

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



1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

The devil said to him, "All this will be yours, if you worship me."
Jesus said to him in reply, "It is written:
You shall worship the Lord, your God,
and him alone shall you serve."
- Lk 4:6a, 7-8

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saint Theresa of Lisieux

Saturday 4:00pm
Sunday 10:30am
Sunday 5:30pm*

*As Announced September - December

Tuesday & Thursday 9:00am



Most Precious Blood

Saturday 4:00pm
Sunday 9:00am
Sunday 5:30pm*

*As Announced January - May

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00am

OUR COLLABORATIVE

Most Precious Blood—St. Theresa of Lisieux Collaborative Pastoral Council

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Pray the Rosary at Saint Theresa of Lisieux Church on THURSDAYS at 8:30am, prior to the 9:00am Mass.

Sacramental & Devotional Services

Anointing of the Sick: Contact the Parish
Baptism: Saint Theresa of Lisieux (contact the Parish)
 1st Sunday of the month at 12noon
Most Precious Blood (contact the Parish)
 3rd Sunday of the month at 12:30pm
Funeral: Contact the Parish
Marriage: Arrange six months prior
Confession: By appointment contact the Parish
Adoration: First Fridays following 9am Mass (MPB)
Rosary: Thursdays 8:30am before 9am Mass (STP)



FOR YOUR MARRIAGE

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Saturday March 5 4:00pm (STP)	Carole Crino	Memorial
Sunday March 6 9:00am (MPB)	Fran Boudreau	Memorial
Sunday March 6 10:30am (STP)	Dale Sherratt	First Year Anniversary
Friday March 11 9:00am (MPB)	Esther & Giuseppe Ferrante	Memorial
Saturday March 12 4:00pm (STP)	Joe Gillis	Memorial—Birthday



We pray for the repose of the soul of:
Marilyn Bochnak, who died on February 18, 2022.

1st Sunday of Lent

One of the greatest temptations human beings face is leaving the truth of who they are, where they came from and who created them in pursuit of more personal satisfactions. When we consider all that desires our attention in a given day, there are many lures that attract us to illusions about ourselves. We can easily find ourselves distracted or tired, preoccupied with preserving our status in life, social relationships, current trends, and corporate demands, and intrigued by pursuing what we perceive to be the “path of least resistance.” The daily concerns of life can quickly take our eyes off of our truth, making the empty promises of worldly accomplishments and ideologies seem so attractive. What is at risk in giving into this temptation?

We cease giving thanks to and worshipping our Creator as we pursue our own self-sufficiency, power, and prestige. We replace the true God with a “pet” one. While many do not totally dismiss the idea of God and pretend to remain at least remotely connected, they do not invest themselves heart, mind, and soul in the relationship either. That is why we are so easily swayed. If something attractive comes along, we lunge for it. After all, having a position above and over everyone else is a good thing, isn't it? In more honest moments, many have to admit that they believe this to be true. The Evil One is very convincing. But he can only gain control if we allow him to.

About temptation, St. Basil remarks, “As the pilot of a vessel is tried in the storm, as the wrestler is tried in the ring, the soldier in the battle and the hero in adversity, so is the Christian tried in temptation.” And here is found the reason for Lent. It is a wonderful opportunity to get a handle on the attractive lures of illusion that easily captivate us and bring us off track. It is also a time for some honest reflection rooted in prayer, fasting, and selfless giving that can bring us to temptation's remedy: love. Love of his Father gave Jesus resistance. It can do the same for us.

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Readings for March 6, 2022

Sunday: Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 [cf. 15b]/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13

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ST. PATRICK'S PANCAKE BREAKFAST SUNDAY, MARCH 20TH



As we all know, St. Patrick is the Patron Saint of the Archdiocese of Boston. As we all know, St. Patrick is responsible for casting out the snakes in all of Ireland. And as we all know, St. Patrick was quite fond of pancakes. My grandmother told me so!

In the spirit of Irish "Truth," all are invited to the St. Patrick's Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, March 20th at St. Theresa of Lisieux Church immediately following the 10:30am

Mass. Irish step dancers from the Greene O'Leary School of Irish Dancing will participate in the Mass and will perform at the breakfast to follow. Céad Míle Fáilte!

Father Blaney



A Prayer to the Patron Saint of Ukraine



We pray in a particular way for the people of Ukraine and entrust them to their Patron Saint *Michael the Archangel* as we pray for them and ourselves,

"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, thrust into Hell Satan and all evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION A Source of Many Graces

As a follower of Jesus, we are all invited to an encounter with our loving God's mercy through the sacrament of confession, where God meets us where we are in our weakness and powerfully deepens our spiritual growth. If you would like to schedule a confession, please call or email Father Blaney at 508-785-0305 Ext. 223 or frblaney@mpb-stp.org.

2022 Catholic Appeal

Once a year, Catholics throughout the Archdiocese are asked to support their parish and the ministries of the archdiocese through the Catholic Appeal. Many of you may have received a letter from Cardinal Seán requesting your early support of the 2022 Catholic Appeal. We hope that you will respond generously. You can make your gift by scanning the QR code, mailing back your pledge card or visiting www.bostoncatholicappeal.org/donate-now to make an online donation. Your gift helps put faith into action in countless and far-reaching ways. Thank you!

If you haven't already seen the video that was sent out this week of one of our parishioners, Sandy Beyerly, talking about the Catholic Appeal, check it out on our website: www.mpb-stp.org.



Saint Theresa's Savory "Meals-to-Go" Bake Sale



Thank you to Michelle Murphy and Mary Joyce for all their hard work in making the Saint Theresa of Lisieux winter bake sale such a success. The church collected \$680. Thank you to those who helped to support the sale through purchases and donations.

LENTEN HOLY HOURS

During the season of Lent there will be weekly Holy Hours of Silence, Meditation and Adoration. A Holy hour will immediately follow every Thursday 9am daily Mass at St. Theresa of Lisieux Church and every Friday 9am daily Mass at Most Precious Blood Church during Lent.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

All are invited to pray the Stations of the Cross every Friday evening during Lent at Saint Theresa of Lisieux Church beginning March 4th at 7:00pm.



The Fridays of Lent and Good Friday are days of abstinence for Catholics 14 and older: no meat is allowed. Good Friday is also a day of fasting for Catholics aged 18 to 59: one full meal and two smaller meals, sufficient to maintain strength but not equal to one full meal, are allowed. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and juice are. On Holy Saturday fast and abstinence are encouraged, though not required.



Reconciliation Services

Wednesday, April 6th 7:00pm Saint Theresa of Lisieux

Thursday, April 7th 7:00pm Most Precious Blood