



**Saint Theresa Catholic Church
Alive in Christ**

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Sunday, February 22, 2015 First Sunday of Lent Time Mass Intentions

Saturday	Feb 21	7:00 a.m.	Mass Intention Available
		4:00 p.m.	Fr. Dennis Rochford by Steve and Deborah Champeau
Sunday	Feb 22	9:30 a.m.	Norma DiPietro by Joseph DiPietro
Monday	Feb 23	7:00 a.m.	In Thanksgiving For a Favor Obtained by a Parishioner
Tuesday	Feb 24	7:00 a.m.	Mass Intention Available
Wednesday	Feb 25	7:00 a.m.	Mass Intention Available
Thursday	Feb 26	7:00 a.m.	Richard and Sheila Landry by Joseph DiPietro
Friday	Feb 27	7:00 a.m.	Benjamin (for health & well-being) by Joseph DiPietro
Saturday	Feb 28	7:00 a.m.	Gertrude C. Martinelli (birthday remembrance) by the Family
		4:00 p.m.	Jerry Cardone, Sr. (birthday remembrance)
Sunday	Mar 01	9:30 a.m.	Joseph DiPietro by a Parishioner



*** 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	Feb 22	After Mass	Coffee And ...	Father Lamothe Center
Tuesday	Feb 24	9:00 a.m.	Prayer Shawl Group	Father Lamothe Center
Wednesday	Feb 25	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal	Church
Thursday	Feb 26	9:00 a.m.	Prayer Shawl Group	Father Lamothe Center
		6:00 p.m.	Confession	Confessional
Friday	Feb 27	6:30 p.m.	Way of the Cross	Church
Saturday	Feb 28	3:00 p.m.	Confession	Confessional

Feb. 28 and Mar. 01	Altar Servers	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Readers
Saturday 4:00 p.m.	D Cardone,	M. Cardone, C. Martinelli, C. & R. Perreault H. Trottier	J. DiPietro
Sunday 9:30 a.m.	A. & B. Putnam M. Driscoll, M. Varieur, C. Norcross-Joyce, O. Castonguay, A. & A. Marino	D. Cote, A. Markle, E. & J. McNamara	R. Vose

Last Sunday's Collection: Stewardship: \$1,112.00; Capital Improvements: \$331; Donations: \$225
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: The food pantry is located in the Thrift Shop. 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.
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, February 24 at 7 p.m. Father Lamothe
"Got Food? Sunday Collection, March 28 & 29"**

From the Office:

REMINDER: If you would like a contribution statement for tax purposes (2014), You **MUST** call or email **Sheila** in the office during regular business hours or leave a message.
Volunteers are very important at St. Theresa's. At this time we are looking for volunteers to set up and lector at funerals. Please call the office as soon as possible if you can help with this important Ministry. Training is available.
Lectors are needed for Good Friday and the Saturday Night Vigil. Please call the office if you are able to serve at these Masses.

CONFESSIONS— In addition to Saturdays at 3 p.m., Fr. Thien will be available for The Sacrament of Reconciliation during Lent on Thursday evenings from 6 to 7 p.m.

THE WAY OF THE CROSS —is scheduled every Friday during Lent at 6:30 p.m. Please join us!

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES RICE BOWLS—Forty years ago, Catholics in the United States wanted to respond to famine in Africa. Could we feed the hungry through Lenten prayers, fasting and almsgiving? The answer was YES—and it came in the form of a small cardboard box. Forty years later, it still does! The CRS Rice Bowls are on the literature tables. Please help yourself. God bless you for your generosity towards others.

LEARNING, LOVING, & LIVING IN CHRIST



If you need to contact the Religious Education office, you may leave a voice mail by calling 508-883-7206 extension #5 or our email address is ccdreligiouseducation@gmail.com

FOOD PANTRY/THRIFT STORE

Thank you to all who donated food during the month AND on "GOT FOOD? Sunday." For the month of **January** the food pantry served **46** families. Drop off food any time. The next **"Got Food? Sunday" Collection is March 28 and 29.** Thank you!

SOCIAL COMMITTEE NEWS

Vendors/Crafters wanted for the Second Annual St. Theresa Craft/Vendor Fair on Saturday, November 21 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. St. Theresa's will also have a table at the fair. If you would like to donate an item that you have made, please bring it to the office anytime. Please contact Sheila for details at 508-883-7206 or email theresaparish630@gmail.com

The next Social Committee meeting is **Tuesday, February 24** at 7 p.m. in the Father Lamothe Center. Please join us!

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.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

"After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God..." (MARK 1:14) Do you ever think about how difficult it must have been for Jesus to come into Galilee, knowing that John had just been arrested for teaching the same message that Jesus was proclaiming? It must have taken great love and trust for Jesus to do what the Father had sent Him here on earth to do. In the same way, following a life of stewardship takes great love and trust from us. We must be willing to surrender completely to God, trusting that God will always give us all that we need to fulfill His plan for us.

CATHOLIC FREE PRESS—It is time to renew your subscription to The Catholic Free Press or take out a new subscription. Subscriptions are \$30 for the year and includes a website, a Facebook page, a Twitter account and a digital edition for your smart phone, tablet or computer. Envelopes are at the entrances to the church or included in your budget envelope packets. Please return with \$30 in any collection basket.

ENVELOPE REMINDER



The next second collection will be March 1 for Capital Improvements. Thank you.

COFFEE AND ...



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

BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE

We continue to seek volunteers to start a Bereavement Committee. This committee will support families of those who have died by helping them plan their funeral Mass. Please call the office for more information. Training and support is available.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



Calling all Knights of Columbus. If you are 18 or older, come join the Blackstone Knights of Columbus Council. The next meeting is Monday, February 23 at 7 p.m. in the Father Lamothe Center. For more information contact **Jeremy Labonte at 617-669-5478 or email knights.council.15829@gmail.com**

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

"This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." Allow God to work and move in your marriage relationship. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are March 13 - 15, 2015 and May 29 - 31, 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

Mark Your Calendars! Back by Popular Demand— EVERY FRIDAY IN LENT—at **St. Paul's Parish Center**, 48 St. Paul St., Blackstone featuring fried fish and chips, coleslaw, tartar sauce. 5 to 7 P.M. Fish sticks available for children upon request. Adults \$10; Seniors or Child 5 to 12 years of age \$7.

CREW 519 presents a 2nd **'Family Movie Night'** on Saturday, February 28 in the Parish Hall at St. Theresa's on the second floor. ENTRANCE IS FREE! Donations are highly appreciated. We will be presenting a double feature of "Night at the Museum" and "Night at the Museum 2." The show begins at 6:30 p.m. Hope to see you there!

15TH ANNUAL MEN'S CONFERENCE

Save the Date! The Men's Conference is Saturday, March 21 at the Worcester's DCU Center, 50 Foster Street. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. Tickets are \$30 for students; \$45 for adults through March 2, and \$60 for adults after March 2. For tickets send a check to Catholic Men's Conference, 49 Elm Street, Worcester, MA. 01609. For more information, call Steve Champeau at 508-883-4849.

CATHOLIC CHARITES is seeking individuals interested in working with the elderly. Call 1-800-649-4364 for more information.