

THE PARISH OF ST. THERESA

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NOVEMBER 5, 2023

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Parish Office Business Hours

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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday: 8:00 am (*Main Church*)

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm & Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am & 11:30 am

Holy Days of Obligation

Vigil Mass: 7:00 pm & Holy Day Mass: 8:00 am & 12:15 pm

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:00 - 3:45 pm & By appointment

DAILY PRAYER & ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The Main Church and the Daily Chapel are opened for private prayer Monday through Friday, 7:30 am - 6:00 pm. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed for Adoration (in the Daily Chapel) Fridays after the 8:00 am Mass and concludes with Evening Prayer & Benediction at 6:00 pm.

PARISH LIFE

"The Church draws her life from the Eucharist. This truth does not simply express a daily experience of faith, but recapitulates *the heart of the mystery of the Church*." (St. John Paul - *On the Eucharist & Its Relationship to the Church*). At the parish of St. Theresa, we strive to embody these words that describe the centrality of the Eucharist for the life and mission of the Church.

We welcome you to join us as we gather to celebrate our faith and worship God. Whatever your present status in the Catholic Church, whatever your current family or marital situation, whatever your past or present religious affiliation, whatever your personal history, age, background, or race, you are a Child of God and you are welcomed, accepted, loved, and respected at the Church of St. Theresa.

REGISTRATION: We invite you to officially register as a member of our parish community. By registering you declare your desire to be part of our Catholic community and you are able to stay closely connected with the life of the parish. In order to register, please call or stop by the Parish Office.



WE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Please remember in your prayers all those members of our parish family and our friends who continuously suffer physically, emotionally and/or spiritually and those who tirelessly care for them. Let us especially remember those currently in need of our prayers: **Rose Asrican, Frank Barinski, Tom Baumann, Cathy Bentivenga, John Blotnik, Cindy Bowser, Kim Carroll, Rachel Carroll, Adriana Chizan, Irma Chagnon, Charles Constantino, Kim Coyle, Connor Egan, Johnny Favro, Sandra Fourman, Cecilia Garbaravage, Barbara Gardner, Joe Ghigzone, Gregory Gioe III, Makenna Granquist, Mark Hansen, Thomas Huie, Debbie Innocenti, Marilyn Kent, Marie Konchan, Margaret Kurczewski, Bill Lisner, Rose & Frank Litwin, Rocca Macchiaverna, Pat MacCorkle, Catherine Marra, Art Midgley, Peter Mills, Bill Mitchell, Rev. William Modlin, John Moore, James Montefusco, Rita Murray, Leona O'Grady, Rita O'Neill, Jim P., Crystal Paci, Josephine Paci, Thomas Punzo, John Quinn, Andrew Joseph Ragusa, Joe Rella, Debbie Rotio, Samantha Saraceno, Cathy Schaffer, Michelle Scott, Kevin Shinkunas, Thomas Smith, Lois Somodi, Amanda Super, Nathan Super, Dino & Ashley Tobia, Elliot Truex, Larry Weimer, Sean William, John Williamson, and Sharon Williamson.**

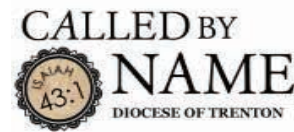
WE PRAY FOR OUR RECENTLY DECEASED

We extend our prayers and sympathy to the family and friends of **Charles Purks**. May he find eternal rest in peace with God our Father.



WE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Please remember in your prayers all those members of our parish family and our friends who are currently **deployed** especially: **Master Sgt. Jordan Bieda, Sr. Airman Steven Brown, Boatswain Gabrielle Fest, Airman Staff Sgt. Frank J. Kowalewski, Jr., Lt. Amanda Keller, Lt. Jennifer LaFalace, FC2 Paul R. Lund, Pvt. Anthony Mackiewicz, Jr., Pvt. Logan Mora, Lance Cpl. John Murray, USMC, Staff Sgt. Michael Novelli, Nicholas Roesch, Staff Sgt. Nicholas Okoszko, Spec. Jeffrey Peterson, Jr., LCDR Christopher J. Worosz, USN, Lt. Matthew A. Worosz, USN.** May the Lord protect them as they protect us.



WE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

Lord of Harvest, we petition you as you have instructed us to ask for more laborers to serve in the vineyard of Your Church. You have told us that the harvest is rich and laborers are few, and we experience this great need in the face of the challenge of the New Evangelization. We ask the Holy Spirit to inspire young men to seriously consider vocations to the priesthood. Help all of us to be effective instruments to encourage and support those whom you are calling to serve and lead in the Church in the future. Lord, you told your Apostles to put out into the deep. We ask for the grace and courage to accept your call as we pray and work for an increase in vocations to the priesthood. We ask this in the Name of Jesus Christ, the Great High Priest, Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Baptisms are held the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month at 1:00 PM. Arrangements must be made in person at the Parish Office at least 2 months in advance. Parents and Godparents are required to attend a Baptismal Prep Class.

THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Arrangements must be made at least 1 year in advance. Preparations include sessions with a member of the clergy and attendance at a Pre-Cana Conference. For more information, please call the Parish Office.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:

The Catechism of the Catholic Church tells us there is no need to wait until a person is at the point of death to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. A careful judgment about the serious nature of an illness is sufficient. *"Hence, as soon as anyone of the faithful begins to be in danger of death from sickness or old age, the fitting time for him to receive this sacrament has certainly already arrived."*¹³⁰

We welcome anyone who has a physical condition, is anticipating entering the hospital for surgery or tests, or under any emotional distress to avail them of this beautiful Sacrament. Please call the Parish Office to schedule the Sacrament with a priest. Please do not wait until the very last minute to call.



Mass Intentions

MASSES FOR THIS WEEKEND:

SATURDAY – November 4, 2023

4:00 PM – Patricia Punzo/ Punzo Family
Raymond Salgueiro/ Family
Anthony Frodeley/ Nancy Frodeley
Capt. Morgan Taylor/ Joe & Pat
Carey

SUNDAY – November 5, 2023

7:30 AM – Tom Durkin/ Linda Marie & John
George Binder/ Joe & Karen Morella
Anna Morey/ Joe & Jean Candela
Charles Corello/ Emma & Pat
McGovern

9:00 AM – (L) Patrick Flaherty/ Grandmom
Antonio & Concetta Torchia/ Richard
& Elisa Torchia
Fredrick & Louretta Diedrich/
Angelo & Lorraine Pagano
Clare Smith/ Eileen Tevnan

11:30AM – Helene & Vincent Morano/ Deborah
& Joseph
Robert Frumolt/ Kevin & Bonnie
Susan Stevens/ Marie & Caryl
Pettijohn
Helen & Edward Hurley/ Diane
Cregan

The Bread & Wine:

*In Loving Memory of: **Janine McKeon***
*Requested by: **Husband***

The Sanctuary Light:

*In Loving Memory: **Janine McKeon***
*Requested By: **Husband***



Readings for Next Weekend

Sunday, November 12, 2023

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I: Wisdom 6:12-16

Reading II: Thessalonians 4:13-18

Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13



Mass Intentions

MASSES FOR THIS WEEK:

MONDAY – November 6, 2023

8:00AM – Sophie & Anthony Mack/ Joanne
Mack
John & Rose Brigiglis/ Family

TUESDAY – November 7, 2023

8:00AM – Kenny O'Connell/ Diane Cregan
Charles Corrello/ Barbara O'Brien

WEDNESDAY – November 8, 2023

8:00AM – William Satriano/ Karen Simnor
Charles Corello/ Gladys & Carl Salva

THURSDAY – November 9, 2023

8:00AM – Carol Ann Sasin/ Mom & Dad
Gary Bowers/ Robert & JoAnn Henry

FRIDAY – November 10, 2023

8:00AM – Richard & Lillian Pagano/ Pagano
Family
Joyce Liddy Krohn/ Eileen Wertz

SATURDAY – November 11, 2023

4:00 PM – Mary Borelli/ Family
Mike Juhasz/ Family
Raymond Salgueiro/ Family
Rose Marie Giardina/ Family

SUNDAY – November 12, 2023

7:30 AM – Joseph T. Grant/ Phil & Millie Cross
Anna E. Foti/ Phil & Millie Cross
Frank M. Michaels/ Phil & Millie
Cross
Charles Corello/ Wanda Soehngen

9:00 AM – Caesar & Rose Laratta/ Family
Mary Keady/ David & Sandi Johnson
Carmela Testa/ The Morano Family
Jack Thomas/ Frank & Marie Carroll

11:30AM – Joseph Carlini/ Daughter
Jack Murray/ Wife, Rita
Helen & Edward Hurley/ Diane
Cregan
Mary Cassidy/ Annette & Bob Moran

**BREAKING
OPEN
THE WORD**
Take a deeper look at
Sunday's Gospel



THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Malachi 1:14b—2:2b, 8-10

This passage from Malachi denounces the laxity and unfaithfulness of the people and especially of the priests, who failed in their duties to God and their neighbors.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 2:7b-9, 13

Paul reminisces about his extremely happy and successful visit with the Thessalonians. He praises them once again for their immediate and open acceptance of his message as truly the Word of God.

