

St. Theresa of the Child Jesus

Honoring Our Past - Building Our Future

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Welcome to St. Theresa

We extend a warm welcome to all who attend our church. We hope that you will find our parish community a place where your life of faith will be nourished. We also hope that you will share your special gifts with the community. Your prayers, your presence, and your talents are most welcome. Please introduce yourself after Mass.

May God bless you all.

Pastor: Reverend Gray Bean, Ph.D. 352-3741

Deacon: Rev. Mr. Silverio Rubio-Roman 640-2872 or 577-0366

MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday thru Friday — 8:00 a.m.

Saturday — Vigil Mass at 5:30 p.m.
 (Confessions at 4:30 p.m.)

Sunday — 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 2:00 p.m. (Spanish),
 and 6:00 p.m.

FIRST FRIDAY SCHEDULE

8:00 a.m.: Mass

8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.: Exposition and adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

12:00 p.m.: Anointing of the Sick and Benediction (Luncheon will follow)

FIRST SATURDAY SCHEDULE

Rosary and Confessions from 12:00 p.m. - 12:30 p.m.
 Guided Meditation and Mass from 12:30 p.m. - 1:15 p.m.

The Epiphany of the Lord

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Mrs. Christian Cockerham (Chair).....	337-2990
Mr. John Barnard	382-6042
Mrs. Susan Bertani.....	699-7264
Mr. Tom Jones.....	563-0063
Mr. Joel Mitchell.....	699-8747
Mr. John Musgrove.....	699-6735
Mrs. Tracy Reed.....	637-1085
Mr. T.C. Shipman.....	661-9697
Mr. Walter Undeutsch.....	699-2989
Deacon Rev. Mr. Silverio Rubio-Roman.....	640-2872
Reverend Gray Bean, Ph.D.	352-3741

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Mrs. Mady Hartsfield (Chair).....	699-5616
Mr. Donny Grundhoefer.....	956-0421
Mr. Mark Musgrove.....	699-6630
Mr. Ernie Paffumi.....	702-4822
Reverend Gray Bean, Ph.D.	352-3741

PARISH SECRETARY

Ms. Bernadette Archer..... 352-3741

DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Mrs. Samantha Wadsworth..... 863-9920

YOUTH GROUP DIRECTOR

Ms. Andrea Booker..... 914-7884

MUSICIANS

Mrs. June Clark.....	823-1333
Mrs. Adrienne Price.....	542-9313
Mr. Derek Kluz.....	587-2306

WE RECYCLE... bring your aluminum cans ONLY. All proceeds will go to our Youth Group.



THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



From Father Bean

Thanks to everyone who remembered me with a gift or card during the Christmas Season. May the Lord reward your kindness!

BIRTHDAYS:

January

- 1...Vincent Oliver and John Barnard
- 2...Diane Yackee
- 3...Millard Tankersley
- 4...Steven Rodia and Evan Tucker
- 5...Hilary Weston and Stephanie Jaimes
- 6...Ann McEntire, Patrick Ehret,
Anthony Paffumi, Elizabeth Bandura
- 7...John Dean, Margaret Berry, Sandra
Hannah, Josiah Vacheresse, Stewart
Crowder, Emily Giangrosso
- 8...Suzanne Vickrey
- 9...Billie Musgrove, Mark Falletta, Maria
Ochoa, MaryCarmen Rios-Sanchez
- 10...Noradino Chavarrias, Matthew Pereda
Litzzy Ramos



Pray for
the sick:

Paul Lipham, William Loris, Elizabeth Michlis,
Catherine Owen, Marie LaRussa, John Joyner,
Jennifer Morris, Patricia Kurant, Kenna
Parramore, Vivian Fuqua, Kathy Schramer,
Virginia Hitechew, Grace Bryan Butler, Bill
Fager, Joy Martin, Chuck Jones, Paul Wright,
Kim Lilly, Shirley Winslett, Clara LaRussa,
Mary Toro, Clarence Small, Don & Pat
Standifer, Mildred Fayard, Terry & Eileen
Taylor, Chris Goodwin and family, France
Ragsdale, Patricia Kennedy, Caleb Williams,
Paul Yeager, Richard Coyne, Maisy
Schumann, Godfrey Fayard, Jushua Hayes,
Blake Alexander, and Barbara Kuberski



Pray for the
homebound:

Dean & Tom Atkinson, Lena Tudisco, Robert
Godwin, Cathy Padgett, Anthony Oddo,
and James Coates.

PSR NEWS PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Happy New Year!

