

Saint Theresa of the Child Jesus Catholic Church

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The Transfiguration of the Lord

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Pope Francis' prayer intention for August: That artists of our time, through their ingenuity, may help everyone discover the beauty of creation.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS: August 5, 5:00 PM: Randy and Celia Smith, SI, August 6, 8:00 AM: Matthew Clanton, RIP, 10:30 AM: For the people of the Parish, August 8, 9:00 AM: Harry Fager, RIP, August 9, 9:00 AM: Matthew Clanton, RIP, August 10, 9:00 AM: Daisy Golea, SI, August 11, 9:00 AM: Susie Modica Howard, SI

Building Fund Pledge Renewal – Many who have paid off their initial pledge have asked about how to continue contributing to help pay off the Diocesan loan. There is no need to sign another pledge card! Simply indicate “Building Fund” on your check and envelope and drop it into the collection basket. Your donations will be added to your pledge total. For anyone who has not yet made a donation to the Parish Life Center building fund, use the same procedure. May God Bless You for your generosity!

Diocesan Loan Beginning Total: \$762,771.00

Amount Paid to Date: \$114,381.28

Amount Still Owed: \$641,199.08

Memorial Brick Campaign – We have received many compliments on how beautiful the memorial bricks look at the entrance of the Parish Life Center. We are now re-opening the brick campaign for anyone who would like to purchase memorial bricks. This part of the campaign will be for the GREY color bricks that surround the existing red brick cross design. This will be the LAST CHANCE to purchase memorial bricks for the entrance as we will be PERMANENTLY SECURING ALL THE BRICKS when this campaign closes.

Order forms for the bricks are available in the front and side foyers.

Fr Bean's lecture series on “Christian Mysticism” will continue this Wednesday, August 9 at 10:00 AM (Parish Life Center Hall). The topic will be “St. Francis of Assisi”.

Parish trip to the **Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament** and the St. John Paul II Eucharistic Center in Hanceville, Alabama, on Saturday, August 19 (depart at 8:00 AM). The bus is FULL! You may follow the bus or simply meet us in Hanceville at the Shrine at 9:00 AM. A catered lunch will be provided at the Shrine for a minimal cost. The day is packed so “eat your Wheaties” and wear your walking shoes!! WE will be back in Leeds at 6:00 PM.

The K of C 7th ANNUAL YARD SALE will be held on September 15-16 from 7:30 am-2:00 pm. Please save your donations this year for drop off on September 11-14. Clothing donations denim only please. Thank you!

RCIA/Adult Formation: We know there is someone in your family who may be curious about the Church. You may sit next to a co-worker who is feeling "incomplete" "unfulfilled" "searching" and "afraid" to take the next step. Or perhaps you are a Catholic who wants a refresher course. This new class is open to all adults. **The first meeting will on Sunday, September 3 at 9:00 AM in the Parish Life Center Library.** The text for this year's class is “Catholicism for Dummies” by Rev. John Trigilio. You may purchase a copy at Books-a-Million or Barnes and Noble. Copies will available for purchase at the first meeting for \$15.00. Fr. Bean will be the instructor. Everyone is welcome!

The Goretti Group for Girls will meet Monday night - August 7, 5:30 @ the Vacherese House. Meeting is earlier so we can collect canned goods at the donating stores. Topic: Ready for School, Keep the Faith!!

The Marian Year of Grace of the Diocese of Birmingham in Alabama...the 100th Anniversary of the Apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima....upcoming events in our Parish:

- **THIS WEEK!** Wednesday, August 9: “Mary and the Bible” We welcome Diocesan Office of Evangelization Director John Martignoni for a reflection on this important topic. Sandwiches will be served at 6:00PM followed by a Rosary with Fr. Bean. John will give his talk and have a Q&A at 7:00PM. Please sign up in the foyer if you will be joining us for the meal so we can prepare for you!
- Beginning Sunday, September 10 the Parish will begin the “33 Days to Morning Glory Retreat”. The great thing about this retreat is that it is done from the comfort of your own home! The book for this retreat will be on sale soon for \$4.00. If you would like to participate, please send an email to 33daysST@gmail.com. Each participant will need a copy of the book and access to the internet (computer, phone or tablet). We will hold a book order on a Sunday soon, so watch for details in the bulletin and from our parish flocknote. A brief description: “from Fr. Michael E. Gaitley, MIC, author of the bestselling book *Consoling the Heart of Jesus*, comes an extraordinary 33-day journey to Marian consecration. Featuring the teachings of four giants of Marian spirituality—St. Louis de Montfort, St. Maximilian Kolbe, St. Teresa of Calcutta, and Pope St. John Paul II—Fr. Gaitley shows how simple it is to put Marian devotion into practice.” (formed.org)
- October 7th, First Saturday and the Feast of the Holy Rosary. After confessions (11:30), Rosary (12:00) and Mass (12:30) in the church we will gather in the Parish Life Center Hall for a simple lunch and Diane Penney’s presentation entitled “Coincidence? I Don’t Think So!” This presentation will highlight the connections (since 1517) among world events, appearances of Our Lord, Marian apparitions, Catholic Feast Days, and signs in the heavens. Please join us as we discern how our Lord is a God of order and harmony, even in private revelation.

PARISH FEAST DAY!

Saturday, September 30: **The Saint Theresa Festival!** Food, Games, Live Music! This will be held outside on 3rd Avenue and inside at the Parish Life Center. Sunday, October 1: **Feast Day of St. Theresa!** Masses and an outdoor processional. **There will be a meeting this Tuesday, August 8 for anyone and everyone who wants to help with this event. 7:00PM in the Parish Life Center Library.**

Altar Linen Ministry will have a brief meeting on Sunday, August 13 at 9:00 AM in the old Parish Hall. If you are involved in this ministry then please make an effort to attend.

UPCOMING SOLEMNITY & HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION: Tuesday, August 15, the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary...Masses will be at 9:00AM, 12:00 PM and 6:30 PM.

Youth, Middle School, and High School students mark your calendars! September 23, 2017, we will be going to the Shrine of the Blessed Sacrament for the Youth Eucharistic Conference. The day starts at 10 and ends with a Concert from 7-8. The Vigil Mass will be celebrated with Bishop Baker. More info. next week.

PSR registration is open, please register now, so we can ensure your child has a book. Registration can be found here: <https://goo.gl/FdHpSU> Orientation is August 27, 2017 @ 9 AM. Parents need to attend this meeting with their children. Everyone meet in the Parish Hall.