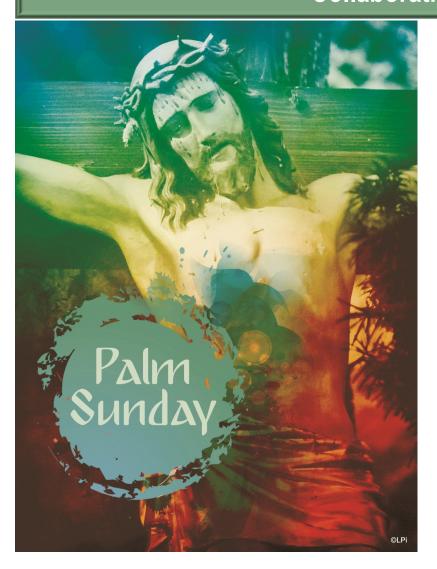
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# **MASS SCHEDULE**

## Saint Theresa of Lisieux

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

\*As Announced September - December

Tuesday & Thursday 9:00am



## **Most Precious Blood**

Saturday Vigil 5:30pm Sunday 9:00am Sunday 5:30pm\*

\*As Announced January - May

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00am

## CHURCH OF THE MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD AND SAINT THERESA OF LISIEUX COLLABORATIVE

#### **Collaborative Pastoral Council**

Father Robert J. Blaney
Roseann Furbush
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Father David A. Brogan
Catherine Olson (STP)
James Hennessey (MPB)
Susan McPherson (STP)
Mark Sennott (STP)

Kathleen Goldman (MPB)

Saturday April 1

9:00am (MPB)

**Sunday April 9** 

Saturday April 8

#### **Sacramental & Devotional Services**

Baptism: Contact the Parish

Marriage: Arrange at least six months prior

Funeral: Contact the Parish

Anointing of the Sick: Contact the Parish

Rosary: Thursdays 8:30am before 9am Mass (STP)

## **Confession & Adoration**

Saturday 3:00-3:45pm Confession Saint Theresa's
First Thursdays 9:30-10:00am Confession & Adoration Saint Theresa's
First Fridays 9:30-10:00am Confession & Adoration Most Precious Blood

#### **Mass Intentions**

To reserve a weekday or weekend Mass for a deceased loved one or a special intention, please contact the parish office ten days to two weeks ahead of time.

# **Sanctuary Candle**

The Sanctuary Candle at either church may be memorialized for a special intention or in memory of a departed loved one for one week. Please call the office for more information.

| 5:30pm (MPB)                   | Brendan Rooney | Memorial        |            |
|--------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|------------|
| Sunday April 2                 | ·              |                 |            |
| 9:00am (MPB)<br>Sunday April 2 | Dorothy Boylan | Memorial        | MASS       |
| 10:30am (STP)                  | Jane Kupka     | Memorial        | INTENTIONS |
| Monday April 3                 | •              |                 |            |
| 9:00am (MPB)                   | Sauley Mehanna | 10th Anniversar | y          |
| Tuesday April                  |                |                 |            |

9:00am (STP) Johnny Geoghegan Memorial Wednesday April 5

Michael P. Leary 30th Anniversary

5:30pm (MPB) Arthur J. Boyle Memorial

Sunday April 9
9:00am (MPB) Connie Hughes Memorial

10:30am (STP) William Ingram Memorial



## For the week of April 2nd the Sanctuary Candle

At Saint Theresa of Lisieux Church will burn for **Heather Denise Zir.**At Most Precious Blood Church will burn for "A special intention for my children."

If you are visiting today we welcome you to our parishes and hope that through our liturgy and with our community you experienced the love of Christ and an opportunity to grow in faith. If you are looking for a spiritual home, please introduce yourself to any member of the parish staff or fill out a registration form available at the entrances of the church or online at <a href="https://www.mpb-stp.org">www.mpb-stp.org</a>. If you would like more information about Most Precious Blood or Saint Theresa's Parish please contact the parish office and our Pastor, Fr. Blaney, or Pastoral Associate, Roseann Furbush, would be happy to meet with you.