Gospel: Matthew 23:1-12

In a strongly worded message, Jesus again rebukes the Pharisees for the hypocritical ostentation and love of honor and position. He reminds the people and the disciples that the truly greatest one is the one who serves others. He ends with the words, **“Whoever exalts himself shall be humbled, but whoever humbles himself shall be exalted.”**

Consider & Reflect

“With such affection for you, we were determined to share with you, not only the Gospel of God, but our very selves as well, so dearly beloved had you become to us...And for this reason we too give thanks to God unceasingly, that, in receiving the word of God from hearing us, you received not a human word but, as it truly is, the word of God, which is now at work in you who believe.”

Saint Paul had no difficulty identifying his deep concern for the communities he served. His mission to preach the gospel is so evident in the fourteen letters of the New Testament. But he also commends those who accepted the word, acknowledging it as the Word of God. Whenever we come to Mass, or when we open the bible, may we begin acknowledging that the Lord has a message for us. May we humbly open our ears and our heart as we say, ‘See Lord, your servant is listening.’

When the priest or deacon begins his homily, may we pray that the Lord speak clearly through him and let the Word of God continue to be at work in us.

**LITURGICAL
MINISTRIES**



Liturgical Ministers for Next Weekend

Saturday November 11, 2023 - 4:00 PM

CELEBRANT: Fr. John Large/Deacon Jay Werling

READER: Eileen Wertz

ALTAR SERVERS: Samantha Martin, Matthew Martin

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY

COMMUNION: Mary Ann Burghold, Sue Eggert, Jane Innocenti, Pat Mugan, Janet Pascavitch, Patricia O'Hara, Barbara Ragusa, Arnold Malsbury, Maureen Malsbury, Ann Marie Rehrmann

Sunday, November 12, 2023 - 7:30 AM

CELEBRANT: Fr. Dean Gaudio, Deacon David O'Connor

READER: CeCe Scheckler

ALTAR SERVER: Jack Wurth

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY

COMMUNION: Arlene Murray, Ginny Biely

Sunday, November 12, 2023 - 9:00 AM

CELEBRANT: Fr. Dean Gaudio, Deacon David O'Connor

READER: John Brady

ALTAR SERVERS: Christian Aucoin, Jillie Aucoin

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY

COMMUNION: Peggy Madison, Pat Manganello, Joann Spickard, John Sullivan, Gail Buffi, Jayne Ziegler

Sunday, November 12, 2023 - 11:30 AM

CELEBRANT: Fr. Phillip Pfleger/Deacon Jay Werling

READER: Robert Moran

ALTAR SERVER: Kim Werling

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY

COMMUNION: Mila Daproza, Ann Burg, John Haugh, Carl Klotzbach, Maureen Klotzbach, Patricia Claussen, Mary Modlin



This Week at our Church:

Monday, November 6, 2023

Altar Rosary 1:30 PM
Al-Anon 7:15 PM
 (Faith Formation Center)
Choir Practice 4:00 PM (Church)

Tuesday, November 7, 2023

Monthly 50/50 Drawing 10:00 AM (Parish Office)
Scriptural Rosary 1:30 PM
 (Daily Chapel)
Bereavement 3:00 PM
Knights of Columbus Assembly 7:00 PM
 (Faith Formation Center)

Wednesday, November 8, 2023

Scripture Study 9:00 AM
Respect Life Regional Meeting 12:00 PM
Baptism Prep Class 7:00 PM
 (Faith Formation Center)

Thursday, November 9, 2023

Adult Faith Formation 9:30 AM & 7:00 PM
 (Faith Formation Center)

Friday, November 10, 2023

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

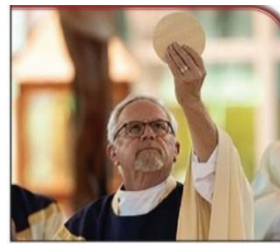
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
8:30 AM – 6:00 PM
Evening Prayer with Benediction 6:00 PM
 (Daily Chapel)

Saturday, November 11, 2023

Lectors Workbook
Super 50/50 Tickets on sale
Monthly 50/50 Tickets on sale
 (Gathering Space)

Sunday, November 12, 2023

Children's Faith Formation 9:00 AM
 (Church & Faith Formation Center)
Lectors Workbook
Super 50/50 Tickets on sale
Monthly 50/50 Tickets on sale
 (Gathering Space)



**The Legacy of
 Father Mick
 Mortgage Fund**



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 Fr. Mick Lambeth Mortgage Fund*

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Drawing will take place at the closing of the Campaign at the Golf Outing and Banquet on **May 20, 2024.**

ONLY A FEW LEFT!

