

January 31, 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

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| Mrs. June Clark..... | 823-1333 |
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PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING CAREFULLY...

We are pleased to announce that the Portrait Café will be returning to St. Theresa Church for another photo session. ***The dates for picture taking is Saturday, March 6th and Sunday, March 7th.***

THIS IS ONLY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS WHO STILL HAVE TO GET THEIR PICTURES TAKEN. PLEASE DO NOT MAKE AN APPOINTMENT IF YOU HAVE ALREADY BEEN PHOTOGRAPHED.

The website should be up sometime this week for you to begin scheduling your appointment. ***Please make sure that you make your appointment as soon as possible. Go to the parish website at***

www.sttheresaleeds.org

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS CALL YOLANDA CHASTEEN AT (205) 338-3096.

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.

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



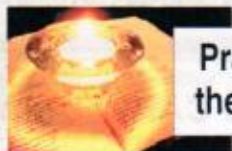
BIRTHDAYS:

JANUARY

- 30...Deacon Rubio, Sophia Sabri, John Musso
Steve Schmidt, Erick Tellez-Martinez,
Rosalba Castillo-Aguilar
31...Katherine Smith, Amanda Thomas,
Jonathan Guevara0.

FEBRUARY

- 1...Jason Cash, Ronnie Ferguson, Joyce
Lacey
2...Chase Birchfield, Beatrice Eubanks, Lanny
P'Pool, Celia Smith
3...Juanita Cole, Marcia Wells, Javier Gomez,
Claudia Garcia-Vasquez
4...Anthony Bandura, Owin Analco-Pacheco,
Rian-Michael Rodriguez
5...Sara Archer, Peter Ann Ryan, Jerome
Bradford, Dennis McCarrick, Alex Reza



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, Katelyn Mock, Amanda Mock, Lauren,
Gerry Parker, Rebecca Liechty



Pray for the
homebound:

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

PSR News Parish School of Religion

- The Sacrament of First Reconciliation is Saturday, January 30th at 10:00 am.
- **Our saint of the week is: St. John Bosco** His Feast Day is Jan.31. When John Bosco lived in Europe, many boys were orphaned & poor. Without families & religious training, these boys often got into fights, used bad language, & stole, hurting others. His devout mother helped him not to be like that. John was the youngest son of a poor family, & his father died when he was 2. As a child, he taught religion to other boys & got them to go to church. His acrobatics & magic tricks fascinated them. Encouraged by a priest, John entered the seminary where they saw that he was a natural leader. They encouraged him to keep other young people out of trouble. He had a gift for handling difficult boys & making everyone feel important. John was able to get a house for the boys & his mother became the housekeeper. In the first six years the number of boys at the house grew to 150. Because of his good work, even his enemies who tried to kill him began to support him. He worked tirelessly & did not take time to rest. "Right now," he said, "how can I rest? The devil doesn't rest from his work." In 1859 John began a religious community of priests which is still active today, caring for boys who have been neglected. Because John admired Francis de Sales, he named the group the Salesians. Later, he helped start a community of Sisters to help girls. When John died, 40,000 people came to his wake.
- **Our Scripture of the week is: Jeremiah 1:5** "Before I formed you in your mother's womb I chose you. Before you were born I set you apart. I appointed you to be a prophet to the nations."

The Wadsworth Family wishes to thank everyone for their prayers, meals provided, gifts and support. May God bless you all.

If you would like to bless Samantha Wadsworth and her family with a meal, please go to the website

TakeThemAMeal.com

Put in the following information:
Under Find, type Wadsworth for the recipient's name.
The password is **jmj2016**

The directions and meal calendar are provided on the website. The meals will be greatly appreciated! Thank you!



RCIA SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY 2016

Catechumante

Wednesday, February 3, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.
Anointing of the Sick with Fr. Bean

February 10...Ash Wednesday...NO CLASS...Mass at 6:30 p.m.

