

January 3, 2016



St. Theresa of the Child Jesus

Honoring Our Past - Building Our Future

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MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday thru Friday — 9:00 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), 6:00 p.m.

FIRST FRIDAY SCHEDULE

9:00 a.m.: Mass

9:30 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.

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

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

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

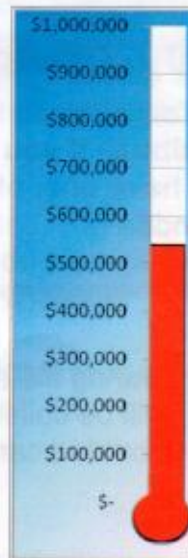
Mrs. June Clark.....823-1333
Mrs. Adrienne Price.....542-9313
Mr. Derek Kluz.....587-2306

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St. Theresa of the Child Jesus - Parish Life Center

Pledges Received: \$539,200



41% of our Parish Families and 30 Non-Parishioner Friends of St. Theresa have joined together to reach the **54%** mark of our \$1,000,000 goal to keep the Parish Debt-Free.

THANK YOU for your generous support! We are still accepting pledges and contributions toward our new Parish Life Center – additional pledge cards are in the vestibule, if needed.



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



"Each must do as already determined, without sadness or compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver" – (2 Corinthians 9:7)

BIRTHDAYS:

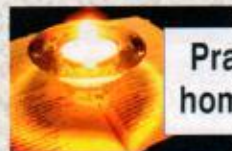
JANUARY

- 1.....John Barnard, Debra Celeri, Jesus Gutierrez, Tony Hill, Vincent Oliver
- 2.....Diane Yackee
- 3.....Francisco Garcia-Gonzalez, Millard Tankersley
- 4.....Evan Tucker, Coraima Fonseca-Sanchez
- 5.....Fernando Garcia-Gonzalez, Stephanie Jaimes, Hilary Weston
- 6.....Elizabeth Bandura, Patrick Ehret, Ann McEntire, Anthony Paffumi
- 7.....Margaret Berry, Stewart Crowder, John Dean, Emily Giangrosso, Sandra Hannah, Hugo Sanchez, Josiah Vacheresse
- 8.....Suzanne Vickrey



Pray for the sick:

Josephine Graven, Jones, Karen, Louis Birchfield, Sthlagerter, Eloise Mitchell, Mary Barrett Byrd, Martha Slatsky, Janis Welch, Paul Lipham, Elizabeth Michlis, Catherine Owen, Marie LaRussa, Kenna Parramore, Kathy Schramer, Joyce Lacey, Jean Mock, Grace Bryan Butler, Chuck Jones, Paul Wright, Shirley Winslett, Clara LaRussa, Mary Toro, Don & Pat Standifer, Mildred Fayard, Terry & Eileen Taylor, Chris Goodwin and family, France Ragsdale, Patricia Kennedy, Caleb Williams, Paul Yeager, Richard Coyne, Maisy Schumann, Joshua Hayes, Blake Alexander, and Barbara Kuberski, Eugene and Libby Nabors, Joanna Hale, Robert, Rose Butera, Mary Behan, Sheila Blackston, Benny Garza, Charlie-Kai Wadsworth, Jack Coppola, Patricia Maddux, Cayden Cox, Yolanda Chasteen, Dee Watkins, Marcie Goforth, Curtis White, Jeff Bearden



Pray for the homebound:

Audrey McGowan, Dean & Tom Atkinson, Lena Tudisco, Robert Godwin, Cathy Padgett, Anthony Oddo, and James Coates Marcia P'Pool

GETTING MARRIED BAPTISM PREPARATION MINISTRY FOR THE SICK FUNERALS

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

Please make arrangements in Parish Office to attend pre-baptismal class prior to birth of child.

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

Please contact the Parish Office before making Funeral Home arrangements.

PSR News
Parish School of Religion

Happy New Year!

ATTENTION PARENTS: PSR classes will begin again next Sunday, January 10th.

YOUTH GROUP

St. Theresa Youth group wanted to wish the church a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!!



2016 Offertory Envelopes Now Available

Do not forget to pick up your box of offertory envelopes in the vestibule. If you did not get a box assigned to you and wish to have one, please contact the parish office for assistance.



During the month of January, the Knights of Columbus will be collecting used Christmas cards. Please place donated cards in the drop box located in the vestibule.

Fr. Bean will be going out of town from Monday, January 11 through Friday, January 15 and will return in time to celebrate the weekend Masses.

The Parish Dinner for Wednesday, January 6 has been CANCELLED.



We are pleased to announce that our church is in the process of putting together a beautiful, full color, cutting-edge Parish Directory.

This directory will be professionally produced and will include full color family portraits with names, addresses, telephone numbers, and e-mail address of everyone who participates. It is very important that EVERY Parish Family be included to assure a complete up-to-date directory!

Everyone who participates will receive the following at NO CHARGE:

- One 8 x 10 professional family portrait
- One printed Parish Directory
- One ONLINE Parish Directory
- A Smart Phone App to access the online directory on your mobile devices

Additional quality family portraits will be offered at competitive prices.

TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT PLEASE GO TO THE PARISH WEBSITE AT sttheresaleeds.org.

