

WEEKLY BULLETIN



Saint Theresa Parish

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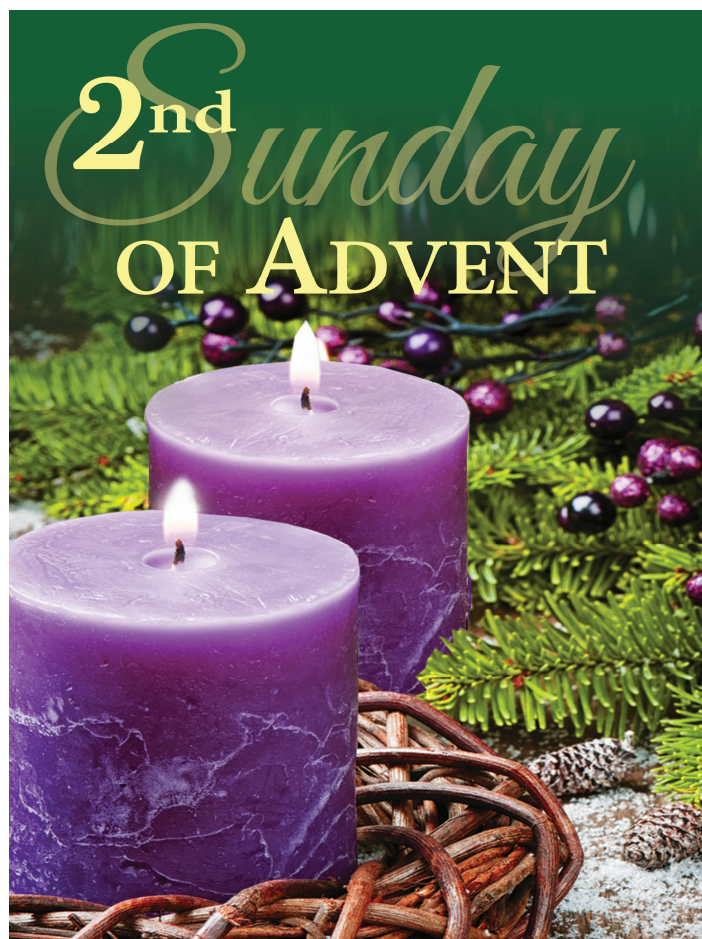
Sunday, December 4, 2016

*Second Sunday
of
Advent*

Mt 3:1-12

The Preaching of John the Baptist

"[John] 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!' It was of him that the prophet Isaiah had spoken when he said: 'A voice of one crying out in the desert, Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths. . .' . . . [John] 'I am baptizing you with water, for repentance, but the one who is coming after me is mightier than I. I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the holy spirit and fire. . .'"



WELCOME TO ONE AND ALL

If you have moved to this area and wish to join our Parish Community, we invite you to become actively involved in our life and to support our efforts to be witnesses to Christ by sharing your Time, Talent and Treasure.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

The Roman Catholic parish of Saint Theresa of Lisieux is a community of believers that places the sacredness of the Eucharist at the center of our lives. Our mission is to inform, inspire, invite and involve people in the ongoing life of the Church. Our field of ministry includes residents of the greater South Hadley area including the catholic community of Mount Holyoke College and residents of the Wingate Skilled Nursing Facility. It is our desire to engage all who wish to join our community in the celebration of the life of Christ.

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St. Theresa's Parish



WEEKLY COLLECTION

November 19-20: \$4,759.00

November 26-27: \$4,416.83



Online Giving

Please consider making
your contributions through
online giving.
Call 532- 3228 for more
information.

Liturgical Celebrations

LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday 4:00 p.m.

Sunday 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES - CHAPEL

Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m.

HOLY DAY MASSES

(Day of Obligation) . . 8:00 a.m. 12:15 p.m. 6:30 p.m.

Sacramental Information

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:30 – 3:45 p.m. or by appointment

ADORATION

Friday 8:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

To schedule a Baptism, please contact the Parish Office.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please arrange one year in advance.