# **SUNDAY 5:30pm MASS AT MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD CHURCH**

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Upcoming dates of Youth Masses are as follows: April 2 and 30; May 21

# **Gifts & Bequests**

Did you know you can make a financial gift that will have a lasting impact on either Most Precious Blood or Saint Theresa's Parish? The Catholic Community Fund enables donors to make planned gifts and create charitable endowment funds that provide permanent support for the current and future needs of our parishes. For more information please contact Lynne Sullivan, Executive Director, from The Archdiocese of Boston at 617-779-3747 or <a href="mailto:lsummarcab.org">lsummarcab.org</a>

## **Pine Street Inn Volunteer Opportunity**

Most Precious Blood and St. Theresa's Parishes have been partnering for many years with the Pine Street Inn assisting with serving dinner to their guests on the third Sunday of every month. If you are interested in volunteering or learning more, please contact Kim Chase at <a href="https://kchase@crownkemble.com">kchase@crownkemble.com</a> or cell 617-680-7954. We generally need 5-6 volunteers. We leave from MPB parking lot at 4:00pm and return by 6:30pm after serving and engaging in conversation with 150-300 Pine Street Inn guests.

Palm Sunday April 2, 2023

Support your church today using your debit, credit cards, checking, or savings accounts.

- 1. Visit www.mpb-stp.org go to Online Giving.
- 2. Choose WeShare for your parish
- 3. Select the collection or event of your choice.



Set up your donation or payment. For support contact weshare@4lpi.com or call 800-950-9952

# Catholic Appeal

We are so grateful to all of you who have helped launch a successful 2023 Catholic Appeal campaign here at Most Precious Blood and St. Theresa Parishes. We have raised \$8,077.50, 35% at MPB and \$12,405, 45% at STP. If you have not had a chance to do so, please consider making your gift to the Appeal today by picking up an envelope at the back of the church or make an on-line donation at www.bostoncatholicappeal.org. Participation from every household in the parish is important and every gift makes a meaningful difference in putting faith into action to support the parishes, schools, and communities within our Archdiocese. Thank you.

# Women's Book Group

Are you interested in learning more about our Catholic faith while meeting fellow parishioners?



All women of the collaborative are invited to join the **Women's Book Group** to discuss our next book, *Lectio Mary: The Bible and the Mother of God* held on multiple **Tuesdays** from **7:15-8:45pm at St.** 

Theresa's Church. The Lectio series is an eight-part series put on by Dr. Brant Pitre of the Augustine Institute. Each meeting, we will watch a video and discuss the biblical

roots of Mary in the Old Testament and learn why she is so important to Catholics. Visit <a href="https://lectiostudy.org/mary/">https://lectiostudy.org/mary/</a> for more information or contact Angela Montalbano (angela.r.montalbano@gmail.com. Books will be available

for purchase at the first meeting. We will continue to meet every other Tuesday at 7:15pm at Saint Theresa Church as follows: 4/11, 4/25, 5/9 and 5/23. Please join us for faith and fellowship even if you cannot commit to all meetings!

# <u>A Prayer for Most Precious Blood</u> <u>and</u> Saint Theresa of Lisieux Parishes

Lord

As your disciples, help us to live each day in thanksgiving for the gifts of your love and faith.

Open our hearts and minds to your Word, that we may live up to the name of Christian and by our actions reveal to others the joy that comes from Your love for us.

Help us to recognize the suffering Christ in others so we may be instruments in reaching out to all those in need.

Father, help our family of faith at Most Precious Blood & Saint Theresa of Lisieux Parishes to be a beacon of faith, hope, and love to all in our community.

We ask all this through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen

Fridays of Lent and Good Friday are days of abstinence for Catholics 14 and older: no meat is allowed. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are also days 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 fasting and abstinence are encouraged, though not required.

# **Easter Flower Collection**



Contributions for Easter flowers to beautify the celebration of Easter are gratefully appreciated. If you wish to make a donation in memory of your loved ones, you can go to our website mpb-stp.org, use envelopes provided at

the entrances of the churches at Saint Theresa's or Most Precious Blood Churches, or use the envelopes received in the mail from Most Precious Blood Church. All will be prayed for at the Masses for Easter.



