

# Saint Theresa of Lisieux Parish

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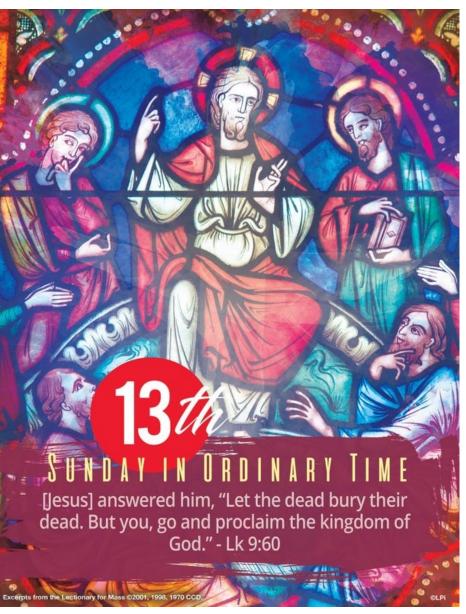
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Then Elisha left and followed Elijah as his attendant. (1 Kgs 19:21)

You are my inheritance, O Lord. (Ps 16)

For you were called for freedom, brothers and sisters. (Gal 5:13)

As they were proceeding on their journey someone said to him,
"I will follow you wherever you
go." (Lk 9:57)



#### **WELCOME TO ALL:**

If you have moved to this area and wish to join our Parish Community, we invite you to become actively involved in our life and to support our efforts to be witnesses to Christ by sharing your Time, Talent and Treasure.

#### PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

The Roman Catholic parish of Saint Theresa of Lisieux is a community of believers that places the sacredness of the Eucharist at the center of our lives. Our mission is to inform, inspire, invite and involve people in the ongoing life of the Church. Our field of ministry includes residents of the greater South Hadley area. It is our desire to engage all who wish to join our community in the celebration of the life of Christ.

#### **PASTORAL STAFF**

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### **Parish Office Hours**

Parish office hours have changed to be every Monday through Thursday from 9:00-12:30 a.m. If you would like to meet with Fr. Michael or Patricia it is by appointment only. Please call (413)532-3228 to schedule an appointment.

### **Bulletin Postings**

Please submit any requests/inquiries you have for the weekly bulletin directly to **Rebecca Smith** at:

#### sttheresamedia@gmail.com.

Requests to be included in the bulletin must be submitted by <a href="Saturday the week prior">Saturday the week prior</a> to your desired bulletin date. Please note that multiple postings for the same event are subject to the availability of space in the bulletin each week.

### Ill Family Members or Parishioners

The parish pastoral staff asks: Do you know of any parishioners or family members that are ill, in nursing homes, hospitals, the Soldiers' Home in Holyoke, Leeds VA Hospital or homebound? If so, please contact Patricia Smith at (413) 532-3228 ext. 116 so that

pastoral visits may be scheduled with them.

#### **LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS**

#### LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday 4:00p

Sunday 8:00a | 10:30a

#### WEEKDAY MASSES - CHAPEL

Monday - Friday 8:00a

#### HOLY DAY MASSES

(Day of Obligation) 8:00a | 6:30p

#### **SACRAMENTS**

#### Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30p – 3:45p or by appointment.

#### Adoration

Friday 8:30a - 6:00p

#### **Baptism**

To schedule a Baptism, please contact the Parish Office.

#### Marriage

Please arrange one year in advance.

#### Hospital Visitations

Please let us know if a parishioner is ill or in the hospital.

#### **COUNSELING & SUPPORT SERVICES**

#### Pregnancy Counseling Services

Bethlehem House of Easthampton (413) 527-2861

#### **Divorce Support Ministry**

Bob Nell (413) 575 –5177

St. Mary's Parish, Longmeadow MA

### To Report an Incident of Church Related Sexual

<u>Misconduct</u>

Confidential Hotline (800) 842-9055

# **Mass Requests**

Book your masses to remember your loved one by calling the parish Office (413)532-3228 to reserve the date(s) and time(s) that you prefer. If you'd like to book your Mass in person, our Office hours are M, T, W from 8:45a-12:15p.

### **WEEKLY DONATIONS**

Please continue to support the Parish by mailing in your weekly donations if you are not able to attend a Mass.Or consider making your contributions through online giving. Please use St. Theresa's Parish ID# 1596. www.osvonlinegiving.com





### Saturday June 25th

4:00 pm † Deacon Tom Gaudrault by Donna

### Sunday June 26th

8:00 am † Thelma Crowley by Joan Bagley and Family 10:30 am Afghan Refugees by Peace and Justice Ministry

### Monday June 27th

8:00 am † Louis Blair by David, Amy and Grace

### Tuesday June 28th

8:00 am † Bradlee Nadeau by The St. Theresa Morning Mass Community

### Wednesday June 29th

8:00 am † Michael Snopek by The Williams Family

### Thursday June 30th

8:00 am † Souls in Purgatory by Friends

### Friday July 1st

4:00 pm † Pauline Marulli by Richie Sobon, Shirley B roderick and Holy Rosary Class of 1953 Grammer School

### Saturday July 2nd

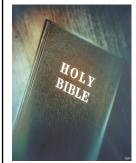
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### Sunday July 3rd

8:00 am † Carl F. Lis by his mother Sofia Kuzebski 10:30 10:30 am For the Parishioners of St. Theresa of Lisieux Parish



If you or someone you know from our parish is unable to attend Mass on Sunday due to illness or disability and would like to receive communion please call **George Wilson at (413) 533-8710** prior to 8:00 a.m. on that Sunday morning.