February 17...*Matrimony (also "Gay Marriage")* with Dave Vacheresse

February 24...*Made in the Image of God/Dignity of the Human Person*
with Fr. Bean

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.

UPDATE ON BENNY GARZA: Benny continues to improve but is still in serious condition. If his current improvement continues he may be able to go home sometime within a month. Please continue to pray for him and ask Sr. Leonie Martin to intercede on his behalf!

FAMILY DINNER THIS TUESDAY NIGHT, February 2 AT 6:00 PM. Bring a dish to share.

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION February 5 — 9:00am Mass, 9:30am-12:00pm Exposition and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 12:00pm Anointing of the Sick.

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION February 6 — 12:00-12:30pm Rosary and Confessions, 12:30-1:15pm Guided Meditation and Mass

ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10: Masses at 9:00 AM and 6:30 PM

Lenten Soup Meals

Beginning on Friday, February 12th, we will be having a simple meatless soup meal in the parish hall after stations of the cross at 6pm. The meal will immediately following stations.

If you would like to help with one of the meals there will be a sign-up sheet in the vestibule. For more information, please call Susan Bertani at 427-6425.

Annual Valentine Bake Sale

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of Columbus will have their Annual "Valentine's Bake Sale" after the 5:30pm, 8:00am and 10:30am Masses. All Parishioners are welcome to donate home-baked goods. Proceeds to benefit our Scholarship Fund and the KC State Program against Domestic Violence.

Will the 2016 Lenten season REALLY be your best Lent ever?

Best Lent Ever is built around encountering Jesus—and yourself—in a deeply personal way, and developing (or nourishing) a habit of daily prayer. Based on Matthew Kelly's new bestseller *Rediscover Jesus*, the free email program leads to a transformative Lent and everyday life.

Beginning Ash Wednesday and continuing through the 40 days of Lent, participants will receive daily inspirational emails with short videos from Matthew Kelly, a *New York Times* bestselling author, and one of our incredible Dynamic Catholic Team members.

These brief, personal reflections will give you simple ways to bring Jesus into your everyday life. So, will it really be your best Lent ever? That is entirely up to you. Sign up today and commit to doing something life changing this Lent. To learn more, visit DynamicCatholic.com/BestLentEver



Holy Land Gifts- Olive Wood Carvings for sale after Masses

Saida & George Rashmawi, who are volunteer members from the Roman Catholic Church in Bethlehem in the Holy Land, will be visiting St. Theresa Church the weekend of March 5/6. They will speak to us about the Christian struggle in the Holy Land. They will also have some beautiful Olive Wood carvings which are all handmade by the Christian people in Bethlehem—for sale after all the Masses that weekend. The purpose of this visit is to help 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 church maintain a presence in the very land where our Lord was born, where he preached the Good News and where his Kingdom was first established. These carvings make great sacramental gifts that have an added special significance given where and why they were made.



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.

OFFERING ENVELOPES 2016

We thank all for their faithful and generous contributions in 2015. Only God can reward such generosity.

As we are now using **Envelopes for Year 2016**, we ask you to please destroy all leftover envelopes of year 2015 to avoid confusion. Note that the yellow envelopes enclosed are marked **DEVELOPMENT**, and the proceeds from those envelopes go directly to the Building Fund; they may also be used to make your Building Pledge Payments.

We ask St. Theresa, our patroness, to intercede for us as we imitate her "Little Way" each day.