Attention First Holy Communion Parents: We will have a brief mandatory parent meeting in the church on Sunday, January 18 at 9:15.

Theology of the Body/Confirmation class will be January 21 at 6 PM.

Confirmation parents and students: The Essay, chapter 4 quiz and Sponsor eligibility form will be due at this meeting. All information can be found in the binder.

Looking ahead:

Feb. 7-First Reconciliation 10 AM.

Feb. 11-Confirmation and
Theology of the Body class 6PM

Feb. 18-Ash Wednesday

Feb. 21-Confirmation Retreat-Casa Maria



GETTING MARRIED

Please contact the Parish Office at least **six months** prior to desired date.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Please make arrangements in Parish Office to attend pre-baptismal class prior to birth of child. No Baptisms are celebrated within Mass during Advent and Lent.

MINISTRY FOR THE SICK

If you would like to become part of this ministry or in need of its service, please call the Parish Office at 352-3741

FUNERALS

Please contact the Parish Office before making Funeral Home arrangements.

The Family Night Dinner will resume the first Wednesday in February. There will be no dinner in January.

Please pick up a free copy of Bishop Fulton Sheen's *Finding True Happiness*. There are copies located in the foyer. Take a copy for a friend as well! Pass it on!



CHRISTMAS CARDS

The Knights of Columbus are collecting used Christmas cards and magazines for nursing homes. The collection box is located in the vestibule and will remain there for the entire month of January.

Annual Respect Life Mass and March lead by Bishop Baker
Saturday, January 17, 2015

Pray and Unite for Life Mass at Cathedral of St. Paul, 9:00 A.M.
Birmingham March for Life, 10:45 AM Brother Bryan Park
22nd Street South at 10th Avenue, Birmingham, AL
www.BirminghamMarchforLife.com - 205-705-9158



January 3/4

LECTOR: _____ **EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS of HOLY COMMUNION:** _____ **ALTAR SERVERS:** _____ **USHERS/GREETERS:** _____

Sat. 5:30 pm.....J. Mitchell.....R. Bessette.....R. Mitchell.....NEED VOLUNTEERS
Sun. 8:00 am.....T. Jones.....Deacon, J. Rubio, J. Jones.....O. Lovelady, K. Cole.....M. Lovelady, NEED VOLUNTEER
Sun. 10:30 am.....B. Stanley.....S. Pantoja, D. Johnson, T. Reed.....A. Pantoja, A. Pantoja.....J. Rielly, Y. Chasteen
Sun. 6:00 pm.....C. Whaley.....M. Pitts.....J. Porterfield, C. Gosdin.....A. Whaley, B. Gosdin, B. Watkins

January 10/11

LECTOR: _____ **EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS of HOLY COMMUNION:** _____ **ALTAR SERVERS:** _____ **USHERS/GREETERS:** _____

Sat. 5:30 pm.....B. Cole.....K. Bernklau.....R. Mitchell, Z. Archer.....F. Bernklau, NEED VOLUNTEER
Sun. 8:00 am.....W. Undeutsch.....Deacon, J. Cole, M. Undeutsch.....W. Baumbach, K. Cole.....NEED VOLUNTEERS
Sun. 10:30 am.....R. Turner.....J. McFarlane, J. Ouellette, B. Ouellette.....P. Shivers, F. Shivers.....T.C. Shipman, D. Turner, L. Cockerham
Sun. 6:00 pm.....T. Price.....M. Barfield.....C. Ziegenbien, M. Waites.....B. Watkins, N. Bertani

January 17/18

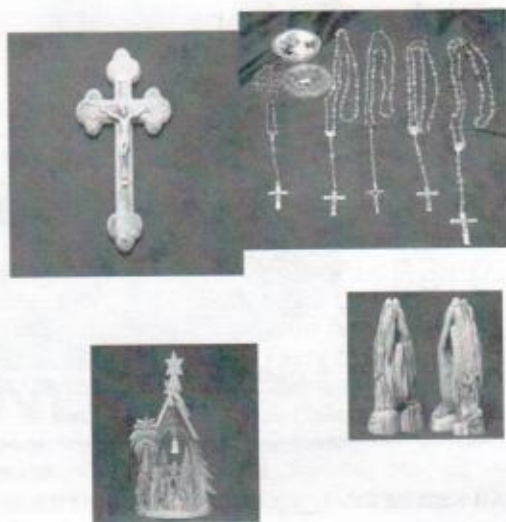
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Sat. 5:30 pm.....M. Goforth.....A. M. Couldron.....R. Mitchell.....F. Bernklau, NEED VOLUNTEER
Sun. 8:00 am.....T. Jones.....Deacon, J. Ouellette, B. Ouellette.....O. Lovelady, J. Porterfield.....M. Lovelady, NEED VOLUNTEER
Sun. 10:30 am.....P. Ragsdale.....T. Cannova, D. Johnson, Y. Chasteen.....An. Sabri, Al Sabri.....S. Sabri, Y. Chasteen, D. Turner
Sun. 6:00 pm.....M. Bessette.....D. Ziegenbien.....C. Ziegenbien, C. Gosdin.....B. Gosdin, N. Bertani, B. Watkins

