Saint Theresa of Lisieux Parish

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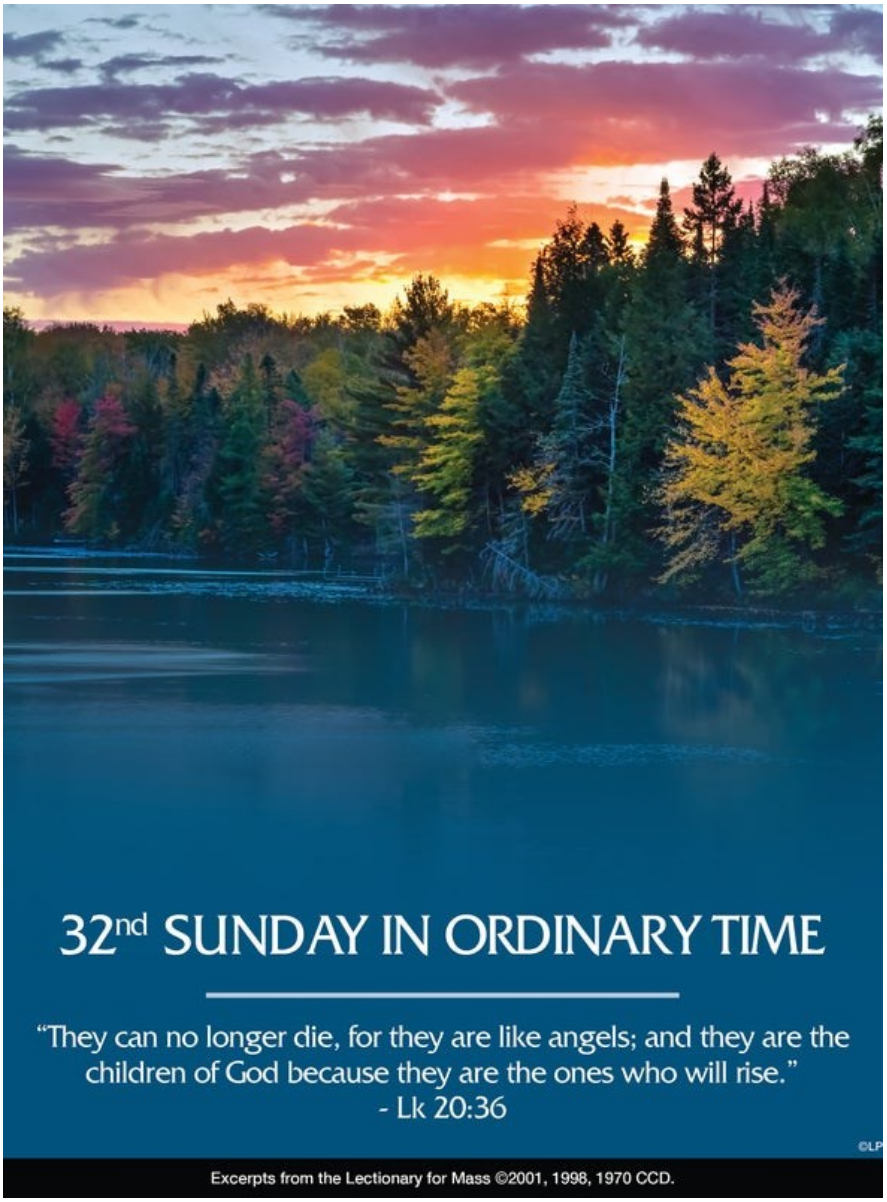
"You accursed fiend, you are depriving us of this present life, but the King of the world will raise us up to live again forever. It is for his laws that we are dying." (2 Mc 7:9)

Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full. (Ps 17)

May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who has loved us and given us everlasting encouragement and good hope through his grace, encourage your hearts and strengthen them in every good deed and word. (2 Thes 2:16-17)

"And he is not God of the dead, but of the living, for to him all are alive." (Lk 20:38)



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 Saturday the week prior 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.

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.osvhub.com/sttheresaparish/giving/funds

Online Giving

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 Misconduct

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.

ILL FAMILY MEMBERS OR PARISHIONERS?

Do you know of any parishioners or have any 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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday November 5th
8:00 am † Jackie Kras by The Spiritual Life Team
4:00 pm † Alice M. Pacella by Megan Hebert, Patricia Smith & Family

Sunday November 6th
8:00 am † Lester & Alice Masse by Daughter Sandy
10:30 am † Diane Robitaille by Edna Robitaille & amily

Monday November 7th
8:00 am † Norma J. Ryan by Family

Tuesday November 8th
8:00 am † Helen & Carl Popielarz by Ann Jubinville

Wednesday November 9th
8:00 am † Ronald & Violet Astley by David, Amy & Grace

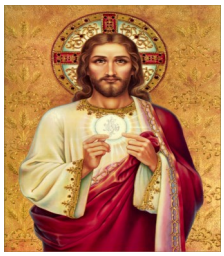
Thursday November 10th
8:00 am † Jackie Kras by Jack & Michele Scanlon

Friday November 11th
8:00 am † Claire M. Hurlburt by Richie & Joanie Sobon

Saturday November 12th
4:00 pm † Edward J. & Marjorie M. Mello Sr. by Family

Sunday November 13th
8:00 am † Pauline Horne by by family
10:30 am † Kenneth Geoffroy by His Wife

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.



