

Saint Theresa of the Child Jesus Catholic Church

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Pope Francis' prayer intention for September: That our parishes, animated by a missionary spirit, may be places where faith is communicated and charity is seen.

FROM FATHER BEAN: I will be on Pilgrimage in Ireland later this month. This means I will be out of the parish from Friday, September 8 until Tuesday, September 26. I will remember all of you in my Masses and prayers on these days. The weekend Masses at St. Theresa will be covered by visiting priests from our Diocese. There will be no daily Masses during the weeks of September 10 and September 17. Bernadette and a group from our parish will be going on this pilgrimage as well. The Parish Office will be closed for the next two weeks. In case of emergency, please contact Deacon Sal at 577-0366.

Please make every effort to maintain a quiet and reverent attitude in the Church and the foyer. Remember that this is primarily a house of prayer. Be especially mindful before Mass when people are preparing for Mass and reciting the Holy Rosary. Please refrain from carrying on conversations in the pews before Mass. Fr. Bean has had many complaints about this...especially prior to the 10:30 AM Sunday Mass. Thanks!

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!

All youth of the parish are invited to attend the Youth Eucharistic Congress on September 23. We will be taking a charter bus to the Shrine of the Blessed Sacrament. Please let Mrs. Wadsworth (205-863-9920) know if you would like to go. Confirmation and Theology of the Body Students should plan to attend. This is going to be a wonderful event!

THE 2017 CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL: Pledge Sunday for this appeal is September 24. Our parish goal is \$36,000.00. The Bishop has set a Diocesan goal of \$4,305,000.00. Please be as generous as you can. Thank you!

THE SAINT THERESA FESTIVAL 2017! SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 10AM-4PM
The Festival will include 12 booths, 5 outdoor activities, 4 inside activities, live musical entertainment, and Mexican and American food stations. If you would like to participate or have a booth please contact the Facilities Committee by September 25 to secure space. What we really need are VOLUNTEERS to help with parking, set-up on Friday, and take down on late Saturday afternoon (after 4PM). A two-hour shift per volunteer is all the time you would be asked to serve. The Facilities Committee is: Mike Cockrane (369-4043), Paul Mitchell (914-7884), John Schnatz (594-4629) and Bill Watkins (919-0090).

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

- **FAITH FORMATION for children and youth is every Sunday at 9:00 AM in the Parish Life Center.**
- **BINGO is every first and third Friday. Doors open at 6:00 PM. Food and Fun!**
- **ADULT EDUCATION/RCIA: Every Sunday at 9:00 AM in the Parish Life Center Library. Everyone is invited. Bring a friend or neighbor who is interested in the faith. Daniel McCormick and Marcie Goforth will be teaching in Fr. Bean's absence. If you have any questions, please call Marcie at 699-9858.**

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:

- **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 Hall for 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.**
- **Saturday, October 14: OUTDOOR ROSARY at 12:00 noon in the back yard of the Rectory. Bring a lawn chair! God will hear us if we pray the Rosary for our world. St. Louis de Montfort said, "Public prayer is far more powerful than private prayer to appease the anger of God and call down His mercy and Holy Mother Church, guided by the Holy Spirit, has always advocated public prayer in times of public tragedy and suffering."**
- **Friday, November 3-Saturday, November 4: "24 Hour Rosary for Peace" Sign up in the foyer to spend time in the Church praying the Rosary. Our goal is to have someone in the Church praying for 24 hours straight: 3:00 PM on Friday until 3:00 PM on Saturday! Our Lady promised that peace would come if God's people would pray.**

Looking ahead:

Wednesday, October 25, 6:00 PM, Deacon Patrick Lappert, MD and Plastic Surgeon, will deliver a talk on "Transgenderism from a Catholic Surgeon's Perspective" Don't miss this important lecture!

Tuesday, November 7: "One Thing Eucharistic Adoration Event" is back by popular demand more information will follow later this month. Mark your calendar for this evening of prayer and inspiration!

The National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) is a gathering of High-school age youth from all over the United States. This event is an amazing experience for our young people. Eight teens from our parish would like to attend. It costs \$490 per person. Would you like to help sponsor one of our kids? If so, put a check in the regular offering at Mass and write NCYC on the memo line. May the Lord reward you!