

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time September 9, 2012

Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs to the kingdom? --- James 2:5

Today's Readings:

First Reading - Isaiah 35:4-7a

Psalm - Psalm 146

Second Reading - James 2:1-5

Gospel Reading - Mark 7:31-37



Pray for ... Betty/Harry Louque, Helen McDearman, Amy McManus, Kay Parker 9/9; Mary Alice Conn, Ester Mark, Joan Moran, Bob/Sara Gorrell 8/18; Griff Ellis, Doris Kemp, Betty Rooks, Bill/Linda Wilson 8/12; Ruth Beaudoin, Billy Copeland, Kenny/Laura Evans, Linda/James Fitzgerald, Robbie Graves, Will/Grace Jeadron, Joan Latham, Vaught Moody, Jane Natzke, Ted Opiela, Fr. Richard Somers, 8/5, Persons wanting to be added to the Prayer List need to complete the prayer request form and forward to the office - Names will stay on the Prayer List for one month.

PRAYER REQUEST FORM 2012

Date _____ By _____

Please pray for: _____

Is this a: New name _____ Renewal _____ (check one)

Please place in the collection basket or mail to the office.



Prayers for Safety for all service men and women at home and abroad, who give of their lives daily in order that we may enjoy our freedom: Preston Blocker, David Brooks, William Aaron Burks,

Michael P Collins, Nathan Darnell, Michael Jessie, Kimberly Johnson, Derek Lieding, Michael Machost, Jr., Steven P. Meadows, Nick Pendleton, James (Alec) Ponder, Nathan Waltman, Jeremy Walton, and Austin Whiteted. You may place a picture of the individual on the military bulletin board located in the parish hall.

Sacrificial Giving Last Weekend

Regular Tithe	\$5,217.76
"Take a Step" Capital Campaign	
To date: Received	\$86,496.00
117 pledges- 3 Year Pledged	\$202,400.00
Catholic University	\$93.00
Extension Society	\$102.00

Thank you for your generosity!



Come clean your church home!

**Saturday, September 22
8am - 1pm**

**See sign up in gathering space
for more information -
Supplies provided!**

Month of September "Our Lady of Sorrows"



MASS INTENTIONS & WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

NOTE CHANGES and/or ADDITIONS

Mass is held Monday- Friday, 7:30am at the Carmelite Monastery - all are invited.

Saturday, September 8 - The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

4:00pm Confession

5:00pm Mass - Bob and Angela Kruseski Anniversary Intention and Bob's Birthday Intention

Sunday, September 9 - 23rd Sunday Ordinary Time

8:00am Mass - People of the Parish

11:00am Mass - Veronica Womack Birthday Intention

1:00pm Vietnamese Mass with Bishop Latino

2:00pm Parish Hall in Use

Monday, September 10

NO MASS

6:00pm Knights of Columbus Rosary/Chapel

6:30pm Madonna Circle & Knights of Columbus joint meeting/Parish Hall

Tuesday, September 11

5:30pm Mass - Doris Kemp for Healing

6:10pm Rosary

6:30pm Prayer Meeting

Wednesday, September 12 - Most Holy Name of Mary

8:30am Mass - Jane Natzke for Healing

9:30am Adoration until 7pm - chapel

6:15pm Salt & Light - parish hall

Thursday, September 13 - St. John Chrysostom

***12Noon Mass - Pat Davenport 80th Birthday Intention

Friday, September 14 - The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

12Noon Mass - Extension Society Intention

Saturday, September 15 - Our Lady of Sorrows

4:00pm Confession

5:00pm Mass - Stanley and Mary Shavel

Sunday, September 16

24th Sunday Ordinary Time

ONE Sunday Mass at 10:00am

Peggy Huffman 101st Birthday Intention

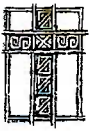
Diocesan Wide

175th Mass and Celebration

2:30pm Mass - Thalia Mara Hall

Jackson, MS

The Diocese of Jackson is looking to train any married couples from St. Therese Parish who would like to work with engaged couples of our parish for marriage preparation. Interested couples should contact the parish office 601-372-4481 or email: stheresec@yahoo.com. Training will be held Sunday, September 23.



SEARCH FOR CHRISTIAN MATURITY

What is Search?

Search is a weekend retreat offered to area high school **juniors** and **seniors**. The main goal of this retreat is to give youth a better understanding of themselves, their relationship with God, and how they are called by Baptism to be disciples of the Lord. We do ask that you discern those who wish to attend Search. Search is geared for those who wish to search for Christian maturity with other teens in a loving, caring and open atmosphere. **Search** is the youth version of **Cursillo**.

CATHOLIC SERVICE APPEAL 2012 UPDATE



The annual Catholic Service Appeal is a way for us to come together to support the ministries of our diocese and continue the long tradition of our Catholic Faith. To date **St. Therese** has currently pledged \$7305 with 46 donors, in 2011 we pledged \$7638 with 58 donors...we are \$333 to matching our 2011 pledge!

