

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe | November 20, 2022

Saint Theresa of the Child Jesus Catholic Church

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE UPCOMING WEEK

November 22nd 12:00pm – Arleen Wong (RIP)

November 23rd 12:00pm – Raymond and Patsy Rowan (RIP)

November 24th 12:00pm – Mona Lee (SI)

November 25th 12:00pm – Jessie Jeffery (RIP)

November 26th 12:00pm – Arleen Wong (RIP)
4:00pm – Donna Roberts (RIP)

November 27th 8:00am – Lennie Kurant (RIP)
10:30am – Christine White (SI)

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!

Q: Why do Catholics baptize infants?

A: Catholics baptize babies because of this thing called Original Sin. Scripture tells us that, "It is the Spirit that gives life, the flesh is of no avail," (John 6:63). When we are born, we are born into the flesh. But, because of Original Sin, the flesh is of no avail. Which means that when we are born, we are born outside of covenant with God due to the effects of Original Sin. In order to be saved, to have the opportunity to spend eternity in Heaven with God, we need to be in covenant with God. We need to be born into the Spirit. In the Old Testament, you were brought into covenant with God through circumcision (Genesis 17:9-13). The males were circumcised when they were 8-day old babies. The New Testament ritual which supersedes circumcision is Baptism. We see this connection between the two very clearly in Colossians 2:11-12. So, it is Baptism which brings us into covenant with God under the New Covenant. It is Baptism which saves us (1 Peter 3:20-21). It is Baptism, being "born again," or "being born of the Spirit," that gives us access to the Kingdom of Heaven (John 3:3-5). It is Baptism which makes us members of the Body of Christ (1 Corinthians 12:13; Galatians 3:27). And all of this is because through Baptism our sin - Original Sin and personal sin - is washed away and we receive the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:38; Acts 22:16; Titus 3:4-7).

So, we baptize babies because we love them and we want them to become members of the Body of Christ, to receive the Holy Spirit, have the stain of Original Sin washed away, have Heaven opened for them, and to come into covenant with God. Who wouldn't want that for their child? -JM

RCIA will not meet on November 27. Topic for November 20: Baptism, Confession, and Confirmation in the Bible.

HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Thanksgiving Day | Thursday, November 24th
Holy Mass - 9:00am

**Feast of the Immaculate Conception
(Holy Day of Obligation)** | Thursday, December 8th
Confession - 11:15am | Holy Mass - 12:00pm, 6:00pm

Our Lady of Guadalupe
Sunday, December 11th | Procession in honor of the
Blessed Mother - 1:30pm
Holy Mass - 2:00pm | Celebration in PLC following!
Monday, December 12th | Holy Mass - 12:00pm

The Nativity of the Lord
Saturday, December 24th | 4:00pm, 6:00pm (Spanish)
Sunday, December 25th | 12:00am, 10:00am

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
Saturday, December 31st - 4:00pm
Sunday, January 1st - 8:00am, 10:30am, 2:00pm

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.

November 30th | Saint Juan Diego

December 14th | Venerable Matt Talbot

The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday, November 24th and Friday, November 25th for the Holiday! There will be no book group on Thanksgiving!

**There are 2023 Calendars in the foyer of the church!
Please take one!**

24 HOURS OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Friday, November 25th to Saturday, November 26th
Starts at 1:00pm after Mass on Friday! Sign-up sheet in the foyer. There are still several spots open, please commit to spending an hour with Our Lord!

"I understand that, each time we contemplate with desire and devotion the Host in which is hidden Christ's Eucharistic Body, we increase our merits in heaven and secure special joys to be ours later in the beatific vision of God." - St. Gertrude the Great

The Smith Family has loaned us a collection of their relics. They will be on display for veneration following 12:00pm Mass on December 2nd until 12:00pm Mass on December 3rd.

Collection includes: St. Teresa of the Andes, St. Rita of Cascia, Sts. Cosmas and Damian, St. John of the Cross, St. Anthony of Padua, St. Rose of Lima, St. Damien of Molokai, St. Thomas Aquinas, St. Sebastian, St. Peregrine, St. Bridget, St. Dymphna, St. Gerard, Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, St. Padre Pio, St. Jude Thaddeus, St. Joseph, Portion of the Veil of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

If you say the Rosary faithfully until death, I do assure you that, in spite of the gravity of your sins you shall receive a never fading crown of glory. Even if you are on the brink of damnation, even if you have one foot in Hell, even if you have sold your soul to the devil as sorcerers do who practice black magic, and even if you are a heretic as obstinate as a devil, sooner or later you will be converted and will amend your life and save your soul, if—and mark well what I say—if you say the Holy Rosary devoutly every day until death for the purpose of knowing the truth and obtaining contrition and pardon for your sins. -Saint Louis de Montfort