

# St. Therese Parish

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*August 14, 2022*

## Parish Office Hours

MONDAY- THURSDAY 9-5  
CLOSED NOON—1 PM FOR LUNCH  
FRIDAY 9-NOON

Brothers and sisters: Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running the race that lies before us while keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus, the leader and perfecter of faith. For the sake of the joy that lay before him he endured the cross, despising its shame, and has taken his seat at the right of the throne of God. Consider how he endured such opposition from sinners, in order that you may not grow weary and lose heart. In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding blood.

Hebrews 12:1-4



## SACRAMENTS

### LITURGY SCHEDULE:

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Weekdays: (see inside bulletin)

HOLY DAY SCHEDULE: Call 487-3749 (press 9)

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Baptismal forms are located in the Parish Office. Please complete the forms, turn in as directed, and we will contact you for an appointment.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:00 p.m. or by appointment

### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Actively participating members interested in receiving the Sacrament of Marriage should contact the parish office at least nine months prior to the desired date.

### SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Communal Celebrations take place at weekend liturgies in the spring. Watch the bulletin for details.

Welcome to St. Therese! We are so happy that you have joined us for this Mass celebration. If you've been away for a while, we know coming back to the church may not have been easy for you, but we are glad you are here.

### **MEMBERSHIP HAS ITS BENEFITS!**

Becoming a member of the St. Therese Parish brings you into a family of Families, a network of loving individuals called together with a divine purpose—becoming Saints. By registering, you are giving us the gift of knowing you, understanding your needs and helping establish you into a group within St. Therese that will best fit what you are looking for. Come to the Parish Office or visit the Information Desk in the Social Room for a registration packet. If you are new to the area, please stop into the Parish Office and introduce yourself. We look forward to getting to know you!

**From Dave's Desk...**

A **Small Discipleship Group (SDG)** participant wrote, "I joined a small disciple group because I was personally invited by a parishioner to come. They were studying the Acts of the Apostles. I barely had opened a bible ever and was just coming back to the church after many years away. I have learned many things along this journey of SDG, I can now even answer some Jeopardy answers! I love coming to group because I need the benefits of family I find here. For me, especially now with SDG right after morning Mass, it entices me to attend Mass for its many graces and understanding; also with the price of gas I am already here at church so..."

This parishioner points out four (4) very important points:

1. "Personally Invited:" Be prepared! This month, as we approach the beginning of our Fall series, "The Chosen, Season 2" on Tuesday, September 6, a current Small Discipleship Group participant may "personally invite" you to join in with us. (**Just think of the freshly thawed cookies!**)
2. "Family:" St. Therese of Lisieux Parish is a "family" of faith. We practice unconditional love here. We are 470+ domestic families, fewer if you consider just the people you see at "your" Mass. Our Small Discipleship Groups make it possible for you to connect names with faces, your story of faith with theirs, your prayers with theirs, your work with theirs.
3. "Learn Many Things:" Faith is not so much what you believe as it is whom you trust. For participants in our Small Discipleship Groups, the journey to know more about Jesus Christ (and maybe the ability to answer some Jeopardy questions) is actually a thinly veiled path to "learn" whom you can trust and why, the person of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist, the Word and God's People.
4. "Entices Me:" Danger! Danger! Coming to Small Discipleship Group will "entice" you to make yourself more available to the Way of the person of Jesus Christ, to become a better disciple of Jesus Christ.

If you don't happen to get a personal invite, **I now invite you to join in a Small Group this fall.**

**Monday, August 15th is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year.**



This weekend, The Holy Land Carvings will be here after all Mass's. These items help Christians make their livelihood selling their hand carved Olive Wood religious items, such as Nativity Scenes, Crucifixes, Rosaries, Statues,

Picture of the Last Supper, & several other religious items will be available for you to purchase.

