



**Saint Theresa Catholic Church
Alive in Christ**

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Sunday, January 04, 2015 The Epiphany of the Lord Mass Intentions

Saturday	Jan 03	7:00 a.m.	Mass Intention Available
		4:00 p.m.	Rita Cardinal by the Seniors of St. Theresa
Sunday	Jan 04	9:30 a.m.	Norma DiPietro by her husband, Joseph
Monday	Jan 05	7:00 a.m.	Mass Intention Available
Tuesday	Jan 06	7:00 a.m.	Mass Intention Available
Wednesday	Jan 07	7:00 a.m.	Joseph DiPietro (For good health) by a parishioner
Thursday	Jan 08	7:00 a.m.	Blessed Mother for a favor obtained by Roger and Connie Perreault
Friday	Jan 09	7:00 a.m.	Edward St. John (1st Anniversary) by his family
Saturday	Jan 10	7:00 a.m.	Mass Intention Available
		4:00 p.m.	Wayne Rett by the Seniors of St. Theresa
Sunday	Jan 11	9:30 a.m.	Robert Marchand (Birthday) by his wife



*** If possible, we would like members of the family who requested the Mass to bring up the gifts at the appropriate time.
***Please excuse any misspelled names. Please phone any corrections.

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

	Mon-Sat	Noon	12 Golden Steps Meeting	Father Lamothe Center
DAILY				
Sunday	Jan 04	After Mass	Coffee And ...	Father Lamothe Center
Tuesday	Jan 06	9:00 a.m.	Prayer Shawl Group	Father Lamothe Center
Wednesday	Jan 07	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal	Church
Thursday	Jan 08	9:00 a.m.	Prayer Shawl Group	Church
Friday	Jan 09	6:30 p.m.	Holy Hour	Chapel
Saturday	Jan 10	3:00 p.m.	Confession	Confessional



January 10 & 11	Altar Servers	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Readers
Saturday 4:00 p.m.	D Cardone, R & C Swenson	M. Cardone, C. Martinelli C. & R. Perreault, H. Trottier	G. Dufault
Sunday 9:30 a.m.	A & B Putnam M Driscoll, M Varieur, C Norcross-Joyce, O Castonguay, A&A Marino	R. Costanzo, E. & J. McNamara, J. Ristaino	T. Harvey

Last Sunday's Collection: Stewardship: \$2,084.17 Christmas: \$1,862.89 Thank you!
Saint Michael's Vigil Lights: For All Military Members in Harm's Way

NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome to Saint Theresa's Parish. Please register at the Parish Office on the second floor.
BAPTISM: Contact Father O'Mara or Deacon Gagliani for catechesis and arrangement for celebration of the sacrament.
MARRIAGE: Marriage preparation takes about one year. Couples who wish to marry at Saint Theresa's should see Father O'Mara or Deacon Gagliani as soon as possible.
RECONCILIATION/PENANCE: Saturday at 3:00 to 3:40 p.m. in the confessional or by appointment.
ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please call for a hospital visit or anointing of the sick.
HOLY HOUR: Friday evening at 6:30.
ROSARY: After the weekday morning Mass.
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Sundays, September to May. Kindergarten through Grade 10. Session begins at 8:15 a.m. and ends after Mass at 10:30 a.m.
FOOD PANTRY: Open Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. **Donations are always accepted.** "Got Food? Sunday" Collection is the last weekend of each month. It is located in the Thrift Shop.
THRIFT SHOP: Open Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Donations of clothing are accepted Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Social Committee Meeting Tuesday, January 20 at 7 p.m.



Got Food? Sunday Collection January 24 and 25

**From the Office:
Happy New Year!**

LEARNING, LOVING, & LIVING IN CHRIST

Happy New Year! Now that the winter months are here, if weather conditions prevent us from safely holding our religious education classes, your child's teacher or someone from our office will make every effort to contact you of any cancellations at least one hour prior to class time. Did you know that you are able to leave a message for the Religious Education office either by telephone or email? You may leave us a voice mail by calling 508-883-7206 extension #5 and our email address is ccdreligiouseducation@gmail.com



Check out Birthday Wishes from all our religious education students that were made during our "Happy Birthday Jesus" celebration. They are currently displayed in the Fr. Lamothe Center.

FOOD PANTRY/THRIFT STORE

The Food Pantry and Thrift Store are now open Monday through Saturday 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Thank you to all who donate food during the month AND on "GOT FOOD? Sunday." For the month of December the food pantry served 25 families. Drop off any time, however, the next "Got Food? Sunday" Collection is January 24 and 25. Thank you!