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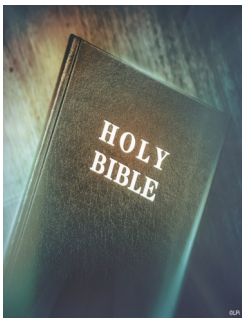


Weekly Readings

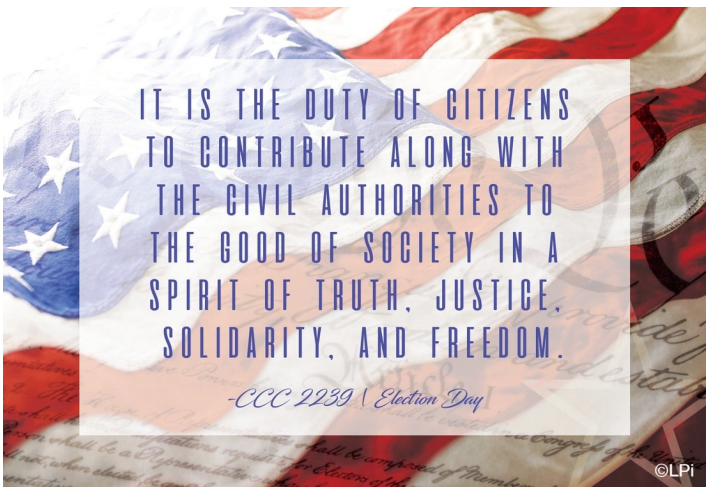
Sunday: 2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14/Ps 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15 [15b]/2 Thes 2:16—3:5/ Lk 20:27-38 or 20:27, 34-38
Monday: Ti 1:1-9/Ps 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 17:1-6
Tuesday: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14/Ps 37:3-4, 18 and 23, 27 and 29/Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22
Thursday: Phlm 7-20/Ps 146:7, 8-9a, 9bc-10/Lk 17:20-25
Friday: 2 Jn 4-9/Ps 119:1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 18/Lk 17:26-37
Saturday: 3 Jn 5-8/Ps 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 18:1-8
Next Sunday: Mal 3:19-20a/Ps 98:5-6, 7-8, 9/2 Thes 3:7-12/ Lk 21:5-19Lk 20:27-38 or 20:27, 34-38

ACADEMY OF THE LITTLE FLOWER
Open Enrollment 2022

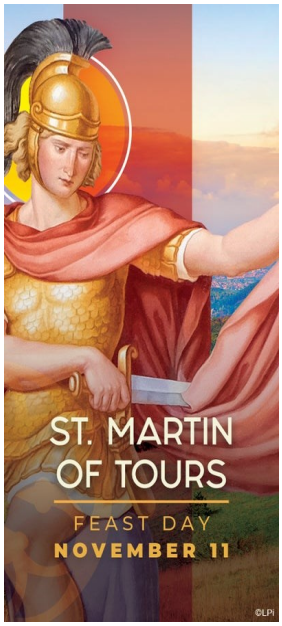
Enrollment is open for children 2.9-5 years of age.
Academy of the Little Flower Hours: 7:30am-5pm
Full and Part Time options available
Limited Spaces available!
Please contact Patricia for your copy. Enrollment packages are available by email, or hard copy.
alittleflower22@gmail.com
413-896-2535
(Summer Office Hours: 9am-1pm Monday-Thursday 9am-10:30 am Sunday)

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. If you would like to pray for people on the prayer line, contact George Wilson at 533-8710.

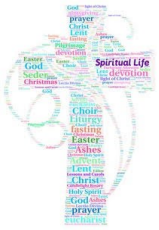


Saint Martin of Tours | November 11



Saint Martin of Tours was born a pagan in what is now Hungary around 316, but he was raised in Italy where his father, a tribune, was posted. At 15 he was compelled to serve in the Roman military, though he was already a catechumen. There is a popular legend that while on campaign the saint cut his cloak in half to share with a cold beggar. That night he dreamed of Jesus and his cloak was restored. He was baptized at 18. Only two years after his baptism, he was released from the military, he had refused his battle pay and to fight saying he was a soldier for Christ. He is the first recognized conscientious objector. After his release from the military, he became a disciple of Hilary of Poitiers. He worked diligently against the Arian heresy, which denies the divinity of Jesus Christ, and established a community of hermits near Poitiers in 361, the first French monastery. In 371 he reluctantly became bishop of Tour. Nearby, he founded a second monastery, Marmoutier, because he preferred the life of a monk he retreated often. In 384 there was a popular heresy infecting the Church in Spain, led by the bishop Priscillian and his followers. The emperor Magnus Maximus became involved, ordering the execution of the heretics. Saint Martin opposed the executions and protested the emperor's involvement in Church matters. Unfortunately, the Priscillians were executed anyway. Saint Martin died in Candes-Saint-Martin, Gaul in 397. He is notably one of the first saints who was not martyred. He is the patron saint of France.

