures. We would like to see these turned in by December 7th. They can be submitted to Jerry Zent at jerrymzent@gmail.com or place them in the box or container in the rear of the church. The winner will be presented a very nice Nativity Scene that you can proudly display in your front yard for years to come.

## Marian High School Annual Open House

Sunday, November 14, 2021 1pm - 4pm To reserve a time slot, go to marianhs.org

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