Thank you for your generosity!

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*"He makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.
He ordered them not to tell anyone."*

Mark 7:31-36

Jesus observed the needs and hurts of people. He helped them understand that their faith cured them of their afflictions and obsessions. He did not seek praise or rewards. He tried to prevent and avoid publicity. A simple "Thank you!" is all He expected, but sometimes did not receive. God has graciously and freely given each of us a vast array of gifts. When we use and enjoy them do we express our gratitude? When we share them with others, do we expect acknowledgment and praise? Do we want our left hand [and everybody else's hands] to know what our right hand has done? The truly generous person gives until it *helps*, not until it *hurts*, and does not seek recognition or reward, except the knowledge of having done what God expects. The true measure of our generosity is the good that we do for others that no one knows about - except God.

TurkeyFest T-SHIRT PRESALES BEGIN NEXT WEEKEND!

TurkeyFest is fast approaching!

This year we are celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Turkey Dinner begun in 1962 by our well loved Betty Farthing. We are again selling T-shirts. They will be navy blue with gold graphics. We will be pre-selling **NEXT WEEKEND** so please **be prepared to place your order in advance** so we can order enough. Thank you for your continued support and check the bulletin for ways you can help make this year as successful as ever.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AND MADONNA CIRCLE TO HOLD COMBINED MEETING

Monday, September 10th the Knights of Columbus and Madonna Circle will hold a combined meeting - **Rosary begins at 6:00pm in the chapel** followed by a **potluck meeting at 6:30pm in the parish hall.**

Congratulations and Birthday Blessings!!!

Pat Davenport - September 13
Happy 80th



Peggy Huffman
September 15
Happy 101

COFFEE & DONUT MINISTRY

Please consider taking **ONE** Sunday and hosting after the 8am or 11am Mass. See the ministry sign-up sheet located in the kitchen.



Please join us in praying for vocations through our Vocation Ministry and choose the week you will pray for vocations. Sign up in the gathering space on the Vocations Ministry board.



DAILY OR WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS

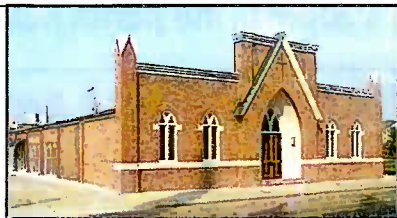


Honor a loved one with a Birthday, Anniversary or Healing Intention - Remember a loved one with a Memorial Mass Intention.

Email: stheresecc@yahoo.com or call the parish office 601-372-4481 to check available calendar dates. Requested Mass stipend is \$10.

Hospital or Nursing Home Notification for Church Office

Due to the "privacy act", hospitals and/or nursing homes, do not release a patient/individual's name or give any information. Please notify us if you/or a family member are planning surgery, other procedures or being admitted to a nursing home. In an emergency, a relative or friend should call us or ask the hospital/nursing home staff to notify your church family at 601-372-4481. We also need permission to list your name on the church bulletin prayer list. Email: stheresecc@yahoo.com.



St. Mary Basilica Parish and its pastor Reverend David O'Connor cordially invite you to the Grand Opening and Dedication of the Family Life Center on Sunday, the twenty-third of September, two thousand twelve, at three o'clock in the afternoon with the Most Reverend Joseph N. Latino, Bishop of the Diocese of Jackson

Extra Activities for September 22-23, 2012

Saturday, September 22, 9:00 am-4:30 pm
"Catholicism in the 21st Century"
Speaker: Gus Lloyd, Evangelist
Registration and Lunch: \$20.00

Sunday, September 23, 5:30-7:30 pm
A Program of Christian Music,
Teaching and Praying with/for Young People
Led by Josh Blakesley & His Band
Further information: 601-445-5616

TIGER "TID BITS"



St. Therese Catholic School



▶ **Registration continues for grades PreK-3 through 8th Grade** – registration packets are available in the school office. Come see what we have to offer (601-372-3323).

▶ **HELP OUR SCHOOL EARN FREE SUPPLIES!**

Every time you shop at Office Depot – remember to give St. Therese School ID#70058780 – our school will earn credits and will receive 5% back to School Programs.

▶ Parishioners are invited to visit the school at anytime and witness our Tigers in Action. Volunteers are always welcome – contact the school at 601-372-3323.

Mrs. Carol McWilliams, Principal



PLEASE REMEMBER OUR ST. THERESE FOOD PANTRY



When shopping and pick up a few extra items. Our FOOD PANTRY is in need of canned meat, fruit, vegetables, soups, peanut butter and jelly, etc. WE ASK THAT YOU TO PLEASE CHECK THE EXPIRATION DATE BEFORE DONATING. If you would rather make a donation to the Food Pantry instead, we will gladly go shopping for the food pantry for you! **THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS!**

PLEASE LET US KNOW

If you have recently joined our parish family, we ask you to please complete a Parish Registration form found in the gathering space (located in the basket on the first table on the right entering church) and forward to the parish office.