FEBRUARY 6/7:

LECTOR:

5:30pm—B. Cole
8:00am—K. Reynolds
10:30am—P. Ragsdale
6:00pm—J. Reilly

EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION:

5:30pm—K. Bernklau
8:00am—J. Cole
10:30am—T. Reed
6:00pm—Deacon

USHERS/GREETERS:

5:30pm—D. Eason, J. Smith, F. Bernklau
8:00am—T. Taylor, M. Lovelady
10:30am—T.C. Shipman, L. Cockerham, S. Pantoja
6:00pm—J. Reilly, B. Watkins

ALTAR SERVERS:

5:30pm—C. Gosdin, R. Mitchell
8:00am—O. Lovelady
10:30am—S. Cantavespre, K. Hess
6:00pm—M. Waites, C. Ziegenbein

QUICK GRASP OF CATHOLIC FAITH: CANON LAW

Continuation of the Greeting of the Gospel: A gesture is suggested when the Priest or Deacon is ready to begin the reading of the Gospel: **WE ARE TO TAKE OUR THUMB AND MAKE A CROSS ON OUR FOREHEAD, LIPS, AND HEART.** As we do these three signs of the cross, we say to ourselves "May the Lord purify my understanding, my speech and my heart, so that I may receive the words of the Gospel." This outward sign is meant to help us to focus on the words of Our Savior that we hear in the gospel. After the homily, we stand again and affirm our faith and trust in God and all that God has revealed. The Nicene Creed is a set of beliefs; the Latin word credo means "I believe." Nicaea was the site of a universal council of the early Church in 325, and this creed is a product of that Council as well as of a later one held in Constantinople in 381. Most of the Creed is actually taken from scriptures in the Bible. **MORE ABOUT THE CREED NEXT WEEK.**

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| (Year - C) Today's readings: | Jeremiah 1:4-5,17-19; 1Corinthians 12:31-13:13 or 13:4-13; Luke 4:21-30 |
| 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time | Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8; 1Corinthians 15:1-11 or 15:3-8,11; Luke 5:1-11 |

Mass Intentions

JANUARY

Sat. 30 (5:30pm): Shirley Baumbach...R.I.P.
Sun. 31 (8:00am): Shirley Baumbach...R.I.P.
Sun. 31 (10:30am): For all parishioners of St. Theresa Church
Sun. 31 (6:00pm): Dr. Marilyn Left...R.I.P.

FEBRUARY

Tue. 2: Deacon Rubio...special intention
Wed. 3: Shirley Baumbach...R.I.P.
Thu. 4: Robert Bessette...R.I.P.
Fri. 5: Sara Archer...special intention
Sat. 6 (12:30pm): Fr. Pascal Mary...special intention



EDUCATIONAL CORNER



FIRST READING: This section of the Book of Jeremiah refers to the mystery of personal vocation. God not only calls Jeremiah to serve Him as a prophet but also preordains him for this purpose before his conception. In a similar way, God chose Mary from eternity to be the Mother of Jesus Christ. John the Baptist was also designated before conception. Jeremiah's response was not a refusal to answer God's call. He responded with humility to God's invitation but, given his sense of unworthiness, was strongly perplexed for being chosen personally. (CCC 2584)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: This psalm is a prayer for lifelong protection and help. The progression of old age can be difficult for many people. As their strength decreases and their infirmities grow, many of the elderly wonder why does it have to be this way! Some people even question God about this happening. They all wish to be restore to better health so they can serve God better. **REMEMBER...our ultimate restoration will be at the resurrection of the body when our glorified bodies will be reunited with our souls on the last day.**

SECOND READING: St. Paul is teaching the Corinthians about "the way of love". Chapter 13:4-7 has been read for centuries. It tells exactly what love should be (look it up in 1 Corinthians). "So **FAITH, HOPE, LOVE**, abide, these three... the greatest of these is **LOVE.**"

GOSPEL: The timeframe of this scripture is after Jesus spent 40 days in the wilderness being tempted by the devil. Jesus started teaching and preaching in Galilee. He came to Nazareth and went to the synagogue as he always did. Jesus preached that many of the Old Testament prophets were spurned and even persecuted by their own people. When the people heard this, they were filled with wrath and they put Jesus out of the city. As the people were planning to throw Jesus over the city wall, He walked silently through the crowd and went away. "No prophet is acceptable in his own country". (CCC 558)