Holy Land Gifts- Olive Wood Carvings for sale after Masses

Saida & George Rashmawi, volunteer members from the Roman Catholic Church in Bethlehem in the Holy Land are visiting our parish the weekend of Jan. 10/11. They will speak to us about the Christian struggle in the Holy Land and they also have some beautiful Olive Wood carvings which are all handmade by the Christian people over there.

This is a Church mission to maintain the existence of the Catholic people in the Holy Land. Catholic Christians were once the majority in that land but the percentage has now dropped to less than 1.5%. Please take time to look at the carvings, make a purchase and help this worthy cause. These carvings make great sacramental gifts that have an added special significance.



COUNCIL 5597 Knights of Columbus meets the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7pm. For more information call Terry Taylor at 205-352-3118.

The KC Ladies Auxiliary invites ALL ladies age 18 and over to join us on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm. Our purpose is to support the Knights of Columbus' charitable causes in the Church and Community...and have fun too! For more information call Boots Barnard at 640-3350.

4th Degree meets every 1st Thursday at the Knights' House at 7:00 p.m. Call Dr. Bill Watkins at 640-7788.

(Year - B) Today's readings:	Isaiah 60: 1-6; Ephesians 3: 2-3a, 5-6; Matthew 2: 1-12
Baptism of the Lord	Isaiah 55: 1-11; 1John 5:1-9; Mark 1: 7-11

Mass Intentions



JANUARY

Sat. 3 (5:30pm): Alipio, Jr. and Leticia Tomas...special intentions

Sun. 4 (8:00am): Javier Quiroz...R.I.P.

Sun. 4 (10:30am): For all parishioners of St. Theresa Church

Sun. 4 (6:00pm): Kenny and Elizabeth Sutton...special intentions

Tue. 6: Frances Ross...R.I.P. and Robert Bessette...R.I.P.

Wed. 7: Lynn Torigi...special intention

Thu. 8: Holly Wright...special intention

Fri. 9: Mary Undeutsch...special intention



EDUCATIONAL CORNER

FIRST READING: This section of Isaiah is getting us ready for Epiphany. All the Children of Abraham, descendants of Isaac (Jews) from near and far,

descendants of Ishmael and even the Gentiles are coming to worship the Lord in Jerusalem. This LIGHT symbolizes the blessings to come.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: This is a royal psalm in which the Israelite King, as a representative of God, is the instrument of divine justice and blessing for the whole world. He asked that he may govern the people with justice, and use the right judgment for the oppressed and the poor. He asked that he may keep the people from extortion and violence.

SECOND READING: St. Paul is writing this letter to the Christians in Ephesus. He reminds them of how he became a missionary to the Gentiles for Jesus Christ. He explains his deepened understanding of God's plan of salvation in Christ. He explains to the Gentiles that they have been included in God's divine plan. The fulfillment of the plan in Christ gives the whole Church more confidence through FAITH IN GOD.

GOSPEL: Baby Jesus had been born; King Herod was ruler of the land of Judah in Bethlehem. Three Magi (of the Persian priestly caste and astrologers) came to Bethlehem by following a star. It was a common ancient belief that a new star appeared at the time of a ruler's birth. In the Old Testament, Numbers 24, Balaam prophesied that "A star shall advance from Jacob". The people felt that this was the "star" for the KING OF THE JEWS. The Magi paid homage to baby Jesus and gave him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. The Magi being very wise did not trust King Herod and returned to their country on a different route.

QUICK GRASP OF CATHOLIC FAITH: Canon Law

Continuation regarding our sacred Ministers: The canonical tradition does not like a ministerial LONER (i.e. an unattached or free-floating cleric. Therefore; every ordained minister must be connected, tied in to a particular church (diocese) or religious institute. The canonical terms for this linkage are incardination (from the Latin *cardo*, hinge, hence meaning hinged on, like a door on a jamb) or inscription. This attachment canonically anchors and identifies every ordained minister. MORE TO COME ON OUR CLERICS!