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NOVEMBER 19, 2023 | 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY MASSES

SATURDAY 4:00PM

**SUNDAY 7:30AM, 9:00AM,
10:30AM, 12:30PM, 5:00PM**

*ALL THESE MASSES ARE IN ST. TERESA
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9AM MASS WHICH IS IN ST. NICHOLAS
CHAPEL, ON NORTHERN BLVD. AT LA BAU
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WEEKDAY MASSES

MONDAY TO SATURDAY 8:30AM

TUESDAY TO FRIDAY 12 Noon

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

SATURDAYS, NOON TO 1:00PM



SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS

Designated Sundays at 1:30
Please call the rectory to check
dates and to meet with a priest
or deacon.

CONFESSIONS

Every Saturday, Noon to 1pm,
in the sacristy near the altar

WEDDINGS

Please call and speak to a priest
to begin planning your wedding

ANOIDTING OF THE SICK

Anytime

NOVENA SERVICES

Mondays after 8:30 Mass

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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4:00PM Olga and Ignazio Marino 7:30AM Mary and Mary Ann Fair and Patty McVay 9:00AM For the People of Our Parish 10:30AM Denise Bonomi 12:30PM Frank Duff and Deceased Members of Legion of Mary 5:00PM Grace Ward			4:00PM Rose Schmitt 7:30AM For the People of Our Parish 9:00AM Gladys Viscuso 10:30AM Joseph Alaimo 12:30PM Special Intention 5:00PM Tommy, Tom and Grace Ward	
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20		TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21	WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22	
8:30AM Ida and Joseph Cuneo		8:30AM Jose Luis Rementeria	8:30AM Carmello LaFerlita	
THANKSGIVING DAY		FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24	SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25	
OUR THANKSGIVING DAY MASS IS AT 9AM Offered for Deceased Members of the Miceli and Serafino Families		8:30AM Thomas F. Ward	8:30AM Paul and Annamaria Caruselle	

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MONSIGNOR WILLIAM BELFORD
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PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

Your prayers are requested for all who are sick in our parish and community, especially: **Grace Agalo-os, Karen Bertuzzi, Michael Borik, Vincent Borzumato, Rosemary Callenberg, Nicholas Crispiano, Nicholas Ciricirillo, Carina DeGiulio, Kevin Dunne, Patricia Dunne, Joanie Edwards, Augustine Ferrer, Mark & Arlene Fileccia, Michael G., Josephine Greco, Elaine Guarino, Ricky Gundacker, David Hall, Vincent Hicks, Barbara Hicks, Buddy Jarrel, Pat Jarrell, Jennifer Johnson, Fred Kabat, Donnalyn Lawton, Catherine Leone, Edward Lewis, Genevieve Lewis, Josephine Linton, Lomando, Linda Mahoney, Paul Mahoney, Emma Jane Mannix, Mikia James Martin, Judy C. Mc., Raymond and Maureen McLaughlin, Marie McMillen, Susan Morris, Josephine Nastasi, Joseph Pastore, Ryan Pizzaro, Joanny Pizzuti, Sal Prestigiacomo,**

Pray for Our Parishioners in the Military

Spec 4 Michael R. Mazzuki, Jr. U.S. Army, Middle East.

Sergeant Connor M. O'Brien, U.S. Marine Corp., Camp Lejeune, NC

Technical Sergeant Michael Mazzarella, U.S. Air Force, Africa

NEXT SUNDAY'S SCHEDULE OF MASSES FOR PRIESTS

4pm, 7:30am, 9am, 10:30, 12:30pm Monsignor Belford
5pm Father Challman

Dear Parishioners and Friends of Saint Teresa Church,

Sometimes Catholic people of every age need a reminder, a refresher, to show us what we have, and what we are missing. What we should be doing, and what we are failing to do. We have the most awesome gift of a personal relationship with Jesus Christ our Savior—and yet we may lack appreciation for his presence in the Holy Eucharist.

This is why our Bishops are encouraging us to have a Eucharistic Revival -- to wake up our appreciation and eagerness to make Mass every Sunday our top priority, and to prepare to receive Jesus Christ at every Mass we can.