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AL-ANON

AL-Anon is a mutual support group of peers who share their experience in applying the AL-Anon principles to problems related to the effects of a problem drinker in their lives. AL-Anon meets **every Monday at 7:15 PM** in the Faith Formation Center. Please visit www.al-anon.org for more information.



NAR-ANON

Monday, November 13th at 7:15 PM

in the Faith Formation Center

Nar-Anon, is a [twelve-step program](#) for friends and family members of those who are affected by someone else's addiction. Everything is confidential. There are no dues or fees to join. Just come to a meeting.



St. Theresa's MONTHLY

50/50 Raffle

Tickets are on sale after all the Masses in the **Gathering Space** and at the Parish Office during office hours.

The next drawing will be held **November 7, 2023 at 10:00 AM** at the Parish Office. We hope you will support this fundraiser for our parish



Ushers Needed

We are in need of Ushers for the **9:00 AM Mass on Sundays.**

No experience necessary. We will train you. If you can help, please call Dave at 609-335-2245. Any help you could give would be appreciated



PIE FUNDRAISER

Children's Faith Formation Fundraiser

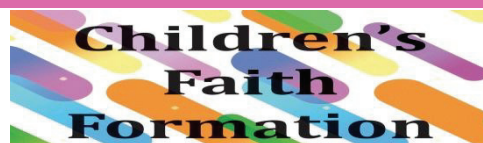
All orders must be picked up at the Faith Formation Center on:

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2023

11:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Please note: These pies are frozen and require refrigeration.

Unfortunately, **WE CANNOT HOLD** or store any pies beyond this day & time.



2023/2024 Program

Includes First Communion & Confirmation Prep
For more information call Joana Schmidt at 609-296-2504 Ext. 224 or email

Joana.schmidt@sttheresa450.org



HAND MADE ROSARIES, BRACELETS, MEDALS SALE

November 18 & 19

We will be selling Parishioner Rose Litwin's handmade religious articles in the Gathering Space after all the Masses.

**All proceeds benefit
The Legacy of Fr. Mick Mortgage Fund.**

National Eucharistic Revival

June 11, 2022 – Pentecost 2025

Reflections on the Eucharist

In his “Mystagogical Catechesis”, St. Cyril of Jerusalem taught:

When the Master, Jesus, himself has declared and said, “This is my Body,” who will dare to doubt? When He is Himself our warranty, saying, “This is my Blood,” who will ever waver and say it is not His Blood?With perfect confidence, then, let us partake as of the Body and Blood of Christ.That by partaking of the Body and Blood of Christ, you may become one body and one blood with Him. Thus, when His Body and Blood are imparted to our bodies, we become Christbearers....Do not think then of the elements as mere bread and wine. They are, according to the Lord’s declaration, Body and Blood.....Instead of judging the matter by taste, let faith give you an unwavering confidence that you have been privileged to receive the Body and Blood of Christ. (From The Beauty of the Eucharist: Voices of Church Fathers)

Please watch the bulletin for reflections on the Eucharist each week.



***For St. Theresa’s Food Pantry
609-296-2504***

***Monday, Wednesday & Friday
2:00 PM – 4:00 PM***

You may drop off donations at the Food Pantry during the operating hours listed above.

Items needed: PANCAKE MIX, TOILET PAPER, Hamburger Helper type packaged products, rice side dishes, cake mixes and frosting, children’s cereal, small jars of mayonnaise, ketchup, mustard, tuna fish, peanut butter, grape jelly, pancake syrup, apple juice and pasta. Thank you.



ATTENTION ALL READERS

Please pick up your **2024** Lectors Workbook from the table in the Gathering Space next weekend (Nov. 11 & 12). Please **ONLY** take the book with your name on it. Thanks!

MEMORIAL CHRISTMAS TREE DISPLAY

HONOR THE MEMORY OF YOUR LOVED ONES



Help decorate our outdoor Parish Campus this Christmas and honor the memory of your loved ones.

Purchase a Christmas tree for \$125.00
Includes lights and memorial sign.

Feel free to decorate your tree
Please note: The Parish is not responsible for damaged, lost or stolen ornaments or decorations.

**Join us for
Our Tree Lighting Ceremony
Saturday, December 16, 2023
*after the 4:00 PM Mass***

On sale at the Parish Office
LIMITED QUANTITIES AVAILABLE

All proceeds will benefit The Legacy of Fr. Mick Mortgage Fund



ANNUAL

CHRISTMAS SHARING PROGRAM

Our Parish's Annual Christmas Sharing Program provides toys for needy children (*Ages 1-13 years old*) in our community. We work with the churches and the schools in Tuckerton, Little Egg Harbor, New Gretna and West Creek as well as Toys for Tots to make sure that no child goes without a toy at Christmas.

