



SAINT THERESA CATHOLIC CHURCH *Alive in Christ*

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NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome to Saint Theresa's Parish. Please register at the Parish Office on the second floor.

BAPTISM: Contact Father Thien 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 Thien 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 after the 6:30 Mass.

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 Mon., Tues., Wed., and Sat., 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 Mon., Tues., Wed., and Sat., 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Donations of clothing are accepted Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, 4 p.m. Vigil

Sunday, 9:30 a.m.

Monday, NO Mass

Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.

Wed. & Thurs., 7:30 a.m.

Friday, 6:30 p.m. followed by

Benediction

Holiday Schedule

See Bulletin

CONFESSIONS

Saturday at 3 p.m.

ADORATION

Friday after 6:30 Mass

ROSARY

After weekday morning Mass

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday: Acts 7:51 — 8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40

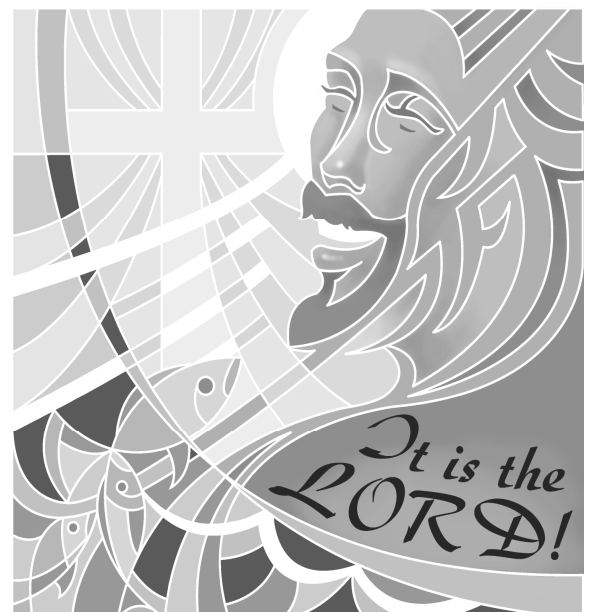
Thursday: Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69

Sunday: Acts 13:14, 43-52; Ps 100:1-3, 5; Rv 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30

THIRD
SUNDAY OF
EASTER,
APRIL 10TH,
2016

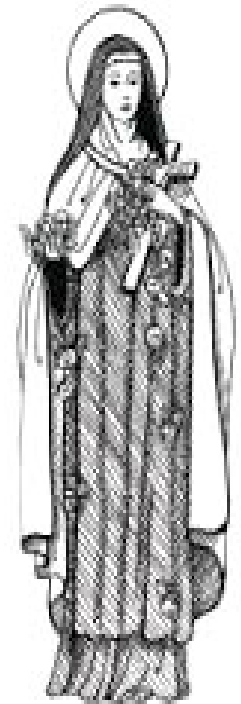


**Sunday, April 10, 2016 ✕ Third Sunday of Easter
Mass Intentions**

Saturday	Apr 9	4:00 p.m.	Melissa Rice by John & Charlotte Therien
Sunday	Apr 10	9:30 a.m.	Brenda Castiglioni by Family
Monday	Apr 11		No Mass
Tuesday	Apr 12	6:30 p.m.	Connie Rivard by her husband
Wednesday	Apr 13	7:30 a.m.	Roger Gagnon For the Parish of St. Theresa
Thursday	Apr 14	7:30 a.m.	Fredrick Velletri by Family
Friday	Apr 15	6:30 p.m.	Alfred Trottier by wife and children
Saturday	Apr 16	4:00 p.m.	Norma DiPietro by Joseph DiPietro
Sunday	Apr 17	9:30 a.m.	Norma DiPietro by Joseph DiPietro

April 16 & 17	Altar Servers	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Lectors
Saturday 4:00 p.m.	Daniel Cardone Adelaide Turner	C. & J. Brillon M. Cardone C. Martinelli	D. Plouffe
Sunday 9:30 a.m.	Adrianna Girard Abigail Putnam Benjamin Putnam Olivia Castognuay	G. Marchand E. & J. McNamara D. Vose	R. Vose

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES				
DAILY	Mon-Sat	Noon	12 Golden Steps Meeting	Father Lamothe Center
Sunday	Apr 10	After Mass	Coffee And...	Fr. Lamothe Center
Tuesday	Apr 12	9:30 a.m.	Prayer Shawl Group	Father Lamothe Center
Wednesday	Apr 13	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal	Church
Thursday	Apr 14	9:00 a.m.	Prayer Shawl Group	Father Lamothe Center
Friday	Apr 15	6:30 p.m.	Benediction after Mass	Chapel
Saturday	Apr 16	3:00 p.m.	Confession	Confessional



*Hear me,
Lord Jesus
listen as I pray:
"Lead me from night
to never ending day.
Fill all the world
with love
and grace divine.
And glory, laud
and praise
be ever thine."*

Sunday, April 3rd Collection

Stewardship: \$ 2,494.50
 Fuel: \$ 681.00
 Good Friday: \$ 115.00
 Easter: \$ 163.00

Thank you for your continued support!