1. On the night before he died on the cross for us, Jesus of Nazareth ate a meal with his apostles. At the beginning of that meal at Passover, which we now speak of as Jesus' Last Supper, Jesus washed his disciples' feet as an example of humility and service, and gave them his new commandment: that we should love one another.
2. Then during that meal he took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to them to eat. And this is what he said: *Take this all of you, and eat it; this is my body which will be given up for you.*
3. At the end of the meal he took a cup of wine, blessed it, and gave it to them, saying; *Take this, all of you, and drink from it; this is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and everlasting covenant. It will be shed for you and for many so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me.*
4. The awesomeness of this sacramental action is shown by the fact that we have many names for it. Every name expresses some aspect of the tremendous mystery of God's love and presence. Eucharist is a word which means "thanks-giving" and is used for both the sacrament and the whole liturgical action we call the Mass. We call this Mass because this sacred action concludes with all of us being sent forth (Latin: *missio*) to love and serve the Lord. This is also known as the Lord's Supper, and the Breaking of Bread, and the Eucharistic Assembly, and the Holy Sacrifice. Another title is Holy Communion, because by sharing this sacrament we are united to Christ, who makes us part of his Church. After Mass, when the consecrated hosts are reserved in the tabernacle, we speak with awe of the Blessed Sacrament.
5. At the Second Vatican Council in Rome (1962-65) bishops called the Eucharist the "source and summit" of the Christian life. A fully Christian life without participating in the Eucharist—that is, by trying to be a true follower of Jesus but without coming to Mass and without receiving Holy Communion— is a very uphill climb that may lead a person to fall into a deep ditch. Because: the Eucharist is both a sign and a cause of our unity with God and with God's Church.
6. The Eucharist is one of three sacraments of initiation. The other two are Baptism and Confirmation. Through them we become part of the Church. Until we have received all three, we are not fully initiated. We are missing some graces we need and should have. When we do receive the Holy Eucharist, the Catechism of our Church teaches us that we gain many advantages. Here are some of them: receiving Holy Communion intensifies our union with Christ, increases our love, strengthens us against sins, and makes the church united. Receiving Holy Communion commits us to the poor, reminds us to pray for unity among all who believe in Christ, and helps us towards heavenly life and glory.
7. The Mass has several parts. We start with Introductory Rites, especially an opening hymn and prayer to gather us together. This is followed by a Liturgy of the Word, composed of Bible readings from the Old Testament, the Epistles, and the Gospel. It includes a homily (about what we have read in the Word of God, and how to put that into practice), a profession of faith, and petitions for all God's people. Then we have Preparation of the Gifts of bread and wine—the two essential elements of the meal, which will become the Body and Blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.
8. This preparation is the usual time for taking up the collection, by which we support the work of our church and can share our resources with those in need. Then there is the Liturgy of the Eucharist, including prayers of thanksgiving and words of consecration that change the bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Jesus. This is followed by the Communion Rites, beginning with the "Our Father" and leading to the Sign of Peace and the procession when we come to receive Holy Communion. Finally we have brief Concluding Rites when we receive God's blessing given by the priest.
9. Only ordained priests can preside at the Eucharist (can 'say a Mass') and consecrate bread and wine so that they become the Body and Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ. The word Transubstantiation is used in church teaching to describe the changing of bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ. This transubstantiation takes place within the Eucharistic Prayer during the Consecration, by the power of the Holy Spirit and through the words and actions of the priest.
10. Everybody needs to follow rules to have their best possible life. Two of our Church's rules, called Precepts, are: You shall attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation, and rest from servile work; You shall receive the Eucharist at least during the Easter season.

Very grateful for Jesus and for you,

Msgr. William Belford

On Thanksgiving Day, please join us at 9am for our Church's greatest Thanksgiving meal—the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass!
We invite you to bring a donation of food or money to be put on the altar to help to feed the hungry.



Thank you for your faithful weekly donations to God for our Parish support.

Parishioners brought envelopes to Mass with contributions of \$11,790. WeShare online giving amount was \$1,857.

A PRAYER FOR THIS WEEK

That all the Veterans who served in the Armed Forces of our country will be respected and honored for their service, and receive the care they may still need, let us pray to the Lord...



BABY BIN GIFTS WELCOMED TODAY

After Mass today in the vestibule, and every third Sunday of the month, donations for babies and their mothers will be collected. Thank you for helping families in need of assistance at a crucial time for their families to make a better start in life.



As they do on every third Sunday of the month, members of the **Legion of Mary** are receiving Holy Communion together at the 12:30 pm Mass today. If you would like to know more about the Legion of Mary, visit their pamphlet rack in the vestibule, or speak to one of the Legion members after Mass.

HOLIDAY BLUES: OUR BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY MIGHT HELP

ST. TERESA'S BEREAVEMENT GROUP IS HERE TO WELCOME YOU. WE MEET ON THE FIRST AND THIRD SATURDAYS EACH MONTH AT 10:45 IN OUR PARISH HOUSE, ON WINDSOR RD. AND SLOSSON AV.. CALL MICHAEL SCHIFFLER AT 347 466 0603 SO HE CAN CONFIRM THE NEXT DATES AND MAKE YOU WELCOME.



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Holy Name Society Christmas Tree Reservation Form



Yes, I would like a Christmas Tree
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Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



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