# Weekly Readings

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21/ Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Gal 5:1, 13-18/Lk 9:51-62 Monday: Am 2:6-10, 13-16/Ps 50:16bc-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23/Mt 8:18-22

Tuesday: Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12/Ps

5:4b-6a, 6b-7, 8/Mt 8:23-27

Wednesday: Vigil: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Gal 1:11-20/Jn 21:15-19 Day: Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13

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Thursday: Am 7:10-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 9:1-8 Friday: Am 8:4-6, 9-12/Ps 119:2, 10, 20, 30, 40, 131/Mt 9:9-13

Saturday: Am 9:11-15/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12,

13-14/Mt 9:14-17

Next Sunday: Is 66:10-14c/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 [1]/Gal 6:14-18/



# **Prayer Requests**

If you have a loved one that you would like added to our prayer line, please contact the Parish office so we can help coordinate this with you.





# St. Oliver Plunkett | July 1

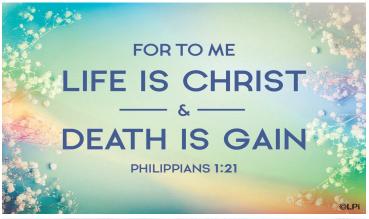
Saint Oliver Plunkett was the last Roman Catholic Martyr to die in England. He was canonized in 1975, the first new Irish saint in almost 700 years.

Oliver was born in Loughcrew, Oldcastle, County Meath in November 1625, the son of the Baron of Loughcrew. As a young man, he wanted to become a priest, but it was illegal to travel to the continent to enter seminary. Even so, he undertook the dangerous journey with four other young men and a Papal Envoy. They were pursued by English privateers, storms at sea, and robbers on land. However, Oliver entered Rome in 1647, and was admitted to the Irish College. He was an excellent student and was ordained on January 1, 1654. Oliver remained in Rome, studied law and served as chaplain at Spienza University, ministered at Santo Spirito hospital, and cared for the poor and ill. By 1657 he was a professor of Theology and later of Apologetics or Controversies at Propaganda College.

The 1650s were a difficult time in for Catholics in Ireland, the majority of population, as Cromwell passed many penal laws against them, and the practice of Catholicism was banned. During this time Oliver was appointed by Irish bishops to be their agent in Rome. Following the Restoration of Monarchy, Pope Clement IX appointed Oliver Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of all Ireland 1669. Oliver returned to a country where the Catholic Church was in disarray and divided. He had to travel largely incognito and perform his duties in makeshift

locations. He is credited with unifying the Church and in traveling across the eleven dioceses under his purview, confirming thousands, and ordaining several priests.

In 1673 persecution of Catholics was again on the rise and bishops were banned. Oliver went into hiding, but in 1679 he was arrested and charged with treason. He was hanged, drawn, and quartered at Tyburn in July 1681. Before his death he publicly forgave those responsible.





### INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

God calls us in the midst of ordinary things. Often only looking for God in the dramatic, spectacular, the ritual or the sacred places, we miss that He is walking beside us. Every moment of every day, in every circumstance and experience, God is calling to us, "Follow me." Sometimes, we are too distracted to hear this call. Other times, we would rather ignore it or pretend it wasn't heard. God, however, is very persistent. Whether we fine tune our hearing to receive this invitation now or when we close our eyes in death, we need to make a choice. The choice involves leaving some things behind and moving forward, taking risks. Choosing to keep focused and single-minded, the lens we then use to see our world and one another is God's, not our own. Life is no longer about what is important or matters to me but what matters to God. We acquire a new filter and are asked to use that filter to make choices, establish priorities, and determine what direction we will take, and how to love. Once we accept God's invitation, we cannot keep looking back to what was left behind, only forward to the surprises yet to come.

### ROSARY MAKING AT HOME

Inviting anyone interested in making rosaries at home if you prefer. We can arrange an evening or a weekend to show you how to get started. We have wonderful workers willing to help. Give us a try. The need for rosaries is great. Please contact Bea Ouimette at 536-5666 or e-mail: rbouimette@comcast.net if interested. Thanks!

### **GOSPEL MEDITATION**

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And to another he said, "Follow me." In every moment of every day, in every circumstance and experience, God is calling us. We can easily get distracted and not hear it or simply ignore it, pretending it wasn't even heard. When we do hear it and favorably respond, there are some conditions that must be met. Jesus makes it clear that once we say yes to his invitation, we must stay focused and forge ahead. We cannot keep looking behind or worry about unfinished business. There are some tasks, and discipleship is one, that require our full devotion.

There are many "masters" vying for our attention. We need something or someone to give us direction. Human nature requires it. Our motives and actions reveal what has our allegiance. It is tempting to give ourselves to masters that lure us with intriguing promises. When given the choice between a "master" that promises worldly success, abundant wealth, status, privilege, and security versus a "master" that asks for self-sacrifice, hardship, suffering, ridicule, and death, to

whom do we go? While the promise of immediate pleasure is enticing, there is always a catch. For all that secular masters can promise, they always keep us looking behind, checking on ourselves, second guessing choices, calculating options, and being slaves to excessive worry. Our guard can never come down. Only one master really promises life: Jesus Christ. Hearing his call, we either trust him or we don't.

Saying yes to following Christ does come with a risk. But it also comes with the brightness of future hopes and dreams. There is no need to keep looking behind. Sins are forgiven and regrets serve no

effective purpose. God is not there. He's moved beyond all that stuff. God is in the today and the tomorrow and what he can continually do with our daily affirmation to follow Him. All we need to do is be obedient. St. Gianna Molla is credited with saying, "The stillness of prayer is the most essential condition for fruitful action. Before all else, the disciple kneels down." Begin with prayer. We will not only hear God's call but find the courage to trust that He will guide us where we need to be. God uses us in the most ordinary of ways through the simple daily expression of our lives.