If you have **changed your phone number, moved, or have a new email address**, please take the time to let us know. **Our parish records are very important.**

All one needs to do is:

Email: stheresecc@yahoo.com,

Fax: 601-376-0094 or call: 601-372-4481
up-dated information today. **Thank you.**

With the recent computer conversion, we will be updating all of our parish records in the near future.

We ask each family to patiently assist us with this update. Thank you.

St. Therese Website - www.sttheresejackson.org

Visit our parish website. If you have suggestions about other information that should appear on our website, please notify Ben Mokry at bmokry@aol.com.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wed. - 9:30am-7:00pm

(Praying for Families)



**COME ... JESUS IS WAITING
JUST FOR YOU!**

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

will also be offered the **SECOND TUESDAY OF
EACH MONTH 6:30-7:30pm** following 5:30pm

MASS and 6:10pm ROSARY.

EVERYONE INVITED - Adoration will be offered
for one hour instead of Prayer Meeting every
Second Tuesday of each month.

FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

Parish School of Religion (PSR) classes will begin in September for youth **Pre-K5 - 6th Grade**. Registration forms will be available in the gathering space. The classes will be held weekly. Volunteers (Teachers/Catechists) are needed to help with this ministry. To learn more or register your child/children, please email Ingrid Piernas at iapiernas@gmail.com.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES BEGIN!

St. Therese will offer a Confirmation class beginning in September for youth interested in receiving the sacrament in May. To sign up for this class, you must be a **high school sophomore, junior, or senior or college-age young adult during the 2012-13 academic year**. The class will meet weekly at a day and time that are convenient for participants. To learn more, or to register for the class, email Jill Hisaw at jthisaw@gmail.com.



Adult Formation

INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT CATHOLIC FAITH? ► Do you

want to know more about the Catholic Faith? ► Do you have questions or know someone who is searching? ► Do you know someone whom you could invite to learn what it means to be Catholic? ► Have you or anyone you know drifted away from the practice of the Catholic faith??? St. Therese will be offering a class in the Catholic faith (**RCIA**) **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults** beginning in September. The class will meet weekly at a day and time that are convenient for participants. Those who choose to continue in the program will have the opportunity to join the Church at Easter. To learn more and/or to register for the program, please call the church office 601-372-4481, email the church sttheresecc@yahoo.com or email Jill Hisaw at jthisaw@gmail.com.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS...

Sunday, November 11, 2012

St. Therese TurkeyFest 50th Anniversary!

This 50th Anniversary year we are dedicating to the memory of Mrs. Betty Farthing, for her dedication as a friend, parishioner and cafeteria manager for many, many years. Our children were her 'heart' for all those years! Any items you want to donate can be brought to the **parish hall** (donation boxes available), with a note saying "**auction item**". If you have any questions feel free to call Mary Parker at 601-927-4333 or email her at mary.515@hotmail.com.

We need everyone's help and generous spirit to make this TurkeyFest the best ever!

Requesting TurkeyFest shirts from past years to donate for a special TurkeyFest 2012 project!

You will not receive your shirt back.

"All TurkeyFest shirts from past years should be **deposited in the basket in the gathering space by September 30th**. That will be the absolute last day we can receive them, we would love to have many more. Please check your homes for ones you would like to share with us. What we do with it is going to be '**REMARKABLE!**'

Listen and watch for all upcoming news about this wonderful event! It can't happen without **YOU.....** your participation and support. Make a special effort to be involved if your children attend St. Therese School - so you can truly experience the environment your children are growing up in.

**THIS IS YOUR PARISH - LET'S WATCH IT EVOLVE
EVEN MORE THAN IT EVER HAS.**

OPEN YOUR HEARTS!!!!

You can make it happen!

Thank you in advance for your assistance

Mary Parker, Coordinator

Veronica Womack, Co-Coordinator



Please remember in your prayers:

†**Austin Balser**, brother of retired diocesan priest Father Edward Balser and

Sr. Dorothy Ann Balser, SSND of Our Lady of the Pines, Chatawa, MS. Austin Balser passed away August 23rd in Baton Rouge, LA. Austin was 79 years old.

†**Mrs. Irene Monasky**, mother of Ms. Susan Sweet, pastoral minister of St. Francis of Assisi Church in Aberdeen, MS. Mrs. Monasky passed away August 14th in Mentor, OH. She was 93 years old.

†**Msgr. Joseph Koury**, a retired priest of the Diocese of Jackson, who died September 4th at St. Catherine Village in Madison, MS. Msgr. Koury was 89 years of age. Please keep the families in your prayers.

*May the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace.*