

Saint Theresa of the Child Jesus Catholic Church

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October 1, 2017, OUR PATRONAL FEASTDAY!

Pope Francis' prayer intention for October: That all workers may receive the respect and protection of their rights, and that the unemployed may receive the opportunity to contribute to the common good.

Mass Intentions: September 30 (5:00PM): Bob Mickle, RIP, October 1 (8:00AM): Earle Leslie, RIP, (10:30): the people of the parish, October 3 (9:00AM): Glynn Brown, RIP, October 4 (9:00AM): Kathleen DePhillips, SI, October 5 (9:00AM): John Paul Archer, SI, October 6 (9:00AM): Virginia Hitechew, RIP

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 Goretti Group: All middle school and high school girls are invited to join the Goretti Group. We pray together, discuss the latest issues in our culture, and challenge ourselves to be strong, young women of God. Monday- October 2 6:30-8:30 Vacheresse House 1040 Montevallo Rd., Taco Dinner- homemade cookies and conversation. Topic - How to fit in at school as a devout Catholic girl. For more information please call Eileen Vacheresse at 205-335-9531

FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Following Mass this Friday, October 6. Exposition, Prayers to the Sacred Heart, Silent Prayer, Anointing of the Sick, Benediction. There will be a brief pause after Mass to allow those who are not staying for the prayer service to depart. When the Eucharist is exposed in the Monstrance all attention and due reverence should be given to our Lord's Real Presence on the altar. This means absolutely no talking when the Eucharist is exposed in the church and kneeling (if you are physically able) during the period of exposition.

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 (1:00PM) 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 Surgeon's Perspective*" Don't miss this important lecture which will consider the history of the "transgender" phenomenon, the scientific evidence for the existence of such a condition, and the moral and ethical problems of the use of medicine and surgery in the treatment of this condition. This topic is not suitable for children.

Tuesday, November 7, 6:30-8:30PM: "*One Thing Eucharistic Adoration Event*" is back by popular demand! Mark your calendar for this evening of prayer and inspiration! Please sign up to attend this event at www.spiritualdirection.com/events or call the parish office to get a seat. The church was full last time so don't wait until the last minute!

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!

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

- **FAITH FORMATION** for children and youth is every Sunday at 9:00 AM in the Parish Life Center. Questions? Please call Samantha at the Parish Office.
- **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. Questions? Please call Marcie at 699-9858.