Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time | July 30, 2023

Saint Theresa of the Child Jesus Catholic Church

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE UPCOMING WEEK

August 1st 12:00pm – Samantha and Joseph Keller (SI)

August 2nd 12:00pm – Carrie Hiller (SI)

August 3rd 12:00pm – Special Intention

August 4th 12:00pm – Katie and Dominic Paffumi (SI)

August 5th 12:00pm – Don Standifer (RIP) | 4:00pm – Margaret Goforth (RIP)

August 6th 8:00am – Clement Muck (RIP) | 10:30am – Jim Bannon (RIP)

HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS: Tuesday-Friday: 12:00pm | Saturday: 12:00pm and 4:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am, 10:30am, 2:00pm (Spanish)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Tuesday-Saturday 11:15am | Sunday 9:00am

HEALING SERVICE: Every Friday following Mass

WEDNESDAY ADORATION HOUR: Every Wednesday evening from 7:00pm to 8:00pm

HOLY ROSARY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY: Weekdays: Tuesday-Saturday 11:20am

Weekends: 4:00pm Saturday and Sunday, 30 minutes prior to Mass | 20 Decade Rosary: Wednesday 10:30am

FAITH FORMATION FOR CHILDREN & ADULTS: Will resume in September 2023!

LEGION OF MARY: 10:00am in Parish Life Center Library every Tuesday

FATHER BEAN'S BOOK CLUB: 10:00am in Martin Hall every Thursday

FLAME OF LOVE PRAYER CENACLE: 1:00pm every Tuesday, following Noon Mass

DEAD THEOLOGIAN'S SOCIETY: Will resume in September 2023!

PLEASE REMEMBER:

Jesus is truly present at every moment in the tabernacle. Please maintain a prayerful silence in the church at all times. Additionally, please turn off all cell phones that could cause a disruption during the liturgy. Finally, we remind you that the Sacrifice of the Mass is a representation of Our Lord at Calvary. Dress should be modest and uplift our eyes to God. Please dress accordingly. Shoulders, chests and backs should all be covered. Tight pants, shorts, and dresses above the knee are inappropriate. This should be done out of respect and reverence for God, and in order not to be a distraction to others during the Mass. Thank you!

COFFEE AND DONUTS

Every other week during the summer break, we will have coffee and donuts in the Parish Life Center following the 8:00am Sunday Mass.

For those members of our parish community who regularly attend the 10:30am Mass, please feel free to join us before Mass for fellowship, good coffee, and a donut. You will still have time to observe the hour fast before receiving Holy Communion and you will probably get a better seat in church! Hope to see you there!

Upcoming Dates: August 6 and August 20

If you would be able to help clean up, please write your information on the provided sign-up sheet in the foyer!

PSR TEACHERS NEEDED!!!

Our faith formation classes for children will begin in September 2023. We still need several teachers and assistants to volunteer.

If you can commit to an hour of teaching on Sunday mornings at 9:00am, please call Julie or the Church office!

HYMN TOUR | AUGUST 29, 2023 Harvest Arts Chamber Ensemble

St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Catholic Church August 29, 2023 | 7:00pm in the Church

YOUNG CATHOLIC PROFESSIONALS LAUNCH PARTY

Thursday, August 10 at 7:00pm at the Regions Field Diamonds Direct Ballroom

YCP is the nation's largest Catholic professional organization, with 30+ chapters from coast to coast, and the latest is coming to the Magic City in grand fashion. You won't want to miss out on this unforgettable night!

Our goal is to cast an unprecedented wide net to bring together young professionals from around the city who have never met before for networking, community, and connections with some of Birmingham's most inspiring seasoned professionals.

Complimentary drinks and appetizers will be provided, followed by a cash bar. There is no cost to register or attend the Launch Party, but registration is required! Just go to https://ycp.glueup.com/event/ycp-birmingham-launch-party-82438/

We're not just talking about people who typically go to Catholic social events or even attend Mass regularly (or ever) - if you're a baptized Catholic and are a professional in your 20s or 30s, we want you there! And of course, non-Catholics are welcome too!

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY TUESDAY, AUGUST 15

This is a Holy Day of Obligation!

Sacrament of Reconciliation – 11:15am Holy Sacrifice of the Mass – 12:00pm and 7:00pm

SECOND COLLECTION | AUGUST 4/5

From Bishop Raica: This fall, the Diocese of Birmingham will be blessed to have 19 men in formation for the priesthood. Between 2025 and 2028, we will be on track to ordain 11 men to the priesthood for our diocese... To meet the blessing the Lord has provided us presents a new challenge that will require a financial investment that will strain our current seminarian funds. The formation programs for our seminarians strengthen their relationship with Christ, deepen their love for the Church, and equip them to be effective missionary priests who love Christ. All in all, it is necessary for us to plan for a bright future of priestly ministry across our entire diocese. Think about how many more people can hear the Word of God proclaimed, how the visible signs of Christ through the sacraments touch those in need, and how each person can grow in discipleship and mission with Christ.

At present, the greater share of funding for seminarian formation comes from the Seminarian Education Fund, formerly known as the Burse Club. Along with some assistance from grants and our annual Catholic Charities and Communities Appeal, the Seminarian Education Fund also receives gifts, bequests, and general donations from parishes and parishioners to augment the funding of seminarian formation. This fall, we will need to boost that fund even more than ever. After consultation with the Finance Office and the Presbyteral Council, I am authorizing a second collection in all our parishes to raise the additional funds for the Seminarian Education Fund. Therefore, I am urging parishes to take up this appeal to aid this Fund for this coming year on the weekend of August 5 - 6, 2023, the weekend closest to the feast of St. John Vianney (August 4), the patron of parish priests and co-patron of our diocese. Through this appeal, I invite you to partner with our seminarians. With your help, we can sustain the vitality of the Seminarian Education Fund for the future.

Let us pray for the Lord of the Harvest to send workers into the vineyard, especially in Birmingham. May the harvest throughout the Diocese of Birmingham be abundant. I thank you in advance for your consideration of this special appeal. May our Lord reward your generosity.