Spiritual Life Ministry



November 11th – The Fatima Statue that was designed by Saint Lucia from her visions at Fatima will coming to St. Theresa's church. Times 3:15 to 7:00.pm It will be getting dark about 4:15 if you need a need a ride please call Nancy 413-537-1118.

If you can only come to part of it, here is the schedule:
3:15 – Procession, 3:30 Talk by Patrick Sabat about the Statue,
4:00 – Scapular Enrollment, 4:10- Rosary and confessions
4:45 – Litany of Our Lady, 5:00 to 7:00
Veneration: the faithful may come before the Statue for individual prayer.

Saturday, December 3rd Lectio Divina

Check out these Spiritual/Informational movies
at the Cinemark Theaters (famtomevents.com)
October 11,12,13,14,15,16 LifeMark
October 17+18 - Journey to Mount Sinai
November 3 Mother Teresa: No Greater Love
December 1,2,3,4 I Heard the Bells

The Catholic Life Conference

The conference is scheduled for March 4, 2023 at the Springfield Civic Center. Speakers include Dr. Edward Sri, Patricia Sandoval, and four others. There is also an Hispanic track with other speakers. The conference will focus on the Eucharist and is called the Eucharistic Congress, to coincide with the Diocesan Year of the Eucharist. Thus, we are looking for a parish liaison. The most important thing for the liaisons is that the liaison attends a kick-off meeting. This meeting will provide detailed information on the conference and we will be distributing materials for your parish. The dates/times of the meetings are:
November 10th 6:30 pm, St Joseph's Parish,
34 Monroe Ave., Shelburne Falls
Attendance at one of these meetings will entitle the liaison to a $10 discount for the conference.
For more information please email Sandy Chessey at **schessey514@gmail.com**

GOSPEL MEDITATION

November 6, 2022

Facing her 50th birthday and recently diagnosed with Type-2 Diabetes, Rebecca was at a crossroads. Realizing that she had neglected her health and fitness over the years and allowed herself to gain significant weight, she felt poorly about who she had become. While it was easier to give in to temptation and the gratification received from food, her family needed her, and she desired a long life. She had an image of the person she could become. She wanted to be more
trim, focused, disciplined, and healthy. She liked what she saw in her mind and set out on a journey to create it. With great effort, she succeeded and accomplished her goals. When we have a goal ahead of us, we are more apt to do whatever is necessary to get it.

Is heaven a goal you want to achieve? Our popular images and metaphors to describe heaven can leave some people wondering if this is something they want for all eternity. Living like an angel, wearing white robes, meeting St. Peter, and reconnecting with loved ones are all welcome notions to some extent. But do they really inspire and captivate us enough to want to dramatically change how we live our lives? Heaven's reality is more profound than any human image or idea can fathom. Even though we believe in a bodily resurrection, heaven is more about attaining union with God. To achieve heaven is to attain eternal happiness and fulfill all desire. How do we awaken within us an ardent and passionate desire for heaven?

St. Isaac of Ninevah counsels, "Enter eagerly into the treasure house that lies within you, and so you will see the treasure house of heaven, for the two are one and the same, and there is but one single entry into them both. The ladder that leads to the kingdom is hidden with you, and is found in your own soul. Dive into yourself and in your soul you will discover the rungs by which to ascend." Our souls are made to be eternal. Once we discover our true selves and are captivated by the wonder of who we really are, we will unleash our unwavering desire for a lasting union with our Creator. Heaven is about who we are. "For seeing you, our God, as you are, we shall be like you for all the ages."

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Every believer wonders about what the experience of heaven will be like. Popular images of people walking around in white robes, becoming like angels, and reunions with those who have gone before us all tickle human imagination. Jesus never got too specific about what heaven actually looks like. But he assures us that it exists and that all are alive in God. Clinging to the traditions of our faith, we persevere through life's challenges confident that God's promise of eternal life will come to be. We are told that we shall become like God and see God as He is. As God has made us, He also loves us and sustains us. Desiring to be with God above all other desires gives us the hope that when we close our eyes in death, we will fall into the arms of the One who will gently bring us where we need to be. Knowing ahead of time what we find when we arrive changes little.