Are you or someone you know celebrating a **significant wedding anniversary: 10, 20, 30, 40, or 50+ years of marriage?** If so, please contact the parish office to let them know. Please also advise the parish office if you celebrated a milestone anniversary during 2020 or 2021 as we did not celebrate anniversaries those years, due to COVID. The diocese is grateful for your witness and would like to particularly honor you on this momentous occasion. Bishop is presiding over a special mass for these anniversaries on **Saturday, 9/24/22 at St. Thomas Aquinas, East Lansing at the 4:30pm Mass** that day followed by a cake and punch reception in Fr. Mac Hall. The diocese wishes to honor and thank you for your witness.



**Mass Intentions for the Week of August 14, 2022**

<b>Monday, 15th</b>	<b>The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b> Rv 11:19a, 12:1-6a 10ab; 1Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56 <b>No Service</b>
4:00 p.m.	Open Doors Tutoring
<b>Tuesday, 16th</b>	<b>St. Stephen of Hungary</b> Ez 26:1-10; Mt 19:23-30
8:30 a.m.	†Earl & Helen Hundt - Family
11:30 a.m.	Staff Prayer (CH)
6:30 p.m.	Youth Group (MAR)
6:30 p.m.	T.O.P.S (FMR)
<b>Wednesday, 17th</b>	<b>Ez 34:1-11; Mt 20:1-16</b> <b>No Service</b>
11:30-3:00 p.m.	<b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>
4:00 p.m.	Open Doors Tutoring
7:30 p.m.	Guitar Ensemble Rehearsal
<b>Thursday, 18th</b>	<b>Ez 36:23-28; Mt 22:1-14</b> <b>No Service</b>
<b>Friday, 19th</b>	<b>St. John Eucles, Priest</b> Ez 37:1, 14; Mt 22:34-40
8:30 a.m.	†Larry Bekke - Ron & Mary Simon
7:00 p.m.	N. A. (Gym)
<b>Saturday, 20th</b>	<b>St. Bernard, Abbot &amp; Dr. of the Church</b> Ez 43:1-7ab; Mt 23:1-12
3:00 p.m.	Confessions
4:30 p.m.	<b>Intention of Ron &amp; Pam Margetin - Tricia, Curt &amp; boys</b>
7:00 p.m.	N. A. (FMH)
<b>Sunday, 21th</b>	<b>Is 66:18-21; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30</b> <b>People of the Parish</b>
8:30 a.m.	Library Open (SJR)
9:30 a.m.	†Larry Bekke - Tom & Karen Kavanagh
10:30 a.m.	A.A. (FMR)
7:00 p.m.	

**Stewardship Report**

*How can I repay the LORD for all the great good done for me?*  
Psalm 116:12

**489 envelopes issued, 107 used this week**  
**8/7/22 Weekly contributions \$12,433.29**  
**Weekly Budget Goal \$9,500.00**  
**Amount over goal \$2,933.29**

**Thank you** to all who give regularly to the parish! We need every penny you share with us! Even in the midst of summer vacations, utilities must be paid and payroll expenses met. For all of us gas prices continue to climb, cost of everyday items increases monthly, and supply chain issues still cannot be solved, and I am grateful to all of you who continue to give to St Therese in such challenging times! Thank you for your support!

**Come help Cristo Rey Church** raise funds for our building by attending the South Lansing Farmers Market at **800 W Barnes St.** (Old Saint Casimir Church here in Lansing). **Every Thursday from 3pm to 7:00pm** where we have a Food booth with delicious dinner plates ready to go! So, don't cook on Thursdays; instead, come and enjoy some great food and support our church! **GROUND BEEF ENCHILADAS, GROUND BEEF ENCHILADAS, GORDITAS PLATE WITH RICE AND BEANS, TACO PLATE WITH RICE AND BEANS, CORN ON THE COB, MEXICAN ATOLE, FRESH FRUIT CUP & More**

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## Our Parish Social Ministries

**We are now taking your plastic bags to make PLARN for homeless mats!**

### Outfit A Child for School

Our annual collection **ends THIS weekend, August 14<sup>th</sup>!**

We'll keep the big blue laundry basket around until Tuesday morning if you still have items to donate. **THANK YOU!** for making this a priority in your shopping rounds.