HOSPITAL VISITS

Please let us know if a parishioner is ill.

Counseling & Support Services

PREGNANCY COUNSELING SERVICES

Bethlehem House of Easthampton
(413) 527-2861

TO REPORT AN INCIDENT OF CHURCH RELATED SEXUAL MISCONDUCT

Confidential Hotline
(800) 842-9055

Patricia Finn McManamy
(413) 452-0624
(Victim Advocate)

DIVORCE SUPPORT MINISTRY

St. Mary's— Longmeadow
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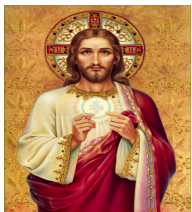
SPIRITUAL LIFE TEAM

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(Parish Pastoral Team meets monthly with one representative from each ministry team)

SCHEDULED MASSES FOR THE WEEK

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| Saturday | (12/03) | 800 a.m. | <i>For the Living Bishops & Priests of the Diocese</i> |
| | | 4:00p.m. | <i>Thomas Bellerose</i> by Alice Bellerose |
| Sunday | (12/04) | 8:00 a.m. | <i>Pura Torrez</i> by St. Theresa's Rosary Makers |
| | | 10:30 a.m. | <i>Thomas Bellerose</i> by Deacon Jerry & Marjie Christiano |
| Monday | (12/05) | 8:00 a.m. | <i>Philip Lizotte</i> by his Family |
| Tuesday | (12/06) | 8:00 a.m. | <i>Helen & Carl Popielarz</i> by Ann Jubinville |
| Wednesday | (12/07) | 8:00 a.m. | <i>Alexander & Winifred Brough</i> by their Family |
| Thursday | (12/08) | 8:00 a.m. | <i>Parishioners of St. Theresa Of Lisieux</i> |
| | | 12:15 p.m. | <i>Special Intention</i> |
| | | 6:30 p.m. | <i>Ernest Berneche</i> by his Family |
| Friday | (12/09) | 8:00 a.m. | <i>Doris Bick</i> by the Pangan Family |
| Saturday | (12/10) | 4:00p.m. | <i>Claire & Earl Rygs</i> by their Daughter |
| Sunday | (12/11) | 8:00 a.m. | <i>Thomas Bellerose</i> by Alice Bellerose |
| | | 10:30 a.m. | <i>Edward Dunn</i> by his Family |



If you or someone you know from our parish is unable to attend Mass on Sunday due to illness or disability and would like to receive communion,

Please call **George Wilson** at
533-8710
prior to 8:00 a.m. on that Sunday morning.



WITH SYMPATHY

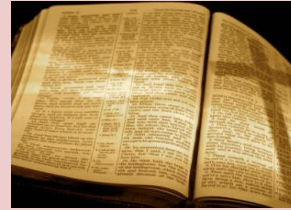
We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of **Irene Bach**, who was recently commended to the Lord. May she and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

Ministry Schedule Weekend of December 10-11

| Third Sunday of Advent | Altar Server(s) | Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist | Usher/ Greeter | Lector |
|---------------------------|------------------|---|--|-------------------|
| Saturday 4:00 p.m. | Liam Ryder | Dottie McKenna Jack Scanlon Michele Scanlon | Richard McKenna Kathleen Morin Gail Olesiak Emile Premont | Nancy Gagnon |
| Sunday 8:00 a.m. | Rachael Dufault | Fran Como James Como John Kras | Richard Normandin William Watt | John Murray |
| Sunday 10:30 a.m. | Adaline Woods | Stanley Bohall Maureen Sparrow Kelly Woods | Daniel Connor | Christopher Woods |