If you are unable to access the internet and need assistance with making your appointment, or if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call Yolanda Chasteen at (205) 338-3096. She will be more than happy to help you. If unavailable, please leave a detailed message of what you need help with and she will return your call as soon as possible. She can also be reached on her cell phone at (205) 821-8454.

Once your registration has been completed, you will receive a confirmation number. Be sure to write it down along with the date and time that you have requested. This is for further reference in case you need to make any changes for your appointment.

We need ALL PARISHIONERS to participate to make the directory as complete as possible... Thank you for your cooperation and participation!

Quick Tips for your photos:

- Be on-time for your appointment
- Wear solid bright colors to keep your portraits look fresh and crisp
- SMILE!



COUNCIL 5597 Knights of Columbus meets the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7pm. For more information call Alan Whaley at 205-699-7798. 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 3rd Thursday (quarterly) in the Parish Hall at 7:00 p.m. Call Dr. Bill Watkins at 640-7788.

JANUARY 2/3

LECTOR:

5:30pm—B. Cole
8:00am—J. Baumbach
10:30am—R. Turner
6:00pm—J. Reilly

EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION:

5:30pm—J. Cole
8:00am—Deacon
10:30am—J. MacFarlane
6:00pm—M. Barfield

USHERS/GREETERS:

5:30pm—J. Barnard, F. Bernklau
8:00am—J. Baumbach, T. Taylor
10:30am—D. Turner, N. Barrett
6:00pm—B. Watkins, J. Reilly

ALTAR SERVERS:

5:30pm—K. Cole
8:00am—W. Baumbach
10:30am—S. Cantavespre, Sabri
6:00pm—C. Gosdin, C. Ziegenbein

JANUARY 9/10:

LECTOR:

5:30pm—J. Mitchell
8:00am—W. Undeutsch
10:30am—B. Stanley
6:00pm—D. Vacheresse

EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION:

5:30pm—Deacon
8:00am—M. Undeutsch
10:30am—D. Birchfield
6:00pm—V. Oliver

USHERS/GREETERS:

5:30pm—D. Eason, A. Whaley, S. Scherer
8:00am—T. Taylor, M. Lovelady
10:30am—T.C. Shipman, J. Oddo, Y. Chasteen
6:00pm—J.C. Vacheresse, N. Bertani, I. Vacheresse

ALTAR SERVERS:

5:30pm—R. Mitchell, A. Lindsay
8:00am—O. Lovelady
10:30am—K. Hess, Patrick Shivers
6:00pm—M. Waites, C. Gosdin

QUICK GRASP OF CATHOLIC FAITH: CANON LAW

LITURGY OF THE WORD: The Church fulfills its sanctifying function in a special way through the liturgy. In the liturgy, the Mystical Body of Christ, head and members, offers public worship to God. This worship occurs when it is carried out in the name of the Church, by persons appointed, and through acts approved by Church authority. The **FIRST READING** is always found in the Old Testament. "We sit and listen to the word of God as it was spoken through his prophets and apostles. The Reader takes their place in speaking to us. At the end of the reading: **READER SAY:** The word of the Lord. **PEOPLE SAY: THANKS BE TO GOD.**

(Year - C) Today's readings:	Isaiah 60: 1-6; Ephesians 3:2-3a,5-6; Matthew 2:1-12
Baptism of the Lord	Isaiah 40:1-5,9-11; Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

Mass Intentions

JANUARY

Sat. 2 (5:30pm): Evelyn Paffumi... special intention
Ernest Paffumi... R.I.P.

Sun. 3 (8:00am): John Martignoni... special intention

Sun. 3 (10:30am): For all parishioners of St. Theresa Church

Sun. 3 (6:00pm): Elizabeth Sutton... R.I.P.

Tue. 5: Euel and Billie Musgrove... special intentions

Wed. 6: Rachel Lee... special intention

Thu. 7: Laura Gadhile... special intention

Fri. 8: Mary Undeutsch... special intention



EDUCATIONAL CORNER

FIRST READING: This passage from Isaiah constitutes the First Reading at the Mass of the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord. The people from afar who brought gifts to the new city are a type of the Magi, the wise men or astrologers from the East, who traveled to bring gifts to the infant Christ after his Birth. This reading also extols and praises the beauty of the restored city of Jerusalem. (CCC 716)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: The king of Israel was responsible for imparting justice in his realm. In practice, many of the kings of Israel failed seriously in this regard. With the loss of population through exile combined with the loss of the Davidic monarchy, the hope for future justice became invested in the Messiah, the perfect king foretold by the prophets. Justice and peace would be one of the chief features of the Messiah's reign, especially in light of its emphasis on the love and care for the poor and afflicted.

SECOND READING: Paul, the Apostle to the Gentiles, was sent by Christ to preach to the uncircumcised, those who were not of the Jewish faith, although not exclusively. He revealed to them the "mystery of Christ" from which promises of hope derived from the Son of God made man. (CCC 424-425,772,2778)

GOSPEL: The identity of Jesus as the Christ, the Son of God, was revealed in stages; first to Mary and Joseph, then to shepherds and then to the Magi, and later to John the Baptist and then to the disciples. The mission of the Church is to make Christ known to all nations. The shepherds were the poor and ignorant and the Magi represented the pagan believers and intellectuals. All are called to share in the gift of salvation in Christ's Kingdom by receiving the Good News and recognizing Jesus as the Christ, the Son of God and the king of all nations. (CCC 430,528,724)