

# Church of the Most Precious Blood Saint Theresa of Lisieux Collaborative



## 17<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?" Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, and also as much of the fish as they wanted. - Jn 6:9, 11

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# OUR COLLABORATIVE

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## Sacramental

**Anointing of the Sick:** Contact the Parish  
**Baptism: Saint Theresa of Lisieux (contact the Parish)**  
**1st Sunday of the month at 12 noon**  
**Most Precious Blood (contact the Parish)**  
**3rd Sunday of the month at 12:30 PM**  
**Funeral:** Contact the Parish  
**Marriage:** Arrange six months prior  
**Confession:** By appointment contact the Parish



Saturday July 24 4:00PM (MPB)	Lori & Joseph Garvey	Memorial
Sunday July 25 9:00AM (MPB)	Russell Holmes	Memorial
Sunday July 25 10:30AM (STP)	Bruce Gray	Memorial
Thursday July 29 9:00AM (STP)	Adilson Fonseca	Memorial
Sunday August 1 9:00AM (MPB)	Tom Coughlin	Memorial
Sunday August 1 10:30AM (STP)	Ramon & Lucille Carrier	Memorial



Please pray for the recently deceased in our collaborative

Craig Hughes  
Thomas F. Toole

## Readings for the week of July 25, 2021

Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:42-44/Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18  
[cf. 16]/Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-15  
Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23  
[1a]/Mt 13:31-35  
Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/Ps 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13 [8a]/Mt 13:36-43  
Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9 [cf. 9c]/Mt 13:44-46  
Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11 [2]/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42  
Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Ps 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11ab [2a]/Mt 13:54-58  
Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8 [4]/Mt 14:1-12  
Next Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Ps 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54 [24b]/Eph 4:17, 20-24/Jn 6:24-35 ©LPi

## COLLABORATIVE MASS SCHEDULE

**Saint Theresa of Lisieux**  
 Saturday 5:30PM  
 Sunday 10:30AM  
 Tues & Thurs 9:00AM



**Most Precious Blood**  
 Saturday 4:00PM  
 Sunday 9:00AM  
 Mon, Wed, Fri 9:00AM

## COLLABORATIVE NEWS

### Emails

If you are not receiving our emails and would like to please contact one of the parish office by phone or email.



Pray the Rosary at Saint Theresa of Lisieux on Tuesdays at 8:30AM, prior to the 9:00AM Mass.

## PLEASE CONSIDER ONLINE GIVING

Please consider making your donations online to ensure that your parish receives your offertory/PSP contribution even if you cannot be present at church. To set up online giving at either parish, please go to our website at [mpb-stp.org](http://mpb-stp.org) and scroll down to the On Line Giving section and click on the box of the parish you would like to set up online giving for. Thank you so much for your generosity!

## SUNDAY READINGS

### First Reading:

“For thus says the LORD,  
‘They shall eat and there shall be some left over.’” (2 Kgs 4:43)

### Psalm:

The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.  
(Ps 145)

### Second Reading:

One body and one Spirit,  
as you were also called to the one hope of your call;  
one Lord, one faith, one baptism;  
one God and Father of all. (Eph 4:4-6)

### Gospel:

Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks,  
and distributed them to those who were reclining,  
and also as much of the fish as they wanted. (Jn 6:11)

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## July 25th Is World Day For Grandparents And The Elderly

“*I am with you always*’ are also the words that I, as Bishop of Rome and an elderly person like yourselves, would like to address to you on this first World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly. The whole Church is close to you –to us –and cares about you, loves you and does not want to leave you alone!”  
—Pope Francis.

We Pray:

I thank You, Lord,  
for the comfort of Your presence:  
even in times of loneliness,  
You are my hope and my confidence,  
You have been my rock and my fortress since my youth!

I thank You for having given me a family  
and for having blessed me with a long life.  
I thank You for moments of joy and difficulty,  
for the dreams that have already come true in my life and for those that are still ahead of me.  
I thank You for this time of renewed fruitfulness to which You call me.

Increase, O Lord, my faith,  
make me a channel of your peace,  
teach me to embrace those who suffer more than me,  
to never stop dreaming  
and to tell of your wonders to new generations.

Protect and guide Pope Francis and the Church,  
that the light of the Gospel might reach the ends of the earth.  
Send Your Spirit, O Lord, to renew the world,  
that the storm of the pandemic might be calmed,  
the poor consoled and wars ended.

Sustain me in weakness  
and help me to live life to the full  
in each moment that You give me,  
in the certainty that you are with me every day,  
even until the end of the age.

Amen.



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**Religious Education registration for the 2021-2022 school year is now open and will be available online only. Please visit our website at [mpb-stp.org](http://mpb-stp.org) to register.**

## 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Oscar Romero said, “We cannot do everything, and there is a sense of liberation in realizing that. This enables us to do something and to do it very well. It may be incomplete, but it is the beginning, a step along the way, an opportunity for the Lord’s grace to enter and do the rest.”

There were a group of ladies many years ago who made quilts. They were beautiful creations reflecting inspirational designs artfully composed from the simple scraps of fabric each woman would bring to their individual pieces. There was no plan for the finished project as each finished work became the combined creation of what each woman contributed. They abounded in vibrant colors and dazzled the beholder with intricate patterns and their myriad textures. They were so beautiful that they became coveted family treasures passed from generation to generation. Those women never realized the power of their work. Countless babies rested in the comfort of those quilts warmly nestled in the legacy of tradition they were fortunate to inherit. They adorned countless homes with their beauty and brought joy and solace to many faces.

We cannot do everything. We are not meant to. Our work in life is to contribute our individual piece, a piece that reflects the unique thumbprint I claim as my own. We only have to do small things well. Then, as St. Oscar Romero reminds us, the Lord’s grace will enter and do the rest. We have to trust that this is true just as those women trusted in the eventual beauty of their final work.

Eucharistic blessings are blessings that start small and multiply. We all come to life with only a few loaves of bread and a few fish. Not any single one of us has all that it takes to transform our world. Who knows what God will do with the little we have and how many will benefit from our kindness, compassion, wisdom, courage, conviction, love, warmth, zeal, faith, and hope? That young lad never dreamed that his few leftovers would do all that they did. God shows up in unexpected ways! Where would life’s adventure and fun be if it were any other way? Being able to be part of bringing God’s creative, transforming, healing to the world opens us up to wonder, awe, and excitement! We can all bring our little piece to the bigger work of God that can result in being a coveted jewel passed generation to generation. This is good news indeed!

Bread and wine transform into Christ’s Body and Blood and we become what we eat. Trust that. ©LPi

### **Method Match: How to Choose a Natural Fertility Awareness Method That Works for You**

Wednesday, July 28, 2021 | 7:30 PM |  
[bit.ly/MethodMatch2021](https://bit.ly/MethodMatch2021)

Join us for an interactive webinar that will help you navigate the crowded field of fertility awareness methods, apps, and tools with certified NFP instructors, Mikayla Dalton and Christina Valenzuela, and GYN, Dr. Patricia Jay. These experts will help you and your spouse sift through the options and discover a method that works for you. Whether you’re new to natural fertility management or a veteran looking to make a method switch, this webinar is for you!