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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| Monday | Is 35:1-10/Ps 85/Lk 5:17-26 |
| Tuesday | Is 40:1-11/Ps 96/Mt 18:12-14 |
| Wednesday | Is 40:25-31/Ps 103/Mt 11:28-30 |
| Thursday | Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38 |
| Friday | Is 48:17-19/Ps 1/Mt 11:16-19 |
| Saturday | Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80/Mt 17:9a, 10-13 |
| Sunday | Is 35:1-6a, 10/Ps 146/Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11 |



PRAYER LINE

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Barbara Aiken
David Czerwiecki
Anne Fleury
Mal Fallon
Donald Gallant
Coleen Kelley
Marlene King
Bradlee Nadeau
Lin Pickle
Juliette Quenneville
Doug Scytkowski
Joseph Tetreault



ADORATION NOTES



Walk through this Advent Season with our Blessed Mother, as She carries Jesus to Bethlehem. The best gift you can give Him is a daily Rosary as well as prayer or quiet contemplation at Eucharistic Adoration. Make Him the true reason for the season.

Visit Jesus in the silence of Eucharistic Adoration which is held in the **Chapel** each **Friday** from 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. **Jesus waits for you at Eucharistic Adoration.**

Peace and Justice... Catholic Relief Services: You Did It for Me...

Each year thousands of people die from malaria. In Niger, Catholic Relief Services is leading a project that ensures 17.5 million people sleep under the protection of mosquito nets.

Because of this, poor families are able to prevent a deadly disease from attacking the family. In addition, CRS is also able to provide medicine to young children who live in areas at risk for the wet season surge in malaria.

Learn more at: crs.org/you-did-it-for-me

Monday, Dec. 5th

10:00 a.m. Sodality of Mary –PC Snack Bar
4:00 p.m. St. Patrick's CYO - Gym
6:00 p.m. Net meeting –PC PMO
Spiritual Life Meeting –PC Rm 7

Tuesday, Dec. 6th

6:00 p.m. – PPT - PC PMO
5:00 p.m. St. Francis CYO-Gym

Wednesday, Dec. 7th

4:00 p.m. St. Patrick's CYO – Gym

Thursday, Dec. 8th -Holy Day of Obligation

THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Masses: 8:00 a.m., 12:15 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

5:00 p.m. St. Francis CYO-Gym

Friday, Dec. 9th

8:30 a.m. Adoration -Chapel
5:00 p.m. St. Patrick's CYO-Gym
6:30 p.m. Lessons & Carols Rehearsal

Sunday, Dec. 4th - Second Sunday of Advent

7:00 a.m. People Feeding People-PC Kitchen
9:00 - 10:15 a.m. ARISE! Faith Formation
3:00 p.m. Lessons & Carols
3:30 p.m. Girl Scouts



A very special thanks . . .

The **H.O.S.T.** Ministry would like to thank all who attended our Breakfast Buffet on Sunday, Nov. 18th as well as all H.O.S.T. members who participated in preparing for and serving the breakfast. The winner of the 50/50 raffle was Dorothy Skibel . Again, many thanks and we look forward to seeing you at the **next breakfast on January 15th** .

100% Handmade Craft Fair

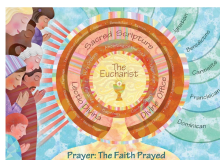
The 100% Handmade Craft Fair Committee would like to extend a gracious thank you to everyone who made or donated crafts, baked, and attended our recent Craft Fair. It was a huge success and the proceeds will greatly benefit our parish. Nancy Pickle was the winner of the Afghan raffle and Ellen Hourihan won the Christmas Tree skirt. Father Michael's stained glass ornaments will remain on sale and can be purchased in the Parish Center Monday – Friday during regular office hours and Sundays after Masses.

Mandatory Safety Meeting

If you were not able to attend the Mandatory Safety Meeting on November 28, it is imperative that you **contact Patti Monroe** at **532-3228** to arrange an appointment to complete the safety training as required by both the Diocese of Springfield and State of Massachusetts. **All volunteer personnel at Saint Theresa's must be certified as a safe volunteer. All training must be completed before Christmas.**

Arise Faith Formation . . .

