

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time | October 23rd, 2022  
**Saint Theresa of the Child Jesus Catholic Church**

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**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE UPCOMING WEEK**

- October 25<sup>th</sup>** 12:00pm – Arleen Wong (RIP)
- October 26<sup>th</sup>** 12:00pm – Nick, Mary, & Chuck Jones (RIP)
- October 27<sup>th</sup>** 12:00pm – Erin Reardon (RIP)
- October 28<sup>th</sup>** 12:00pm – Hypolet Kurant (RIP)
- October 29<sup>th</sup>** 12:00pm – Donna Roberts (RIP)  
4:00pm – Marcie Goforth (RIP)
- October 30<sup>th</sup>** 8:00am – Arleen Wong (RIP)  
10:30am – Reverend Jim Naughton (RIP)

**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!

**HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS:** Tuesday-Friday, 12:00pm | Saturday, 12:00pm, 4:00pm  
Sunday, 8:00am, 10:30am, 2:00pm (Spanish)

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** Tuesday-Saturday 11:15am | Sunday 9:00am | Wednesday 5:30pm

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:** Following Mass for 30 minutes: Tuesday-Friday | Wednesday at 5:30pm

**HOLY ROSARY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY:** Weekdays: Tues-Friday 11:20am | Weekends: Saturday and Sunday, 30 minutes prior | 20 Decade Rosary: Wednesday 10:00am

**FAITH FORMATION FOR CHILDREN & ADULTS:** Sundays at 9:00am in the Parish Life Center

**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:** 1:30pm every Tuesday, following Mass and Adoration

**DEAD THEOLOGIAN'S SOCIETY:** Every other Wednesday at 6:00pm. Schedule on the back of the bulletin!

## ASK A CATHOLIC

**There is a basket located in the foyer, designated for questions about the Catholic Faith!**

**Ask any question, and answers from John Martignoni, Kym Fach, and Father Bean will appear here in the bulletin!**

**Q:** Why does the priest say Mass facing the tabernacle, instead of facing the congregation?

**A: (Part 2 of 3)** When the priest faces us or at least faces away from the Lord, it disorients the Mass and inverts it. The priest, in his posture, no longer leads the laity toward God. It orients the sacrifice and offering toward the creature instead of the Creator. Some people will say that Vatican II, Sacrosanctum Concilium, and the General Instruction of the Roman Missal do not allow for Ad Orientem worship because it excludes the laity from actively participating and praying the Mass. This is simply not true. The General Instruction of the Roman Missal - Movements and Posture: 42. "The gestures and posture of the priest, the deacon, and the ministers, as well as those of the people, ought to contribute to making the entire celebration resplendent with beauty and noble simplicity, so that the true and full meaning of the different parts of the celebration is evident and that the participation of all is fostered... A common posture, to be observed by all participants, is a sign of the unity of the members of the Christian community gathered for the sacred Liturgy: it both expresses and fosters the intention and spiritual attitude of the participants." (GIRM)

To be in union and to have a common posture means that everyone, including the priest, is in union facing the Lord in the same direction. Additionally, for The Eucharistic Prayer, the priest is to address God the Father, but addresses God facing away from Him? It is unusual to address anyone while not facing them, but instead facing others.

The Eucharistic Prayer: 78. Now the center and summit of the entire celebration begins: namely, the Eucharistic Prayer... The priest invites the people to lift up their hearts to the Lord in prayer and thanksgiving; he unites the congregation with himself in the prayer that he addresses in the name of the entire community to God the Father through Jesus Christ in the Holy Spirit. Furthermore, the meaning of the Prayer is that the entire congregation of the faithful should join itself with Christ in confessing the great deeds of God and in the offering of Sacrifice. The Eucharistic Prayer demands that all listen to it with reverence and in silence. (GIRM)

-Fr. Bean

### **HOLY LAND GIFTS - OLIVE WOOD CARVINGS FOR SALE NOVEMBER 12/13**

Holy Land Gifts, represented by the Rashmawi Family who are volunteer members from the Roman Catholic Church in Bethlehem, will be visiting our Parish the weekend of November 12/13 to sell their olive wood gifts to help relieve the dire Christian situation in the Holy Land. Their religious crafts are made in home workshops by Catholic families who make their day-to-day living by selling them to pilgrims and tourists that visit the holy sites and shrines. With the hostilities worsening in the Holy Land, Covid restrictions, and a lack of Christian pilgrims, the traditional workshops of Olivewood have sustained severe losses. Therefore, unemployment there is at an all-time high, around 90%. The Christian community relies on services offered to pilgrims as a main source of income for the community. Olive wood items and carvings are the only tangible products they can produce and export. The Catholics of the Holy Land graciously ask your support through prayers and the purchase of these special religious art pieces. Proceeds of the sales generate much-needed employment opportunities and monetary funds for 600 Catholic families in Bethlehem. Please consider these Gifts for your family, friends, and yourself and be as generous as God is to you.

### **Father Bean will be gone on pilgrimage from October 19<sup>th</sup> through 28<sup>th</sup>**

There will be no daily Mass, Confessions, Adoration, or book group on those days.

**There will be NO anticipated Mass at 4:00pm on  
October 22<sup>nd</sup> due to the Diocesan Family Festival  
taking place during that time.**

There will be a visiting priest here on October 23<sup>rd</sup> for the 8:00am, 10:30am, and 2:00pm Masses and 9:00am Confessions.

### **DEAD THEOLOGIAN'S SOCIETY**

DTS is for high schoolers and young adults. Meetings will be every other Wednesday at 6:00pm. Meet in the church for Eucharistic Adoration, and opportunity for confession, then convene in Martin Hall for a social gathering, meal, and lecture.

#### **Schedule:**

November 2<sup>nd</sup> | Venerable Matt Talbot  
-The Fall of Man

November 16<sup>th</sup> | Saint Therese of Lisieux  
-The Incarnation

**We will take a second collection for World Mission Sunday/Propagation of the Faith on the weekend of October 22/23!! There are envelopes by the collection baskets!**