St. Michael's Vigil Lights burns in honor of all Military Members in Harms Way

Please join us on Sunday, May 8th, the Social Committee will be hosting a Mother's Day Breakfast/Year End Celebration of Religious Ed. Everyone is invited to this event. There is no charge. We will be serving pancakes, sausage, fruit cups, and refreshments.

REDEMPTION

Do you remember Peter on the night Jesus was arrested? He claimed he had never heard of Jesus. Today we are called to join Peter in testifying to the name of Jesus as he does in the first reading, and in proclaiming our love for him as Peter does in the Gospel passage. The powerful imagery of John's vision in the second reading from the book of Revelation shows us the company we keep when we have faith in the name of Jesus. We join all living creatures, "countless in number" from "heaven, earth, under the earth, in the sea; everything in the universe" (Revelation 5:11, 13). The dignity and majesty described in each reading are in stark contrast to the dark and pitiful image of Peter and the other apostles at the time of Jesus' arrest, trial, and crucifixion. What a relief that we can all be redeemed so completely! Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



Update ~ April 1, 2016

The Partners in Charity Appeal has raised 56% of its diocesan goal of \$5 million. \$2,786,745. has been received in pledges and cash. To achieve our diocesan goal we will need to raise \$2,213,255 in the coming weeks.

We have received 9,401 gifts since February.

The average gift so far is \$296.00.

No letter, insert or other item can replace the impact of your personal support. We all know that a successful campaign is directly related to the leadership, enthusiasm and motivation provided to your parishioners by you. Please consider sharing with parishioners that you support and have donated to the *2016 Partners in Charity Appeal*.

Senior Pizza Lunch on Tuesday, April 12th, at 1:15 p.m. in the Father Lamothe Center followed by Split the Pot and Bingo. The cost will be determined the day of the party. Thank you.

Food Pantry: The food pantry is open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. **For the month of February the food pantry served 82 families.** Donating to the food pantry can be easy and affordable by shopping the weekly special. **Any (non-perishable) items will be greatly appreciated.** Thank you to all who donate food during the month.

Religious Education:

Our First Grade students will be assisting this Sunday's Mass, April 10th. This will conclude this year's student participated Mass'. Thank you to all the teachers who help them prepare, families and parishioners who supported them, and the students for doing such a great job!



POPE FRANCIS
TWEET OF THE WEEK!
"There is no sin that God cannot pardon. All we need to do is ask for forgiveness."

Bulletin reflection for the Third Sunday of Easter

Easter season is upon us, and accompanying it are majestic and mysterious excerpts from Sacred Scripture such as the second reading this Third Sunday of Easter from the Book of Revelation.

The Book of Revelation was composed using symbolic and coded language by a man imprisoned and exiled for his faith on the Island of Patmos in the Aegean Sea named John. While traditionally attributed to the Apostle John, there is strong debate among scripture scholars as to whether John of Patmos and the Apostle are one and the same person. In any event, with rich and vivid imagery, John of Patmos delivers a message of encouragement and hope to Christians who were enduring great persecution for their faith.

Here we are ushered by the author into a fantastic glimpse of the triumphant Son of God amidst the Heavenly Hosts of Angels and before the awesome majesty of the throne of God. And recalling the vision of Isaiah, the great prophet of Israel, the angelic hosts and the four living creatures representing the testimony of the four evangelists, Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, jubilantly cry out "Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches, wisdom and strength, glory and honor and blessing."

Amid the turmoil of his day and of his situation of imprisonment and exile, the human author, inspired by God's Holy Spirit, was able to transcend the limitations of the darkness of present reality to offer to us all through symbolic imagery the big picture of indescribable, inexhaustible heaven, God's Eternal Now.

Easter season is a time to celebrate the redemption Christ has wrought for us. As we reflect upon this passage's portal into the "not yet" which awaits all those purchased by the blood of the Lamb, and found faithful to Him in the end, may we, too, cry out in response: "To the one who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor, glory and might, forever and ever."

Deacon Tony

Reminder to Religious Ed Teachers: we will be holding a quick meeting on Sunday, April 10th at 8:00am - before class to review our upcoming Crowning Of Mary Celebration.