We are looking for gently used furniture for our 8th and 9th grade class room. If you have a couch, easy chairs and 3' tall stools that you no longer use, please consider donating them to Saint Theresa's. Please call the **Parish Office** at **532-3228** to donate items.



St. Theresa Christmas Luncheon Buffet

Join us for the St. Theresa Christmas Luncheon Buffet on **Sunday December 18, 2016, 12:30 PM to 3:00 PM**. The menu, **catered by the Delaney House**, includes Fresh Fruit Salad, House Salad with Vinaigrette, Herb Baked Chicken and Honey Glazed Ham, Rice Pilaf, Green Bean Ammandine, Tortellini Salad and Rolls and Butter, followed by Dessert Pastries with Coffee, Tea, Soft Drinks, or Water. The Children's Menu features Chicken Fingers and Mac and Cheese. **Entertainment will be provided by Berkshire Hills Music Academy**, and there will be Door Prizes.

Ticket prices are \$17.00 Adult; \$10.00 for children ages 6-12, and no charge for children under age 6. Tickets will be available after all Masses on the following dates:

Saturday, Nov 26 and Sunday, Nov 27
Saturday, Dec 3 and Sunday, Dec 4
Saturday, Dec 10 and Sunday, Dec 11



Or, call 413-437-7306 for tickets.

Last year's luncheon was a warm and happy gathering! **We encourage you to also consider extending an invitation to any of our neighbors in the Greater South Hadley Community.**



Sunday, December 11th Lessons & Carols at 3:00 p.m. **St. Thérèse of Lisieux Parish** with a **reception** to follow by the **H.O.S.T** team.

Saturday, December 17th Assemble & Deliver Annual Christmas Fruit Baskets at 8:30 a.m. for our South Hadley elderly neighbors.

Sunday, December 18th Christmas Luncheon further details will be forthcoming in future bulletins.

The **H.O.S.T. team** is reaching out to the St. Theresa parish family for help with their annual, **Christmas fruit basket delivery** for our South Hadley neighbors in elderly housing, along with other shut-ins. The baskets contain fruit, candies and a gift card from Saint Theresa's parish. H.O.S.T invites you to join them in the multipurpose room on **Saturday, December 17th at 8:30 AM** to assemble the baskets. Last year, 190 fruit baskets were provided to residents of Newton Manner, Hubert Place and Lathrop Village. In addition to asking for help assembling the baskets, drivers are also needed for their delivery. **Call Rich & Dottie McKenna, Co-Chairs** of this outreach, at **413-335-0604** to find out how you can help spread cheer and joy this Christmas season!

SODALITY OF MARY WOMEN'S GROUP



The next Sodality of Mary Women's Group meeting is on **Monday, Dec. 5th at 10:00 a.m.** in the Parish Center, Snack bar. All women are invited to attend.

Lessons & Carols

A Festival of Prayer and Song



Combined Choirs of St. Theresa's, St. Patrick's and
Immaculate Heart of Mary
DANIEL MASHIA, *Conductor*
BRETON ABBONDANZIO, *Accompanist*

★ Join in the spirit of Christmas Giving: ★
Bring a canned good or monetary offering for the
benefit of the SOUTH HADLEY FOOD PANTRY