Gift tags with the age and gender of a child will be placed in baskets at the doors of the Church beginning the weekend of:

November 18th and 19th

*Please take a tag or two & purchase a **TOY** or gift card for a child in our community.*



Please bring the toy or gift card with the tag attached to Church on:

December 9th and 10th

Some Suggestions:

Please buy only **1 toy for 1 tag**. We will gladly take any extra toys (no tag necessary) you would like to donate. They are always welcomed & appreciated.

**TOYS MUST BE BRAND NEW
& UNWRAPPED! (No gift bags please!)**

Please consider purchasing gift cards for those who are age 11 & older.

Monetary donations are also accepted. If you do not wish to purchase a toy, we will purchase one for you. We also use the money to purchase coats, shoes, clothes, and/or other needs of the children that we become aware of.

***Thank you for your continued support
of our program.***



HELP WANTED

We are looking for some teenagers who can help us sort toys for our Christmas Sharing Program on:

Sunday, December 10th

12:30 PM – 2:00 PM

If you can help, please call Cathy, at
609-296-2504 Ext. 222 or email:

cathy.mazanek@sttheresa450.org

If you need any service hours for Confirmation, the Honor Society or other organizations, this may help!



Thanksgiving Day Mass will take place on Thanksgiving Day, **Thursday, November 23rd** at **9:00AM**. All are welcome to celebrate the ***Eucharist*** which is the true meaning of ***Thanksgiving***.

***Please note: There will be no 8:00 AM Mass**



St. Theresa's Respect Life Ministry

Sends a BIG THANK YOU to our generous parish community for all you have donated to our Baby Shower!

Birth Right, Open Door, Jersey Shore Women's Center and Good Counsel welcomed all the amazing gifts you donated with open arms and blessings for helping Moms and their babies get started to the road to motherhood.

All our members worked hard to make this event a success!

New members to our Ministry are always welcomed. Contact Georgeann Siano @ sgeorgie53@gmail.com or 609 276 7234



Ocean County Respect Life Fall 2023 Meeting

Wednesday, November 8, 2023

12 Noon

Faith Formation Center

Lunch will be provided

This year, St. Theresa's Church will host the Ocean County Respect Life Fall 2023 Meeting. Respect Life Ministries from Ocean County will gather here for their Fall meeting

We invite all parishioners to join us and see what other Respect Life Ministries around the Diocese are doing to promote life.

You **must RSVP** to Georgeann at 609-276-7234 if you plan to attend. ***Please join us.***



Volunteer for Prison Ministry

The Diocese of Trenton is committed to bringing God's Word to the imprisoned. Please join this ministry. Bring God's Word to the incarcerated with experienced team members in a safe environment. These young people are hungry to hear the Gospel and participate in the Communion Rite of the Catholic Church. Contact Jim Collery at jcollery@gmail.com



BOOK OF PRAYER INTENTIONS

We have placed a book in the Gathering Space and at the entrance to the Daily Chapel for your prayer intentions. At our daily and weekend Liturgies, we will pray for all of your intentions during the Prayers of the Faithful. Please feel free to write your Intentions at any time.



PHONES & COMPUTERS

Below are the extensions for our parish staff. Once connected, it is not necessary to listen to the entire announcement - you may dial the extension at any time. Also listed are the email addresses for the staff.

Reception: Office Volunteers Ext. 221

Parish Coordinator/Assistant to the Pastor:

Cathy Mazanek - Ext. 222 -

Cathy.Mazanek@sttheresa450.org

Finance Manager/HR: Christina Gile –

Ext. 223 ChrisGile@sttheresa450.org

Children's Faith Formation Director:

Joana Schmidt - Ext. 224

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Deacon: David O'Connor

Deacon.David@sttheresa450.org

Deacon: Jay Werling – Ext. 225

Deacon.Jay@sttheresa450.org

Facilities: Michael Gavina – Ext. 227

Michael.Gavina@sttheresa450.org

Music Director: Gerard Mirandilla - Ext. 228

Gerard.mirandilla@sttheresa450.org

Youth Minister: Amy Raimondi - Ext. 230

Amy.Raimondi@sttheresa450.org

Parish Secretary: Katrina Barrett - Ext. 232

Katrina.Barrett@sttheresa450.org

Pastor: Fr. John Large - Ext. 234

Father.John@sttheresa450.org

Parochial Vicar: Fr. Dean Gaudio - Ext. 233

Father.Dean@sttheresa450.org

For general questions, our parish email address is info@sttheresa450.org

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