### Open Doors Tutoring Center

will be closed for the next two (2) weeks, re-opening on Monday, August 29.

We **want more students** because we can make a difference in every **student** we serve.

We **want more tutors** to infect young **students** the enthusiasm to keep learning.

School will be starting as we open back up.

Please start the **student** and/or your **tutor** registration on [www.sttherese.org](http://www.sttherese.org) and we'll get you and/or your student in here for our orientation an/or an assessment.

**FINAL CALL; HELP WANTED...**The Judson Memorial Baptist Church operates its LOVE Clothing Center to families whose children need clothes – especially clothes for school. (Judson Baptist is the church we give our annual **Outfit A Child for School** and annual "Winter Apparel Drive" donations. They still need help **for August 20 and 27 from 9am to 2:30pm.**

Call Dave if you are willing to help out **either of those Saturdays. THANK YOU!**

### Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

We operate year round, now! We have a new candidate just beginning the process. We would benefit greatly if this candidate were not alone! Now is the time to jump in with questions about faith and what to do with it; now is a great opportunity to join us for the journey. Call Dave at 517-331-5765 to take your next step.

**Westphalia Historical Society News:** One of our chosen ancestors for our next Walk is Sunday, September 18th (rain date September 25th) at 2:00 pm. Family friendly, fun event. Expect to see cider and homemade cookies. See your family & friends there, learn a little Westphalia history. Questions call Margie Wirth 989 640 4437. Our current Sports Exhibits, showcases many of our current & former athletes in the area. We are open the first Sunday of the month, September 4th, 2022 1-4pm & the third Wednesday, September 21st, 2022 5-8pm.

### REQUIRED FOR THOSE ENTERING A 2ND MARRIAGE:

There is a new marriage preparation requirement for couples entering into a second union whether following death of previous spouse, or a previous nulled marriage. The next retreat will take place the weekend of October 29th at St. Francis Retreat Center. To learn more go to: <https://www.stfrancis.ws/retreats>

**"You have not done enough, you have never done enough, so long as it is still possible that you have something to contribute."** Dag Hammarskjöld UN Secretary-General from 1953-1961

**"Dearest Lord, teach me to be generous; teach me to serve you as you deserve; to give and not to count the cost".**

St. Ignatius of Loyola, Jesuit founder, who was born October 23, 1491

**"We make a living by what we get; we make a life by what we give."** Winston Churchill (1874-1965), British wartime prime minister and statesman

Every pregnant woman should know there is a community of compassion and support waiting to help her and her child. Catholic people and organizations have long provided such help and now is the time to redouble our efforts to ensure every woman has the support she needs throughout her pregnancy and beyond. The Diocese of Lansing is prioritizing this work, through our Catholic Charities and parish-based support networks, to meet the physical needs of mothers and children as well as offer the support and love new mothers need. This work can only advance with your help and financial support. I invite you to make a contribution to our Diocesan Services Appeal today. I am grateful for your consideration, and humbled by your financial gifts. Thank you! And may God bless you for all that you do with and for one another.

+ Earl Boyce



I am giving you three ways of exercising mercy toward your neighbor: the first - by deed, the second - by word, the third - by prayer. In these three degrees is contained the fullness of mercy, and it is an unquestionable proof of love for Me. (St. Faustina Diary 742)



### Liturgical Ministers Schedule August 20-21, 2022

#### 4:30 PM

Lector: M. Murray

Mass Coordinator: P. Teszlewicz

Servers: C. Anderson, P. Teszlewicz

Em's: P. Teszlewicz

Ushers/Greeters: B. Robinson, M. Tews

#### 8:30 AM

Lector: C. J. Ramsey

Mass Coordinator: B. Milam

Servers: C. Haley, L. Ozanich

Em's: B. Milam

Ushers/Greeters: J. Miller, S. Spicer

#### 10:30 AM

Lector: D. Vandenberg

Mass Coordinator: C. Anderson

Servers: C. Anderson, L. Nolan

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