Sunday, December 11 ~ 3 pm

+ St. Theresa of Lisieux Church +

**9 East Parkview Drive
South Hadley, MA**

Advent/Christmas 2016

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--|---|--|---|---|---|---|
| Be Ready! 27 Jesus, the Son of Man, is coming again. Watch and be ready in faith for his return. Mt 24:37-44 | Lord, Heal Me 28 Lord, I am not worthy, but say the word and I shall be healed and forgiven. Mt 8:5-11 6pm Parish Safety Meeting | Jesse Tree 29 A shoot shall come forth from the stump of Jesse and a branch from his roots. Is 11:1-10 | Call on the Lord 30 Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. Romans 10:9-18 7pm Closing of the Mercy Door | Build on the Rock 1 Build your life on the words of Christ our Savior, the Rock of our Salvation. Mt 7:21, 24-27 | Lord Have Mercy 2 Son of David, open our hearts to behold your glory. Mt 9: 27-31 | Walk the Way 3 Walk the Way You will hear a word behind you saying, "This is the way, walk in it." Is 30: 19-21 |
| Repent! 4 Prepare the way of the Lord and bear fruit in keeping with repentance. Mt 3:1-12 | Jesus heals and forgives 5 The people glorified God, saying, "We have seen extraordinary things today!" Lk 5:17-26 | Comfort my People 6 Lift up your voice and announce the good news: "Behold your God!" Mt 21:28-32 | Renew Your Strength 7 The Lord will renew your strength, you will run and not be weary. Lk 40:25-31 | Chosen and Adopted 8 Before creation, God chose us in Christ to be his sons and daughters. Eph 1:3-6 | Peace Like a River 9 A river of peace and waves of righteousness are ours through our Redeemer. Is 48:17-19 | Elijah Must Come 10 John the Baptist came in the spirit and power of Elijah to prepare Christ's way. Mt 17: 9, 10-13 |
| Be Patient 11 Be patient as you await the day when our Lord will come as Judge and King. James 5: 7-10 3 pm Lessons and Carols | Magnify the Lord 12 Blessed is Mary among women and blessed is the fruit of her womb. Lk 1:38-47 6:30 pm Penance Service at Immaculate Heart of Mary | Repent and believe 13 Will you go and work in the vineyard of the Lord today? Mt 21:28-32 | Jesus Is the Messiah 14 The blind see, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed and the poor hear the good news! Lk 7:18-23 | I Am Your Redeemer 15 With Compassion and everlasting love, God gathers us to himself. Is 54: 1-10 | A Shining Lamp 16 As burning and shining lamps, we point to Jesus, the light of the world. Jn 5: 33-36 | Lion of Judah 17 The scepter will not depart from Judah until it comes to the rightful Ruler. Gen 49:2, 8-10 |
| Come Emmanuel 18 The Virgin will bear a Son and call his name Emmanuel, which means "God with Us." Is 7:10-14 12N Christmas Lunch | Filled With the Spirit 19 John will be filled with the Holy Spirit and go before the Lord to prepare his way. Lk 1:5-25 | Call His Name Jesus 20 Mary will conceive and bear a son and shall name him Jesus. Lk 1:26-38 | Rejoice and Sing! 21 Sing aloud! The Lord God is among us, the Mighty One who saves us! Zep 3:14-18 | Holy Is His Name 22 He who is mighty has done great things for me and holy is his name. Lk 1:46-56 | He Is Coming 23 He whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. Mal 3:1-4 | Light in the Dark 24 God gives light to those who sit in darkness and guides us in the way of peace. Lk 1:67-79 10:00pm Candlelight Mass of the Nativity |
| Christ Is Born! 25 I bring good news! To you is born this day a Savior, who is Christ the Lord! Lk 2:1-14 8 am Mass 10:30 am Mass | Lord, Jesus, receive my spirit! 26 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. God has given us a great light. Ps 118:26a, 27a | Rejoice in the Lord! 27 We declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; true fellowship with God and his Son. 1Jn:3 | Follow Me! 28 Behold those redeemed as the first fruits of the human race for God and the Lamb and who follow the Lamb wherever he goes. Rev. 14:4 | The Love of God 29 God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that all who believe in him may not die. Jn 3:16 | Come you nations! 30 Do not love the world or things of the world. Who ever does the will of God remains forever in him. 1 Jn 2: 12a, 17 | Let the heavens rejoice 31 The word of God became flesh and dwelt among us. Jn1:14a, 12a 4:00 Mass |

Daily Mass Scripture and Reflections in Preparation for Christmas and during Christmas week.