#### THE TRIDUUM

| Holy Thursday | April 6 | Saint Theresa of Lisieux | 7:30pm Mass    |
|---------------|---------|--------------------------|----------------|
| Good Friday   | April 7 | Most Precious Blood      | 7:30pm Passion |
| Easter Vigil  | April 8 | Saint Theresa of Lisieux | 7:30pm Mass    |

# **EASTER SUNDAY**

| Saint Theresa of Lisieux | 8:30am Mass  |
|--------------------------|--------------|
| Most Precious Blood      | 9:00am Mass  |
| Saint Theresa of Lisieux | 10:30am Mass |
| Most Precious Blood      | 11:00am Mass |

### **CELEBRATE HOLY WEEK**

"To participate and pray in these liturgies is to walk with Jesus and his disciples on a profound journey."

PALM SUNDAY, this weekend, marks the beginning of Holy Week, during which we both remember and participate in the Paschal Mystery of Christ's life, death, and Resurrection. The Triduum celebrated from the evening of Holy Thursday, through Good Friday, the Easter Vigil Saturday night and Easter Sunday are the holiest days of the church year, celebrating the heart of our faith.

HOLY THURSDAY is the commemoration of the Last Supper, the final meal Jesus shared with His Apostles before His arrest and crucifixion. During this meal Jesus instituted the sacrament of the Eucharist, the real presence of His Body and Blood in the consecrated bread and wine. At the Last Supper Jesus also instituted the sacrament of the priesthood as a sacrament of life-long service, symbolized by the washing of parishioners' feet. At the end of Mass, the Blessed Sacrament is taken in procession to the lower hall of Saint Theresa's Church, which becomes the place of repose for the Eucharist. There is a sign-up at the back of both churches to "keep watch" with the Blessed Sacrament so that there is no hour where Jesus is left alone.

All are invited to keep Vigil with Jesus throughout the night, just as His apostles did.

Eucharistic Adoration at Saint Theresa's Church will conclude at 8:00am on Friday morning.

GOOD FRIDAY is the commemoration of the crucifixion of Jesus. The liturgy is not a Mass. It begins with the reading of the Passion, which is followed by the solemn intercessions - petitions for the salvation of the entire world, Christian and non-Christian. The veneration of the Cross follows, a desolate reminder of Jesus' humiliation and suffering, and His profound love for us. Communion is then offered, using the hosts that were consecrated on Holy Thursday. We leave the church in complete silence.

THE EASTER VIGIL is the most beautiful liturgy of the church year. It begins in darkness, with everyone gathered around the Easter fire, outside the church. The Easter (Paschal) Candle is blessed and lit from the fire. We process back into the church, and once inside we light our individual candles from the Paschal candle, revealing the light of Christ overcoming the darkness of sin and death. Readings from the Old and New Testaments follow, recounting salvation history from creation to the Resurrection. The baptismal font is filled with new water and blessed, and we renew our baptismal promises, the pledge of our new life in Christ. The Eucharistic Prayer follows, proclaiming what God has done for us in Christ, inviting us to become one in the Body of Christ. The Easter Vigil ends with our being sent out to bring the light and love of Christ to the world.

**EASTER SUNDAY** Masses end the Triduum, telling the story of Jesus' glorious Resurrection and His redeeming presence today in us and throughout the world: "Go in peace, alleluia, alleluia!"

## **GOOD FRIDAY & EASTER COLLECTIONS**

Good Friday's collection for the Holy Land is, in the words of Paul VI, "not only for the Holy Places but above all for those pastoral, charitable, educational, and social works which the Church supports in the Holy Land for the welfare of their Christian brethren and of the local communities."

Next week, at all our <u>Easter Masses</u>, our only collection will be to support the retirement, medical and financial needs of priests in good standing throughout the Archdiocese of Boston. On behalf of all of our priests, thank you in advance for your generosity. For more information please visit www.clergytrust.org.