SOCIAL COMMITTEE NEWS

Have you been thinking about joining a ministry at St. Theresa's? Why not consider joining the Social Committee? We welcome new members AND ideas. The next meeting is Tuesday, January 20 at 7 p.m. in the Father Lamothe Center. Please join and assist us in developing a calendar of activities for 2015!

THE ST. THERESA'S CHILDREN'S CHOIR

The children's choir meet on Sunday evenings at 6:30 to 7:15. New members are always welcome. Ages 7 and up. Contact Paula with questions at 508-883-2435.

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

The three wise men who came from the East to pay homage to the infant Jesus brought Him rich gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh as part of their worship. What gifts have I brought to this celebration to offer to the newborn Savior?

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES —WHY SHOULD WE USE THEM?

The use of envelopes is an expression of how we give of ourselves in the offering of the Mass. It helps us to make a conscious decision about what we are going to contribute. Using envelopes regularly tells our children that giving to the Church is a priority for us. Offertory in envelopes makes the ongoing budgeting process easier for the Parish and becomes a "budget" item for us. The envelope number identifies our contributions for tax receipt purposes. It makes it easier for staff to record our giving into the parish database. Let us treat our weekly gift to God with the care and respect we would with any other gift we give, and wrap it with our name and number on it.

ENVELOPE REMINDER

The next second collection is January 11 for Capital Improvements.



COFFEE AND ...Please join us after the 9:30 a.m. Mass in the Father Lamothe Center.

SAINT THERESA'S SECOND ANNUAL MITTEN TREE DRIVE

Saint Theresa's will be holding its **Second Annual Mitten Tree Drive** starting January 4 thru January 31. Parishioners are encouraged to bring in donated mittens and gloves and hang them on the Mitten Tree which is in the Fr Lamothe Center. As a "Thank You" for supporting this drive, please be sure to take one of the home baked mitten cookies that are also hanging on our mitten tree! Donated mittens and gloves will be donated to those in need in our communities. Thank you for your support.

SENIORS OF ST. THERESA

The next meeting will be Tuesday, January 13, in the Father Lamothe Center at 1:15 p.m. If possible, please bring a canned good for the food pantry. Thank you.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Calling all Knights of Columbus. If you are 18 or older, come join the Blackstone Knights of Columbus Council. The next meetings are Monday, January 26 and Monday, February 23 at 7 p.m. in the Fr. Lamothe Center. For more information contact Jeremy Labonte 617-669-5478 or Jeremy.labonte@gmail.com

ST. VINCENT DePAUL

The next meeting is Sunday, January 18 and February 15. Both meetings will be at St. Theresa's at 6:30 p.m. in the Father Lamothe Center.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

John the Baptist said "I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit". Invite the Holy Spirit into your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are January 23 - 25, 2015 and March 13 - 15, 2015. For more information call Jim and Elaine Richard at 1-800-710-WWME or visit our webpage at www.wwme.org



IN THE COMMUNITY

UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO PERFORM AT THE HANOVER THEATRE Auditions will be held from 1-3 p.m., Feb. 1 at the Hanover Theatre for the Performing Arts, 2 Southbridge St., Worcester, for any female soprano age 15 or older from the parish who wants to perform with "The Priests." The renowned trio of priests from Northern Ireland will sing March 27 at the theatre in a benefit for the St. John's Food for the Poor Program. To register or for more details, contact Melanie Donegan at mdonegan16@gmail.com or by calling 508-755-8322. The deadline is January 15.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES is seeking individuals interested in working with elderly and the disabled. Candidates must be reliable, compassionate and have reliable transportation. Please call 1-800-649-4364.

WEIGHT MANAGEMENT SUPPORT GROUP to begin January 8, 2015 from 4 to 5 p.m. at the Blackstone Library in Quiet Room Number 1. There is no charge to join. Please contact Sheila Landry at 508-883-7549 to register or for more information.

MARCH FOR LIFE The 42nd Annual March for Life in Washington, DC is Thursday, Jan. 22, 2015. Buses leave from St. Paul's Cathedral on Wed., Jan. 21 following the Respect Life Mass at 7:30 p.m. and will travel to the Basilica of National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC in time for Thursday morning Mass followed by the March for Life at noon. Buses will return by 1 a.m. on Jan. 23 to the Cathedral immediately following the March. Cost is \$70 for registrations postmarked by Dec. 31 and \$85 thereafter. For more details and to download registration forms, visit www.worcesterdiocese.org/respectlife or contact the Respect Life Office at 508-929-4311 or aledoux@worcesterdiocese.org